

Free Bresha Meadows

Days of Action: Oct 5th and 6th



Who is Bresha Meadows?

Bresha Meadows of Ohio was just 14 years old when she was incarcerated and faced a charge of aggravated murder for defending herself and family against the unrelenting terror and abuse of her father. She is now in juvenile detention.

What's happening on October 5th & 6th?

Bresha has an important court hearing on Thursday, Oct 6th when the prosecutor will determine if Bresha will be prosecuted for a crime (possibly **charged as an adult**) instead of given the support & safety that she needs.

We act in solidarity with Bresha and demand that she is returned home to her family and that all charges against her are dropped. We call on #SayHerName/ #BlackLivesMatter supporters, victim advocates, feminists, racial justice activists, young people, and people of faith to **take action** in solidarity with Bresha and all survivors of domestic & sexual violence who are criminalized for surviving.

WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:

1. **TAKE DIRECT ACTION!** On Oct 5th & 6th, organize a march & rally, a speak out, a vigil, a flash mob dance party, a concert, a block party, or a fundraiser. Use media! Create zines, short videos, postcards, music, and poetry.
2. **DONATE** to the fund to support Bresha Meadows' freedom: <https://www.gofundme.com/BreshaM>
3. **SIGN** the petition to demand that Trumbull County Prosecutor, Dennis Watkins, drop the charges against Bresha and free her now: bit.ly/FreeBreshaNow
4. **WRITE** letters of encouragement and support to Bresha and send to:
Bresha Meadows, Trumbull County Juvenile Detention Center, 220 Main Street. SW, Warren, OH 44481
5. **JOIN** the "Open Letter to Dennis Watkins" project. Send us an open letter to Prosecutor Dennis Watkins who has the discretion to decide to drop charges against Bresha. <https://freebresha.wordpress.com/open-letters/>
6. **EDUCATE** communities about the criminalization of black girls and survivors of domestic violence! Organize discussions and workshops about domestic and sexual violence, explore community strategies for safety and support, resist the criminalization of our communities. Find educational tools at survivedandpunished.org
7. **ENDORSE** the call to free Bresha Meadows. Urge your campus, organization, union, faith community, or collective to endorse the statement posted by Love & Protect: <http://loveandprotect.org/bresha-meadows/>
8. **CONNECT WITH FAITH COMMUNITIES.** If you are part of a faith community, join community prayer sessions for Bresha's freedom and mobilize your community. More here: <https://freebresha.wordpress.com/faith/>
9. **SPREAD THE WORD** with friends, families, communities, co-workers, and via social media. Write letters to the editor to your local news media. Blog, tweet, and spread the word on social media. #FreeBresha

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