

Panel Discussion of Dangers of Tasers
Saturday, January 16, 10 AM
SF Public Library Main Branch, Latino Room
Larkin & Grove Streets, SF

Mayor Lee and Chief Suhr are trying to deflect people's outrage over the police murder of Mario Woods by calling for tasers for police. Giving police tasers will damage public safety in San Francisco, not help it.

- Giving police tasers does NOT decrease officer-involved shootings.
- Giving police tasers just gives them an additional weapon to terrorize unarmed minority, mentally ill, poor, and disabled communities.
- Cities will not regulate police use of tasers any more than they regulate police use of guns.
- Tasers have already killed hundreds in the US.

The panel includes

- Aram James: former Palo Alto Public Defender, expert on dangers of tasers
- Jeremy Miller: activist against police abuse, Idriss Stelley Foundation
- Marion Jackson: retired SF police officer, founder of Officers for Justice
- Steve Zeltzer, United Public Workers For Action
- a homeless activist
- a mental health activist

Tasers and other so-called "non-lethal" police-weapons will not stop them from killing us. Prosecuting killer cops, and the officials who let them get away with it, is the way to start.

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