

## Justice Work at Oakland Peace Center

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A few weeks ago, after lunch, I packed up my camera gear in our office and headed downstairs to talk to Belinda. The community engagement site where I work is the Oakland Peace Center, which seeks to facilitate cross-pollination and cooperation between its more than 40 partner organization in the Bay Area. The wonderful thing about working at the Oakland Peace Center is that I have the opportunity to work with inspirational people every day.

Belinda is one of those people. She is the founder of a nonprofit called Project Darreis, which is housed in the same building as the Oakland Peace Center. Belinda founded the organization in memory of her son, who was shot and killed not far from our office. I had the opportunity a few weeks ago to sit down with Belinda and talk about the beginning of Project Darreis. This video is a result of that conversation.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hs58djWFnUw

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