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MR. BERNAL:

My NAME IS SCOTT ARBEY (PFN: AVR987) AND I AM CURRENTLY INCARCERATED IN SANTA RITA COUNTY JAIL UNTIL AUGUST 2019. I WORK IN THE KITCHEN ON THE SANDWICH LINE AND I AM HOUSED IN UNIT 31 WEST (INMATE WORKER'S DORM) LOWER A POD.

A FEW INMATES, INCLUDING MYSELF, RECENTLY READ AN ARTICLE YOU WROTE THAT RAN IN THE EAST BAY TIMES EARLIER THIS YEAR PERTAINING TO THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (ACSO) AND THE \$143 MILLION BUDGET INCREASE THIS YEAR ~~MAKING~~ MAKING THE BUDGET TOTAL \$443 MILLION FOR THE 2019 YEAR. ALSO IN THE ARTICLE YOU TOUCHED ON CIVIL INJUSTICES PERPETRATED BY THE ACSO INVOLVING TREATMENT OF INMATES AND VIDEO INTERVIEWS WITH MINORS. THIS INFO GOT US INMATES THINKING ABOUT THE CIVIL INJUSTICES WE ARE EXPERIENCING AND ARE FORCED TO LIVE THROUGH ON A DAILY BASIS AS WELL AS THE ~~THE~~ UNSANITARY CONDITIONS IN THE KITCHEN WHERE WE MAKE WELL OVER 20,000 MEALS PER DAY FOR NOT ONLY ALAMEDA COUNTY (SANTA RITA JAIL AND NORTH COUNTY JAIL) BUT OUTSIDE CONTRACTS FOR AMADOR COUNTY, SAN

JOAQUIN COUNTY, ^{AND} SAN BENITO COUNTY. WE FIND RODENTS AND THEIR FECEES ON AND IN FOOD WE SERVE TO THOUSANDS OF INMATES. WE HAVE TO SEARCH THROUGH SEVERAL FOOD TRAYS BEFORE WE FIND ONE THAT IS CLEAN ENOUGH FOR US TO GET OUR MEAL SERVED ON BUT THESE ARE TRAYS THAT ARE "CLEAN ENOUGH" TO SERVE THE REST OF THE JAIL'S INMATES FOOD ON. THE INMATE RESTROOM IS NOT KEPT UP BY THE ACSO AND THE URINALS OVERFLOW AND THE TOILETS LEAK PRODUCING FECAL MATTER ON THE FLOOR THAT WE ARE FORCED TO WALK THROUGH IF WE NEED TO USE THE TOILETS AND THEN GO BACK TO WORK ON "SANTARY" FOOD ASSEMBLY LINES AND CONTINUE SERVING AND PREPARING TRAYS.

INSIDE THE HOUSING UNIT IS NOT SO GOOD EITHER. INMATES WHO RECEIVE MEDICATIONS SOMETIMES DO NOT GET THEM DUE TO IRREGULAR PILL CALL TIMES (SOME INMATES ARE AT WORK OR AT COURT WHENEVER THE MED TECH DOES COME IN). THE DEPUTIES DO NOT DO MAIL CALL M-F REGULARLY SOMETIMES THEY DON'T DO IT AT ALL (EXCLUDING FED. HOLIDAYS)

AND THERE IS MORE TO TELL. I HAVE
COMPILED A LIST OF CURRENT INMATES
HOUSED IN SANTA RITA COUNTY JAIL
WHO ARE WILLING TO GIVE YOU INFO
ON THESE ISSUES AND MORE. WE
WOULD LIKE TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS
FOR FEAR OF RETRIBUTION BY THE
ACSO BUT WE FEEL THAT THIS INFO
SHOULD BE PUBLISHED AND POSSIBLY
FILE CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT(S)
AGAINST THE ACSO AND WE HOPE
YOU CAN HELP US OUT.

YOU CAN WRITE ME BACK IN
HERE OR COME VISIT ME ON
WEDNESDAYS OR SUNDAYS BY GOING
ONLINE AND SCHEDULING A VISIT.

THANK YOU,
Scott Abbey

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