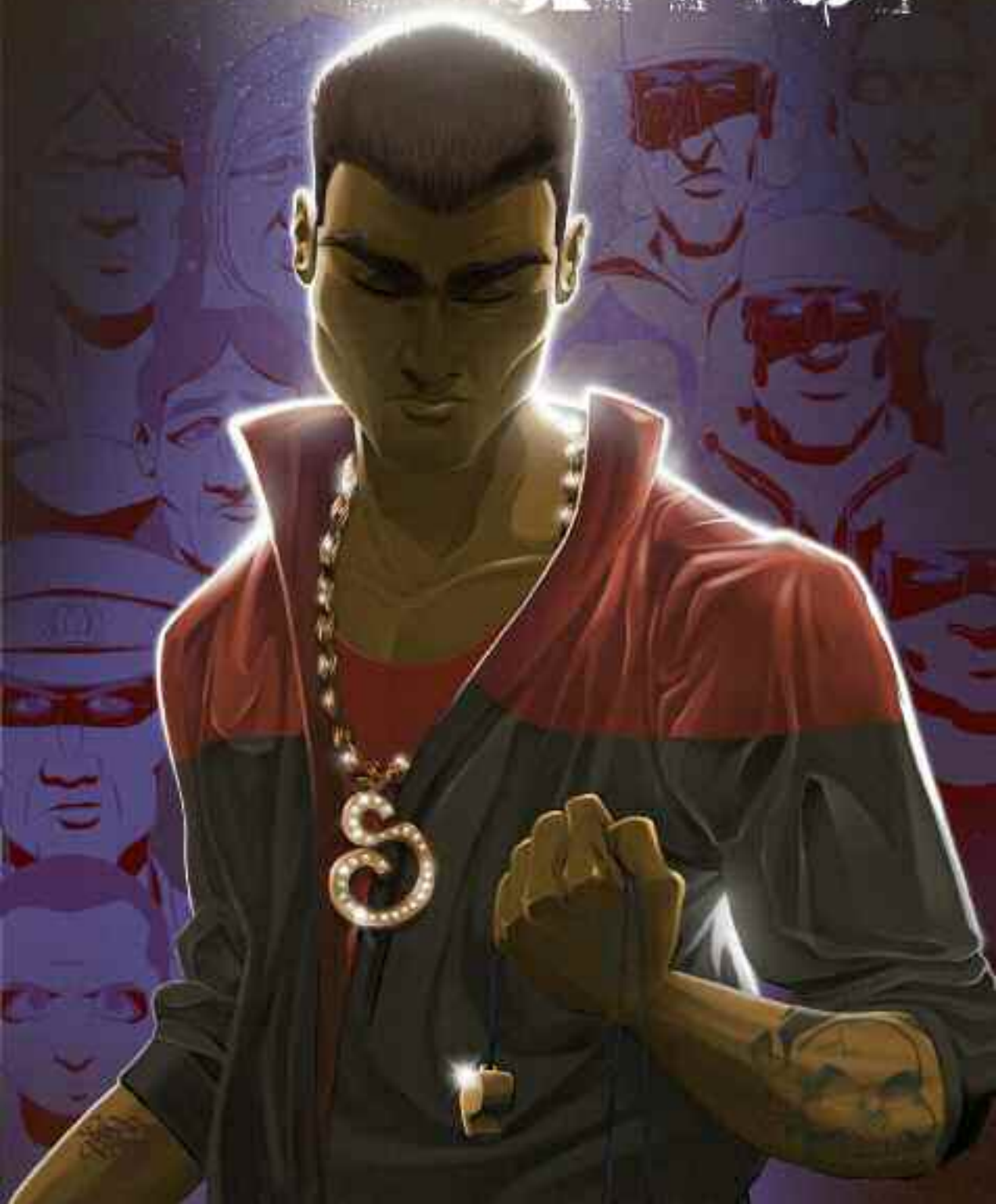




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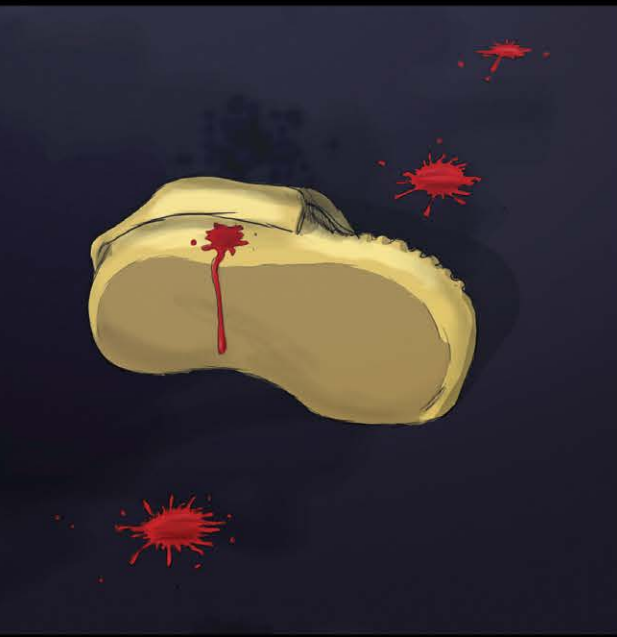
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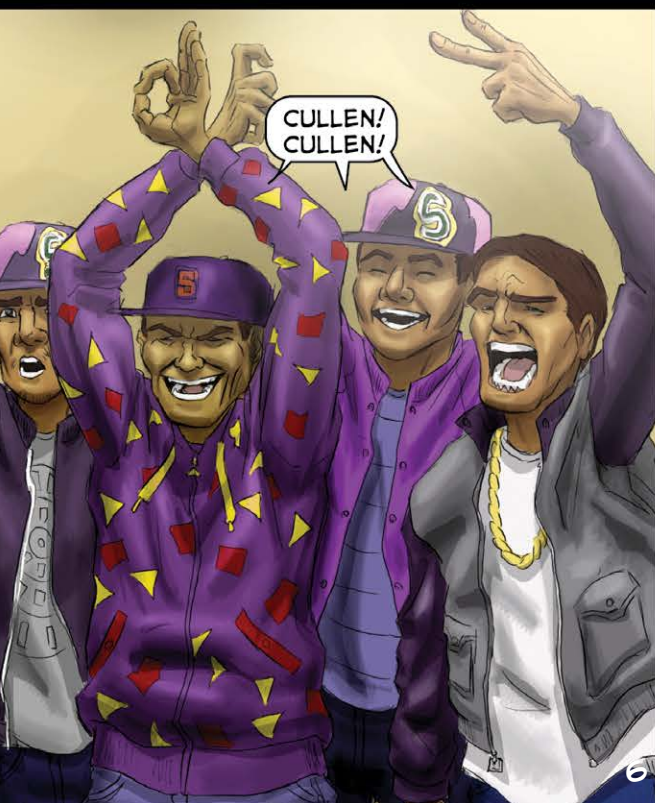














WE ARE KEEPING
OUR COMMUNITY WEAK.



WE CAN'T STOP,
BRO. WE'RE MOVING
A LOT OF PRODUCT.
WE'RE FINALLY IN.



ALL RIGHT! MOVIN'
ON UP, BABY!



NO! WAIT. THERE
ARE OTHER WAYS
TO MAKE MONEY.



NOT THIS KIND
OF MONEY.



LOOK, THE SHOOTING OF
THAT BABY WAS UNFORTUNATE
AND WE WILL GET THEM.

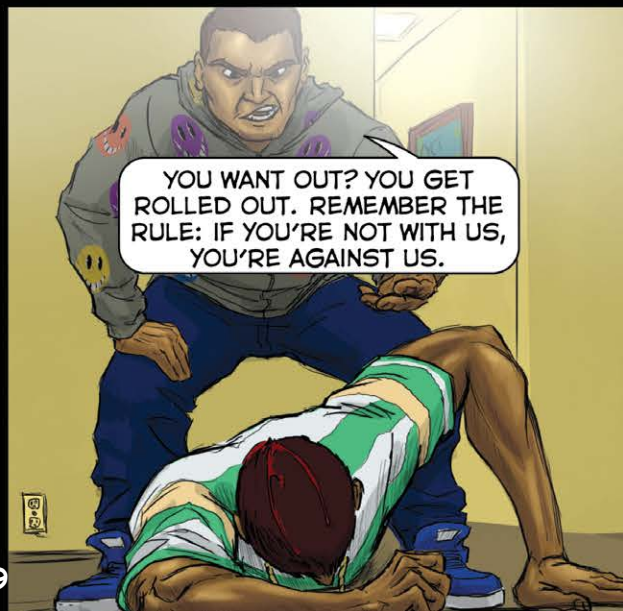
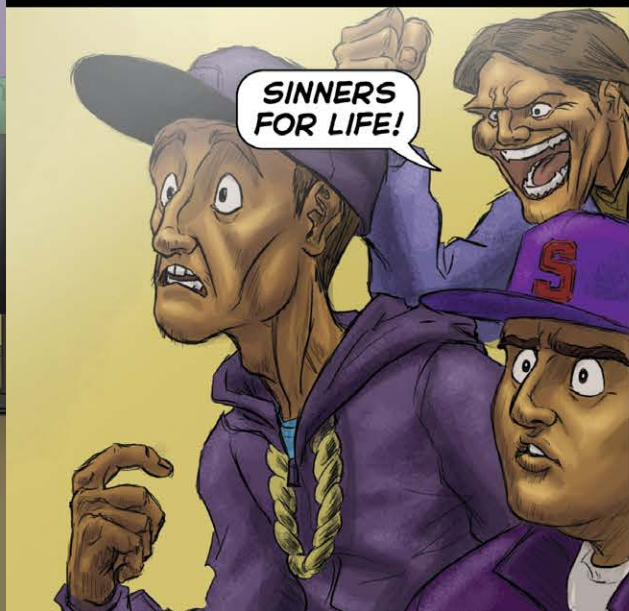
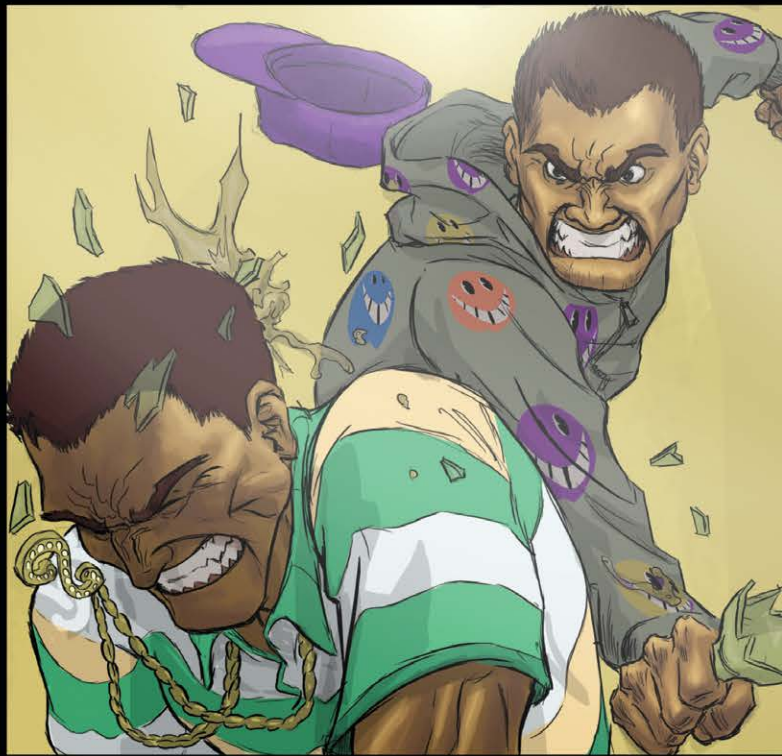


AND START
A WAR?



SO WHAT AM I
HEARING HERE?







SINDICATE, YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO.



TORCH HIS RIDE AND HIS CRIB. HE DOESN'T WANT THE LIFE -- HE LOSES WHAT THE LIFE GAVE HIM.



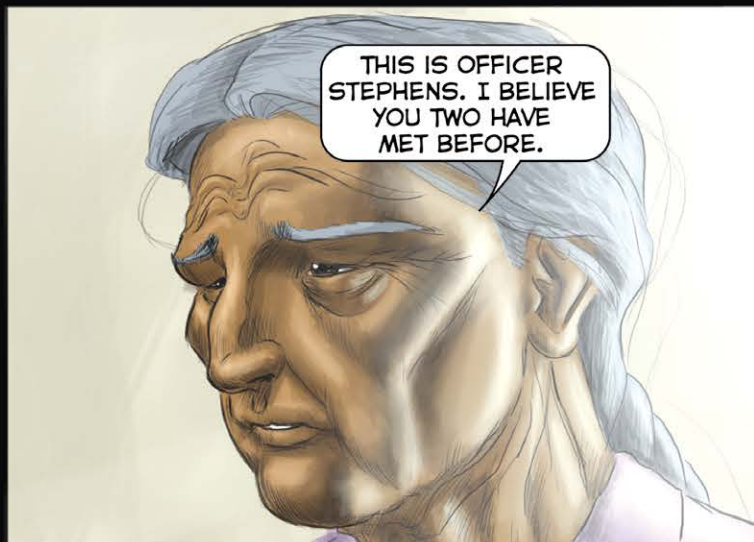




HAVE YOU DECIDED?



YOU AND I BOTH KNOW WHO DID THIS TO YOU AND WE BOTH KNOW WHY.



THIS IS OFFICER STEPHENS. I BELIEVE YOU TWO HAVE MET BEFORE.



CULLEN.





IF YOU COME WORK FOR US AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE COURTS WILL RELEASE YOU TO US FOR CIRCLE SENTENCING. YOU'LL FACE YOUR PEERS IN SIX MONTHS. IF YOU DON'T AGREE, YOU'RE LOOKING AT GOING AWAY FOR A LONG TIME.



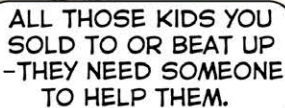
I WON'T DIME OUT.



YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES TO DECIDE. YOU LET ME KNOW.



AND THAT SOMEONE IS YOU. YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN A LEADER. JUST LIKE YOUR DAD.



ALL THOSE KIDS YOU SOLD TO OR BEAT UP - THEY NEED SOMEONE TO HELP THEM.



DON'T YOU TALK ABOUT HIM/ I HATE HIM.



WHY? HE WAS A GOOD MAN. IT'S NOT HIS FAULT HE GOT SICK. SO WHAT'S IT GONNA BE - JAIL OR WORK? DO IT FOR YOUR DAUGHTER.



THAT'S NOT MY KID!



TINA'S RAISING YOUR GIRL ALONE. WHY DON'T YOU GROW UP AND TAKE RESPONSIBILITY? BE A REAL MAN—



NOT NOW, GENTLEMEN. THIS IS NOT THE PLACE.



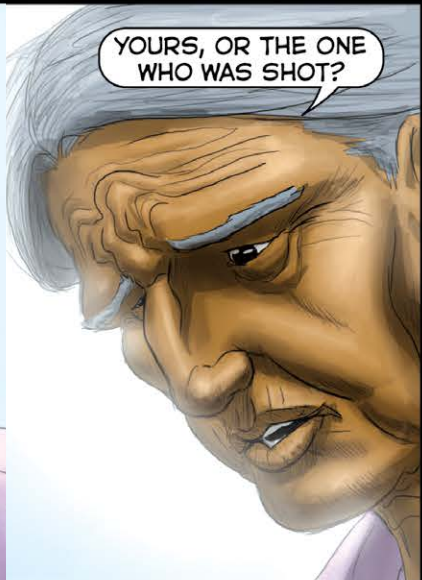
I CHOOSE THE COMMUNITY CENTRE.



OKAY, WE'LL TALK TO THE JUDGE ON YOUR BEHALF. WE'LL SEE YOU IN A WEEK OR SO.



HOW'S THE BABY?



YOURS, OR THE ONE WHO WAS SHOT?



THE ONE WHO WAS SHOT.



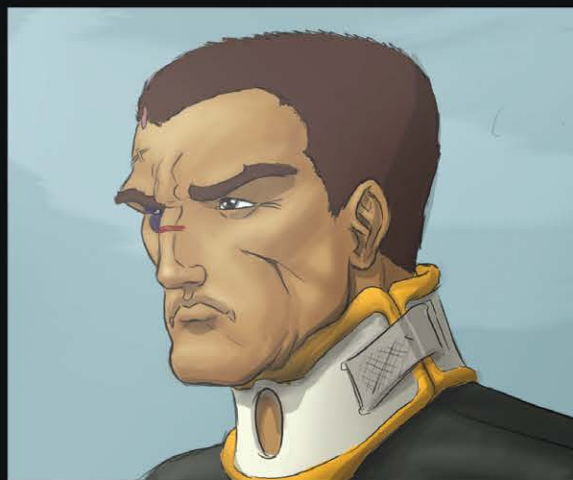
SHE'S RECOVERING. IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO TURN YOUR LIFE AROUND, CULLEN. THE PEOPLE HERE HAVE BIG HEARTS. IF THEY KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO CHANGE, WELL, THEY'LL SUPPORT YOU.



WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?



TINA. SHE ASKED ME TO BRING THIS FOR YOU.







HOW COME YOU'RE NOT IN JAIL?

I GOT A JOB AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER.

BASKETBALL?

COACHING. THEY WANT ME TO WORK WITH KIDS.



YOU CAN STAY IN YOUR OLD ROOM.



I'VE GOT SIX MONTHS TO GO STRAIGHT, OR I'M GOING AWAY FOR A LONG TIME.



GOOD. ANY SURPRISES AND I'LL CALL THE COPS ON YOU.

NO SURPRISES. I PROMISE. I JUST NEED TO SLEEP.

SO SLEEP.





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