

# JUNE 2025 EVENTS



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## ACTOR JONATHAN JOSS SHOT DEAD IN HOMOPHOBIC ATTACK – 6/1/25

Jonathan Joss, the gay Native American actor on “King of the Hill” who voiced John Redcorn, and performed the role of Chief Ken Hotate in Parks and Recreation, died in a shooting on Sunday.

San Antonio officers were dispatched to a shooting in progress at a home on Sunday night around 7 p.m. When they arrived at the scene, they found Joss near the road after he was shot multiple times. The officers attempted life-saving measures until medics arrived, but Joss was pronounced dead at the scene. The shooter fled in a vehicle but was detained by officers a block away and booked for murder. The investigation is still ongoing.

In a statement on Joss’ Facebook page, the actor’s husband, Tristan Kern de Gonzales wrote, “My husband Jonathan Joss and I were involved in a shooting while checking the mail at the site of our former home. That home was burned down after over two years of threats from people in the area who repeatedly told us they would set it on fire. We reported these threats to law enforcement multiple times and nothing was done,” de Gonzales wrote. “Throughout that time we were harassed regularly by individuals who made it clear they did not accept our relationship. Much of the harassment was openly homophobic. When we returned to the site to check our mail we discovered the skull of one of our dogs and its harness placed in clear view. This caused both of us severe emotional distress. We began yelling and crying in response to the pain of what we saw. While we were doing this a man approached us. He started yelling violent homophobic slurs at us. He then raised a gun from his lap and fired. Jonathan and I had no weapons. We were not threatening anyone. We were grieving. We were standing side by side. When the man fired Jonathan pushed me out of the way. He saved my life.”

Joss voiced John Redcorn from Season 2 through Season 13 of “King of the Hill” and already recorded lines for the upcoming revival of the popular animated series. Joss took over the role from original actor Victor Aaron after he died in 1996 in a car accident.

Joss had Comanche and White Mountain Apache ancestry.

## HEAD OF FEMA SAYS HE WAS UNAWARE OF US HURRICANE SEASON – 6/2/25

David Richardson, who has led FEMA since early May, said during a briefing that he was not aware the country has a hurricane season.

It was not clear to staff whether he meant it literally, as a joke, or in some other context.

## US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCES JUNE WILL NOW BE TITLE IX MONTH – 6/2/25

The U.S. Department of Education published an official statement on Monday.

The statement reads, "The U.S. Department of Education (the Department) today announced that it is recognizing June as 'Title IX Month' in honor of the fifty-third anniversary of Title IX of the Educational Amendments (1972) being signed into law. June will now be dedicated to commemorating women and celebrating their struggle for, and achievement of, equal educational opportunity. Throughout the month, the Department will highlight actions taken to reverse the Biden Administration's legacy of undermining Title IX and announce additional actions to protect women in line with the true purpose of Title IX."

This is an attempt to negate Pride Month and seemingly promote women while emphasizing the government's desire to remove trans women from any spaces considered "female-only intimate and communal spaces".

#### ICE IN PUERTO RICO RECEIVING TIPS BASED ON REVENGE OR COMPETITION -6/2/25

NPR interviewed Rebecca González-Ramos, the Special Agent in Charge of Homeland Security Investigations in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands last week. To date ICE agents in Puerto Rico have arrested close to 500 immigrants for deportation in the four months since Trump returned to power. Fewer than 80 had criminal records, and among those who did, the single charge most had faced was for re-entering the United States after a prior deportation. Three-quarters of those arrested have been Dominican nationals.

During this interview, she was asked about their operation at La Concha Hotel in early May, in which 53 Dominican construction workers were arrested.

González-Ramos responded that "There was intelligence. And we moved forward with it. As part of all of our business inspections, we get a lot of intelligence from competitors, people that, you know, might have bid for that same contract and know that the individual that actually won the bid can do it because he's paying his workers less. A lot of revenge. I'm not saying that's what happened here. That's just an example."

When asked if people were now reporting people they just don't like, she stated that "Yeah, we didn't used to get that. Now, I want to say we get around 10 to 12 calls a day in our communications center, and maybe five of those are immigration related. There's always somebody that it's like, there's a neighbor that they don't get along with, or an ex-husband, ex-wife, ex-boyfriend, ex-girlfriend."

When asked if her agents check out those tips as well, she went on to say that "Yeah, it's added to the leads. And if it's a valid lead, we'll move forward on it. Everything that comes through the tip line in regards to immigration, it's going to be a priority."

NPR went on to ask "Do you recognize the fear, the terror, that the people and communities that you're targeting for deportation feel?"

To which her response was "I can definitely see where they can be concerned and worried. It's a change in somebody's life. But I don't see a reason for them to be scared or live in fear, because the message is very simple. If you do not have a status in the United States, you have to leave. They're not going to be mistreated. They have mechanisms to leave on their own. I see how they can be concerned. But afraid? Or to live in fear? I don't see a reason for that."

#### ISRAELI SOLDIERS OPEN FIRE AT GAZA AID SITE, 27 KILLED – 6/3/25

Israeli soldiers opened fire Tuesday morning at crowds of Palestinians walking toward a new food distribution site in southern Gaza. The Red Cross and Gaza health ministry said at least 27 people had been killed.

The Israeli military claimed its forces had fired near "a few" people who had strayed from the designated route to the site and who did not respond to warning shots. The statement called them "suspects" and said they had "posed a threat" to soldiers.

It was the second such shooting in three days near the same site in the city of Rafah, where thousands of desperate and hungry Palestinians have been coming early each day in hopes of securing food.

Aid agencies say Gaza faces the threat of widespread starvation in the wake of the 80-day Israeli blockade on food deliveries that ended in mid-May.

#### GRETA THUNBERG ON GAZA FLOTILLA CARRYING SUPPLIES – 6/3/25

Greta Thunberg and 11 other activists left Sicily on Sunday, carrying urgent supplies for besieged and starving Palestinians on The *Madleen*, a boat organized by the Freedom Flotilla Coalition (FFC).

The aid includes baby formula, flour, rice, diapers, women’s sanitary products, water desalination kits, medical supplies, crutches, and children’s prosthetics.

“We cannot sit by and allow this to happen. We are watching... a genocide happening, following decades and decades of systematic oppression, ethnic cleansing, occupation,” said Thunberg.

“We are just human beings, very concerned about what’s happening, and do not accept what is going on.”

Last month, another vessel organized by the FFC, the Conscience, failed to complete its journey after being struck by two drones near Maltese waters.

In response to the news, Lindsey Graham, the US senator, wrote on X: “Hope Greta and her friends can swim!”

#### HOUSE REPUBLICANS RUSHED TO APPROVE BILL THEY DIDN’T READ, AND ARE STARTING TO REGRET IT – 6/4/25

House Republicans raced to advance their domestic policy megabill, a bill that House Speaker Mike Johnson and his leadership team worked on in the middle of the night, changing the reconciliation package repeatedly in response to private backroom deals.

Republican leaders deliberately rushed the bill onto the floor for a vote before members could read it. Republicans blindly followed their leadership and the proposal passed the chamber by one vote.

It was only after the vote that members started to learn what was in the bill they voted for, many members having to be informed of the bill’s provisions by their constituents. They started admitting that they hadn’t read it; and they started raising objections to some of the provisions that they never bothered to read.

Last week, Republican Rep. Mike Flood held a town hall meeting with constituents in his Nebraska district. When he was asked about a provision in the bill that would prevent judges from holding litigants who defy court orders in contempt, he conceded that this policy was misguided, and that he didn’t know it was in the bill he voted for.

Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene admitted to not reading the bill and wrote on X that she would not have backed the legislation had she known it would block states from passing laws to regulate artificial intelligence for 10 years. She called on the Senate to remove the provision.

#### 19 COMPANIES PULLING BACK THEIR SUPPORT FOR PRIDE – 6/4/25

Popular Information has reported on 19 companies have ended their support of Pride parades, in whole or in part, this year. Many of these companies had previously published stating that they were proud to celebrateGBTQA+ Pride month, but in addition to no longer supporting Pride parades, they have noticeably not posted anything regarding Pride month.

The pullout of corporate sponsors has left many events short on cash. NYC Pride faces a \$750,000 budget gap. Pride parades in San Francisco and Kansas City are each about \$200,000 short. Smaller parades are faring even worse. Eve Keller, co-president of USA Prides, a network of parade organizations, said that "rural Prides are down 70% to 90% when compared to the average year."

- Lowe's –In 2025, Lowe's ended its participation in surveys conducted by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), the nation's largest LGBTQ organization. Lowe's ended an employee resource group for LGBTQ employees as well as ending its sponsorship of Pride parades. A Lowe's spokesperson said the company "will continue to strive to cultivate a workplace that reflects the customers and communities where we operate and where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and respected."
- Dyson - In 2024, Dyson sponsored Chicago Pride. Dyson also celebrated participating in Pride events in Chicago, Toronto, and Mexico City in a post on LinkedIn. This year, Dyson is no longer listed as a sponsor on the Chicago Pride website. Dyson did not respond to a request for comment.
- Nivea - Last year, Nivea sponsored the Pride parade in Chicago. But this year, Nivea is not listed as a sponsor on the Chicago Pride website. In response to a request for comment, Nivea said that the company "believe[s] everyone deserves to feel seen, supported, and proud of who they are every day." The company said that while it is not sponsoring Pride Chicago this year, it is still sponsoring Pride in the Park in Connecticut and PFLAG'S National Convention in Chicago in October.
- Tiffany & Co. - Tiffany & Co. sponsored multiple Pride events last year, including events in Chicago and Los Angeles. But Tiffany & Co. is no longer listed as a sponsor for Pride in either Chicago or Los Angeles. Tiffany & Co. did not respond to a request for comment.
- Toyota - In 2024, Toyota was a sponsor of Los Angeles Pride. But in October, the company announced that it would "halt sponsorship of LGBTQ events," according to a memo obtained by Bloomberg. According to LA Pride organizers, Toyota did not "renew a three-year deal that had expired." Toyota did not respond to a request for comment.
- Capital One - In 2024, the Capital One Café sponsored Miami Beach Pride. But Capital One Café is not listed as a sponsor for Miami Beach Pride this year. Capital One did not respond to a request for comment.
- UPS - In 2024, UPS sponsored Atlanta Pride. But this year, UPS is not listed as a sponsor for Atlanta Pride. UPS did not respond to a request for comment.
- Disney - In 2024, Disney sponsored Long Beach Pride in California. But this year, the company is not listed as a sponsor of Long Beach Pride. (Disney cast members did participate.) Disney did not respond to a request for comment.
- DoorDash - In 2024, DoorDash sponsored Long Beach Pride. But DoorDash is absent from the list of this year's Long Beach Pride's corporate sponsors. DoorDash did not respond to a request for comment.
- Live Nation - Live Nation sponsored Los Angeles Pride in 2024. But this year, Live Nation is no longer listed as a sponsor of Los Angeles Pride. Live Nation did not respond to a request for comment.
- Anheuser-Busch - Anheuser-Busch, which makes Budweiser beer, has withdrawn its support from Pride festivals in San Francisco and St. Louis. In St. Louis, where the company is based, Pride organizers said that

losing Anheuser-Busch's support after working with them for 30 years left the festival short of \$150,000. Organizers of Columbus, Ohio's Pride festival have also said Anheuser-Busch will not sponsor their event this year.

- Diageo - Diageo, a beverage company that makes products like Guinness, withdrew support from San Francisco Pride, but told NPR that it still plans to support a Pride festival in Long Beach, California. Last year, Diageo said that "Pride month is a wonderful way to celebrate the community as well as recognising the steps still required to ensure that acceptance is everywhere."
- PepsiCo - While PepsiCo will still sponsor a smaller Pride festival in California, it has dropped out of sponsoring New York City's Pride festival. At the start of Pride Month in 2023, PepsiCo posted on X, "We're proud of our employees who bring their whole selves to work + we're committed to fostering a workplace where everyone has a voice + equal opportunity to achieve their full potential."
- Nissan - Nissan has also withdrawn support from New York City's Pride, saying that it is currently reviewing all of its marketing efforts, according to the Wall Street Journal.
- PricewaterhouseCoopers - In addition to Nissan and PepsiCo, consulting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) has stopped sponsoring New York City's Pride.
- Citi - New York City's Pride has also lost the support of Citi, despite the fact that the financial services company has previously said that it supports the LGBTQ community.
- Mastercard - After working with Heritage of Pride, the nonprofit that has organized New York City's Pride march for a decade, Mastercard will not rejoin the festival as a corporate sponsor this year — although it will still "participate" in Pride events, according to the Wall Street Journal. The company will also sponsor Miami Beach Pride. A Mastercard spokesperson told the WSJ that "Mastercard is a longstanding supporter of the many communities of which our employees are members, including the LGBTQIA+ community globally."
- Booz Allen Hamilton - Consulting firm Booz Allen Hamilton is no longer sponsoring Washington, D.C.'s Pride festival, a decision the company said it made to comply with "recently issued presidential executive orders." Previously, Booz Allen Hamilton was a vocal supporter of LGBTQ issues.
- Deloitte - Deloitte has also stopped sponsoring D.C.'s Pride. But the company's website calls for active support of LGBTQ people: "We believe the power of 'allyship' is a critical element of LGBT+ diversity, whereby our people support the rights and wellbeing of their LGBT+ colleagues. Allyship isn't just passive support, but part of our everyday actions - visibly and vocally supporting LGBT+ people inside and outside of Deloitte."

## TRUMP ANNOUNCES TRAVEL BAN/RESTRICTIONS FOR 19 COUNTRIES – 6/4/25

Trump signed a proclamation Wednesday banning nationals from a dozen countries from entering the United States and establishing travel restrictions for seven more.

"As President, I must act to protect the national security and national interest of the United States and its people. I remain committed to engaging with those countries willing to cooperate to improve information-sharing and

identity-management procedures, and to address both terrorism-related and public-safety risks," the proclamation read.

The proclamation went on to say that "Persons admitted on immigrant visas become lawful permanent residents of the United States. Such persons may present national security or public-safety concerns that may be distinct from those admitted as nonimmigrants. The United States affords lawful permanent residents more enduring rights than it does to nonimmigrants. Lawful permanent residents are more difficult to remove than nonimmigrants, even after national security concerns arise, which increases the costs and aggravates the dangers of errors associated with admitting such individuals."

Nationals from Afghanistan, Myanmar, Chad, Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Haiti, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen will be barred from entering the United States.

According to the proclamation, several of the countries on the list regularly declined to accept the return of their nationals or had high visa overstay rates.

Burundi, Cuba, Laos, Sierra Leone, Togo, Turkmenistan and Venezuela came under partial travel restrictions. Nationals from these countries cannot come to the United States permanently or get tourist or student visas.

The proclamation includes exemptions for any lawful permanent resident of the United States, recipients of Afghan Special Immigrant Visas, diplomatic visas, immediate family member immigrant visas and visas "for ethnic and religious minorities in Iran." It also included exceptions for adoptions, dual nationals traveling on passports from unrestricted countries and athlete or members of athletic teams traveling to the country for the World Cup or the Olympics.

The travel restrictions are set to go into effect at 12:01 a.m. ET Monday.

## 22-YEAR-OLD HEADING CENTER FOR PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND PARTNERSHIPS AT THE DHS – 6/5/25

22-year-old Thomas Fugate is currently heading up the Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships at the DHS.

Fugate was reportedly hired as a "special assistant" in an immigration office at the DHS in February before taking over CP3 after its previous director quit.

"Tom Fugate has performed well in his current role as a Confidential Assistant in our Immigration & Border Security suboffice," a senior DHS official told The Daily Beast. "Due to his success, he has been temporarily given additional leadership responsibilities in the Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships office (CP3). This is a credit to his work ethic and success on the job."

The center, also known as CP3, plays a vital role supporting nationwide efforts to combat terrorism and hate-fueled violence.

Prior to February, Fugate worked as a self-employed 'Landscape Business Owner' in 2020, and in a grocery store as recently as August 2023.

Since leaving college, where he received a bachelor's degree in Politics and Law, Fugate helped with Trump's 2024 campaign and interned at the Heritage Foundation, the think tank behind Project 2025, and for Texas Representatives Terry Wilson and Steve Allison.

## MUSK AND TRUMP FEUDING – 6/6/25

Musk and Trump have been publicly feuding for the past several days.

Their dispute began days ago over the president's signature domestic policy bill, which Musk had panned as a "disgusting abomination."

On Thursday Musk slammed Trump for "ingratitude" over the 2024 election, agreeing with a call for his impeachment, knocking the president's signature legislation and even claiming Trump was in the Epstein files. Later, he reposted a comment calling for Trump to be impeached and replaced by Vice President Vance. "Yes," Musk wrote in response.

Trump countered with his own posts saying that "Elon was 'wearing thin,' I asked him to leave, I took away his EV Mandate that forced everyone to buy Electric Cars that nobody else wanted (that he knew for months I was going to do!), and he just went CRAZY!"

Trump also said the "easiest way to save money" would be to "terminate Elon's governmental subsidies and contracts."

Trump on Friday also called Elon Musk "the man who has lost his mind" and told ABC News that he is "not particularly" interested in talking to him about their feud.

According to sources, Musk and Trump have not spoken as of Thursday morning.

## DHS MEMO DETAILS USE OF REQUESTED NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS – 6/6/25

NPR reports that National Guard troops would be used in immigration-enforcement activities, including in "night operations and rural interdiction," as well as "guard duty and riot control" inside detention facilities, according to a memo from the Department of Homeland Security obtained by NPR.

DHS officials requested 20,000 National Guard troops three weeks ago, but the memo details what duties those troops would be asked to perform. The memo, dated May 9, from Andrew Whitaker, the executive secretary at DHS, says the department will need up to 3,500 Guard personnel for its requirement to "Attempt to Locate — Fugitives." Another 2,500 Guard soldiers would be needed for detention support, up to 10,000 troops would be needed for transportation support, including "intra-and inter state transport of detainees/unaccompanied alien children," and another 1,000 troops would be used for such duties as document translation and interview assistance.

The Pentagon has not yet approved the request.

## 2 WHITE NAZI MALES, EX-MILITARY, CAUGHT IN BASE ROBBERY – 6/5/25

Levi Austin Frakes and Charles Ethan Fields were arrested in Washington state with an arsenal that included dozens of guns, explosives and body armor, along with Nazi paraphernalia. The two were former military members

who attacked a soldier with a hammer while stealing gear from Joint Base Lewis-McChord last weekend, investigators say. The men had access to the base because they were veterans.

The pair had been stealing equipment from the base for the past two years to sell or trade, and agents found about \$24,000 in cash at the home, as well as “numerous Nazi/white supremacy memorabilia, murals, and literature in every bedroom and near several stockpiles of weapons and military equipment.”

The two have a company called Sovereign Solutions, which features an "SS" logo with the letters separated by a lightning bolt. The website advertises "Quality Training and Equipment for the Modern Warfighter," including marksmanship classes, as well as T-shirts with the company logo and the words "Professional War Crime Committer."

The two were caught while attempting to steal about \$14,000 worth of body armor, ballistic helmets and communications equipment Sunday, most of which they left behind as they fled. They were confronted by a soldier who they then attacked with a hammer and a knife before fleeing.

During the fight, one of the men dropped his hat. It said "Fields" on the inside. Using base entry logs and surveillance video, investigators determined that Fields and Frakes had entered Lewis-McChord together about an hour before the attack, investigators said.

## TRUMP THREATENS TO PULL FEDERAL FUNDING TO CALIFORNIA, GOVERNOR RETALIATES – 6/6/25

Following a CNN report stating the Trump administration is preparing to cancel a significant portion of federal funding allocated to California, California Governor Gavin Newsom threatened to stop paying billions of dollars in taxes to the federal government.

“Californians pay the bills for the federal government. We pay over \$80 billion more in taxes than we get back,” Newsom wrote in a post on X. “Maybe it’s time to cut that off, @realDonaldTrump.”

## PROTESTS AGAINST ICE IN LOS ANGELES – 6/6/25

On Friday, ICE conducted three immigration raids in Los Angeles.

Around 3 p.m, ICE Agents appeared at an Ambiance Apparel location in the Fashion District near downtown Los Angeles. A crowd gathered to protest the raid.

Dozens of federal agents arrived in riot gear to disperse the crowd and clear a path for two white passenger vans leaving the area. Two dozen people were seen being loaded into unmarked white SUVs and taken away from the scene.

Protesters attempted to stop one of the SUVs from leaving the location. One protester who was pounding on the hood of the SUV was knocked to the ground and partially run over by the driver, who then reversed and sped away. Their condition is unknown.

FBI and Department of Homeland Security officials were spotted at the raid. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, which is part of HSI, declined to comment on any activity in the area, while the FBI confirmed it was participating in an HSI operation.

The Los Angeles Police Department said it was not aiding with the raids, which is in line with L.A.'s "sanctuary city" guidelines which prohibits city agencies from cooperating with ICE operations. But activists accused LAPD of indirectly or directly assisting by setting up a perimeter around the law enforcement scene.

ICE operations took place at a second Ambiance Apparel location in downtown Los Angeles, as well as at a Home Depot store in the Westlake District.

Later in the afternoon, protesters gathered outside the Los Angeles Federal Building, where undocumented immigrants seized by ICE after attending their check-in appointments in the building were being held in the basement, in small rooms without beds or adequate food or water.

Officers from the Department of Homeland Security fired pepper balls at the protesters before the Los Angeles Police Department dispersed the crowd. More than 100 people were arrested on Friday, according to the U.S. attorney's office.

### PROTESTS AGAINST ICE IN LOS ANGELES – 6/7/25

On Saturday morning, protestors gathered in Paramount, a small city about 20 miles south of downtown Los Angeles, on news that ICE planned to raid a Home Depot in the area.

According to Mayor Karen Bass and reports from the scene, there was no raid planned, the building was actually a staging area for federal resources.

Protesters kicked and threw objects at law enforcement vehicles, while officers deployed tear gas.

Protests continued throughout the day. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department ordered protesters to disperse, warning that they would face arrest or use of force if they did not. Officers shot tear gas canisters into the crowd.

At about 6 p.m., Trump signed a memo ordering 2,000 National Guard members to Los Angeles to protect federal officers conducting immigration operations, over the objections of California Gov. Gavin Newsom and Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass.

As night fell, protesters and the Sheriff's Department continued to clash in Compton. Officers shot flash-bang grenades and rubber bullets at the protesters, who police claim threw rocks, glass bottles and fireworks at the officers.

In the evening, the Los Angeles Police Department declared an unlawful assembly for a block in downtown Los Angeles that included the Metropolitan Detention Center, a site of protests over the past two days. Officials ordered protesters to disperse.

### NATIONAL GUARD ARRIVES IN LA – 6/8/25

Roughly 20 California National Guard troops arrived outside the Metropolitan Detention Center on Sunday morning, while the rest of downtown Los Angeles was largely quiet. Roads near the center and other federal buildings were closed.

Trump took credit on social media for shutting down the protests by sending in the National Guard, however ABC News and other sources were able to verify that the protests had quieted prior to the National Guard arriving.

At least three protests were being held in the city on Sunday, according to police, who said that all were peaceful. One demonstration was taking place on the historic Olvera Street; another was near the Edward R. Roybal Federal Building that houses an immigration detention center; and a third was located in front of the LAPD Central Division.

### ABC NEWS CORRESPONDENT TERRY MORAN SUSPENDED FOR STEPHEN MILLER POSTS - 6/8/25

ABC News suspended its senior national correspondent, Terry Moran, after he called White House deputy chief of staff Stephen Miller a “world-class hater” in a since-deleted post on X.

Moran’s posted after midnight on Sunday that Miller is “one of the people who conceptualizes the impulses of the Trumpist movement and translates them into policy,” and operates not on “brains” but on “bile.”

He went on to say that “Miller is a man who is richly endowed with the capacity for hatred,” and that “He’s a world-class hater. You can see this just by looking at him because you can see that his hatreds are his spiritual nourishment. He eats his hate.”

An ABC News spokesperson stated that “ABC News stands for objectivity and impartiality in its news coverage and does not condone subjective personal attacks on others,” and that “The post does not reflect the views of ABC News and violated our standards — as a result, Terry Moran has been suspended pending further evaluation.”

### AT LEAST FIVE PEOPLE KILLED BY ISRAELI GUNFIRE NEAR GAZA AID CENTERS – 6/8/25

Palestinian health officials and witnesses say at least five people were killed and others were wounded by Israeli fire as they headed toward two aid distribution points in the Gaza Strip run by the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation, an Israeli and U.S.-backed group. Israel's military said it fired warning shots at people who approached its forces.

### ISRAEL VOWS TO STOP AID SHIP FROM REACHING GAZA BY “ANY MEANS NECESSARY” – 6/8/25

Israel vowed on Sunday to prevent the Madleen, a civilian ship carrying a dozen pro-Palestinian activists and some aid from reaching Gaza, saying its military would use “any means necessary” to prevent the vessel from breaching the Israeli naval blockade.

The boat was off the coast of Egypt on Sunday, and the coalition said it was sailing “just 160 nautical miles from Gaza.” Passengers include the Swedish activist Greta Thunberg and Rima Hassan, a member of the European Parliament.

### AUSTRALIAN REPORTER PURPOSELY SHOT WITH RUBBER BULLET BY OFFICER ON LIVE TV - 6/8/25

Lauren Tomasi, an Australian news correspondent for 9News, was reporting live on Sunday when an officer behind her suddenly raised their firearm and fired a rubber bullet at her at close range, video shows. Tomasi, who was standing in a quiet, empty area with no one between her and the shooter, cries out in pain and clutches her lower leg as the cameraman quickly pans away and they move away from the police line.

"You just (expletive) shot the reporter," a voice off-camera can be heard shouting.

Tomasi can be heard reassuring her crew she was OK: "Yeah, I'm good, I'm good."

### MADLEEN SEIZED BY ISRAELI FORCES AND TOWED TO ISRAELI PORT CITY OF ASHDOD – 6/9/25

The Madleen, a civilian ship carrying a dozen pro-Palestinian activists that were trying to bring humanitarian aid to Gaza has been towed to the Israeli port city of Ashdod, after it was seized by Israeli forces.

Israel's foreign ministry said the boat had docked and that those aboard the vessel, including Swedish activist Greta Thunberg, were "undergoing medical examinations to ensure they are in good health".

### CALIFORNIA SUES TRUMP ADMINISTRATION FOR DEPLOYING NATIONAL GUARD TO LOS ANGELES – 6/9/25

California has sued the Trump administration after the state's National Guard was deployed to confront protesters in Los Angeles, the state's attorney general said Monday.

California Attorney General Rob Bonta said Monday that the federalization of the California National Guard deprives the state of resources needed to protect citizens, particularly in the event of an emergency. In an interview Monday with CBS News' Major Garrett on "The Takeout," Bonta said the basis of the state's lawsuit is that Mr. Trump essentially doesn't have the authority to send in the troops.

"The authority that the president cites to only allow for the deployment of the National Guard by the president when there's an invasion by a foreign nation, which there's not, when there's a rebellion to overturn leadership of the United States of America, which there's not, or when the regular forces of the federal government cannot execute the law, which is also not present," Bonta said.

The lawsuit also argues that the state's governor is the commander in chief of the Guard and must consent to its federalization. Newsom has not done so, and has "strenuously objected" to it, the state's top prosecutor said.

"President Trump's order calling federalized National Guard troops into Los Angeles — over the objections of the Governor and local law enforcement — is unnecessary and counterproductive. It's also deeply unfair to the members of the National Guard who are hard at work every day protecting our state, preparing for and responding to emergencies, and training so that, if called, they can fight our nation's wars," Bonta said in a statement when the lawsuit was announced.

### TRUMP MOBILIZES MARINES FOR DUTY IN LOS ANGELES – 6/9/25

The Trump administration is mobilizing 700 Marines based out of Twentynine Palms, Calif., for Los Angeles, the scene of protests against immigration enforcement operations, a defense official confirmed with NPR before it was publicly announced.

U.S. Northern Command said in a statement on Monday that the infantry battalion had been put on "alert status" over the weekend and will be working with the National Guard "who are protecting federal personnel and federal property in the greater Los Angeles area."

### L.A. POLICE CAUGHT ON CAMERA DESTROYING THEIR OWN CARS – 6/9/25



L.A. Police caught on camera smashing their own cars in order to blame protestors for violence.

#### GLENDALE, CA ENDS ICE CONTRACT TO HOLD DETAINEES – 6/9/25

The city of Glendale, CA announced Sunday night that it would end its 18-year contract to hold Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainees.

“After careful consideration, the City of Glendale has decided to end its agreement with U.S. Homeland Security/ICE to house federal immigration detainees,” the city said in a statement posted online. “This local decision reflects our core values: public safety, transparency, and community trust.”

#### RFK JR. REMOVES ALL MEMBERS OF THE CDC'S VACCINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – 6/9/25

NPR reports that Secretary of Health Robert F. Kennedy Jr. is removing all 17 members of a key advisory committee that helps craft vaccine policy and recommendations for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Kennedy made the announcement on Monday afternoon in a press release from the Department of Health and Human Services and an opinion piece published by The Wall Street Journal.

"A clean sweep is necessary to reestablish public confidence in vaccine science," Kennedy said in a statement, "ACIP new members will prioritize public health and evidence-based medicine. The Committee will no longer function as a rubber stamp for industry profit-taking agendas."

The American Medical Association said Kennedy's decision undermines "trust and upends a transparent process that has saved countless lives." The president of the Infectious Diseases Society of America called the allegation about the integrity of the committee "completely unfounded."

Kennedy has previously claimed that ACIP members have serious conflicts of interests.

However, as NPR has reported, a government report he has cited to back that up shows they do not. In addition, committee members are required to disclose if they have any conflicts of interest before casting a vote and recuse themselves if they have one.

Past members of ACIP warn that gutting the current committee removes an important check on changes in the administration's approach to vaccine policy.

## DIANE SELTZER TROUNCES PAM BONDI'S BROTHER IN RACE TO LEAD D.C. BAR ASSOCIATION – 6/9/25

Employment attorney Diane Seltzer will lead the D.C. Bar Association, defeating securities lawyer Brad Bondi, Pam Bondi's younger brother, in a race with record turnout.

Seltzer tallied more than 90 percent of the electronic vote with "no issues or irregularities" in the voting system, D.C. Bar CEO Bob Spagnoletti said in a press call Monday.

More than 38,000 people voted in the race, more than five times as many voters in a typical election, he said.

"Member engagement in this election was, to say the least, extraordinary," Spagnoletti said.

Seltzer made the rule of law a key focus of her campaign to lead the bar, which plays no role in attorney discipline matters.

"We're literally afraid of terrible consequences just for doing our jobs," she said at a candidate forum in May. "My priority is making sure that the rule of law is upheld, that we feel that we are safe to do our jobs and that we can go forward every day representing the clients we choose."

## BRITISH PHOTOGRAPHER RECOVERING AFTER BEING SHOT WITH PLASTIC BULLET IN LA – 6/9/25

Nick Stern, a British photojournalist, was covering the demonstrations against federal immigration raids outside a Home Depot in Paramount when law enforcement shot him with a three-inch plastic bullet in his thigh.

He was wearing a press card around his neck and carrying a large camera when he was hit with the non-lethal bullet, also known as a sponge bullet, which tore into his thigh.

"Some of the protesters came and helped me, and they ended up carrying me, and I noticed that there was blood pouring down my leg." Stern, 60, told a PA news agency.

Medics then cut off his pants, put pressure on the wound and tied a tourniquet before rushing him into surgery to remove the bullet. He is now recovering at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center.

### THE SATANIC TEMPLE OPENING A NEW ABORTION CLINIC ON TRUMP'S BIRTHDAY – 6/9/25

The President's Yuge Most Beautiful Tremendous Satanic Abortion Clinic will officially launch on June 14 in Maine, US, to commemorate Trump's 79th birthday.

The following is the announcement on their website.

“We are excited to share that The Satanic Temple (TST) is set to open a new telehealth abortion clinic in Maine this summer! The President's Yuge Most Beautiful Tremendous Satanic Abortion Clinic will officially launch on Donald Trump's birthday—June 14th—providing telehealth abortion care throughout the state.

As you know, the Supreme Court overturned federal abortion protections in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* in 2022. Since then, The Satanic Temple and our Religious Reproductive Rights campaign have actively worked to ensure that our Satanic Abortion Ritual is recognized as a protected religious practice at both the federal and state levels.

TST Health remains dedicated to providing abortion care wherever possible and is eager to expand our services further. This new clinic in Maine will be our third location, joining the “Samuel Alito's Mom's Satanic Abortion Clinic” in New Mexico and the “Right to Your Life Satanic Abortion Clinic” in Virginia. As with our other locations, patients at the “President's Yuge Most Beautiful Tremendous Satanic Abortion Clinic” will receive all healthcare services for free and will only need to cover the \$91 cost of the prescription.

In 2023, there were 967 facilities providing abortion services. That number has since decreased to 667 and is expected to continue falling. The Satanic Temple has been combating this trend through tangible actions by opening new clinics, but we need your support to maintain our clinics, expand into more states, and support our operations. We encourage you to spread the word about our new clinic in Maine and to help continue this work by making a donation. Together, we can advocate for reproductive rights and ensure access to safe and affordable abortion care.”

You can make a donation to purchase a birthday card for Trump, which they will then mail to the White House.

### DOECHII SPEAKS OUT AT THE BET AWARDS – 6/9/25

Rapper Doechii won the BET Award for Best Female Hip-Hop Artist in L.A.'s Peacock Theatre Monday night. At the mic, she chose to speak out about what was going on outside the theatre and across the country.

“As much as I'm honored by this award,” she said, “I do want to address what's happening right now outside of the building.”

“There are ruthless attacks that are creating fear and chaos in our communities in the name of law and order,” she continued. “Trump is using military forces to stop a protest. And I want y'all to consider what kind of government it appears to be when every time we exercise our democratic right to protest, the military is deployed against us. What type of government is that?”

She ended by saying, “I feel it's my responsibility as an artist to use this moment to speak up for all oppressed people: for Black people, for Latino people, for Trans people, for the people in Gaza.”

## LOS ANGELES MAYOR ANNOUNCES CURFEW – 6/10/25

Mayor Karen Bass announced a curfew for downtown Los Angeles as anti-ICE protests continued on Tuesday.

The curfew will begin at 8 p.m. tonight, last until 6 a.m. on Wednesday, and apply to one square mile of downtown L.A. Bass said she issued the curfew " to stop the vandalism, to stop the looting."

"If you do not live or work in downtown L.A., avoid the area," Bass said. "Law enforcement will arrest individuals who break the curfew and you will be prosecuted."

Bass said the curfew's boundaries will encompass the area encircled by the 5 Freeway, the 110 Freeway, and the 10 Freeway and end where the 5 Freeway and the 110 Freeway merge. People who live or work in the area, press, and the homeless have limited exemption from the curfew.

## MUSK BACKS OFF CRITICISMS OF TRUMP – 6/11/25

Musk has said he regrets some of the posts he made about US President Donald Trump during their war of words on social media.

"They went too far," he wrote on his social media platform X.

Musk appeared to have deleted many of his posts over the weekend, including the post calling for Trump's impeachment.

## SENATOR PADILLA DRAGGED OUT OF KRISTI NOEM'S LA NEWS CONFERENCE AND HANDCUFFED – 6/12/25

Democratic US Senator Alex Padilla was forcibly removed from a news conference held by Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem in Los Angeles on Thursday and placed in handcuffs.

Noem was giving an update on immigration enforcement after nearly a week of protests in the city, when Senator Padilla interrupted and started shouting a question.

"I'm Senator Alex Padilla," he said as he was confronted by authorities. "I have questions for the secretary!"

Video of the incident shows the senator struggling with multiple Secret Service agents before being shoved out of the room and dragged away, before uniformed FBI agents placed him on the ground and arrested him.

Noem, who was speaking about immigration and the protests in LA, continued addressing reporters and law enforcement officers while the senator was ejected.

## ADRIANA SMITH'S BABY DELIVERED PREMATURELY BY EMERGENCY CESAREAN SECTION – 6/13/25

The family of Adriana Smith, the pregnant Atlanta nurse who was declared brain dead in February, said her baby boy, named Chance, was born prematurely Friday, June 13, around 4:41 a.m. by emergency Cesarean section. Chance weighs about 1 pound 13 ounces and is in NICU.

Smith was declared brain dead on February 19, when she was eight weeks pregnant. Doctors told the family they were required to keep Smith on life support under the state's abortion law, House Bill 481, also known as the LIFE Act.

The hospital will take Smith off of life support Tuesday.

Smith's mother, Newkirk, has spoken publicly throughout her daughter's hospitalization, saying the law stripped their family of the ability to make medical decisions.

"I'm not saying we would have chosen to terminate her pregnancy. But I'm saying we should have had a choice," Newkirk said in a previous interview with 11Alive.

She maintained that same sentiment Monday after sharing her grandson was born.

"I think all women should have a choice about their body. And I think I want people to know that," she said.

## ASSASSINATION ATTEMPTS ON DEMOCRATS LEAVE DEMOCRATIC TWO DEAD AND TWO INJURED – 6/14/25

Minnesota state Rep. Melissa Hortman and her husband, Mark were assassinated and State Sen. John Hoffman of Champlin and his wife, Yvette, were severely injured by Vance Boelter, a 57-year-old Minnesota man in a politically motivated early morning attack.

Officials say the suspected gunman impersonated law enforcement wearing a vest, blue long-sleeve shirt, and what looked like a badge to gain access to the legislators' homes.

Both lawmakers were members of the Minnesota Democratic–Farmer–Labor Party and their respective homes are located about 8 miles apart, in the suburbs north of Minneapolis.

"This was an act of targeted political violence," Walz said. "Peaceful discourse is the foundation of our democracy. We don't settle our differences with violence or at gunpoint."

Amid questions about the suspect's ideology, KARE reported Carlson as saying Boelter was a supporter of President Donald Trump. However, Carlson told the station he wasn't aware of his friend's stance on local politicians.

Police responded to Hoffman's home in Champlin about 2 a.m. Law enforcement in Brooklyn Park then went to check "proactively" on Hortman at her home since she is also a lawmaker in the area, Brooklyn Park Police Chief Mark Bruley said at Saturday's news conference. What appeared to be bullet holes were found on the home's red front door.

Around 3:35 a.m., Brooklyn Park police officers encountered an individual who "immediately fired at them," said Drew Evans, the superintendent of the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. They exchanged gunfire before the suspect fled out of the back of the house, authorities said.

Bruley said they found a "manifesto" inside the suspect's vehicle and with the names of other lawmakers and officials.

The list targeted prominent people in Minnesota who advocate for reproductive rights, including many Democratic lawmakers who have been outspoken about their positions in favor of reproductive rights, an official who has seen the list told NBC News.

Law enforcement agencies in Minnesota were at locations of those individuals to provide security and protection while the investigation into any potential list is ongoing, according to a senior law enforcement official.

#### NO KINGS PROTESTS DRAW ESTIMATED 5 MILLION PARTICIPANTS – 6/14/25

The No Kings protests drew an estimated 5 million participants. These demonstrations, organized in response to a military parade and Trump's birthday, saw participation in over 2,000 cities and towns. The protests, which included rallies in both major cities and smaller towns, were estimated to have exceeded the previous record for a single-day demonstration in the US, the 2017 Women's March.

Protests were held in all 50 states and US territories, as well as in several foreign countries.

#### ASSASSIN OF DEMOCRATIC SENATOR AND HER HUSBAND CAUGHT – 6/15/25

Authorities arrested and charged 57-year-old Vance Boelter on Sunday night after he allegedly shot and killed House Democratic leader Melissa Hortman and her husband in their Brooklyn Park home and shot and seriously injured state Sen. John Hoffman and his wife in their home in Champlin.

He faces two counts of second-degree murder and two counts of second-degree attempted murder for the Saturday shootings.

#### UNITED STATES ATTACKS NUCLEAR FACILITIES IN IRAN WITHOUT CONGRESS APPROVAL – 6/15/25

The US attacked three key nuclear facilities early Sunday in an operation Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth claimed “obliterated” Iran’s nuclear ambitions, though a full assessment is ongoing.

The strikes involved more than 125 aircraft, including some B-2 bombers that served as a “decoy,” according to US officials. Other B-2s dropped more than a dozen massive “bunker buster” bombs on Iran’s Fordow and Natanz facilities, while Tomahawk missiles struck Isfahan.

Republican House Speaker Mike Johnson and Senate Majority Leader John Thune were looped into the plans ahead of the strikes, while House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer were notified only after the strikes and right before the public announcement.

GOP Rep. Ronny Jackson commended President Donald Trump on his decision to omit notifying top congressional Democrats from the US’ strike plans on Iran.

“We do not have trustworthy people in Congress, especially on the left side of the aisle,” the Texas congressman claimed, without evidence, on Fox News’ “Sunday Morning Futures with Maria Bartiromo.”

Section 1 of the Constitution, which established the legislative branch of government and outlined its duties, says Congress has the power to “declare war”.

According to Article II of the Constitution, the president is designated “commander in chief” of the armed forces.

Presidents have the power to order the military to respond to attacks and imminent threats. Beyond that, their war-making powers are constrained by Congress. Article II empowers them to direct military operations once Congress has authorized a war. They are responsible for mobilizing the military under the guidelines of lawmakers.

### PROTESTOR SHOT AND KILLED BY PEACEKEEPING TEAM DURING SALT LAKE CITY “NO KINGS” PROTEST – 6/15/25

Arthur Folasa Ah Loo, 39, was killed Saturday night when two men shot at a person allegedly brandishing a rifle at demonstrators, and one accidentally struck Ah Loo in the stomach, authorities said. Ah Loo later died at the hospital.

Ah Loo was a successful fashion designer and former “Project Runway” contestant who devoted his life to celebrating artists from the Pacific Islands.

Arturo Gamboa, 24, never shot the rifle he pointed at protesters, but police arrested him on murder charges and said he created the dangerous situation that led to Ah Loo’s death. Police said they were investigating whether the man who shot at Gamboa — and fatally hit Ah Loo — was justified in firing his gun. He has not been identified publicly.

The Utah chapter of 50501 Movement, which helped organize the “No Kings” protest, said in a statement late Monday that the man who confronted Gamboa was a “safety volunteer” and a military veteran. The group did not give further details on the person’s training or explain why he was armed.

### EPA ANNOUNCES PLAN TO RECONSIDER ASBESTOS BAN – 6/16/25

According to a June 16 court filing from the Environmental Protection Agency, Trump's administration plans to "reconsider" a ban on chrysotile asbestos — the last kind still used in the United States — adopted by former President Joe Biden in 2024.

The United States prohibited most forms of asbestos in 1989, but the courts overturned much of that ban; in 2019, the EPA issued a "final rule to ensure that asbestos products that are no longer on the market cannot return to commerce without the Agency evaluating them and putting in place any necessary restrictions or prohibiting use."

U.S. industries has used chrysotile asbestos for automotive parts, like gaskets, clutches and brake pads, as well as roofing materials and in chlorine manufacturing. The EPA release said the toxic substance is linked to over 40,000 deaths in the United States per year.

### FAMILY DOG OF ASSASSINATED SENATOR DIES FROM INJURIES SUSTAINED IN ATTACK – 6/17/25

The family dog of Melissa Hortman, the Minnesota lawmaker shot to death in her home alongside her husband, Mark Hortman, has died after injuries sustained in the weekend attack.

Helping Paws, an animal non-profit outside Minneapolis, said the golden retriever, Gilbert, did not survive the attack.

The organization said Gilbert was originally brought to the center to be trained as a service dog. Melissa Hortman, who worked as a foster home trainer for Helping Paws, eventually adopted Gilbert into their family.

## NEW YORK MAYORAL CANDIDATE ILLEGALLY ARRESTED BY ICE – 6/17/25

New York city comptroller and mayoral candidate Brad Lander was detained by ICE on June 17 at a downtown Manhattan immigration court, while accompanying an immigrant man following a hearing at 26 Federal Plaza.

Lander was hauled away by masked ICE agents on Tuesday for trying to help an immigrant New Yorker named Edgardo.

Footage shows Lander linking arms with the man and appearing to calmly ask ICE agents to produce a judicial warrant before they separated and handcuffed him. ICE accused him of "impeding and assaulting a federal officer."

Lander was released the same day without charges. Democrats criticized ICE's conduct, describing it as politically motivated.

## TEXAS JUDGE DECLARES PRIVACY RULE PROTECTING ABORTION SEEKERS AND PROVIDERS UNLAWFUL – 6/18/25

Ultra-conservative federal Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk of Amarillo, TX has declared a privacy rule intended to shield abortion seekers and providers from criminal and civil state investigations unlawful.

## THE AFRICAN BURIAL GROUND NATIONAL MONUMENT IN MANHATTAN CLOSED INDEFINITELY – 6/18/25

The National Parks Service has closed The African Burial Ground National Monument in Lower Manhattan indefinitely.

The National Parks Service website lists the outdoor memorial as closed since June 12th and says it will be "closed until further notice to ensure the protection of the monument resources and the safety of our visitors."

The burial ground is the oldest and largest excavated site of its kind in North America for both free and enslaved Africans. It was rediscovered in 1991 when the federal government bought a piece of land in Lower Manhattan.

Longtime New York City tour guide Christina Stanton said the closure is troubling.

"All of us tour guides talk about that place because it's so incredibly significant and historic."

Stanton said it's impossible to talk about the history of slavery in New York City without bringing tour guests to the sacred grounds.

## LOCAL GROUPS IN LOS ANGELES RAISING FUNDS TO PAY FOR STREET VENDORS TO STAY OFF STREETS – 6/18/25

Several community groups in Los Angeles are stepping up to raise money for street vendors so they can stay off the streets and avoid being picked up by ICE.

Local Hearts is one foundation that is currently raising funds to help the immigrant community.

Another foundation, K-Town For All told NBC4 Los Angeles they've raised \$60,000 so far for street vendors in Koreatown to cover their rent and other bills for a month.

## MAHMOUD KHALIL FREED AFTER 104 DAYS – 6/20/25

Mahmoud Khalil was released Friday from federal immigration detention, freed after 104 days by a judge's ruling after becoming a symbol of Trump's clampdown on campus protests.

The former Columbia University graduate student left a federal facility in Louisiana on Friday, heading to New York to reunite with his U.S. citizen wife and infant son, born while Khalil was detained.

"Justice prevailed, but it's very long overdue," he said outside the facility in a remote part of Louisiana. "This shouldn't have taken three months."

## COURT BLOCKS LOUISIANA LAW REQUIRING SCHOOL CLASSROOMS TO POST TEN COMMANDMENTS – 6/20/25

A panel of three federal appellate judges has ruled that a Louisiana law requiring the Ten Commandments to be posted in each of the state's public school classrooms is unconstitutional.

## LA DODGERS PLEDGE \$1 MILLION IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY – 6/20/25

The Los Angeles Dodgers have announced they will commit \$1 million towards financial assistance for families of immigrants "impacted by recent events in the region."

"What's happening in Los Angeles has reverberated among thousands upon thousands of people, and we have heard the calls for us to take a leading role on behalf of those affected," the Dodgers president and CEO, Stan Kasten, said in a statement.

"We believe that by committing resources and taking action, we will continue to support and uplift the communities of Greater Los Angeles."

The announcement said the Dodgers would work with the City of Los Angeles, and in the coming days make more announcements with local community and labor organizations that support families with food and mental health services.

Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass, was also quoted in the Dodgers statement.

"These last weeks have sent shockwaves of fear rippling through every neighborhood and have had a direct impact on our economy," she said. "My message to all Angelenos is clear: We will stick together during this time and we will not turn our backs on one another — that's what makes this the greatest city in the world."

It is notable that the Dodgers did not make any statements during the recent immigration protests.

## NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS IN ICE FACILITIES REACHES RECORD HIGH OF MORE THAN 56,000 – 6/21/25

The number of immigrants detained in US Immigration and Customs Enforcement facilities across the country has reached a record high of more than 56,000, according to the agency's most recent data release. This marks the largest total detainee population in ICE custody since at least August 2019, when there were 55,654 immigrants detained.

To increase available detention facilities, the Trump administration is expanding lucrative contracts with private prison companies and reopening previously closed detention centers, including ones that failed to meet minimum standard requirements.

For reference, the city of Carson City, Nevada, has a population of approximately 56,000. The population of Greenland is also roughly 56,000.

#### PALESTINIANS IN GAZA RISKING THEIR LIVES FOR AID – 6/21/25

Every day, Palestinians in Gaza risk their lives in hopes of getting food, walking miles to food centers, trying to avoid gunfire from Israeli troops, as well as knife-wielding thieves.

AP News article link below.

<https://apnews.com/article/gaza-palestinians-food-aid-israel-284fa12b037db604342be1b3ea2120b4>

#### WORLD CENTRAL KITCHEN RESUMES COOKING IN GAZA – 6/21/25

World Central Kitchen aid trucks have reached Gaza for the first time in over 12 weeks. They have resumed cooking at select kitchens. Almost 10,000 meals were cooked on the first day of resumed operations.

On May 7, World Central Kitchen was forced to halt operations after a complete depletion of food supplies.

Since October 2023, World Central Kitchen has served more than 133 million meals across Gaza.

#### PROTESTS SAY DODGERS RESPONSE TO ICE IS TOO LITTLE TOO LATE – 6/21/25

More than 100 protesters gathered two blocks from Dodger Stadium before Saturday's game, angry about the Dodger's delay in responding to recent protests about immigration raids and mass deportations.

The Dodgers remained publicly silent for more than two weeks after protests sparked by immigration raids and mass deportation started June 6 in downtown Los Angeles, not making any statement until Thursday, when they said they had denied ICE entry and access to the stadium parking lots. The following day, they announced they would commit \$1 million for assistance to immigrant families "impacted by recent events."

Though a majority of the protesters' signs and chants targeted ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement), others conveyed their displeasure with the Dodgers.

Two protesters held handmade signs that read, "The Dodgers want you to shut up for \$1 million."

#### 48-YEAR-OLD FATHER OF THREE MARINES VIOLENTLY BEATEN BY ICE AGENTS IN CALIFORNIA – 6/21/25

Narciso Barranco, 48, a landscaper and father of three Marines, was detained by federal agents in a violent take down outside his workplace in southern California on Saturday.

At least seven masked men, armed and wearing US Border Patrol vests, tackled Barranco to the ground and punched him in his face repeatedly in a parking lot while he was working as a landscaper at an IHOP in Santa Ana.

His son, Alejandro Barranco, a 25-year-old Marine veteran, said his father was born in Mexico and has lived in the US since the 90s. He is undocumented but has no criminal record, his son said. His two younger brothers are currently active-duty Marines.

“He was always a good dad,” Alejandro Barranco said. “He always made sure we had food on the table. He always taught us to respect, to love our country, to always give back.”

Video of the incident shows several masked men in tactical gear pinning Barranco to the ground and repeatedly striking him in the head and neck. Several of the men are seen wearing vests that read “US Border Patrol Police” on the back.

The men then forced Barranco into an unmarked vehicle, holding his arms behind his back.

Department of Homeland Security Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs Tricia McLaughlin told CNN in response to an inquiry about Barranco an “illegal alien” was arrested by Border Patrol agents after he “tried to evade law enforcement.”

“The illegal alien ran, then turned and swung a weed whacker directly at an agent’s face,” said McLaughlin. “He then fled through a busy intersection and raised the weed whacker again at the agent. The illegal alien refused to comply every step of the way—resisting commands, fighting handcuffs, and refusing to identify himself.”

The agency also shared a video online of Barranco holding a weed whacker, claiming he “assaulted federal law enforcement.” The video shows an officer spraying an unknown substance at Barranco, who is seen holding lawn equipment but doesn’t appear to strike officers in the footage.

Barranco is currently in ICE custody, according to McLaughlin.

His son told CNN his father likely became frightened and ran when approached by masked federal agents “with guns out.”

“He just got scared,” Alejandro Barranco said.

He said when confronted by “masked men” with “big guns,” “we’re gonna be scared and we’re also gonna try to defend ourselves, especially when they don’t identify themselves, who they are.”

Narciso Barranco had expressed fear before about the possibility of being arrested for his immigration status, according to his son. He had said, “I can’t just stop working” and felt he had “to provide for himself and for us as well,” his son said.

## 22-YEAR-OLD MAN ARRESTED TRYING TO MARRY A 9-YEAR-OLD GIRL AT DISNEYLAND PARIS – 6/22/25

The Sunday Times reports that a 22-year-old British man was arrested after allegedly planning a fake wedding to a 9-year-old girl at Disneyland Paris in front of the park’s Sleeping Beauty castle on June 21.

The British man allegedly told authorities that the wedding was fake and intended to be filmed for social media.

According to the Sunday Times, authorities were alerted to a potential issue after Disneyland Paris staff noticed that the bride at the pre-scheduled wedding appeared alarmingly young. Authorities also discovered that the wedding “guests” were hired actors.

Alexandre Verney, assistant prosecutor for the Seine-et-Marne département, told The Sunday Times that the child received a medical examination, and it was determined that she was unharmed. Verney told the outlet that four people were arrested in connection with the incident: the British “groom,” the child’s mother, who is a 41-year-old Ukrainian woman, and two Latvian nationals, ages 24 and 55.

The child’s mother and the 55-year-old Latvian have since been released from custody, while the British man and the 24-year-old Latvian are still being held over potential financial fraud.

## NEW YORK MAYORAL CANDIDATE CUOMO RAILS AGAINST “FAR-LEFT” DEMOCRATS – 6/22/25

On Sunday morning, former Gov. Andrew Cuomo sounded off on the far-left movement that he says is “really taking over” the Democratic party.

Cuomo made the remarks during a Sunday morning appearance at the Christian Cultural Center in Brooklyn on June 22.

“They’re called the Democratic Socialists,” he said. “And it is a far-left view, and I don’t think it is productive for the Democratic party, for the city. It’s about dismantling the police department, legalizing prostitution, abolishing the jail system, everything free—free transportation, free schools, free food, free everything. And we’ll figure out a way to tax the wealthy. All great ideas, but just in practice, it doesn’t work.”

Cuomo, the former Governor of New York, who resigned following sexual harassment charges, is currently running for Mayor of New York.

The sexual harassment charges against him in 2021 resulted in a five-month investigation by Attorney General James, concluding with the release of a report on August 3, 2021. This report concluded that during Cuomo's time in office, he sexually harassed 11 women: Boylan, Bennett, Ruch, Liss, Brittany Commisso, Kaitlin, McGrath, event attendee Virginia Limmiatis, an unnamed New York State trooper and two unnamed state entity employees. The investigation concluded that Cuomo's behaviour included unwanted groping, kissing and sexual comments, and also found that Cuomo's office had engaged in illegal retaliation against Boylan for her allegation against him.

Former President Bill Clinton threw his support behind Cuomo on Sunday.

“The election will decide the next mayor of New York, and I urge you to vote for Andrew Cuomo,” Clinton said in a statement. “As President, I chose Andrew to be my Secretary of Housing and Urban Development [HUD], and he never let me down—but more importantly, he didn’t let the nation down.”

## SUPREME COURT ALLOWS DEPORTATIONS TO THIRD-PARTY COUNTRIES UNTIL CASE IS RESOLVED - 6/23/25

A divided Supreme Court has paused a judge's order preventing migrants from being sent to a country where they reasonably fear they could be persecuted, tortured or killed.

"Fire up the deportation planes," the Department of Homeland Security said on social media.

The court’s three liberal justices objected: Sonia Sotomayor, Elena Kagan and Ketanji Brown Jackson.

Sotomayor wrote that her colleagues are “rewarding lawlessness.”

“Apparently, the Court finds the idea that thousands will suffer violence in farflung locales more palatable than the remote possibility that a District Court exceeded its remedial powers when it ordered the Government to provide notice and process to which the plaintiffs are constitutionally and statutorily entitled,” she wrote in a sharply worded, 19-page dissent that Kagan and Jackson joined. “That use of discretion is as incomprehensible as it is inexcusable.”

The majority did not provide an explanation for their decision, which is common in emergency appeals.

The original case challenging the deportations will now be heard by an appeals court but the Supreme Court's decisions will allow removals to proceed until the original case is concluded.

District Judge Brian Murphy had ordered a halt to third country deportations in April, saying migrants were not being given a "meaningful opportunity" to contest their expulsions.

Murphy said they should get at least 15 days to challenge their deportation and provide evidence of whether they may be at risk of torture or death if expelled.

The original case involves the deportation of eight men -- two from Myanmar, two from Cuba, a Vietnamese man, a Laotian, a Mexican and one from South Sudan -- who the US authorities said were convicted violent criminals.

They were being flown to impoverished war-torn South Sudan when Murphy's order came down and have been held since at a US military base in Djibouti.

"We now need to move as swiftly as possible to conclude the case and restore these protections," Trina Realmuto, executive director of the National Immigration Litigation Alliance, said in a statement.

The administration said the order lifted by the justices was preventing potentially thousands of deportations by requiring an "onerous set of procedures" aimed at preventing migrants from being sent to a country where they reasonably fear they could be persecuted, tortured or killed.

The migrants' lawyers said the administration has "repeatedly sought to remove people as a punitive measure, to some of the most dangerous places on the planet, and with only hours' notice."

Many, if not most, of the migrants covered by the judge's order have no criminal convictions, the lawyers said. And those with serious criminal convictions who were chosen for the flights to Libya and South Sudan are still equally protected under the law from basic human rights violations.

## DEMOCRATIC SENATORS RENT SPACE AT THE KENNEDY CENTER FOR PRIDE EVENT – 6/23/25

Democratic Senators John Hickenlooper of Colorado, Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, Jacky Rosen of Nevada, Brian Schatz of Hawaii, and Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin have rented the Justice Forum, a small theater at the REACH, an expansion to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The senators booked the space a few weeks ago and the event, called Love Is Love, was announced on Monday. A statement from Sen. Hickenlooper's office says the event is "about standing up for the arts and the progress the LGBTQ community has made. The performance reminds us that our fight for equality — and for democracy — isn't over. It's happening right now." Directed by Seth Rudetsky and James Wesley, and produced by Hamilton producer Jeffrey Seller, the show will include songs celebrating gay culture.

Seller told The New York Times that Monday night's show is "our way of reoccupying the Kennedy Center."

## PROTESTORS RALLY AT GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE TO OPPOSE SELLING PUBLIC LANDS – 6/23/25

While state-level elected officials met with Trump cabinet secretaries at the Western Governors Association's annual meeting on Monday afternoon, hundreds of demonstrators protested outside, chanting "not for sale".

A coalition of wildlife lovers marched to the conference venue from nearby DeVargas Park, where the New Mexico Wilderness Alliance hosted a rally to oppose the Republican tax and spend proposal that would make more than 21,000 square miles of public land in New Mexico eligible to be sold to private buyers.

## FOX RESCUE ACTIVIST MIKAYLA RAINES DIES BY SUICIDE AFTER BULLYING – 6/24/25

Mikayla Raines, the founder of Minnesota-based Save a Fox Rescue who built a huge following on YouTube and social media through her activism, has died by suicide.

Over the years, Raines' efforts have contributed to the rescue of thousands of foxes and other animals from fur farms.

She is survived by her husband Ethan and their daughter, Freya.

Her death was confirmed by her husband Ethan in an emotional post to Save a Fox Rescue's social pages, where he revealed that she took her own life as she struggled to cope with harassment.

Fighting through tears during the 11-minute video, Ethan says his wife was open about her struggles with autism, depression, and borderline personality disorder, and while this helped her hyper-fixate on her relentless efforts to rescue foxes and other animals, it also made her more susceptible to abuse.

"She was so sensitive to everything, which is a double-edged sword because on one hand it allowed her endless empathy for those in her care, but it also means that she took everything negative to heart," he says in the video.

"Being the sensitive human that she was, Mikayla took it all to heart, and it hurt her a lot, but she pushed through for years. She pushed through the pain of people trying to bring her down and the mental challenges she faced and she still rescued hundreds of animals and changed the lives of so many," Ethan continued.

"But recently more of the rude words accusations and name calling came from some of those she considered close friends. "

He went on to say that, "She couldn't bear what she was feeling any longer and she ended her life."

"I wish you understood what you were doing before you did it before it had to go this far, and I wish you understood that words do have real and terrible consequences.

"If you only have negative garbage to say just shut up, and if you are feeling lost and hopeless please reach out to someone, whether it's friends and family or calling a hotline and to everyone else please."

"From a young age she dedicated every waking moment of her life to helping them, whether it was helping a snapping turtle cross the road, or saving 500 foxes from a terrible fur farm. She was truly one of the most selfless people I have ever known," he said.

If you or someone you know needs emotional or mental support, call or text 988 or visit the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.

#### WOMAN AND HER DATE SHOT DEAD BY HER EX-HUSBAND – 6/24/25

Gloria Zamora, a fitness influencer and mother of seven, was fatally shot alongside her dinner date, Hector Garduno, outside a California sushi restaurant on Monday.

Police say her estranged husband, Thomas Alberto Tamayo Lizarraga, ambushed the couple in the parking lot. An off-duty sheriff's deputy who witnessed the shooting confronted and killed Lizarraga at the scene.

Days earlier, the fitness influencer told listeners on her podcast "HERizon" that she was leaving her second husband, Thomas Alberto Tamayo Lizarraga.

Lizarraga then gunned down Zamora and her date in the restaurant's parking lot.

#### J.K. ROWLING ENCOURAGES PHOTOGRAPHING PEOPLE IN WOMEN'S RESTROOMS - 6/24/25

Transphobic billionaire author J.K. Rowling has encouraged random people in the United Kingdom to photograph people in women's restrooms just in case they are transgender.

Rowling said that policing trans people in public toilets can be handled, "Quite easily, really. Decent men will stay out, as they always have, so we can assume all who don't are a threat, given their disregard for women's and girls' safety, privacy and dignity. Photographing, reporting and disseminating such men's images online will be a piece of cake."

#### WHO SUPPORTED THE CUOMO, THE SEXUAL HARASSER? – 6/24/25

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#### TRUMP DROPS THE F BOMB IN RANT AGAINST ISRAEL AND IRAN – 6/24/25

Trump flashed intense anger this morning as the ceasefire he claimed to have brokered between Israel and Iran appeared to grow more fragile.

"We basically have two countries that have been fighting so long and so hard that they don't know what the f\*\*\* they're doing," Trump said to reporters as he left the White House.

After accusing each other of truce violations, Israel and Iran have both said they will not break the ceasefire unless the other does so first.

The US military falsely claimed their strikes on three of Iran's nuclear facilities over the weekend destroyed the core components of their nuclear facilities, however the strikes likely only set it back by months, according to an early US intelligence assessment. The White House acknowledged the assessment but said it disagreed with it.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VOTE TO TABLE IMPEACHMENT BID, INCLUDING 128 DEMOCRATS – 6/24/25

The House of Representatives voted to quash Rep. Al Green's bid to impeach Trump Tuesday afternoon.

"I did not come to Congress to be a bystander while a president abuses power and devolves American democracy into authoritarianism with himself as an authoritarian president," Green said in a statement Tuesday morning.

"President Trump's unauthorized bombing of Iran constitutes a de facto declaration of war. No president has the right to drag this nation into war without the authorization of the people's representatives."

Lawmakers voted to table the measure 344–79. A vote to table is a procedural mechanism allowing House members to vote against consideration of a bill without having to vote on the bill itself.

A majority of House Democrats joined Republican lawmakers to kill Green's resolution. Just 79 Democrats voted to proceed with the impeachment vote, while 128 voted against proceeding.

Liberals who joined Republicans include all three members of House Democratic leadership – House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries, R-N.Y., House Minority Whip Katherine Clark, D-Mass., and House Democratic Caucus Chairman Pete Aguilar, D-Calif., voted to table the measure.

Here's the full list of House Democrats who voted to table the impeachment articles.

Pete Aguilar (California)

Gabe Amo (Rhode Island)

Jake Auchincloss (Massachusetts)

Wesley Bell (Missouri)

Ami Bera (California)

Don Beyer (Virginia)

Sanford Bishop (Georgia)

Julia Brownley (California)

Nikki Budzinski (Illinois)

Janelle Bynum (Oregon)

Salud Carbajal (California)

Andre Carson (Indiana)

Ed Case (Hawaii)

Sean Casten (Illinois)  
Kathy Castor (Florida)  
Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick (Florida)  
Katherine Clark (Massachusetts)  
Emanuel Cleaver (Missouri)  
Jim Clyburn (South Carolina)  
Herb Conaway (New Jersey)  
Lou Correa (California)  
Jim Costa (California)  
Joe Courtney (Connecticut)  
Angie Craig (Minnesota)  
Jason Crow (Colorado)  
Henry Cuellar (Texas)  
Sharice Davids (Kansas)  
Don Davis (North Carolina)  
Madeleine Dean (Pennsylvania)  
Rosa DeLauro (Connecticut)  
Suzan DelBene (Washington)  
Chris Deluzio (Pennsylvania)  
Debbie Dingell (Michigan)  
Sarah Elfreth (Maryland)  
Cleo Fields (Louisiana)  
Shomari Figures (Alabama)  
Lizzie Fletcher (Texas)  
Bill Foster (Illinois)  
Lois Frankel (Florida)  
Laura Gillen (New York)

Jared Golden (Maine)  
Dan Goldman (New York)  
Vicente Gonzalez (Texas)  
Maggie Goodlander (New Hampshire)  
Josh Gottheimer (New Jersey)  
Adam Gray (California)  
Josh Harder (California)  
Jim Himes (Connecticut)  
Steven Horsford (Nevada)  
Chrissy Houlahan (Pennsylvania)  
Steny Hoyer (Maryland)  
Val Hoyle (Oregon)  
Hakeem Jeffries (New York)  
Julie Johnson (Texas)  
Marcy Kaptur (Ohio)  
Bill Keating (Massachusetts)  
Timothy Kennedy (New York)  
Ro Khanna (California)  
Greg Landsman (Ohio)  
Rick Larsen (Washington)  
John Larson (Connecticut)  
George Latimer (New York)  
Susie Lee (Nevada)  
Mike Levin (California)  
Sam Liccardo (California)  
Ted Lieu (California)  
Zoe Lofgren (California)

Stephen Lynch (Massachusetts)  
Seth Magaziner (Rhode Island)  
John Mannion (New York)  
Lucy McBath (Georgia)  
Sarah McBride (Delaware)  
April McClain Delaney (Maryland)  
Jennifer McClellan (Virginia)  
Betty McCollum (Minnesota)  
Kristen McDonald Rivet (Michigan)  
Morgan McGarvey (Kentucky)  
Gregory Meeks (New York)  
Grace Meng (New York)  
Kweisi Mfume (Maryland)  
Joe Morelle (New York)  
Kelly Morrison (Minnesota)  
Jared Moskowitz (Florida)  
Seth Moulton (Massachusetts)  
Frank Mrvan (Indiana)  
Richard Neal (Massachusetts)  
Joe Neguse (Colorado)  
Johnny Olszewski (Maryland)  
Frank Pallone (New Jersey)  
Jimmy Panetta (California)  
Chris Pappas (New Hampshire)  
Nancy Pelosi (California)  
Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (Washington)  
Scott Peters (California)

Brittany Pettersen (Colorado)  
Nellie Pou (New Jersey)  
Mike Quigley (Illinois)  
Jamie Raskin (Maryland)  
Josh Riley (New York)  
Deborah Ross (North Carolina)  
Pat Ryan (New York)  
Andrea Salinas (Oregon)  
Mary Gay Scanlon (Pennsylvania)  
Brad Schneider (Illinois)  
Hillary Scholten (Michigan)  
Kim Schrier (Washington)  
Bobby Scott (Virginia)  
Terri Sewell (Alabama)  
Adam Smith (Washington)  
Eric Sorensen (Illinois)  
Darren Soto (Florida)  
Greg Stanton (Arizona)  
Haley Stevens (Michigan)  
Marilyn Strickland (Washington)  
Suhas Subramanyam (Virginia)  
Tom Suozzi (New York)  
Emilia Sykes (Ohio)  
Paul Tonko (New York)  
Ritchie Torres (New York)  
Lori Trahan (Massachusetts)  
Derek Tran (California)

Lauren Underwood (Illinois)

Juan Vargas (California)

Gabe Vasquez (New Mexico)

Marc Veasey (Texas)

Eugene Vindman (Virginia)

Debbie Wasserman Schultz (Florida)

George Whitesides (California)

## GOP RESOLUTION CONDEMNING “VIOLENT” LA PROTESTS APPROVED BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES – 6/27/25

On Friday, the U.S. House of Representatives approved a Republican-sponsored resolution "condemning the violent June 2025 riots in Los Angeles, California" by a vote of 215-195.

Seven House Democrats sided with Republicans and voted for the resolution.

They are:

- Rep. Jim Costa (CA)
- Rep. Adam Gray (CA)
- Rep. Tom Suozzi (N.Y.)
- Henry Cuellar (Texas)
- Don Davis (N.C.)
- Laura Gillen (N.Y.)
- Jared Golden (Maine)

The resolution was introduced and co-sponsored by nine California Republicans representing districts across the. It incorrectly described the protests as escalating into “violent riots” with “acts of arson, widespread looting, property destruction, and vandalism” and condemned acts of violence against law enforcement.

## MELISSA HORTMAN LIES IN STATE WITH HER HUSBAND AND THEIR DOG, GILBERT – 6/27/25

Former President Joe Biden joined thousands of mourners Friday as former Minnesota House Speaker Melissa Hortman lay in state in the Minnesota Capitol rotunda.

Hortman, a Democrat, is the first woman and one of fewer than 20 Minnesotans accorded the honor. She lay in state with her husband, Mark, and their golden retriever, Gilbert. Her husband was also killed in the June 14

attack, and Gilbert was seriously wounded and had to be euthanized. It was the first time a couple has lain in state at the Capitol, and the first time for a dog.

The Hortmans' caskets and the dog's urn were arranged in the center of the rotunda, under the Capitol dome, with law enforcement officers keeping watch on either side as thousands of people who lined up filed by. Many fought back tears as they left.

There was also a Dog Honor guard on hand, with 12 golden retriever service dogs from Helping Paws, rotating to make sure Gilbert always had two dogs standing guard beside him throughout the day. A memorial outside the House chamber for the Hortmans included a box of Milk-Bone dog biscuits with a sticky note saying, "For the best boy, Gilbert".

Among the first to pay their respects were Gov. Tim Walz, who has called Hortman his closest political ally, and his wife, Gwen. Biden, a Catholic, visited later in the afternoon, walking up to the velvet rope in front of the caskets, making the sign of the cross, and spending a few moments by himself in silence. He then took a knee briefly, got up, made the sign of the cross again, and walked off to greet people waiting in the wings of the rotunda.

The Capitol was open for the public from noon to 5 p.m. Friday, but officials said anyone waiting in line at 5 would be let in.

Trump did not make an appearance and will not be attending the funeral on Saturday.

#### GAZA AUTHORITIES SAY DRUGS FOUND INSIDE FLOUR BAGS FROM US-RUN AID POINTS – 6/27/25

Gaza's government media office said the prescription painkiller Oxycodone was found by Palestinians inside flour bags they received from US-run aid distribution points in Gaza.

"It is possible that these pills were deliberately ground or dissolved inside the flour itself, which constitutes a direct assault on public health," it warned.

The Israeli-US food distribution scheme in Gaza that was launched one month ago has been heavily criticized for forcing Palestinians to choose between starvation or risking their lives for minuscule amounts of aid. It has been condemned by organizations such as Doctors Without Borders.

"The four distribution sites—all located in areas under the full control of Israeli forces after people had been forcibly displaced from there—are the size of football fields surrounded by watch points, mounds of earth, and barbed wire," said Aitor Zabalgogezkoa, MSF emergency coordinator in Gaza. "The fenced entrance gives only one access point in or out. GHF workers drop the pallets and the boxes of food and open the fences, allowing thousands in all at once to fight down to the last grain of rice." The Israeli mechanism was opposed by the international community and the UN, which came as an alternative attempt by Israel to bypass the aid distribution through UN channels.

According to Gaza's Health Ministry, at least 549 Palestinians have been killed and more than 4,000 wounded by Israeli fire near aid centers and UN food truck locations since May 27.

#### A PARTIAL GUEST LIST OF BEZOS WEDDING ATTENDEES – 6/27/25

Just so you know who to boycott, below is a partial list of who attended the Bezos wedding.

- OpenAI CEO Sam Altman
- Spencer Antle, the founder of Island Company
- Fashion designer Stacey Bendet
- Miguel Bezos, Jeff Bezos' father
- Bezos' brother, Mark Bezos, and sister-in-law Lisa Bezos
- Actor Orlando Bloom
- Music executive Scooter Braun
- Former NFL quarterback Tom Brady
- Entrepreneur and socialite Elsa Collins
- Billionaire media mogul Barry Diller and fashion designer Diane von Furstenberg
- Actor Leonardo DiCaprio and model Vittoria Ceretti
- Fashion designer Domenico Dolce and Gui Siqueira
- Stellantis Chairman John Elkann and Lavinia Borromeo
- TKO Holdings CEO Ari Emanuel and fashion designer Sarah Staudinger
- Former British Vogue editor Edward Enninful
- Actor and producer Sarah Foster
- Fashion designer Stefano Gabbana
- Microsoft cofounder Bill Gates and Paula Hurd
- NFL Hall of Famer Tony Gonzalez and October Gonzalez
- Singer Ellie Goulding
- Imagine Entertainment founder Brian Grazer and Veronica Smiley Grazer
- Fashion designer Tommy Hilfiger and Dee Ocleppo Hilfiger
- Author Hugh Howey and Shay Londre
- Crown Prince Hussein of Jordan
- Amazon CEO Andy Jassy

- Model and TV star Kendall Jenner
- Manager and TV star Kris Jenner and Corey Gamble
- Kylie Cosmetics founder and TV star Kylie Jenner
- Singer Jewel
- Good American cofounder and TV star Khloé Kardashian
- Skims cofounder and TV star Kim Kardashian
- Broadcaster Gayle King
- Hollywood super-connector Michael Kives and Lydia Kives
- Supermodel Karlie Kloss and investor Josh Kushner
- Jewelry designer Jennifer Meyer and music industry executive Geoffrey Ogunlesi
- Bill Miller, an early Amazon investor
- Model Brooks Nader
- Kering CEO François-Henri Pinault
- Indian socialite Natasha Poonawalla
- Queen Rania of Jordan
- Comedian Jerry Seinfeld and Jessica Seinfeld
- Attorney Alex Spiro
- Actor Sydney Sweeney
- Fox Sports broadcaster Charissa Thompson
- First daughter Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner
- Singer Usher and Jennifer Goicoechea
- Billionaire media mogul Oprah Winfrey

## TRUMP'S "BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL" READ IN FULL AND MOVES TO A FINAL VOTE – 6/29/25

Senate clerks completed the full reading of the Senate GOP's massive tax and spending bill on Sunday afternoon, allowing the chamber to start the countdown clock toward a final vote on the package sometime on Monday.

Democrats, in an attempt to delay passage of the bill, forced the clerks to read aloud all 940 pages of the package, an endeavor that clocked in at 15 hours and 55 minutes and ended shortly after 3 p.m. EDT.

[Link to the complete text of the bill](#)

### TRUMP VISITING "ALLIGATOR ALCATRAZ" – 6/30/25

Trump, who could not be bothered to attend the funeral for assassinated Congresswoman Melissa Hortman, will be visiting "Alligator Alcatraz," the detention facility being built on a remote airstrip about 50 miles (80 kilometers) west of Miami, surrounded by swampland filled with mosquitos, pythons and alligators.

Trump will be joined by Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and Rep. Byron Donalds, who is running to succeed DeSantis as governor in 2026.

### ADRIANA SMITH'S FAMILY LISTS THE DATE OF HER PASSING AS FEBRUARY 19 IN OBITUARY – 6/30/25

Adriana Smith's family lists the following in her obituary, "Ms. Adriana Monet Smith passed away on February 19, 2025."

### TRUMP HAWKING NEW COLOGNE AND PERFUME - 6/30/25

Trump is hawking a new perfume and cologne line called "Victory 47" for \$249.

### MEDICAID CUTS IN TRUMP'S "BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL" WILL COST MORE THAN 51,000 LIVES - 6/30/25

The massive cuts to Medicaid in Trump's "Big Beautiful Bill" will cost more than 51,000 people their lives every year, by cutting off health insurance to people who are old, poor and sick. These numbers are based on analyses and projections from researchers at the University of Pennsylvania, Harvard and Yale.

Medicaid insures 1 in 5 Americans, typically low-income and disabled. The bill currently in front of the Senate includes more than \$1 trillion in proposed cuts to the Medicaid program over 10 years. These cuts would be the largest in Medicaid's 58-year history and would harm the health of millions.

Eric T. Roberts, senior fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics at the University of Pennsylvania and José Figueroa, associate professor at the Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health calculated the effects of the proposed cuts in the bill in a recent Opinion piece on MSNBC.

13 million Americans rely on both Medicare and Medicaid. They automatically get subsidies that lower the cost of their medications. When they lose Medicaid, they lose access to low-cost drugs, increasing the likelihood that chronic conditions go untreated. Eric and José calculated the effects of losing drug subsidies on beneficiaries' mortality, estimating that 18,200 dual-eligible individuals would die each year from the loss of Medicaid coverage.

The bill also proposes to add a work requirement for most nonelderly adults within Medicaid and ending enhanced premium tax credits that lower the cost of individual plans on the Affordable Care Act (ACA) marketplace. Yale researchers estimated that over 20,000 people would die annually due to these provisions.

The budget bill also will delay for a decade a new rule for minimum staffing at nursing homes that would improve quality of care. Based on studies of the relationship between nurse staffing hours and resident mortality, Penn researchers project another 13,000 deaths per year among residents.

With these cuts, states will be forced to curtail benefits or install policies that limit the amount of time individuals can receive Medicaid. Hospitals, clinics and other caregivers will suffer as well. Rural and urban facilities will most likely suffer the most, with many likely being forced to close.

#### SENATOR JOHN FETTERMAN COMPLAINS ABOUT MISSING BEACH TRIP FOR BILL VOTE – 6/30/25

“Oh my God, I just want to go home,” Pennsylvania Democrat Sen. John Fetterman told reporters on Monday. “I’ve already missed our entire trip to the beach... I’m going to vote no. There’s no drama.”

GOP leaders expect rapid-fire amendments to roll in until at least late Monday evening, but Fetterman doesn’t think there will be surprises out of tonight’s votes.

“The only interesting votes are going to be on the margin, whether that’s [Susan] Collins or [Ron] Johnson and those,” he said. “All the Democrats, we all know how that’s going to go. I don’t think it’s really helpful to put people here till some ungodly hour.”

“This bill is the biggest transfer of wealth from the working class to the 1% and Fetterman’s message to voters is that he just wants to go home,” Joe Calvello, Fetterman’s former communications director posted on X.

#### KRISTI NOEM SECRETLY TOOK AN \$80,000 CUT OF POLITICAL DONATIONS – 6/30/25

ProPublica reports that tax records show that in 2023, while Kristi Noem was governor of South Dakota, she secretly accepted \$80,000 in money that she raised for a nonprofit that promotes her political career.

In what experts described as a highly unusual arrangement, the nonprofit routed funds to a personal company of Noem’s that had recently been established in Delaware. The payment totaled \$80,000 that year, a significant boost to her roughly \$130,000 government salary. Since the nonprofit is one that is not required to disclose the names of its donors, the original source of the \$80,000 remains unknown.

After Trump selected Noem to be his secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, she was required to release a detailed accounting of her assets and sources of income from 2023 on. She did not include this income on her disclosure form, a violation of federal ethics requirements.