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ABC7/KGO-TV SAN FRANCISCO PARTNERS WITH BLACK COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND ALLIES FOR A ONE-HOUR VIRTUAL TOWN HALL IN RESPONSE TO THE PROTESTS AND OUTRAGE OVER POLICE BRUTALITY AND SYSTEMIC RACISM AGAINST BLACK AMERICANS

**‘From Anger to Action: A Bay Area Conversation’ Airs
TODAY, Thursday, June 4 (4:00 P.M. PDT), Live on ABC7**

**Audience Members Are Invited to Participate With the Panel of Guests in Real Time Via the
[ABC7 Bay Area Facebook](#)**

ABC7/KGO-TV presents a one-hour virtual town hall, **“From Anger to Action: A Bay Area Conversation,”** in response to the protests and outrage over police brutality and systemic racism against black Americans. ABC7 continues to stand with black colleagues, viewers and every ally of the black community. The town hall is aimed to empower the community with expert advice, facts and vetted resources. The solution-based discussion is hosted by **ABC7 anchors Kumasi Aaron, Eric Thomas and anchor/reporter Jobina Fortson.**

ABC7’s panel represents a diverse range of voices, each of them working to help build a better Bay Area. They will answer questions live, giving the audience a chance to connect directly with community leaders, government, law enforcement and other allies of the local black community.

Viewers are encouraged to submit their questions to the panel in advance at facebook.com/abc7news, or LIVE via comments on the [ABC7 Bay Area Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

Panel members include the following:

- **Ersie Joyner**, retired captain, Oakland Police Department
- **Dr. Joe Marshall Jr.**, executive director, Alive & Free
- **Paul Henderson**, executive director, San Francisco Dept. of Police Accountability
- **Samuel Getachew**, Oakland Tech graduate; poet, writer, activist
- **LaNiece Jones**, executive director, BWOP (Black Women Organized for Political Action)

Questions from the public will be incorporated into the broadcast through a social media monitor in the studio, where ABC7 News hosts will be without a studio audience due to COVID-19 restrictions. The panel of experts will join the conversation live via a private Zoom conference.

“From Anger to Action: A Bay Area Conversation” will air LIVE on ABC7/KGO-TV, and viewers can also stream the town hall on abc7news.com, the [ABC7 News app](#), the [ABC7 News Bay Area YouTube channel](#) and Apple News.

About ABC7/KGO-TV San Francisco

Emmy® Award-winning station KGO-TV ABC7 is the San Francisco Bay Area’s source for breaking news, weather and live video. Widely recognized for its solution-based promise to help the Bay Area communities,

the station's initiative "Building a Better Bay Area" dedicates more time, resources and reporting to the issues that impact its viewers' quality of life. From the local economy and education, to health and safety, to issues impacting the environment, ABC7's focus is to bring greater perspective on the challenges currently facing neighborhoods. In addition to being the first station in the market to expand its weekday morning program to 4:30 a.m. in 2008 and their 11 p.m. weekend newscast to one hour in 2011, the station has consistently garnered Emmy nominations and wins for Overall Excellence/News Excellence, with one most recently awarded in 2019. KGO-TV is an ABC owned television station serving San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose and all of the greater Bay Area.

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