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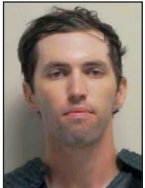
Suspect arrested in Kirk assassination

Authorities say man opposed conservative activist's views

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OREM, Utah — A 22-year-old Utah man who was arrested and booked on murder charges in the assassination of Charlie Kirk held deep disdain for the conservative activist's provocative viewpoints and indicated to a family member that he was responsible for the shooting,

authorities said Friday. The arrest marked a major break in a case that shocked the country and raised fresh alarms about political violence in a deeply polarized United States. Tyler Robinson had become "more political" in the run-up to the shooting and mentioned during a dinner with family



Robinson

that Kirk would be visiting Utah, Gov. Spencer Cox said at a news conference. The Republican governor cited as evidence engravings on bullet casings found in the rifle that authorities believe was used in the attack, as well as chat messages attributed to the suspect that a roommate shared with law enforcement.

The governor credited Robinson's family with helping

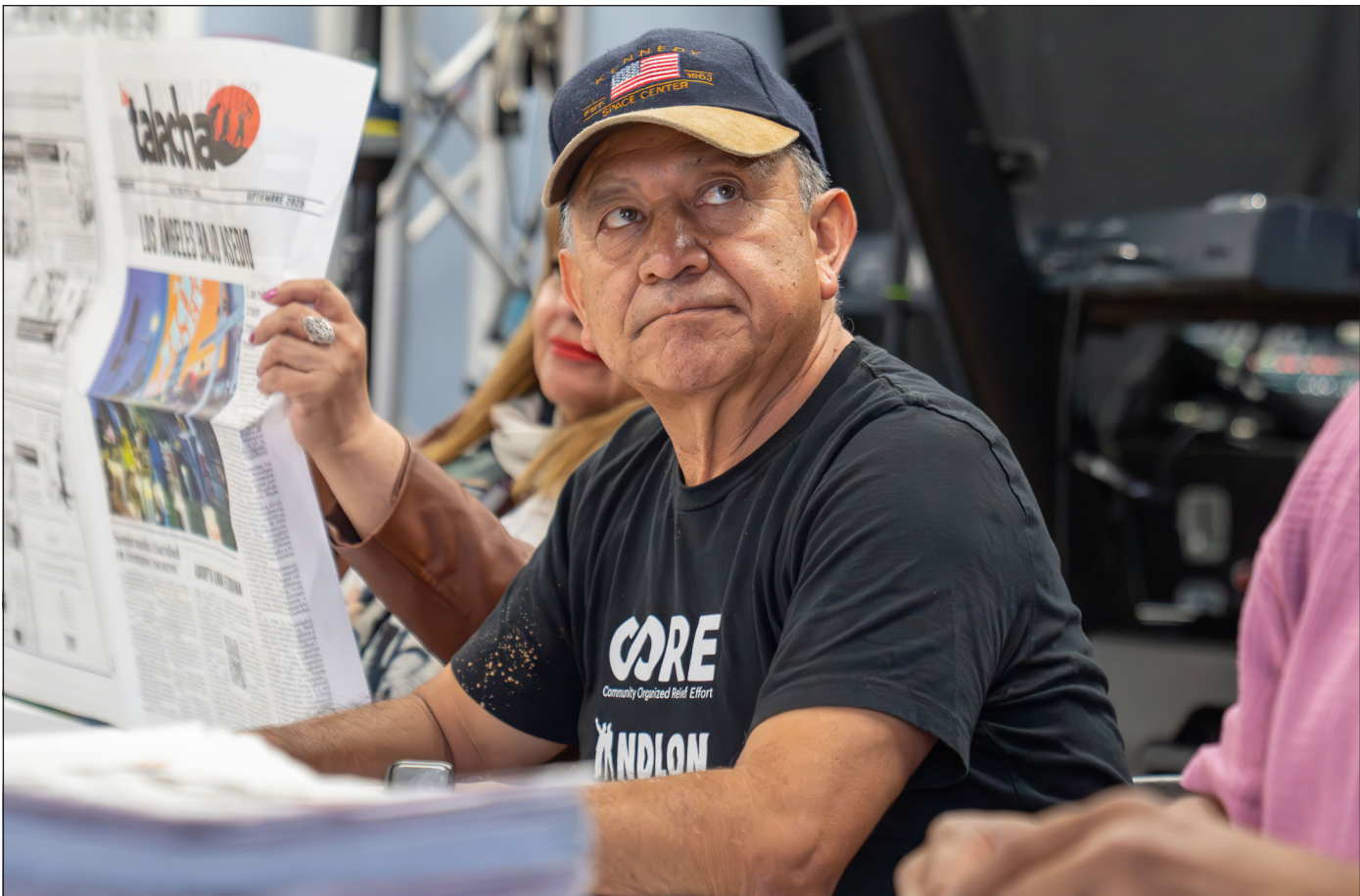
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Arizonans mourn Turning Point USA co-founder Charlie Kirk, who was assassinated Wednesday, outside the nonprofit political organization's headquarters Friday in Phoenix. CHARLY TRIBALLEAU
AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

PASADENA

Group aims to tell stories written by immigrants



Ricardo Mello of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network's Worker Center says the La Talacha newspaper, which launched this month in Pasadena, will tell the story of the dignity of work for day laborers, migrant workers and others. PHOTOS BY CONNOR TERRY

La Talacha newspaper launches amid massive crackdown, focuses on work of day laborers

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The stories of immigrants in the months since the Trump administration's massive deportation efforts began have often been told by writers a step removed from the people most impacted by raids and arrests since early June.

But a local immigrant/day laborer advocacy group wants the power of the pen to be in the hands of the immigrants themselves.

The National Day Laborer Organizing

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Workers with the National Day Laborer Organizing Network listen to speakers at the newspaper's launch at the Pasadena Community Job Center on Sept. 1.

L.A. COUNTY

Higher lead levels after Eaton fire confirmed

Health office's final findings detail soil contamination

By Ryan Carter
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Soil in properties downwind from the Eaton fire burn zone had soil containing lead levels above health-based screening thresholds, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health officials said late Friday in the agency's final findings on the matter.

The findings confirmed reports from April, when preliminary testing showed elevated percentages of lead levels in soil samples taken from sites with still-standing homes downwind from the Eaton fire area. The lead levels were a notch above public health thresholds.

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CALIFORNIA

Bill would push housing near public transit

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A controversial bill intended to promote a boon of housing near major transit stops in several California counties is on its way to Gov. Gavin Newsom after narrowly passing both houses of the state Legislature this week.

The idea behind Senate Bill 79, the Abundant and Affordable Homes Near

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Maranatha Minutemen back on track with win

Quarterback Cooper Berry and receiver Nico Vergara led Maranatha to a 42-28 win over San Marino on Thursday. B2

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