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Born in Puerto Rico, Fátima came to Syracuse University with the goal of becoming a feminist writer. Since she was a little girl, she has aspired to find solutions to social problems and support the Latinx community. Her passion for writing in different genres continuously grows as she learns more. Fátima is also a member of CitrusTV.

#### Carly Cernek

Psychology, English and Textual Studies, Syracuse University

About to enter her third year at SU, Carly is passionate about putting her interests in psychology and English toward a career advocating for prison reform. In the future, she hopes to help provide mental health care to justice-impacted people.

#### Karl Deans CUSE Center

Born and raised in the suburbs of Philadelphia in West Chester, PA, Karl holds a Bachelor of Social Work degree. His commitment to helping others has led him to hold numerous positions, most recently with the CUSE Center, the Recovery and Outreach Division of the Center for Community Alternatives.

#### Luke Hardy

Writing & Rhetoric; Minor: Sports Event Management, Syracuse University Luke grew up in Boston, MA, and has always had a passion for sports, and sports writing in particular. When he's not engaged in academic pursuits, you will typically find him snowboarding down mountains in the winter or relaxing on a Cape Cod beach in the summer.

#### Brian T. Shaw

Center for Community Alternatives

Brian holds a BA in Social Studies from Bard College and a Master of Professional Studies degree from the New York Theological Seminary. He is devoted to enhancing the nutritional health and academic success of children. In the fall, he will attend Columbia University in pursuit of a Master of Public Health degree.

#### Cherise Hunter Titus

Center for Community Alternatives

Cherise earned her Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from Bryant and Stratton College. She was a community activist for over 20 years and worked as an Outreach Coordinator for the Center for Community Alternatives' CUSE Center. We lost her on Valentine's Day 2023.

## Troy White

Troy is a graduate of SUNY New Paltz with a BS in Social Science. After his release following a 15-year sentence, he devoted over 27 years to working in the human services field in a variety of capacities and holds numerous certifications. He currently works for Unchained, an organization dedicated to dismantling the carceral state.

