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- STAND OUT!
- BELIEVE IN TRUTH!
- INVESTIGATE!
- EYE CONTACT!
- CONTRIBUTE!



I'll BE OUT HERE NO MATTER WHAT

THIS MOMENT IS THE MOMENT

GET ALIGNED! GET UP! FIGHT AGAIN!

RECOGNIZE that JAILS and PRISONS are COMMUNITIES
THEY NEED OUR HELP

WORKING WITH IMMIGRANTS

CREATING the PLAN

COLLECTIVE DREAMING COLLECTIVE ACTION

ELECTIONS are IMPORTANT

LIVELIHOODS are on the LINE

ORGANIZE! FIGHT!

PREPARE for the STORM!

CHOOSING CONNECTION OVER ISOLATION

WE LIFT OUR GAZE...

Thank You!

the VICTORY WILL LIE IN the BRIDGES WE MADE

MEXICAN FOLK JAROCHO



Hope

Grief

changing the world



We're going to DO SOMETHING!

STARTING an ORGANIZATION

KEYNOTE
Sheba Williams

I had to make a decision of how I show up...

to TALK about my JOURNEY I CHOSE to KEEP GOING



"I have SURVIVED THINGS that NO ONE SHOULD HAVE TO."

TO BE a ROLE MODEL for MY CHILDREN



I GOT MY DEGREE!

I WAS APPREHENDED

IT IMPACTED EVERYONE

TO SHOW UP for MY PEOPLE

WORKING ON POLICY

KICKING DOWN DOORS!



BRINGING PEOPLE HOME

WHEN ALL IS SAID and DONE, The LOVE will STILL BE HERE

FOR the IMPORTANT WORK AHEAD!

and ENERGY!

DREAMING about the KIND of VIRGINIA WE WANT to LIVE IN

"We are striving to forge our Union together..."

If only we are brave enough to see it!"

WE have the COLLECTIVE POWER

PREPARING for the DAY... with Joy and Positivity!!



DON'T FORGET to LAUGH!! (the BEST MEDICINE)

