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Dear [REDACTED],

We hope you have enjoyed the summer season and making the most of your time with loved ones. As we bask in the warmth of August, we're excitedly preparing for an engaging fall ahead!

Project Backpack is now underway, and we're thrilled to continue honoring the 50th Anniversary with more trips down memory lane. We're also delighted to reintroduce you to Charlie, our Ambassador of Happiness, who continues to spread joy and positivity throughout the community.

Stay tuned for more updates and happenings. Your support of OAR is vital. Together, let's create a community where everyone can thrive.

Thank you for being a part of the journey.

- OAR Collective

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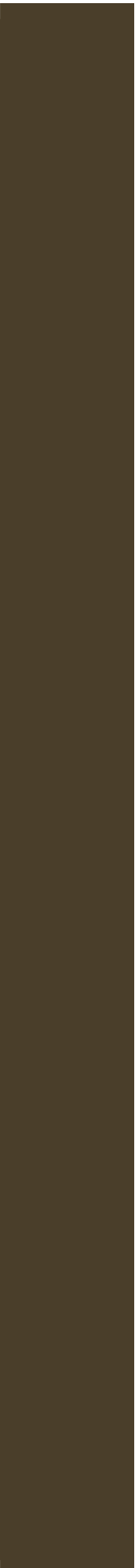
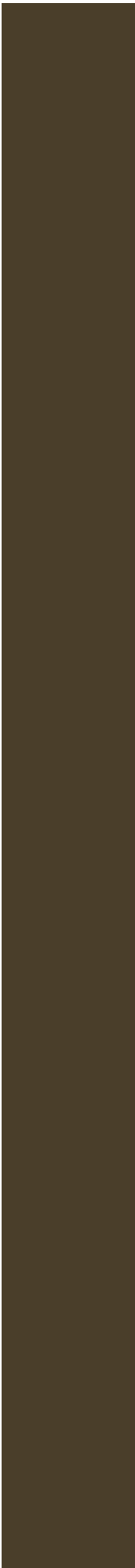


BLACK AUGUST



Black August is a month-long commemoration that honors Black freedom fighters and political prisoners, and highlights Black resistance to anti-Black state violence and oppression. It began in California prisons in the 1970s, and is observed throughout the month of August. [LEARN MORE](#)

MEET CHARLIE, OUR AMBASSADOR OF HAPPINESS



We're thrilled to have Charlie as a cherished member of the OAR Collective! His presence brings immense joy to everyone who visits us and wherever he goes. To spread even more happiness, we're excited to introduce **Charlie's Corner: Barks of Wisdom** in our newsletters and on social media. Stay tuned to see more of Charlie and the joy he brings!

DID YOU KNOW YOUR EMPLOYER MIGHT MATCH YOUR DONATION TO OAR?



If you've generously donated to OAR recently, take a moment to check if your employer offers a corporate matching gift program. Many companies match donations made by their employees to eligible nonprofits like ours, effectively doubling or even tripling the impact of your contribution! Ask your employer about how they support nonprofits like OAR.

Support Project Backpack



Help us provide back-to-school essentials for children and families impacted by incarceration. Project Backpack aims to strengthen family bonds and support those navigating the challenges of having a parent who is incarcerated or recently released.

[Donate to Project Backpack](#)

SHARE OAR'S MISSION WITH YOUR LOVED ONES



Every share counts! When you share our content, you're not just spreading awareness – you're helping us reach more people who can support the mission. Together, we can amplify our impact and make a positive difference in the community and beyond.


**HELP OAR EARN
THE 2024 BADGE!**



Your stories are invaluable in magnifying our impact within the community. GreatNonprofits, a prominent platform for nonprofit reviews, acknowledges exceptional organizations on their 2024 Top-Rated List. You can boost our visibility by sharing your experience with us! [CLICK HERE TO LEAVE A REVIEW](#)

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1. Make a monetary donation to OAR by clicking [here](#)
2. Donate [Target](#) and/or [Amazon](#) gift cards in increments of \$10 each for participants
3. Shop on our Amazon Wish List: [OAR's Amazon Wish List](#)
4. Donate through United Way designation #8078 (additional fees by UW are applied and come out of your donation)
5. Donate through CFC designation #26226 (additional fees by CFC are applied)
6. Give from your retirement accounts. Please use our legal name and EIN ID #54-1024562.
7. Add OAR to your will to have your legacy and love for OAR continue.
8. Host a fundraiser: On Facebook, for a special occasion. Reach out and we will walk you through it.
9. Follow us @OARJustice on our social media channels

MORE ABOUT OAR

OAR is a community-based nonprofit organization that envisions a safe & thriving community where those impacted by the legal system enjoy equal civil & human rights. Through our Upstream work, we are confronting & dismantling individual racism & racism in the legal system & across all systems. Our Downstream work allows us to be on the journey with individuals returning from incarceration & their families. We also offer alternative sentencing options (including community service) and diversion programs so people can avoid the trauma of incarceration & instead help the community thrive.

OAR is a collective, non-dominant, decolonizing, pro-Black, racially just, radically joyful, deeply loving, come as you are, liberated organization that puts participants first. We center authentic and fully engaged relationships with all members of the OAR community.

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