



The Struggle Gives Meaning To Success The Story of SoPresice

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Born in Pacoima California, SoPresice remains humble throughout his solo rap career. His story began on March 22, 1984 where he was raised on the east-side of Pacoima in Van Nuys Apartments which are commonly referred to as "The Vietnams". Supported by his mother and accompanied by his 3 sisters, grandmother, aunt and cousin, SoPresice learned the value of family in a 2 bedroom apartment. With an absent father, his mother provided the family with every means of support while his older cousin, "Will Fury" served as a positive role model.

Unfortunately, by aged 14 SoPresice was consumed by the streets of California which led to adolescent gang activity. His mother wanted him to have a better life so she uprooted from his hometown and relocated to Dallas, where he remained until after graduating high school.

"Will Fury" had an early influence on SoPresice encouraging him to take his musical aspirations seriously at the young age of 14. His older cousin named him SoPresice meaning on point & exactly perfect. He showed SoPresice how to write bars and how to record his music, if it wasn't for "Will Fury" there would not be a SoPresice. Joining forces and forming Mad House Productions, Will Fury and other guys in the Pacoima area created a platform that displayed the local talent within the Pacoima city limits. At 16, SoPresice and 3 of his cousins created "Livin Proof" which later changed its name to "Blood Bath".

Later SoPresice's uncle took him on various tours with The MO Thugs Family where he got his first taste of the national spotlight, serving as Caz's Hype man and head of his street team gave him the opportunity to work with Bone Thugs N Harmony. With such

humble beginnings, SoPresice has proven his strength and persistence to the rap community. Succumbing to prison sentences and the trials and tribulations perpetuated by the CA streets, SoPresice has lived a past that allows him to tell an encapsulating story through poetic lyricism. At such a young age, there is only progression in his future.

SoPresice's musical influences include artist such as Jadakiss, Jae Mills, Ludacris, Jay-Z and many others. He also holds aspirations of collaborating with producers such as Timberland, Just Blaze, and Kanye West.

SoPresice can not be simply identified as an artist, because his future goals include acting and entrepreneurship. The meaning of art, the meaning of music, and the meaning of success can all be found with this artist.