

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE (LARP) REPORT

Date of Meeting: 4/15/2021

Start Time: 10:00 AM

End Time: 11:30 AM

Called to order by: Nancy Volpert

Meeting held through remote teleconference

Discussion/Action Steps

Introductions and Announcements at 10:05 a.m.

RJ and Lesley from the DA's office are moving to other assignments, so we will be joined in May by David Zygielbaum who had a conflict this month

Marie Saldanaga was featured on the Today Show this month – look for the appearance online

Everyone was asked to sign in to the chat, but Margaret Shelley “signed in” vocally, because she was on a phone. Chanel S also appeared by phone.

2021 Legislation and Policies

State: the Google Doc is updated monthly, please contact us if you need access to the chart; also please refer to the chart for updates and notes from discussion of state issues

Federal: VAWA and VOCA, passed in the House, but have not yet moved in the Senate. Major federal legislative proposals, the American Jobs Plan and the Infrastructure bill, do not have specific DV related provisions

Local: It is budget season and the Mayor's budget is expected after April 20. Level funding is expected.

Emerging Issues

Eve brought to our attention to AB 1007 regarding reparations for involuntary sterilization

Stephanie brought to our attention the current dialogue for criminal justice reforms, but the time limited LARP might not be the right forum to an extensive discussion. Proposed that maybe it could be discussed at DVC, but Eve has all meetings scheduled for the year, proposed that it could be discussed at DVA? Cecelia in the chat mentioned joining with Victim Services for such a discussion.

Julia brought out attention to the State Bar's move to pilot court representation by paraprofessionals with minimal training requirements, and Arati engaged her in a lively discussion

Matters not on the Posted Agenda

Guest Beverly Upton from the SF DV Consortium made participants aware of a working group at the DA's office on body attachments and invited the local community to participate. Contact Beverly for more information

Next Meeting: May 20