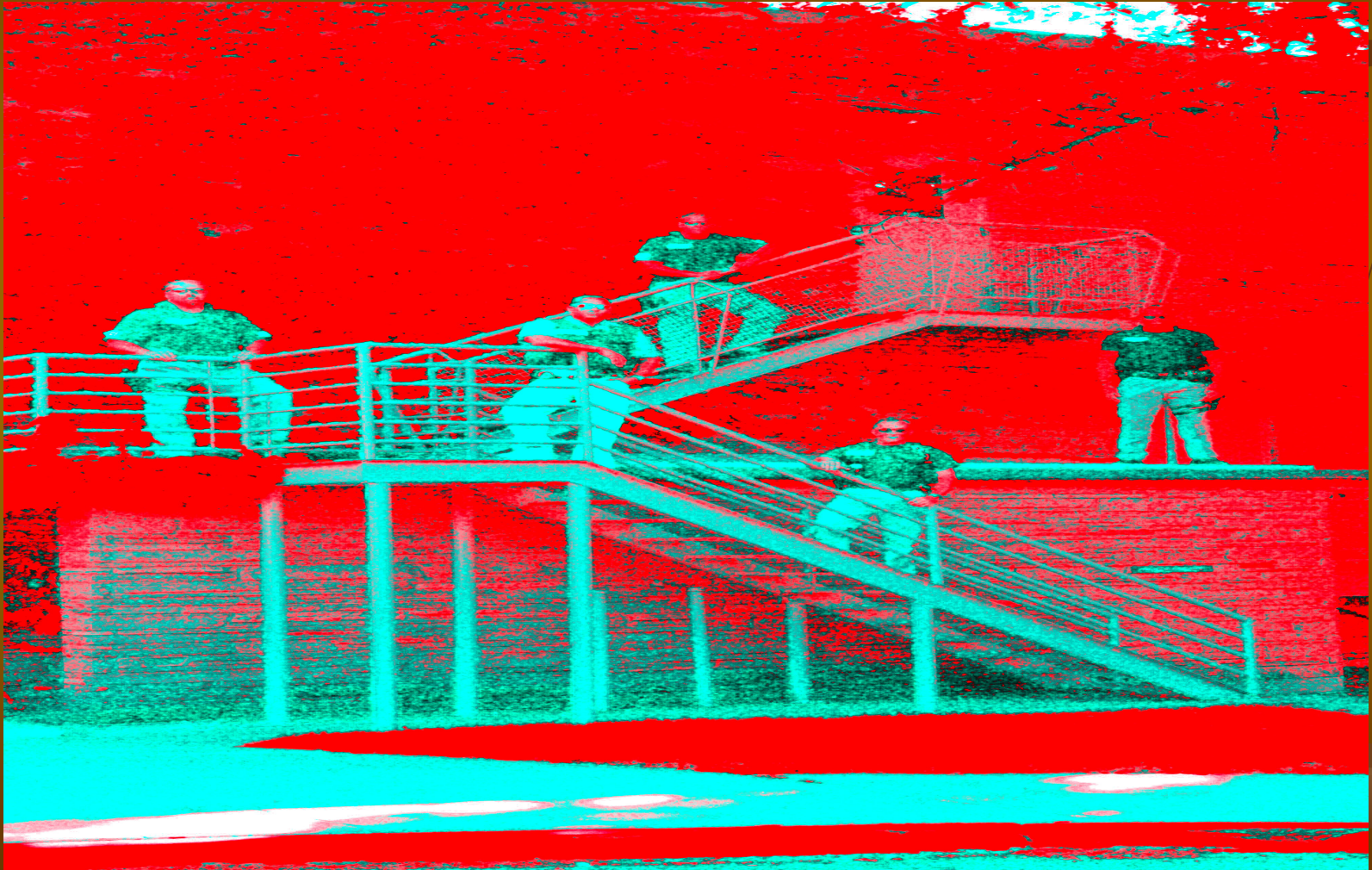


# FCPD Criminal Impact Unit





# GANGS

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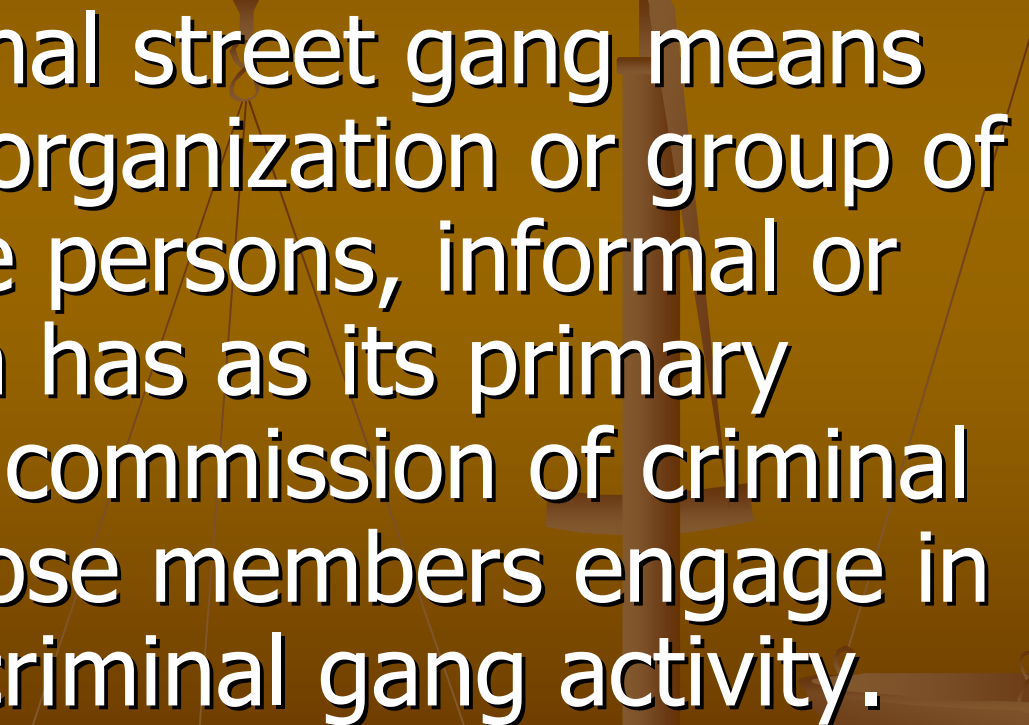
The Criminal Impact Unit

# Definition of a “Gang”

## Colorado State Statute

### 18-23-101

Def'n-A criminal street gang means any ongoing organization or group of three or more persons, informal or formal; which has as its primary objective the commission of criminal acts; and whose members engage in a pattern of criminal gang activity.



# Gang Motivated Crime

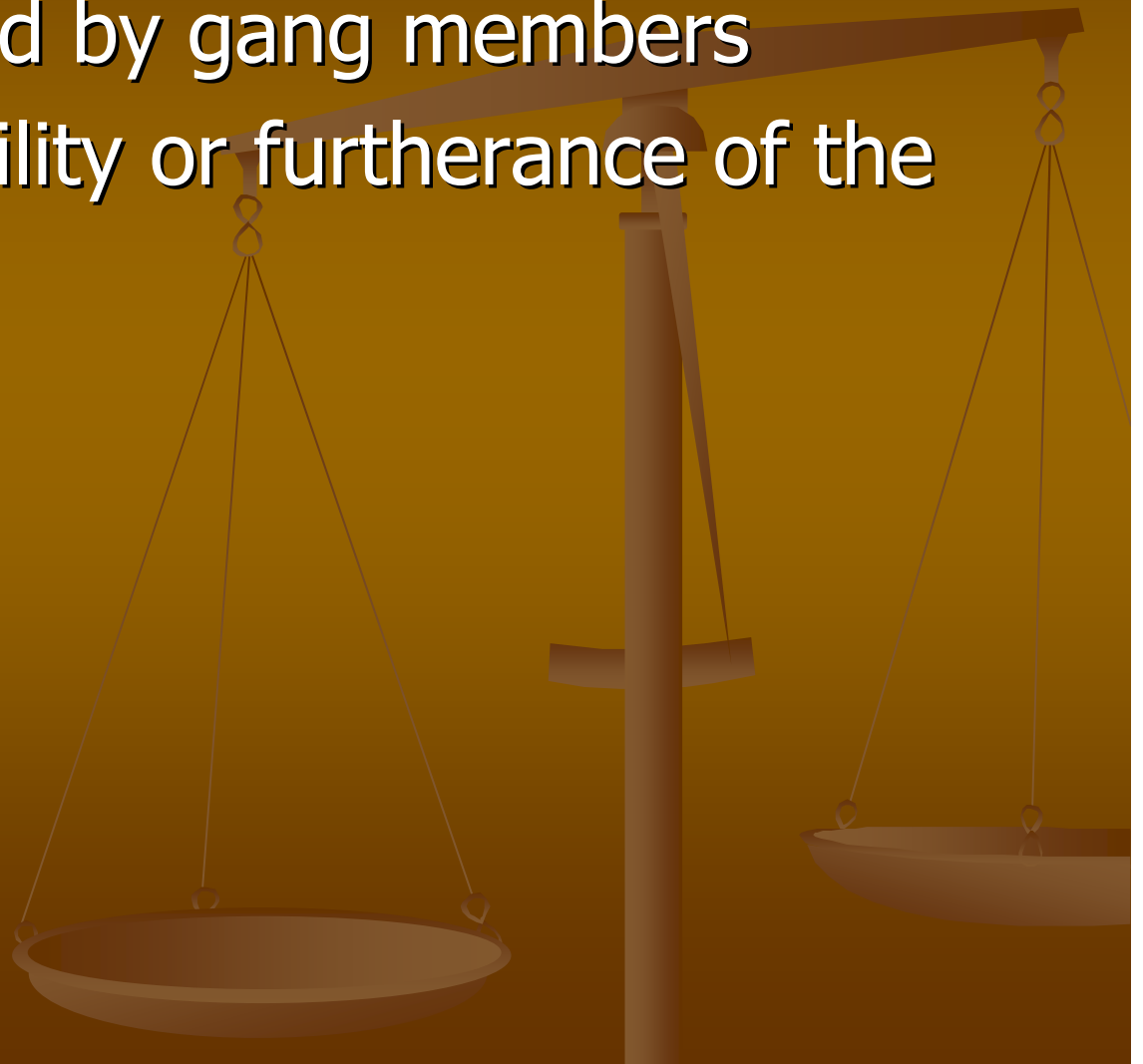
- For the financial viability of the gang.
  - For the increase of the gang's reputation
  - For the furtherance of the gang's name.
  - As retaliation against another gang.
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- Not all crime committed by a gang is gang related or gang motivated. Some is just

**CRIME...**



# Gang Involved Crime

- Crime committed by gang members
- Not for the viability or furtherance of the gang.





# Gang Structure

## Hardcore

- O.G.= Original Gangster
- Veteranos

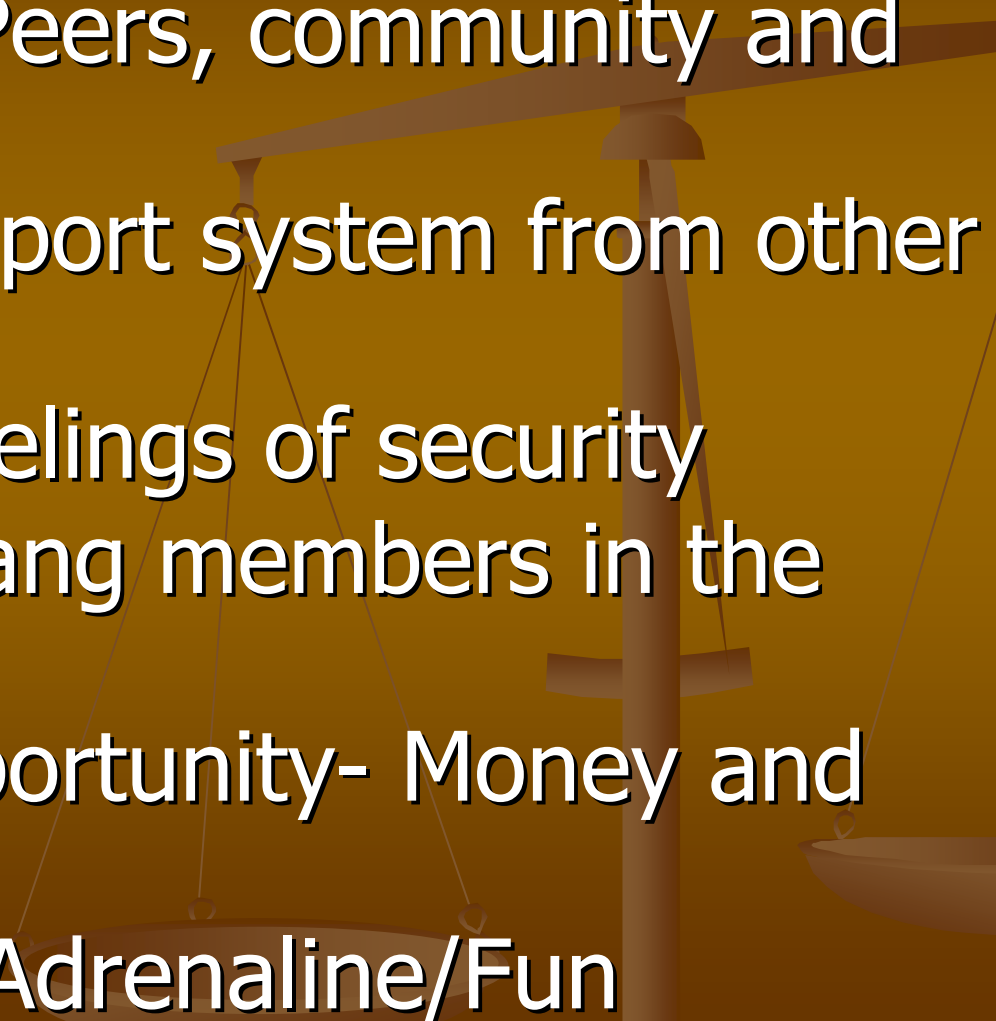
## Associates

- Majority of Membership

## Peripheral



# Who Joins Gangs

- Recognition- Peers, community and school
  - Tradition- Support system from other members
  - Protection- Feelings of security
  - Fear- Other gang members in the community
  - Perceived Opportunity- Money and Respect
  - Excitement – Adrenaline/Fun
- 





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# The first Joker Card Carnival of Carnage (ICP)

**Welcome to the show, the traveling ghetto. Years of breathing the souls of rotted minds has created a bad case of "Ghetto Insanity."**

**As you walk the streets, stared at as if you were a freak show, less than human, an ogre walking the streets paved with gold, you'll begin to understand. If those of the ghetto are nothing more than carnival exhibits to the upper class, then let's give them the show they deserve!**

**No more hearing of this show because it can now be witnessed in your own front yard. A traveling mass of carnage. The same carnage witnessed on a daily basis in the ghetto can be yours to witness, feel, and suffer through.**

**No longer killing one another, but killing those who heartlessly ignored our relentless pleas for help. Like a hurricane leaving a trail of destruction....the Carnival Of Carnage may be visiting you...**

# Common/Generic Street Gangs

- La Eme
  - Southside
  - Sureños (SUR)
  - 13

- Nuestra Familia
  - Northside
  - NS
  - 14

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## Crips

Folks (right)  
6 pointed star

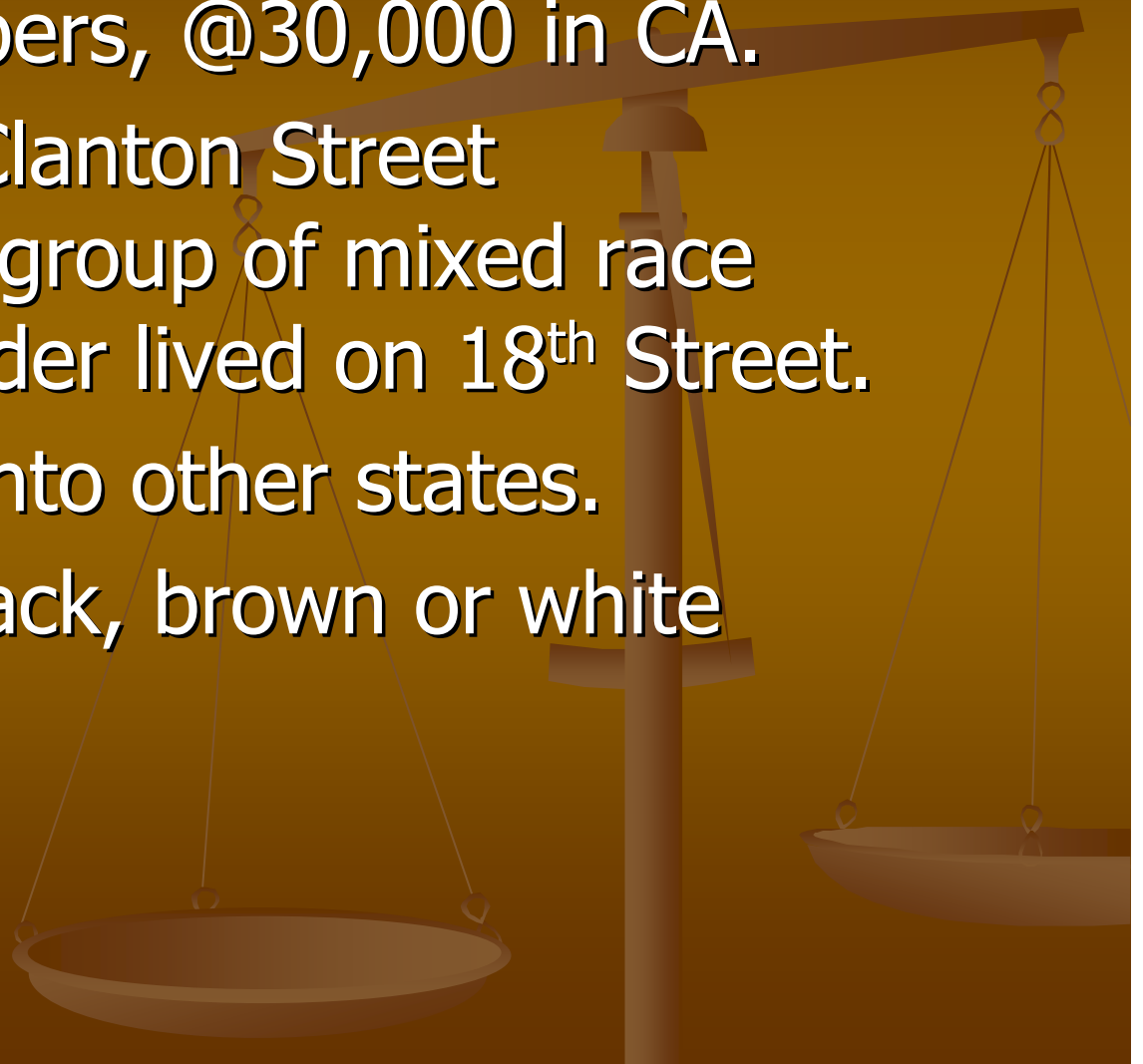
## Bloods

People (left)  
5 pointed star



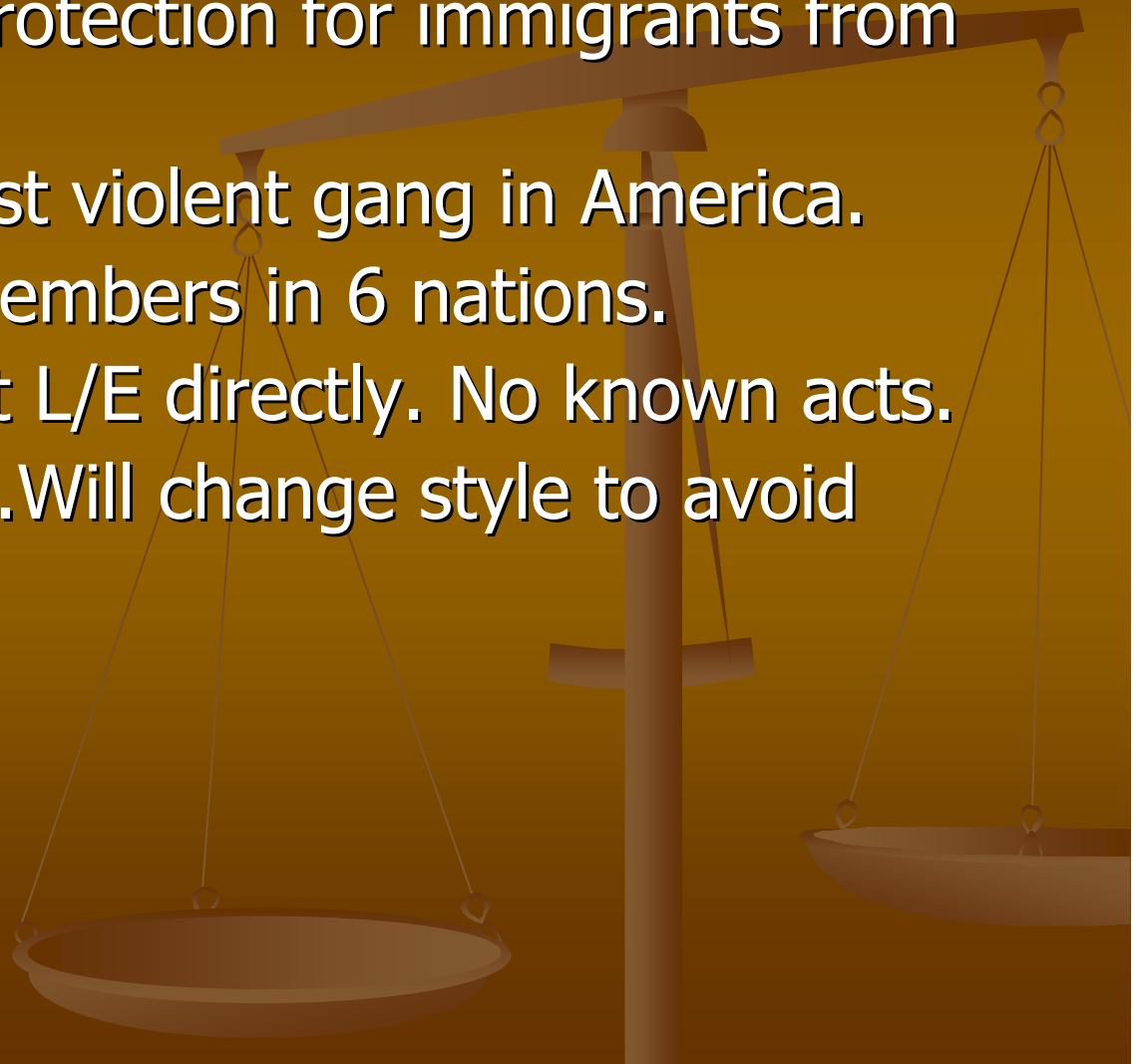
# 18<sup>th</sup> Street

- Largest in numbers, @30,000 in CA.
- Started as the Clanton Street Throwaways, a group of mixed race youths. The leader lived on 18<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Has expanded into other states.
- Usually wear black, brown or white clothing.



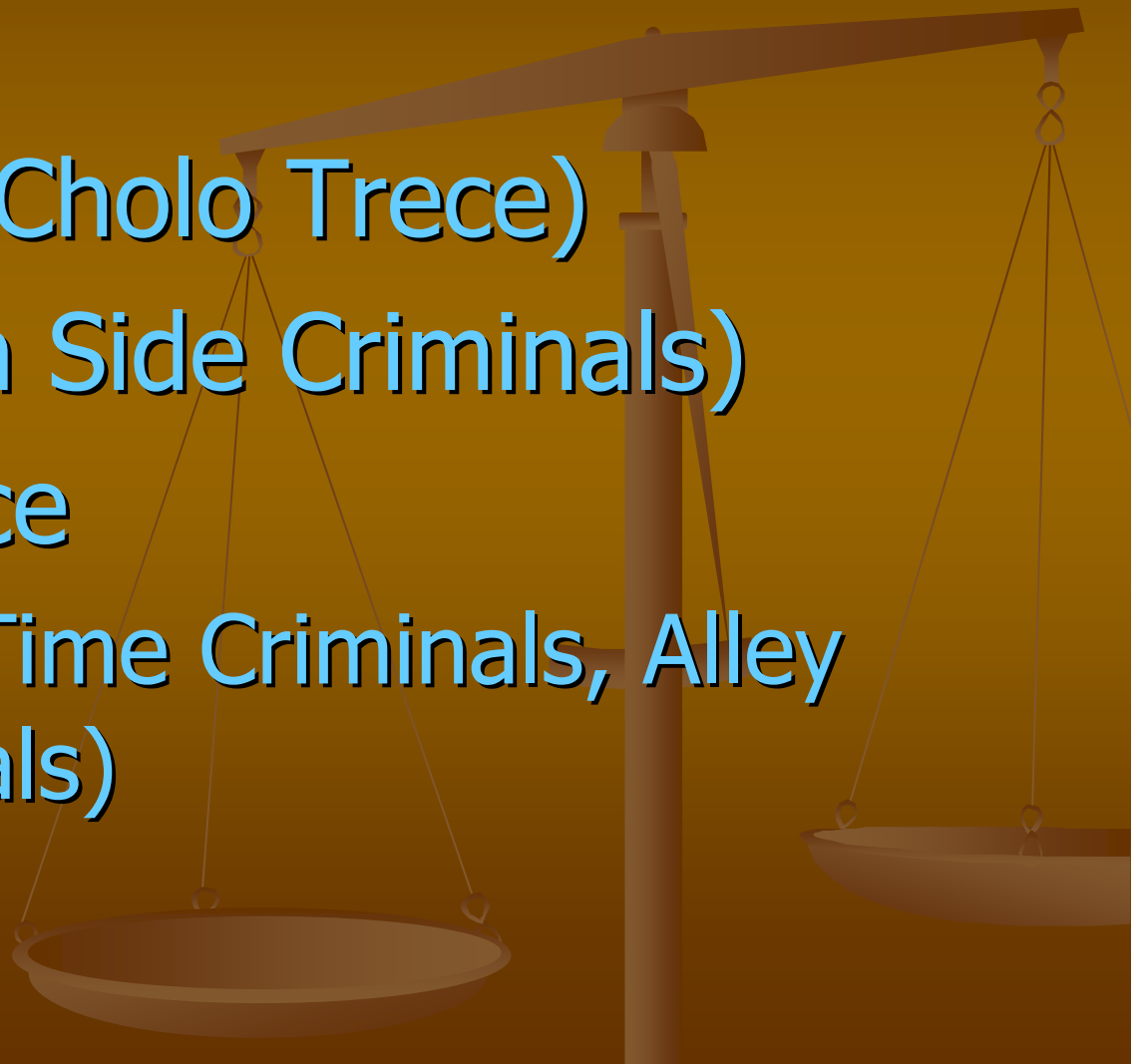
# Mara Salvatrucha 13

- Started in LA as protection for immigrants from El Salvador.
- Said to be the most violent gang in America.
- Claimed 50,000 members in 6 nations.
- Reported to target L/E directly. No known acts.
- Wear "13" or "67". Will change style to avoid detection.



# Fort Collins Sets

- Southside
  - LCT (Loco Cholo Trece)
  - SSC (South Side Criminals)
  - Dukes Trece
  - ATC 13 (All Time Criminals, Alley Tiny Criminals)



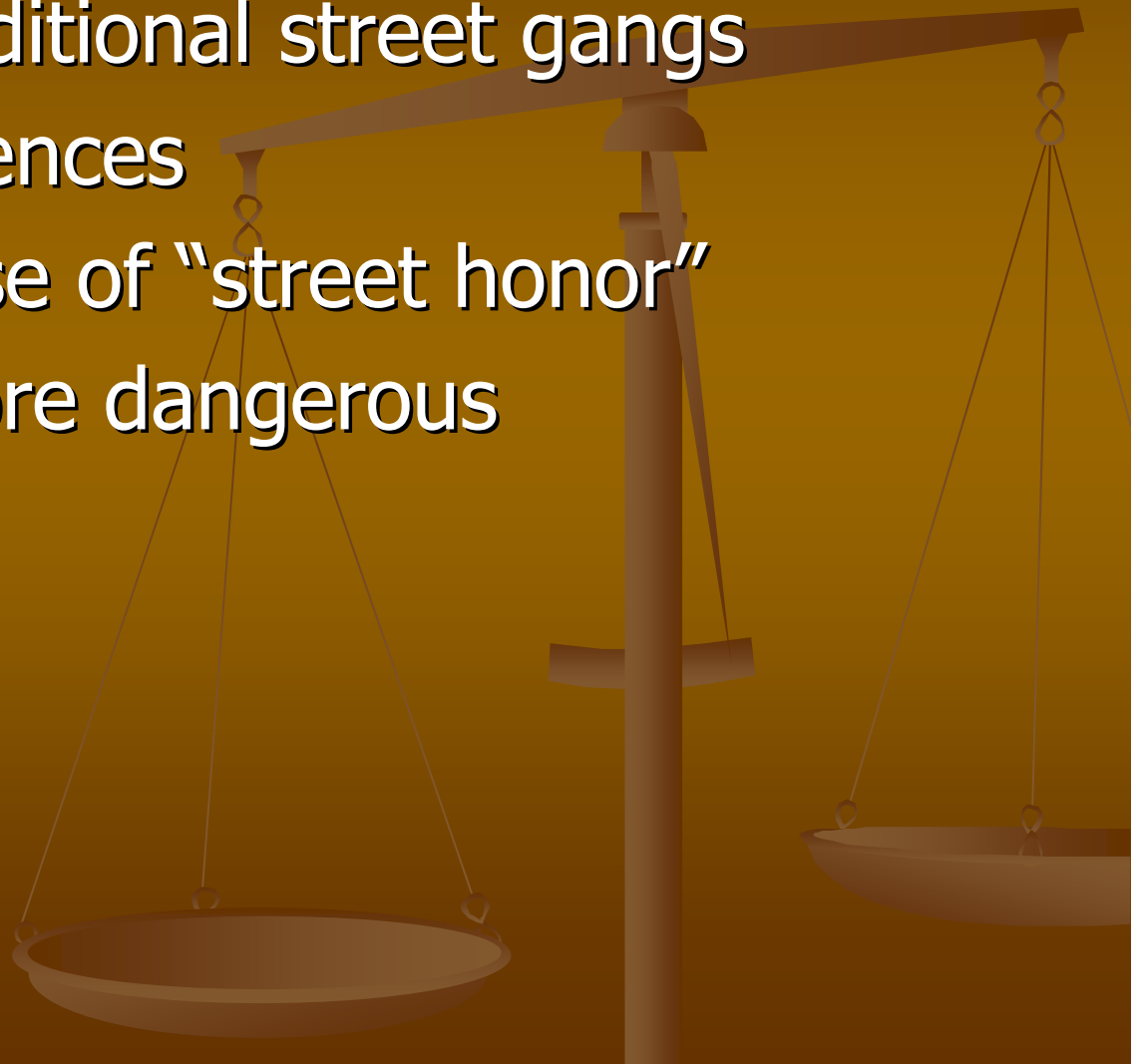
# Fort Collins Sets

- **Northside**
  - **NSA**
  - **Westside Bloods**
  - **Nortenos**
  - **Buckingham Boys**
  - **Cherry Boys**



# Hybrid Gangs

- Evolution of traditional street gangs
- Mixture of influences
- Little or no sense of “street honor”
- Makes them more dangerous

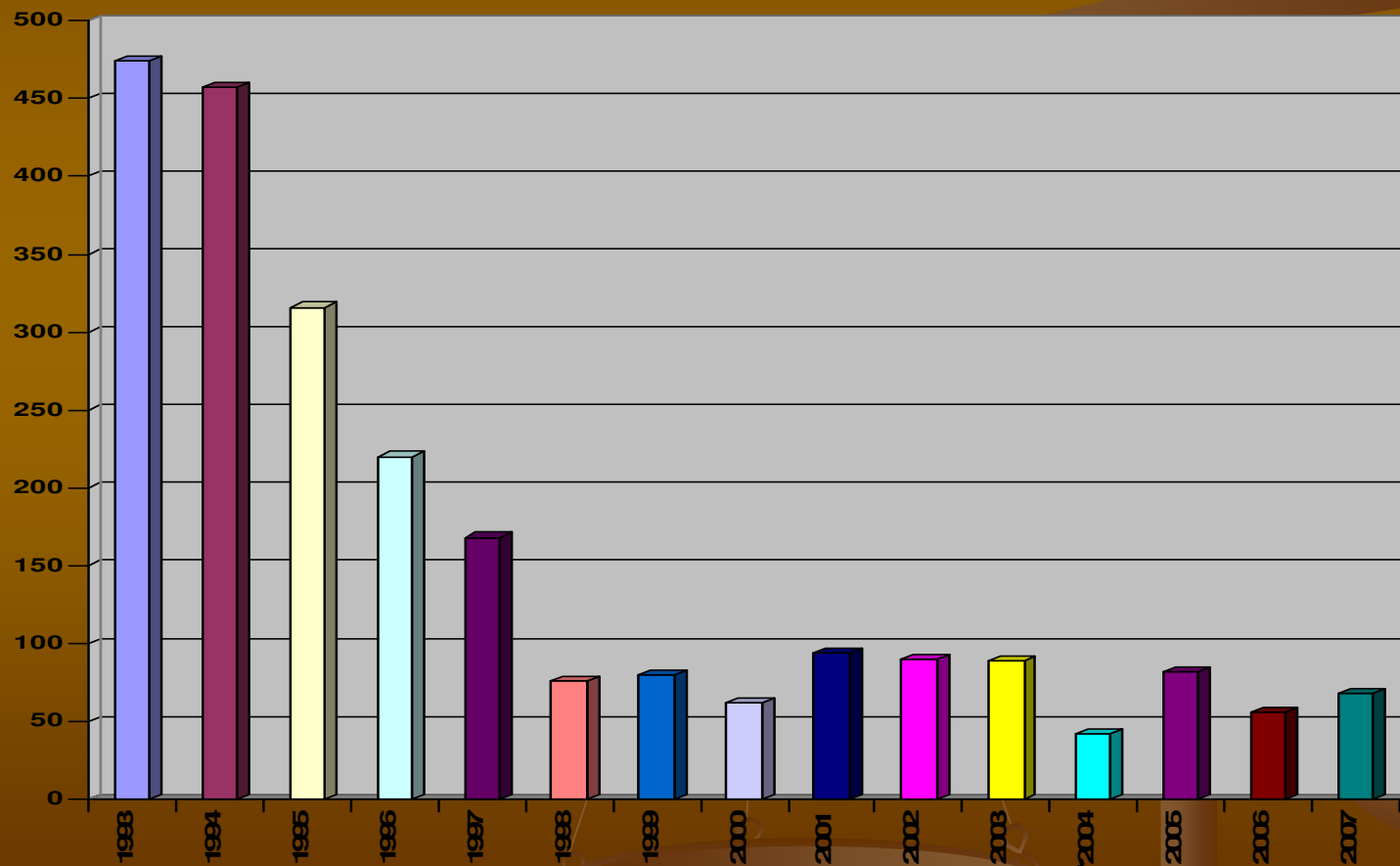






**Know  
Gangs**

# Gang Stats 1993-present



# 2007 Gang Statistics

- Total incidents 68
  - Criminal mischief 19
  - Aggravated assault 8
  - Simple assault 14
  - Weapon Offense 3

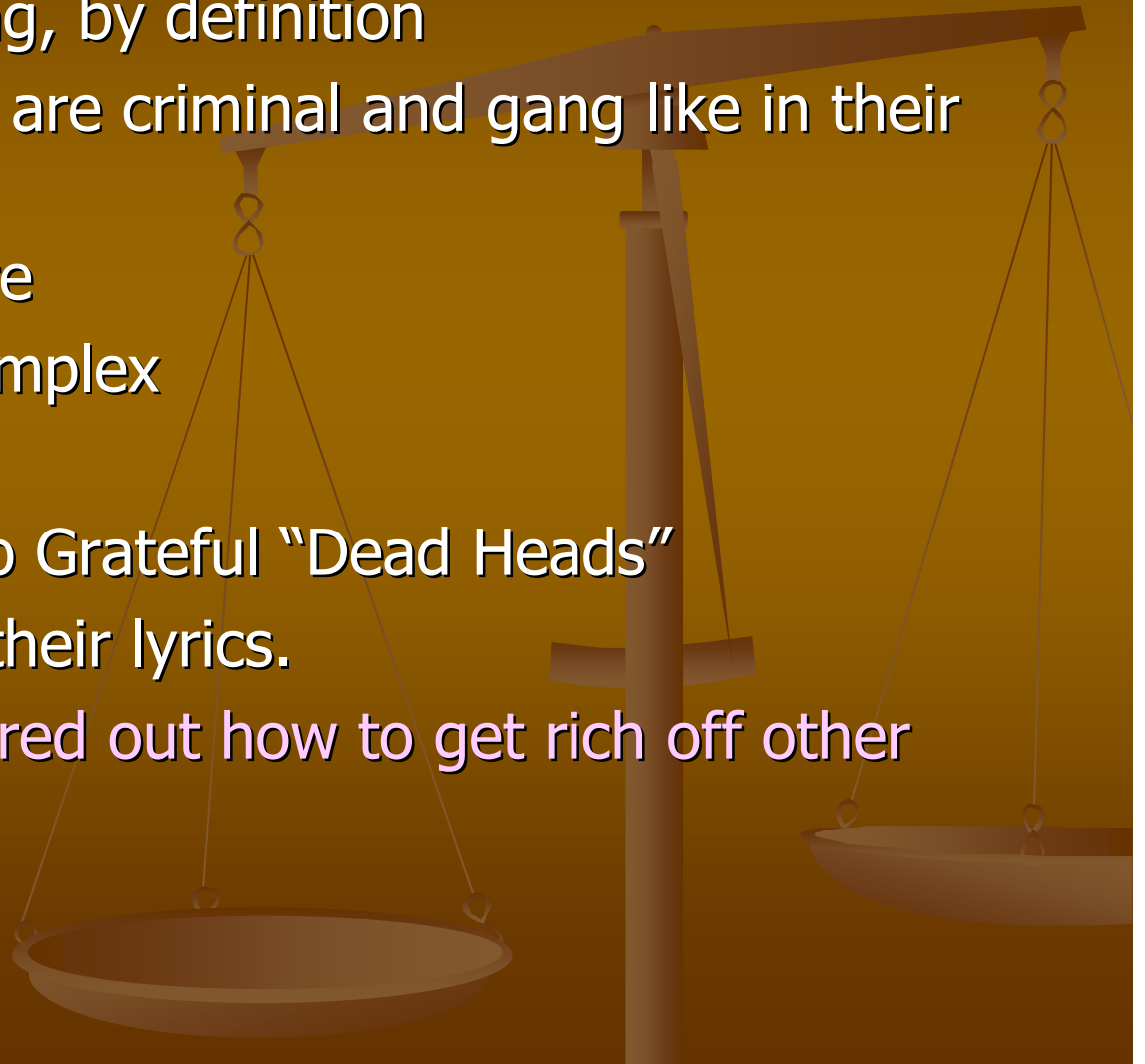


# Stats, cont'd

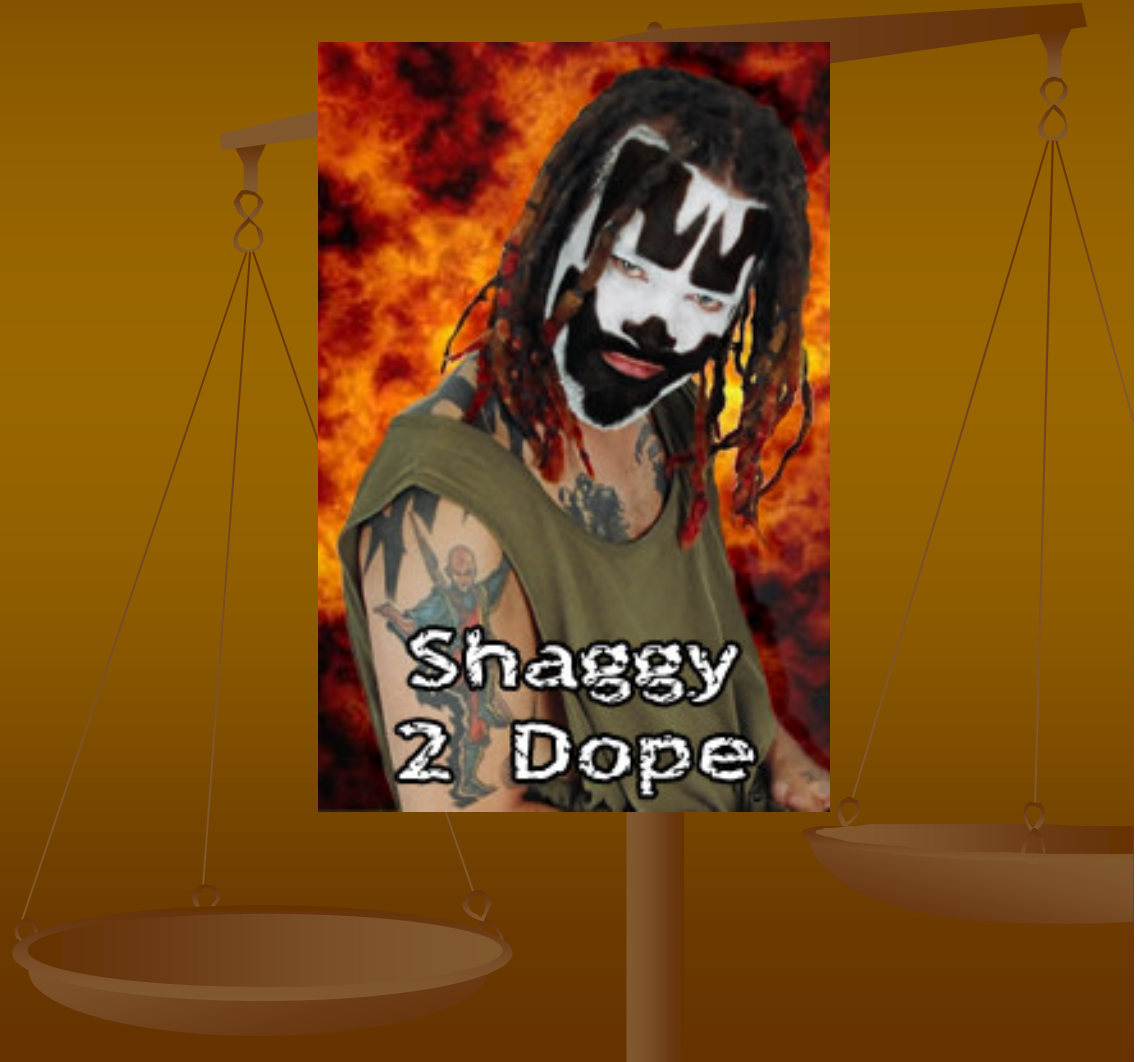
- In 2005, a spokeswoman for the California corrections department, said there are "over 160,000 inmates in California prisons. Estimates put the prison gang population at 803 members, 900 associates, 325 inactive members and 1,050 dropouts" (24 February 2005 *The San Francisco Chronicle*).
- Total = <.019 percent of all inmates are current or former gang members.

# Insane Clown Posse

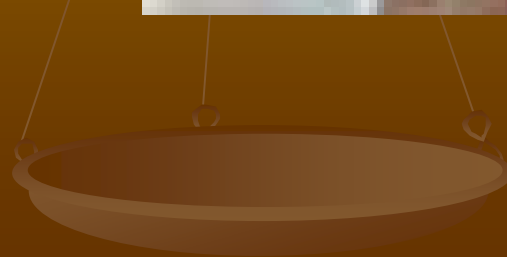
- Not considered a gang, by definition
  - Some subgroups are criminal and gang like in their activities
- Definitely a subculture
- Very involved and complex
  - Rules to live by
- Similar to followers to Grateful "Dead Heads"
- Cryptic messages in their lyrics.
- Two clowns who figured out how to get rich off other clowns.



# Gangsters?



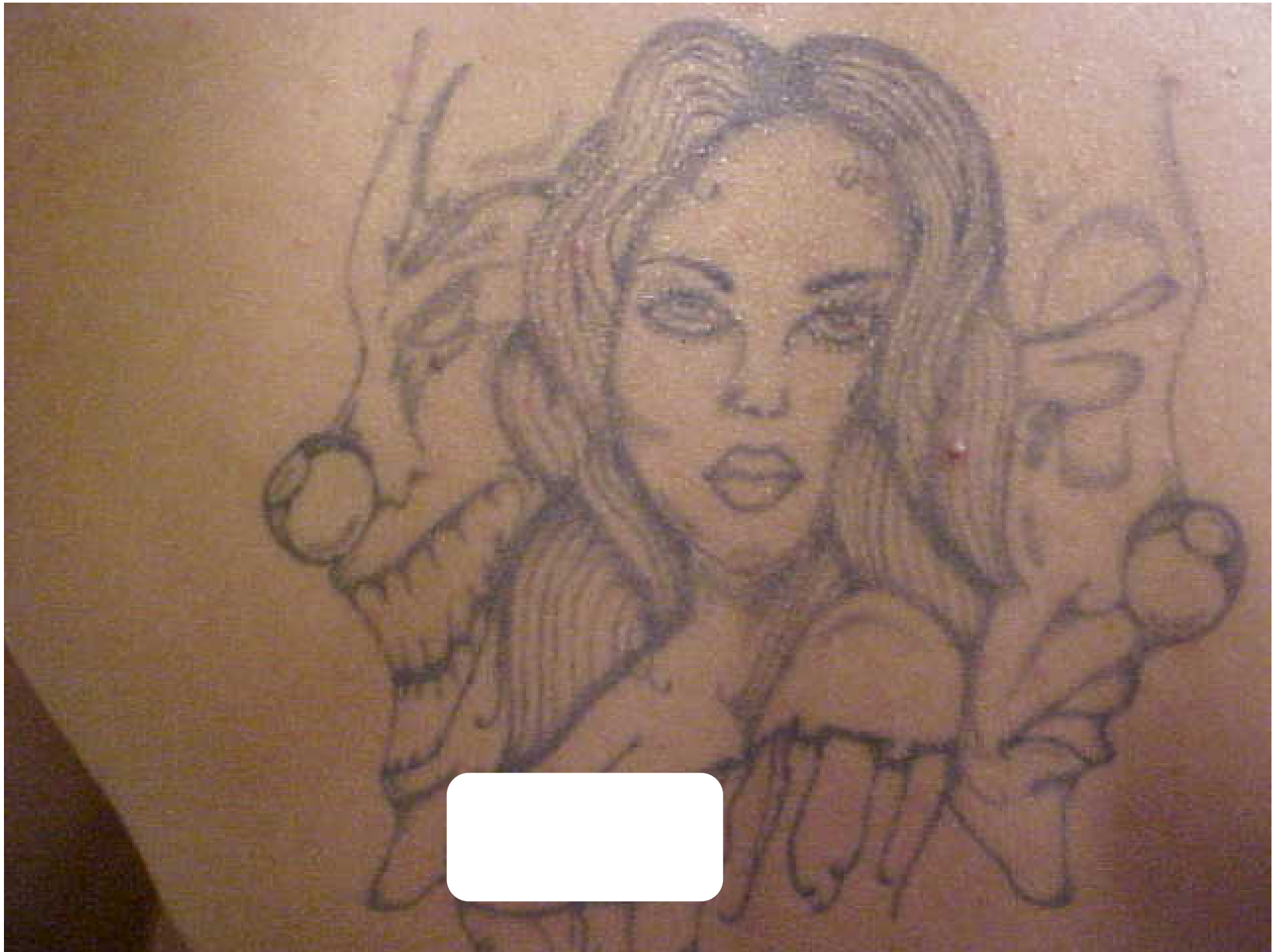
# Gangsters!



***Tattoos***

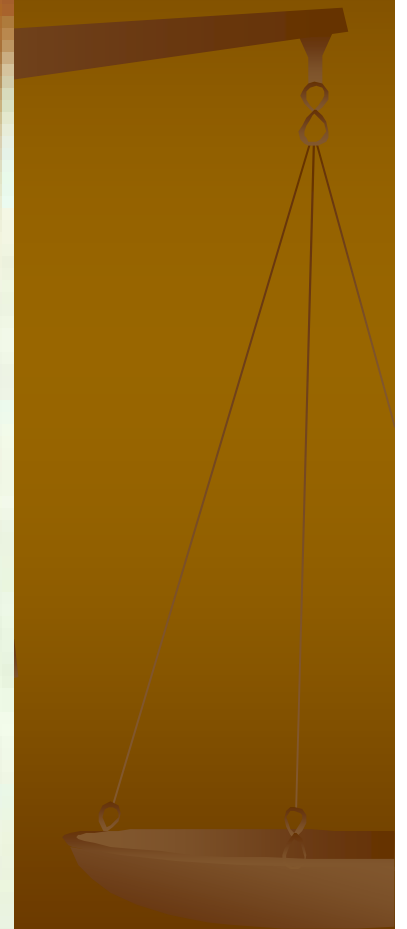


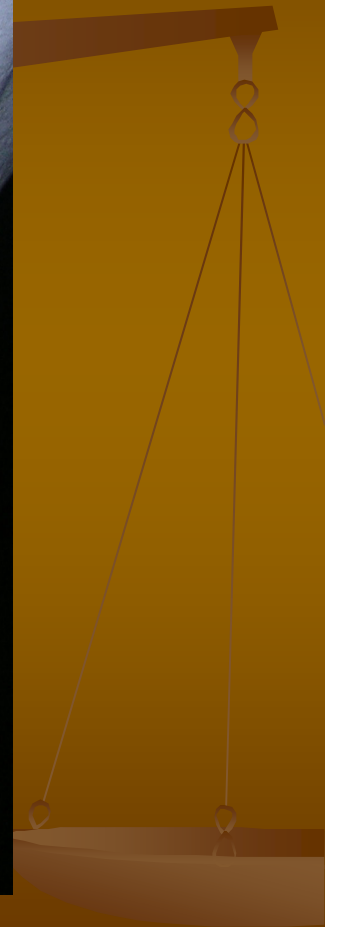






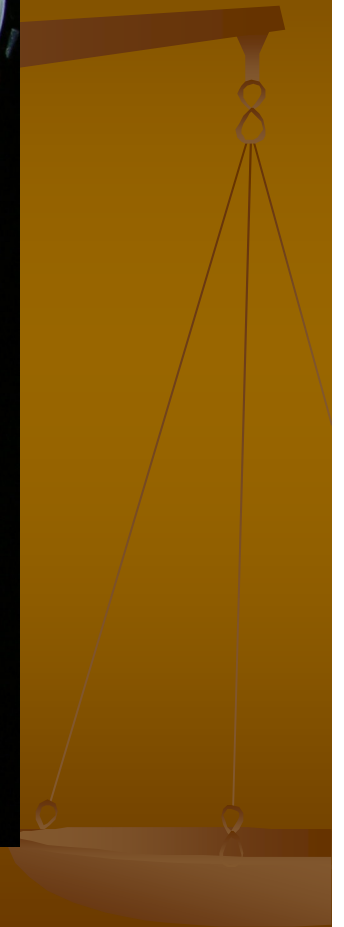
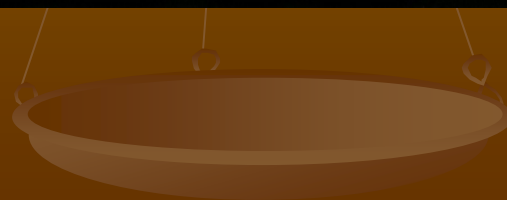
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# Outlaws M/C (1%ers)





MS 13



# White Supremacist



# Local Sureno



# White Supremacist



# Nazi Clock



***Clothing***



# Clothing



Clothing is less obvious today. Gang style clothing has been adopted by mainstream youth. The key is how is the clothing or item displayed.

Is it worn with a sense of pride?

Clothing is clean, neat, and pressed, rather than that it is simply blue, red, baggy, etc.

1990's





2007



1990's



2007



**Know  
Gangs**





**Know  
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# Hell's Angels



It's not what you wear...



It's how You Wear it.





# Clothing Video

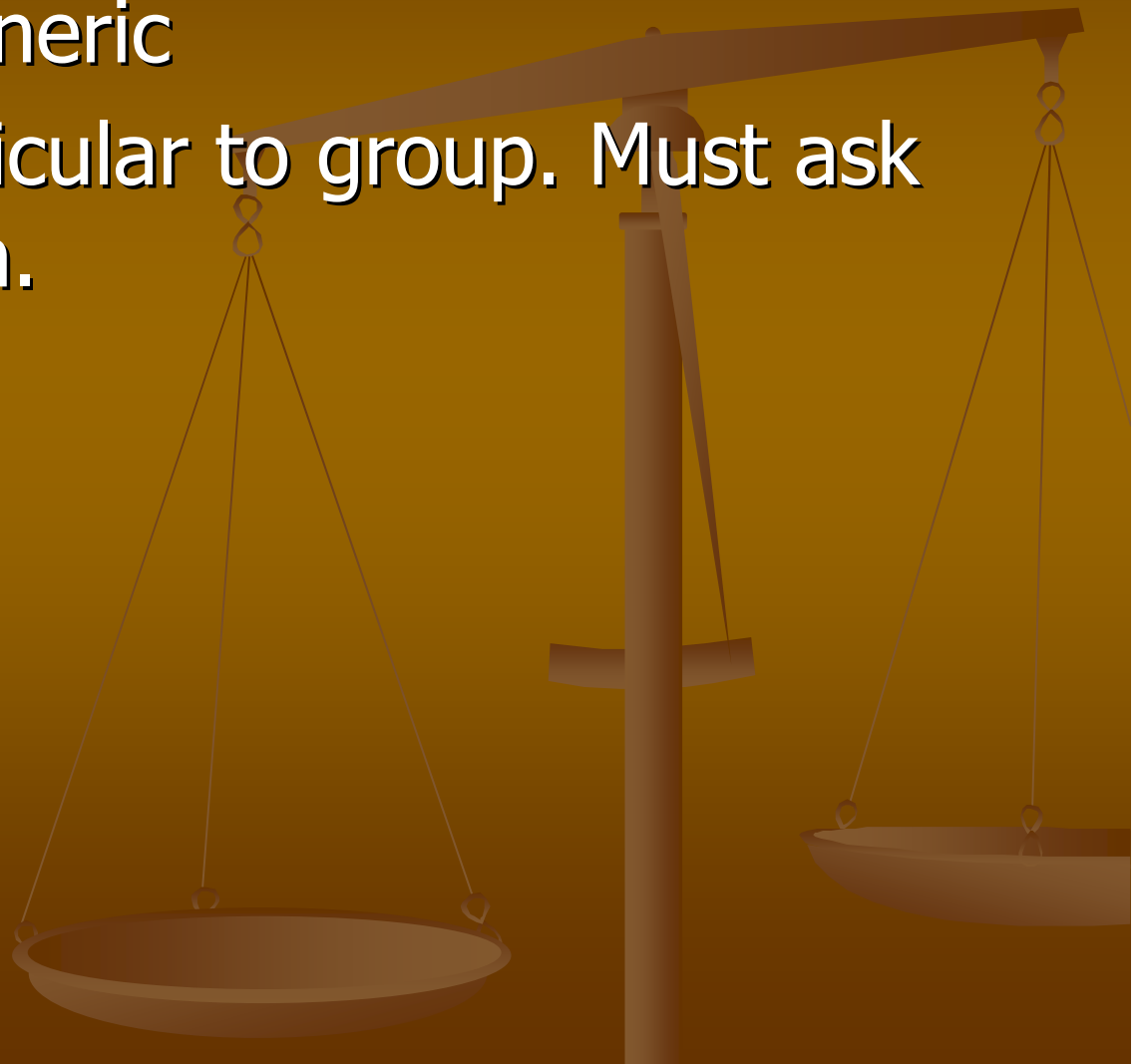


# *Hand Signs*



# Hand Signs

- Locally, very generic
- Elsewhere, particular to group. Must ask what they mean.



# South Side Criminals



# Norteno X I V



# The Violent Ones



# How Did We Get Here?



How gang culture has become  
acceptable

COMMISSIONER

# MISSISSIPPI

The Magnolia State

## CERTIFICATION



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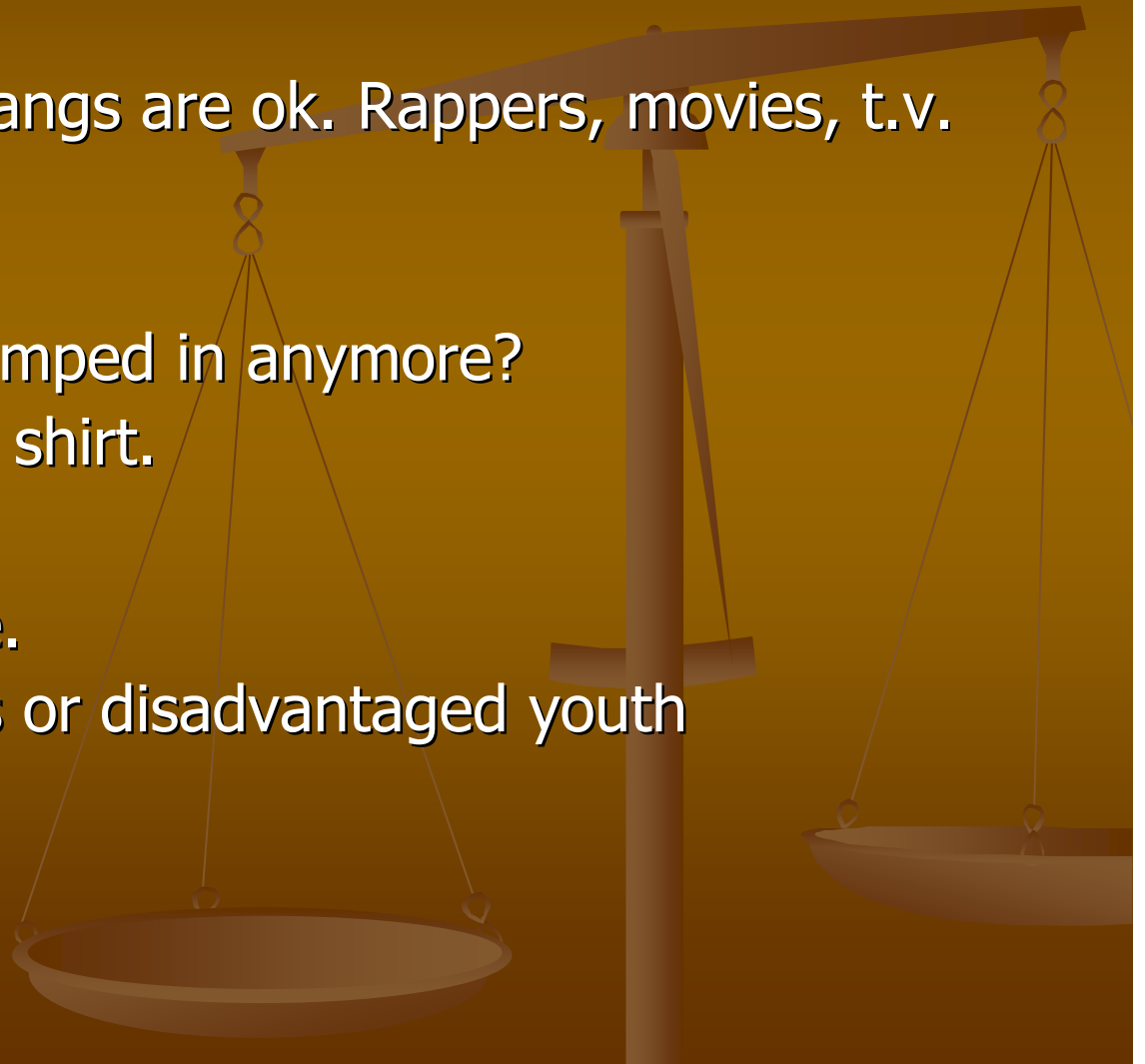
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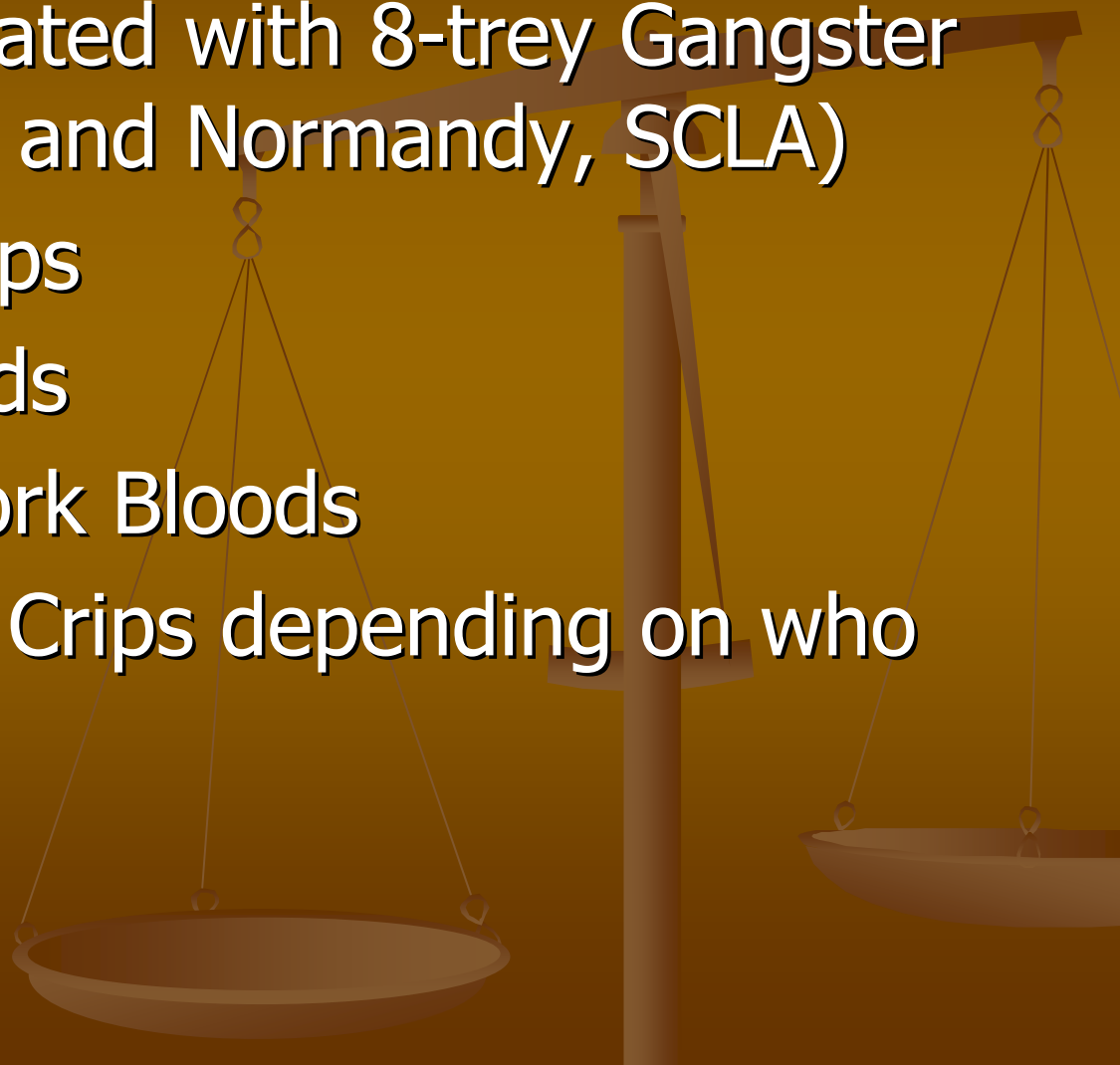
# Gang Involvement

- Why?
  - Media view that gangs are ok. Rappers, movies, t.v. feed this.
- How?
  - Who really gets jumped in anymore?
  - Just here for the t shirt.
- Who?
  - All kinds of people.
  - Not just minorities or disadvantaged youth



# Prominent Crips/Bloods

- Ice Cube-associated with 8-trey Gangster Crips. (Florence and Normandy, SCLA)
- Snoop Dogg-Crips
- The Game-Bloods
- 50 Cent-New York Bloods
- Ice-T-Bloods or Crips depending on who you talk to.



# Don't Think So?



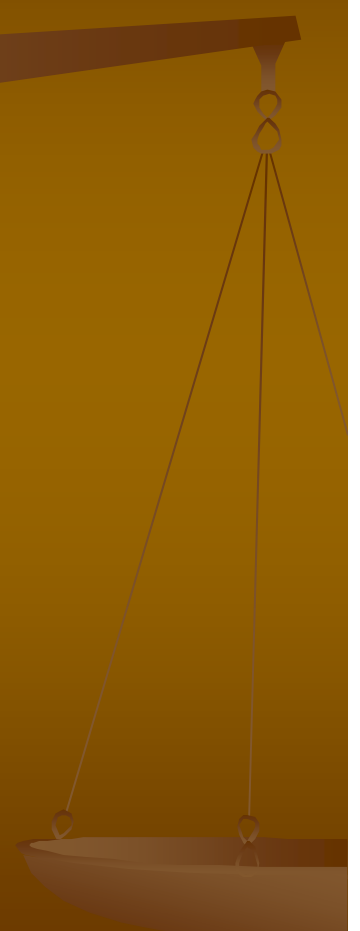
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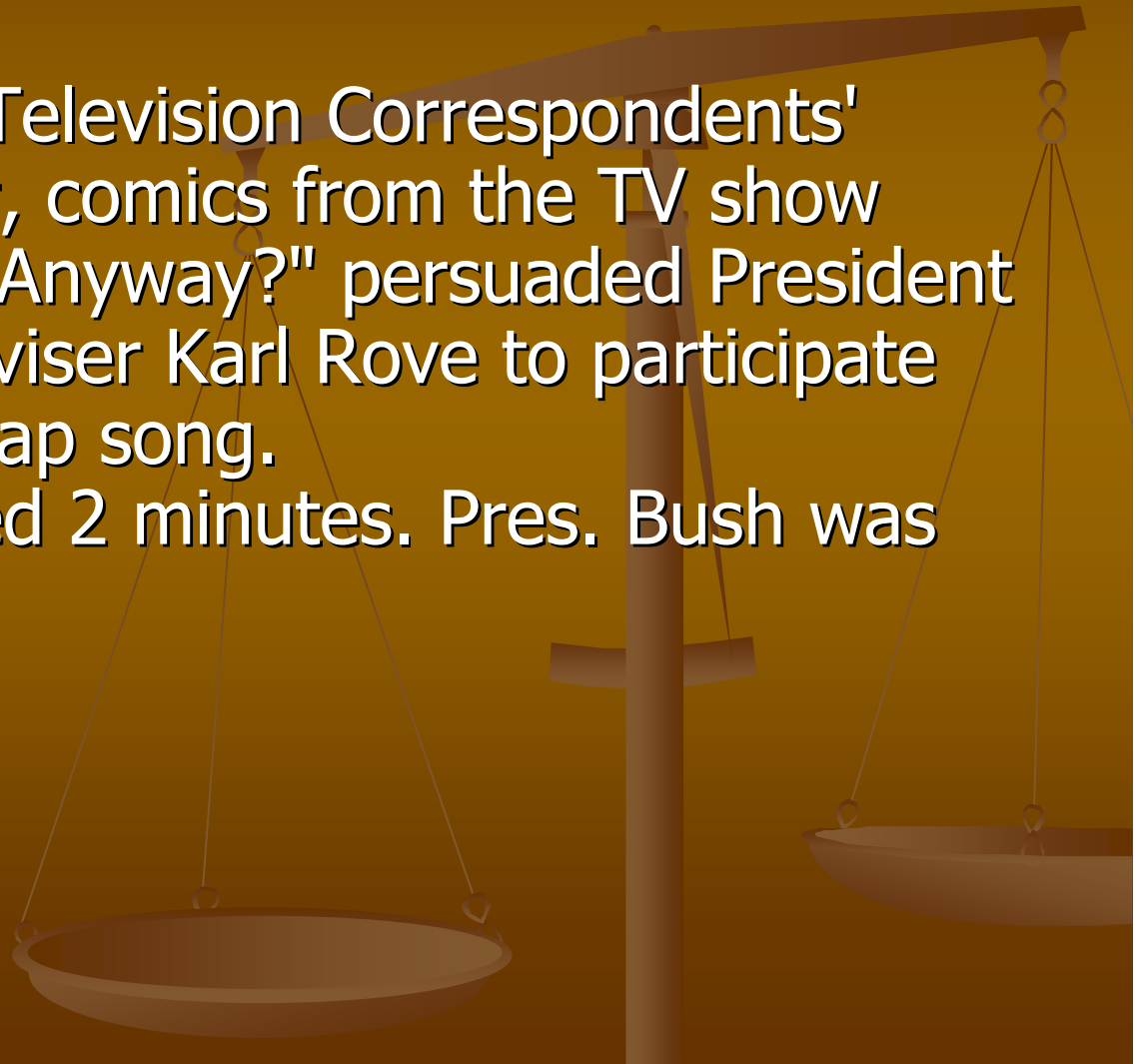


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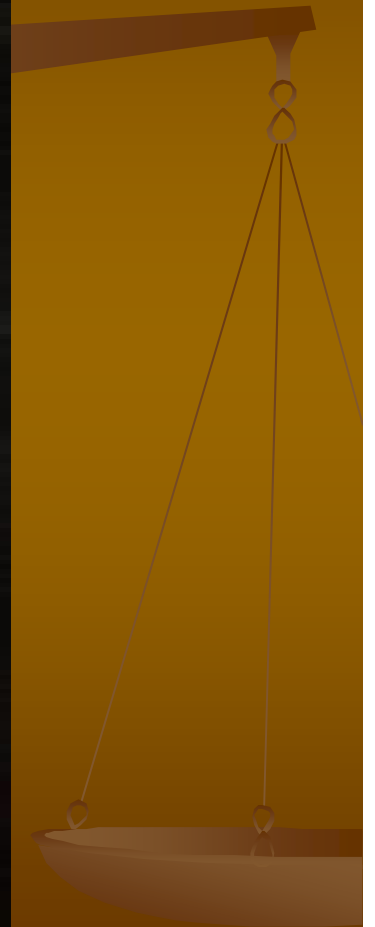


# “MC Rove”

- March 2007
- At the Radio and Television Correspondents' Association dinner, comics from the TV show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" persuaded President Bush's political adviser Karl Rove to participate in an improvised rap song.  
The song lasted 2 minutes. Pres. Bush was in attendance.

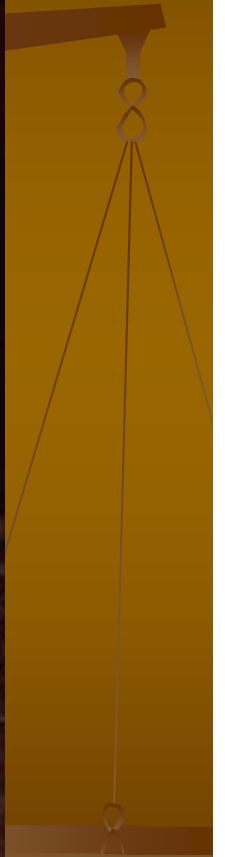


# Is this a Gang?



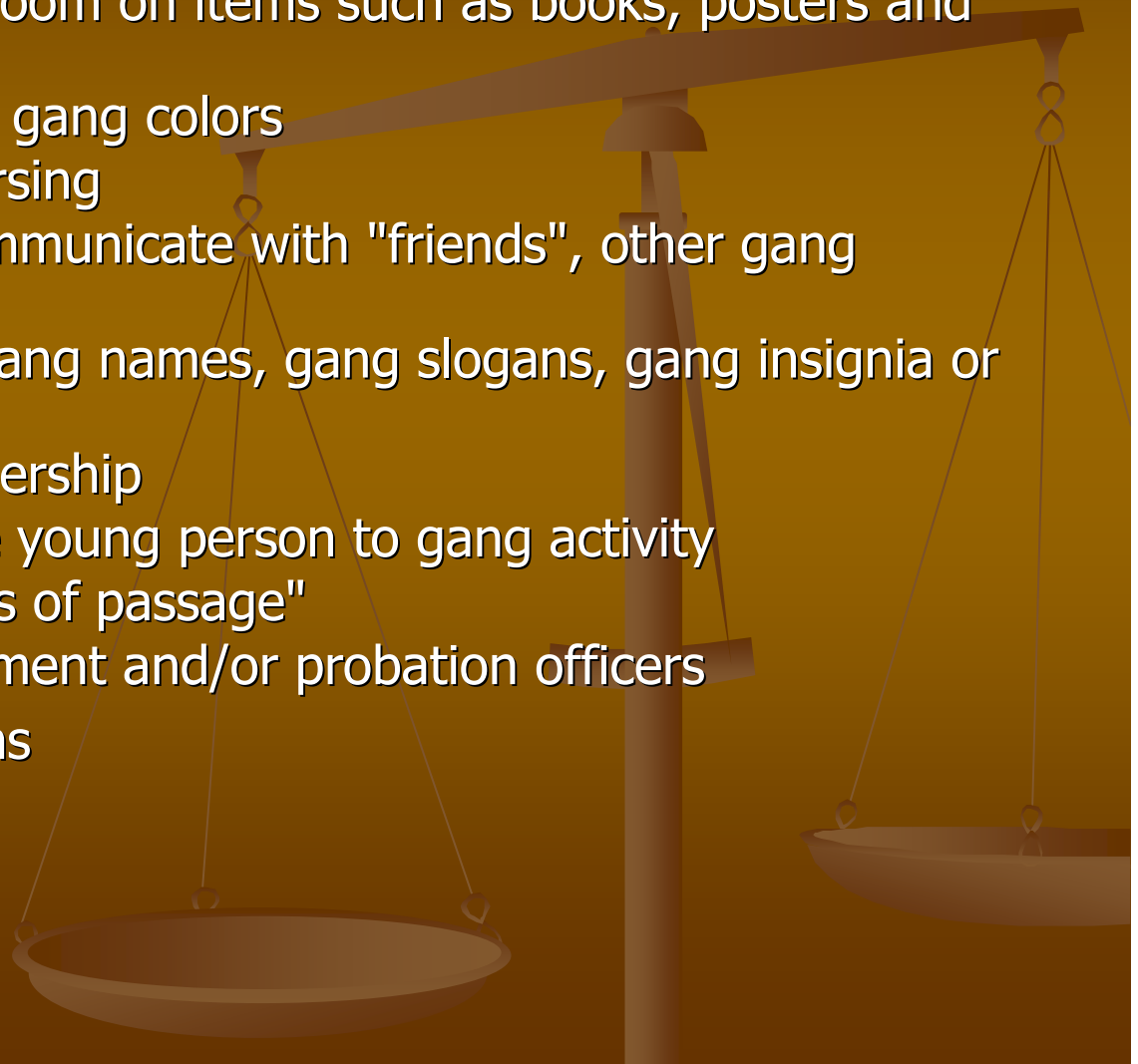


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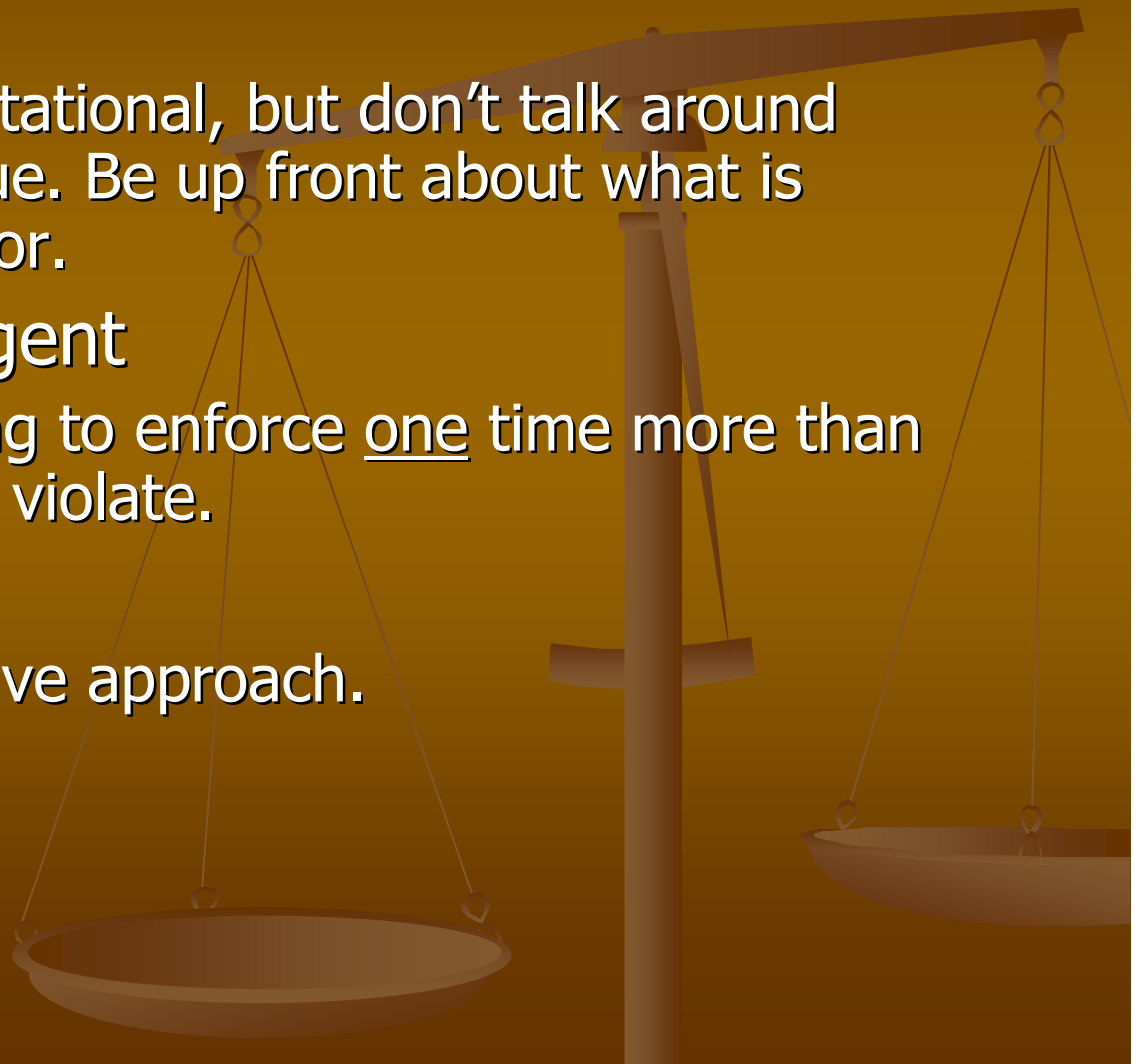
# Telltale Signs

- Gang graffiti in their bedroom on items such as books, posters and bedroom walls
- Wearing gang clothing or gang colors
- Excessive swearing or cursing
- Using hand signals to communicate with "friends", other gang members
- Having photos showing gang names, gang slogans, gang insignia or gang activities
- Disclosure of gang membership
- Witnesses connecting the young person to gang activity
- Initiation activities – "rites of passage"
- Contact with law enforcement and/or probation officers
- May carry hidden weapons



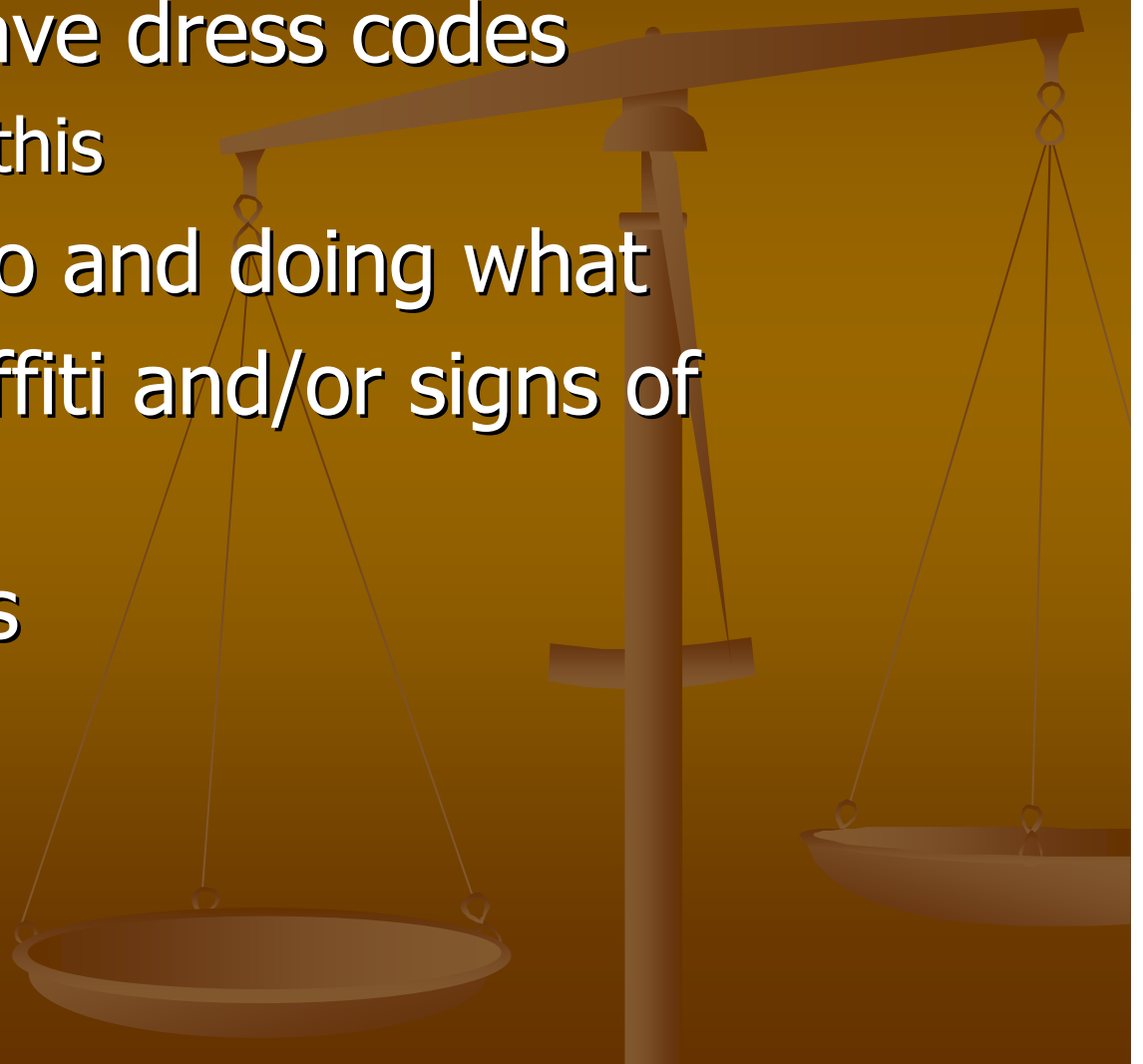
# Dealing with Kids and Gangs

- Be direct
  - Do not be confrontational, but don't talk around subject or be vague. Be up front about what is acceptable behavior.
- Be consistent, diligent
  - You must be willing to enforce one time more than they are willing to violate.
- Depends
  - May need innovative approach.



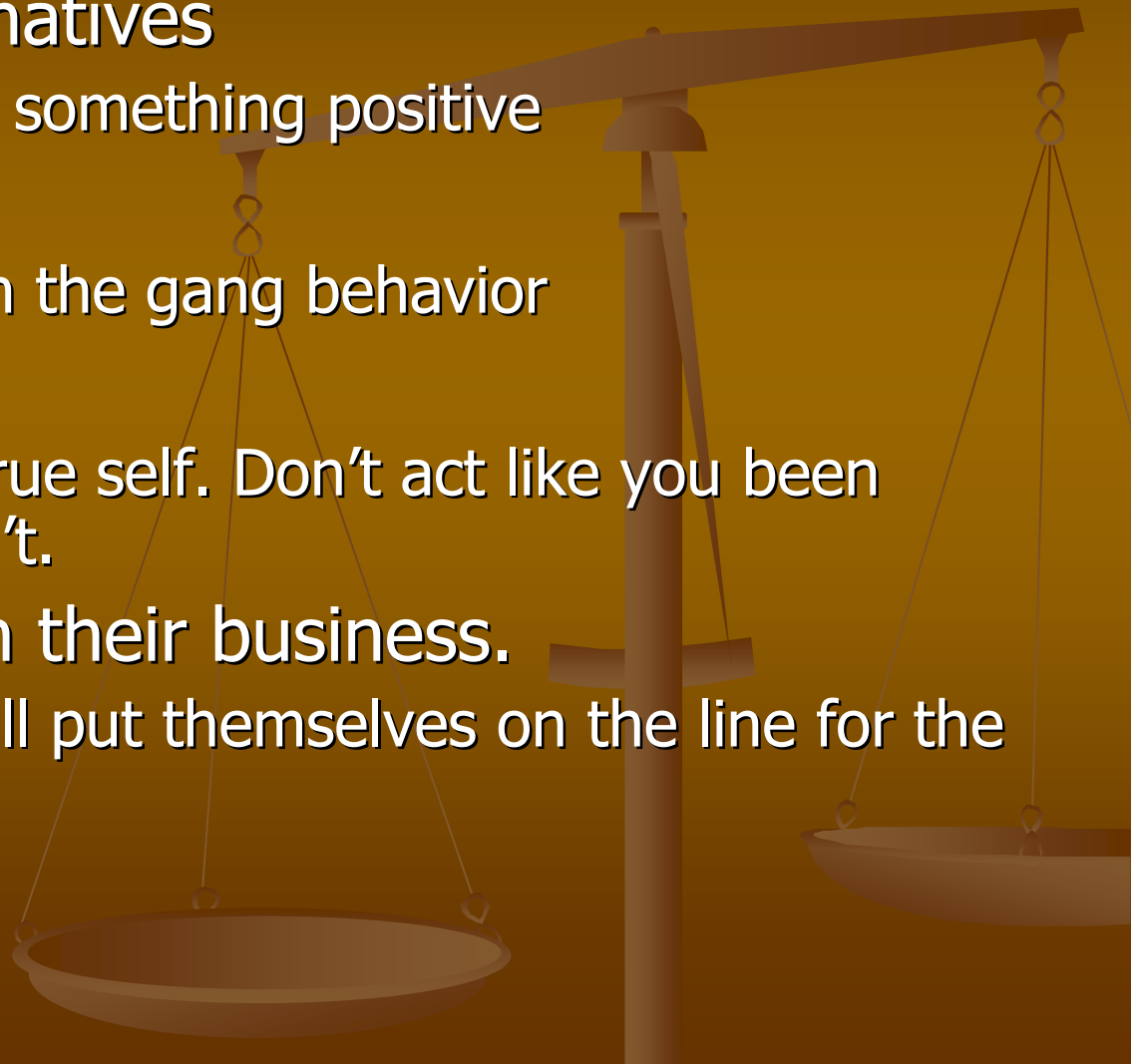
# Response cont'd

- Ban clothing, have dress codes
  - Pros & cons to this
- Learn who's who and doing what
- Understand graffiti and/or signs of affiliation
- TALK to the kids



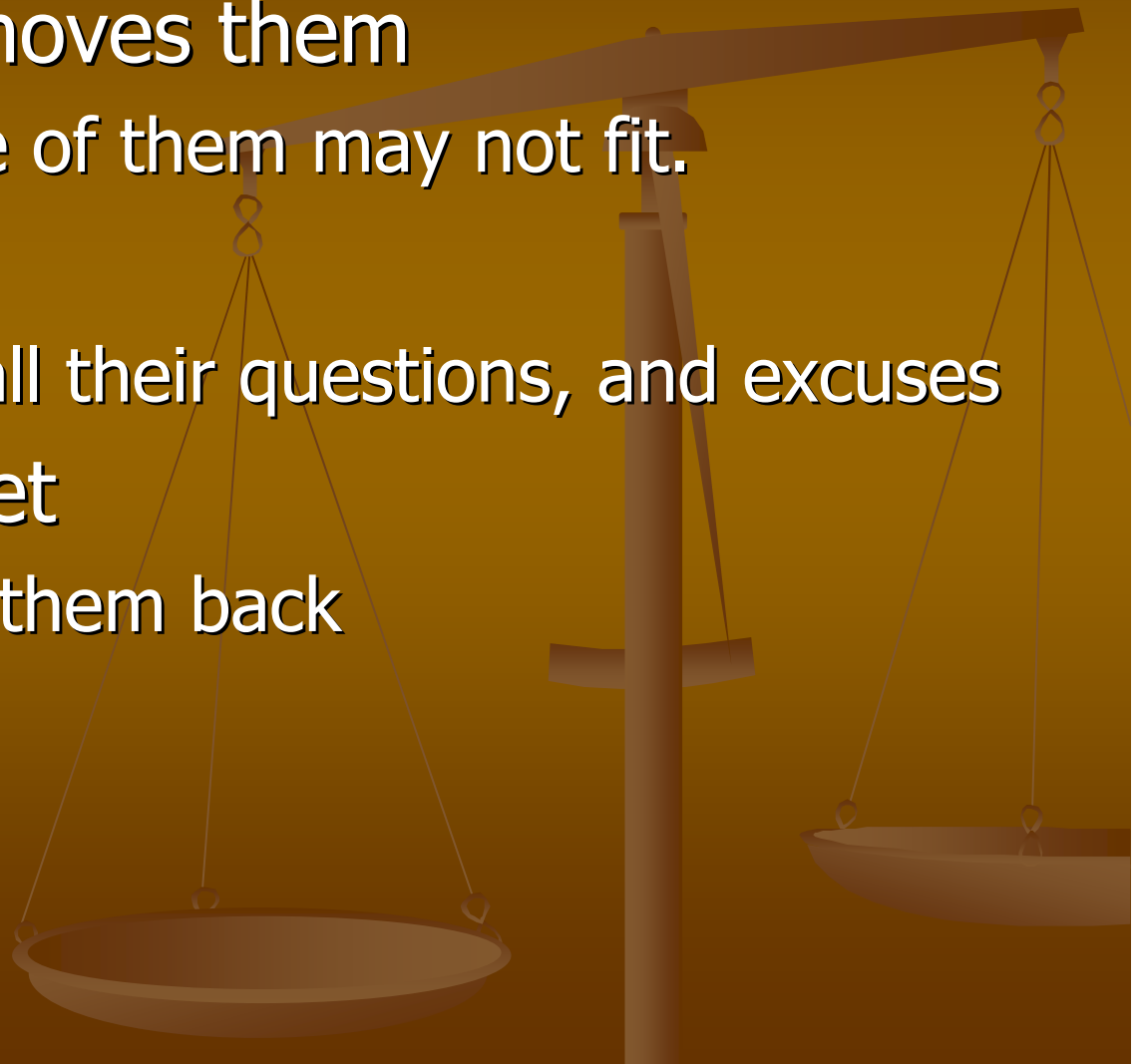
# Prevention & Intervention

- Alternatives, alternatives
  - Fill the space with something positive
- Provide safe place
  - Must be safer than the gang behavior
- Don't BS
  - Come from your true self. Don't act like you been there if you haven't.
- Be willing to get in their business.
  - The test is who will put themselves on the line for the kid.



# Intervention

- Find out what moves them
  - Your stereotype of them may not fit.
- Have resources
  - An answer for all their questions, and excuses
- Crabs in a bucket
  - Others will pull them back



Questions?

