

## Q1

Please provide some basic information

- Witness Name:Elias Ortega-Aponte
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- Organization (if any):Meadville Lombard Theological School
  - City/Town:Chicago
  - State:IL
  - ZIP:60605

## Q2

Tell us which meeting you wish to be recorded as a witness. If you don't know the meeting or date, we can help at 312.603.6398 or [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov). You can also look up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar. Please fill out a separate form for each meeting at which you wish to speak.

- County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting 4/23/2020 10a

## Q3

Tell us the File ID number (example 17-0000) of the item on which you are registering your position. If you don't know the number, we can help at 312.603.6398 or [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov). You can also look it up using the County Calendar or the Forest Preserve Calendar

Respondent skipped this question

## Q4

What do you want to do?

- PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENT IN FAVOR of a specific item

## Q5

Written Statement? You can type or copy/paste any written statement you want included in the meeting record here. If this is not enough space, or you have other attachments for distribution, please email them to [cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:cookcounty.board@cookcountyil.gov)

Dear Commissioners, I am writing as a concern citizen and faith leader regarding the conditions of Cook County Juvenile Detention Center (JTDC). These are moments of crisis. The ways in which we choose to respond to those most vulnerable among us will bear witness, today and to future generations, to our collective moral imagination. I urge you to consider the conditions of the young people Juvenile Detention facilities, and consider the release of those detained for non-violent and low level offenses.