

## Press Release

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Rally for Diallo Neal, April 22, 2017

Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank Ogawa Plaza, 5-7pm

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Gilda Baker, along with Together We Stand and Open Circle will hold a rally asking for a complete unbiased investigation into the death of Diallo Neal.

Diallo Neal was killed in a motorcycle “accident” in October 2005 after being followed by California Highway Patrol. Five years passed before his mother, Gilda Baker, began to put together the pieces of her son's death. Eyewitnesses came forward saying that a CHP motorbike had shoved Diallo Neal, causing the fatal accident and then leaving the scene. A private investigator’s report revealed a number of issues including an inconsistent police narrative. Diallo Neal’s death was a homicide and an investigation needs to take place.

This rally is part of a National Call to Action in which individuals and organizations across the country will be participating in an email campaign to call for an investigation.

### Speakers:

Gilda Baker - Mother of Diallo Neal

Star Rollins - Diallo's partner

Antoinette Gaggero - Founder of Open Circle: Families United for Justice

Praveen Sinha - Open Circle - Families United for Justice

Sevgi Fernandez - Founder of Together We Stand

Dr. John P Fernandez - President of ARMCGlobal, author, former professor at Yale, NYU and Black Panther

La Mesha Irizarry - Idriss Stelley Foundation

Rebecca Ruiz Sunwoo - Idriss Stelley Foundation, Board Member

John Jones III - CURYJ- Communities United for Restorative Youth Justice, Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Executive Steering Committee for Prop 47.

Jabari Shaw - U.N.I.A. Panther Division

Oscar Salinas - James Nate Greer Coalition

Deana Abello- Director of The Greer Foundation

Gwen Barnes - Mother of Mario Woods

Laurie Valdez - Justice for Josiah

Dionne Smith - Mother of James Earl Rivera

Denise Friday - Mother of Colby Friday

Omnira Institute - Drumming Circle

**Case info links:** [http://togetherwestand.nationbuilder.com/diallo\\_neal](http://togetherwestand.nationbuilder.com/diallo_neal)

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