



## **Woke Economists To Study California Reparations**

The team of five ultra-woke economists on California Governor Gavin Newsom's controversial Reparations Task Force includes a professor who has called for nationwide reparations of up to \$14 trillion. The group will determine just how much eligible black Californians are owed for supposed harms inflicted on African Americans in the state due to slavery and social injustice.

Last June, the California Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans (Reparations Task Force) released an interim report on the supposed "harms inflicted on African Americans in California and across the nation due to the ongoing legacy of slavery and systemic discrimination."



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The <u>Daily Mail</u> recently named these social-justice warriors' to be "professors William Spriggs, Thomas Craemer, Kaycea Campbell, William A 'Sandy' Darity Jr and his wife, lecturer Kirstin Mullen." They are charged with submitting a report by June, "quantifying the past economic injustices African Americans faced and determining how much compensation black Californians should receive for these crimes."

"Other members of the expert panel advising California's Reparations Task Force on what they believe would be a fair amount repaid to the descendants of racial discrimination have said there is no such thing as a black middle class and argued the plight of Native Americans is 'irrelevant,'" reported the Daily Mail.

In the initial <u>report</u>, the woke panel outlining the injustices that the state of California has committed against black people submitted a rough estimate of a per-person reparation payment of \$223,239 by examining gaps in housing and speculating the approximate amount of wealth lost between 1933 and 1977.

Fox News <u>reported</u>, "The state panel says that Black Californians lost \$5,074 per year under previous housing policies." The task force had "voted in March to limit potential reparations to descendants of free or enslaved Black people in the country at the end of the 19th century rather than all Black people, as many reparations advocates have pushed for."

The radical far-leftist panel added that the total amount paid out to black Californians could be even higher if one adds potential income lost by incarcerated blacks and factors in blacks' shorter life expectancies than white Californians, possibly increasing by up to \$128,000.

The *Daily Mail* article took a deeper look into the so-called expert panel deciding these reparations payments:

William Spriggs, a professor and former chair of the Economics Department at Howard







University, has said economic models inherently include racist ideals.

Speaking to <u>CNBC</u> at the height of the Black Lives Matter movement in 2020, he said that basic economic principles perpetuate inequality.

'We ignore the constructs that our society has created,' he argued. 'The purpose of those constructs are to create inequality.'

More recently, Spriggs <u>suggested</u> people applying for unemployment insurance should not have to prove they are searching for a job as he said that any reductions in unemployment insurance would further the income disparity between black people and white people.

Thomas Craemer, a German ex-pat who teaches public policy at the University of Connecticut, made a name for himself in 2015 when he released his formula that black Americans are owed \$14 trillion in reparations.

He arrived at that figure, he said, by tabulating how many hours all slaves worked in th US from when the country was officially established in 1776 to when slavery was abolished and multiplied that by the average wages at the time.

'For me, the model calculations help us to wrap our minds around the magnitude of the injustice,' he told the <u>UConn Magazine</u> in 2019, noting that the amount owed has since increased to \$19 to \$20 trillion.

William Darity Jr and his wife, lecturer Kirstin Mullen, literally wrote the book on reparations, <u>arguing</u> cash payments are the only way to move forward in American society.

They have said the costs of slavery run too deep in American society, with Darity once <u>suggesting</u> that there is no such thing as a black middle class — only slightly wealthier people of a marginalized group.

And, together, they have argued that the injustices committed against black people outweigh all of the injustices committed against other racial groups.

Not much is known about Kaycea Williams' views, but a lot of her work seems to be focused on economic issues in her home country of Jamaica, according to her LinkedIn.

She has previously written about public corruption and its effects on economies.

Williams now works as an economics professor at Chapman University and at Los Angeles Pierce University and runs a firm called Strategic Economics Analysis.

Once the panel submits their finalized reparation payment amount in June, California state legislators will then either vote to support legalized theft from taxpayers to pay for damages stemming from what these woke panelists deem as racial disparity, or vote to stop this insanity.





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