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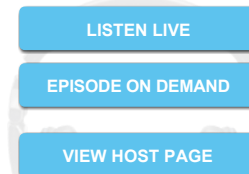
During a two-year period in Santa Maria, California -a city of 103,000- there were 23 murders within 17 months. This epidemic had many contributing factors, including gun violence. As the community reeled and came together, one factor that arose was the need for accessible mental health services. Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley (FBSMV) was asked during this time to develop a violence reduction program in the schools. The mission created by FBSMV was to partner with all members of the community to achieve resilience against substance use, reductions in violence, and promote a healthy and safe

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Featured Guest



Edwin Weaver

Edwin Weaver is the Executive Director of Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley (FBSMV), a nonprofit. Edwin serves as the co-chair of the Governor's Children's Justice Act Task Force for the State of California. His community engagement includes leadership of the Santa Maria School Attendance Review Board, a member of the SB Human Trafficking Task Force, the Mayors Task Force on Youth Safety, and the Santa Barbara County Continuum of Care to address homelessness. FBSMV was selected by State Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham as the non-profit of the year for the 35th District 2017. Edwin was also selected by the Santa Barbara Foundation as emerging leader for Northern Santa Barbara County in 2019. Ed

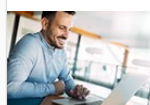
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