As we set our foundational strategy for this year and beyond, we wanted to alert you to some exciting changes and opportunities.

In September we will be officially moving into our new offices located at 714 N. La Brea Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90302. The offices will be primarily for staff, and consultant’s primary use; however, we do plan to have a

In October at our General Meeting, we will be hosting an overview of all the funding coming into our community. There are multiple funding opportunities coming up and we want to highlight those that are most relevant.

In November we plan to host our first convening of our statewide effort. Please be on the lookout for this very important opportunity. A new entity called the Re-Entry Providers Association of California (REPAC) has been created. The Association will be a broad-based, statewide 501(c)(4) non-profit organization representing members who are nonprofits, grassroots and service organizations seeking to create and restore healthy communities by assisting citizens’ re-entry into the community following incarceration.

Thank you for all that you do to advance our work.
Onward and Upward,
Pastor Troy

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LARRP Committee Meetings and Events

Education Committee:
Thursday, September 2, 2021,
4:00PM - 5:30 PM

AGENDA:
- Prison Education & Probation Programs:
  Presentations ● PEP/Underground Scholars
  (Tellez) ● Five Keys (Williams) ● Probation -
  WorkForce Development + Education in the
  "Invest" Program (Carson/Baines)
- Policy & Legislation Update (Vignola)
- Future Meeting Plans: Remote Meetings:
  ● Campus Collabs - Is it too soon? ● LATTC
  Partnership in Spring?

Employment Committee
Wednesday, September 15, 2021
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Housing Committee:
Thursday, September 16, 2021
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Integrated Health Committee
October Monday, October 4, 2021
1:00 pm

September Spotlight
Gubernatorial Recall Election
September 14th

Who the Governor of California is impacts all of us.

Don’t Let Apathy Make Our Decisions
for Us

On September 14th, California will hold an election
asking voters if they want to recall (remove) the current
Governor from office. In the coming week, every
registered voter in Los Angeles County will receive a Vote
by Mail ballot with two items:
1. Do you want to remove the Governor?
2. If the recall is approved, who should replace him?

If you are on parole, post-release community supervision, or recently released from LA County jail and have not re-registered since being released [REGISTER HERE!](#)

Remember: Voters passed proposition 17 in November which gave those on parole the right to vote!

**August 30th was the last day to register, but you can “conditionally” register and vote at your county elections office after the 15-day voter registration deadline.**

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### Who Can Vote

California gives almost everyone the right to vote - even justice-system impacted people. You have the right to vote:

- On parole
- On probation
- Out on bail
- In jail awaiting trial or sentencing
- In jail on an AB 109 Felony
- In jail for any misdemeanor

[Click here](#) to learn more

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### What We’re Voting On

On September 14 we will all be voting on whether to recall (remove) Governor Gavin Newsom from office or not.

[Click Here](#) for an info flyer from the Secretary of State’s Office with basic information

[Click here](#) for CalMatters’s Recall Guide for more information on that race.

Check out your sample ballot: Get the facts before you vote. [Voter's Edge California Voter Guide](votersedge.org)

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### Violence in our Communities

The LARRP Ad Hoc Committee on Public Health and Safety

According to L.A. Times: “As COVID-19 began hospitalizing and killing more people in Los Angeles last year, so did shootings in the street. The increased bloodshed, much of it linked to gangs, surged as the economy faltered, leading to the deadliest year of violence in L.A. in a decade.”

Unlike COVID 19, which spawned the creation of a vaccine to slow the ravages of the deadly virus in less than 12 months, there is, to date, no remedy for the persistent and chronic plague of the senseless civil war among our young black males.

In mid August, I hosted a group of national experts on urban gun violence to consider remedies and long term solutions that will impact this civil war amongst young men and women of color. We as a people are having a “Come to Jesus Moment” addressing this issue in our community literally takes all of our collective will. Because no amount of money, without a persistent will of the people, will eradicate the level of violence we see escalating among our children.

At LARRP we felt it is urgent to address our local gun violence crisis. Thus we are launching the Ad hoc Committee on Public Health and Safety. More specific details to follow, but if you are interested in participating please sign up below.

Joe Paul
LARRP Managing Director

[Sign Up!](#)
In August 2021, Reform LA Jails launched The People’s Complaint, a Civil Grand Jury Complaint they submitted to the Los Angeles Superior Court calling for the removal of the Sheriff for willful and corrupt misconduct under California Government Code Section 3060. The complaint was filed by three local justice leaders, LARRP’s own co-founder and Reform LA Jails Board Chair Lynne Lyman, Measure R Proponent and Cancel the Contract Co-Chair Waunette Cullors, and Dolores Huerta Foundation leader and Cancel the Contract Steering Committee member Ruth Sanchez.

The LA Sheriff has refused oversight and accountability from the Board of Supervisors, Civilian Oversight Commission, Inspector General, and the voters who demanded the Sheriff be accountable when **73% of LA County voted for Measure R in 2020**. Angelenos have witnessed that despite Measure R providing the County with subpoena power to compel the Sheriff to cooperate, the Sheriff has fought those subpoena orders in court every step of the way. The People’s Complaint details a wide range of misconduct and willful neglect of duty, totaling over 1,300 pages and filling 3 binders, including how the Sheriff violates the 1st, 4th, 8th, and 14th Amendments of the US Constitution, along with violating 15 state, local and federal laws, civil and penal.

Just like Reform LA Jails filed and ran the first ever criminal justice citizen’s ballot measure in LA County with Measure R, RLJ is leveraging this rarely used citizen’s legal tool as a last resort to hold the Sheriff accountable where nothing else has worked. For more information on the campaign’s missions and demands, and to join the coalition in their fight, visit [https://thepeoplescomplaint.com/](https://thepeoplescomplaint.com/).

### Action Item
**Needed by Thursday September 2, 2:00 PM**

**LARRP Integrated Health Committee** asks you to sign on to the **STOP Fentanyl Act**

Please sign-on [here](https://example.com) by Thursday, September 2nd at 2PM PDT.

This fentanyl harm reduction bill is the measure our allies at DPA believe is the superior alternative to the classwide scheduling approach. **This sign-on opportunity to both organizations and public health professionals (nurses, doctors, etc) is being extended to Harm Reduction groups as well.**

**Text of the Bill**

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**Measure J Update**

**Presentation on Measure J**

_For the LARRP General Meeting, August 16, 2021 by Veronica Lewis, Executive Director of HOPICS_

So many of our LARRP Network have participated in the important Measure J deliberations. Where do we stand now? If you are confused about Measure J, you are not alone!

Veronica Lewis gave a thorough and clear presentation at the LARRP General Meeting on August 16th.
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Court & Field - LARRP Events

Measure J Advisory Committee Spending Plan

CEO Spending Plan

Policy Updates

Over the past month, LARRP’s two co-sponsored bills moved forward: SB 731 (Durazo), our Sunsetting Convictions legislation, and AB 717 (Stone), our CAL ID legislation. Of the other 13 priority bills that LARRP has actively supported this year, 10 have moved forward, including AB 416 (Kalra), the Incarcerated Students’ Bill of Rights, and SB 483 (Allen), the Sentencing Enhancements Reform Bill.

We have seen 8 of LARRP’s 12 priority policies move to their respective floors for votes before going to Governor Newsom’s desk. Right now, our state work relies on you to help us as we get closer to floor votes where every State Senator and Assembly member will be voting to advance these bills.

A list of LARRP’s policy priorities can be found below and we encourage you to find your elected representatives, and to reach out to their offices to tell them how vital these bills are to the reentry community.

LARRP also hosted our first 2021 Policy Workshop in August. The recording is available HERE with the password (g1%FGD+M), and we encourage you to watch it if you would like an intro. We are excited to announce our next workshop which is scheduled for October 22, from 12:30 PM-2:00 PM. This will cover lobbying laws for 501(c)(3) organizations, and will provide you with the best crash course in how to legally lobby and advocate with the tools from our last workshop! Remember to sign up HERE, and LARRP members will get priority access, so be sure to register today!

We also would like to take this opportunity to remind you to vote in California’s upcoming gubernatorial recall election. We encourage you to look over the options carefully, and to choose that which best represents a strong stance in defense of the reentry community and our fight to expand housing, healthcare, and employment opportunities.

For a great resource on the State Legislature follow Bill Watch

Events Featuring LARRP

CDCR Webinar with LARRP Steering Committee member Doug Bond

September 29, 2021
12-1PM

As a provider contracted with the CDCR Division of Rehabilitative Programs’ Specialized Treatment for Optimized Program (STOP), the Amity Foundation provides a myriad of reentry services including, but not limited to, case management, linkage and support to access mental health, linkage and support to employment services and substance use disorder.
NRWC Thought Leadership Series
Collaborating for Impact with LARRP’s Troy Vaughn

Friday, September 17th
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm EST / 10:00 am – 11:15 am PST

In this session, we will learn from three organizations that are taking different approaches to collaborate and mobilize stakeholders, and the impact of the collective efforts on their communities.

REGISTER

Online CDCR Flyer

Community Events

We update our website DAILY with new events of interest to our Community. It is perhaps the most complete calendar of such events. Please visit frequently as events so often come in at the last minute.

And if you have an event or an announcement - please send it our way! info@LAreentry.org

Upcoming Events!

Impacts of the Recall Election on Reentry: A Community Forum

Wednesday, September 1st from 6 - 7 p.m.

As the September 14th recall election draws nearer, Root Solutions to Hiring Individuals with Lived Experience to Work in the Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Systems September 13, 1:00 – 4:30 pm Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBH) Remote Zoom Workshop

Register here

Narcan: Opioid Overdose Reversal September Narcan Training Dates

- September 14th, 10am: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclduGrzzkrGNS6aWPMg4efeydmlLWo1TFmQ
- September 20th, 10am: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEkduquqTLrHdLL3mHuiwscmwlRMUksPn
As the September 14th recall election draws nearer, Root & Rebound is calling this Community Forum to give voters a better understanding of the impacts of a successful recall on criminal legal reform policies, specifically on the reentry population.

This election could unleash a lot of unconsidered actions and consequences on the progress the state has made in not only advancing criminal legal reform policies but also immigrant rights, racial justice, LGBTQ rights, and students’ rights.

**City of Long Beach, Department of Health and Human Services: Reentry Listening Session**

**Wed, September 1, 2021, 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**
Miller Family Health Education Center, 3820 Cherry Avenue Long Beach, CA 90807.

The City of Long Beach would like to hear your thoughts, perspectives and recommendations on how to support reentry individuals and service providers.

Each attendee must be either a Justice Impacted individual who is 18 years or older, or Reentry Service provider.

Dinner will be provided and each participant will receive a $25 gift card.

**ATI / ACR Meeting**

**Wednesday, September 15**
9:00 – 10:30 AM

**UCLA Prison Education Program: Fall 2021 Orientation**

**Fri, Sep 24, 2021, 9:00 AM PDT**

University of California, Los Angeles
120 Westwood Plaza, 150 Kaufman Hall

Launched in 2016, the UCLA Prison Education Program creates innovative courses that enable faculty and students at the University of California, Los Angeles to learn from, and alongside, participants incarcerated at Victorville Federal Correctional Institution (VFCI), Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall (BJN), Camp Joseph Scott (CJS) correctional facility for girls, and the Custody to Community Transitional Reentry Program (CCTRP) correctional facility for women.

**Community Safety through Racial Justice Learning Series**

Prevention Institute will facilitate a three-part bi-monthly learning series for local health jurisdictions and their community and government partners on applying racial justice principles and practices to build community safety.

**Sep 21, 2021 11:00 AM**
**Nov 16, 2021 11:00 AM**

**MORE INFO AND REGISTER**
Canna Get A 2nd Chance'
Cannabis Career Fair
Thursday, September 2nd, 2021
Doors Open at 2:00 PM

Hawthorne Memorial Center, Hawthorne, CA
40Tons and BrandResumes have teamed up to push social justice and equitable hiring as they bring together employers who want to make a difference. Our goal is to bring restorative justice to underserved and minority communities. Connect with local recruiters, meet on-site professionals to discuss potential cannabis related conviction expungement, get a professional headshot, and apply to open positions in the cannabis industry.

REGISTER

September is Suicide Prevention and Recovery Awareness Month!

Throughout September, the Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBJH) will be providing resources and holding webinars to raise awareness in recognition of Suicide Prevention Month and Recovery Awareness Month – two distinct and important issues for the population of individuals who have behavioral health needs and are involved in the justice system.

Please see our online flyer for additional details and to Register

Harm Reduction Los Angeles 1st Annual Conference

Saturday, September 25, 2021

The conference will be a virtual, half-day event and will provide attendees 5 hours of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ to licensed providers. Medical providers, social scientists, community organizers, and community members with lived experiences will be speaking at the conference.

AGENDA
REGISTER

WDB Quarterly Board Meeting

Friday, September 24, 2021
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

The Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board will continue discussions on strategic planning and initiatives.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING

Recurring Clinics and Workshops

Please visit our website and scroll past Partner Events for a growing list of recurring workshops and clinics!

NEW!

Legal Clinics
DOORS Community Reentry Center Orientations

Every Thursday
2:00 - 3:00 PM

Legal Clinics
hosted by the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA) and the D.O.O.R.S team

- Expungement and Early Termination of Probation Workshop: Every 1st Wednesday of the Month at 1:00pm (More Info)
- Citations/Tickers Workshop: Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 10:00am (More Info)
- Fair Chance Hiring Workshop: Every 4th Wednesday of the Month at 1:00pm (More Info)

Questions: Call D.O.O.R.S Center reception desk at 323-730-4442

Information and Opportunities

Make sure to check out the DOZENS of new jobs on our website. These jobs are constantly updated!

Visit our website

INCUBATION ACADEMY
The ATI Office opened applications for its Incubation Academy.

The academy provides training, funding and technical assistance to new and existing community-based organizations, especially those run by Black, Latinx, and justice involved individuals. The Incubation Academy builds capacity to deliver prevention and intervention service to justice involved individuals in their communities, giving judicial officers an alternative to incarceration in communities with the greatest needs.

CLICK HERE TO APPLY

Help Envision the Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) is in the process of creating a new Federal Strategic Plan, and we want your input.

Submit your comments HERE

Registration Now Open For Fall Classes At County Parks:

The L.A. County Department of Parks & Recreation opened registration for fall classes. From arts and culture to sports and martial arts, there are hundreds of virtual and in-person courses to choose from.

For more information, click here.
Third Party Administrators (TPAs) Needed To Direct Care First Community Investments

The Board of Supervisors approved an unprecedented $187.7 million spending package to advance the county's care first, jails last vision with a series of direct community investments and funding for alternatives to incarceration—accelerating the process of creating a more just and equitable Los Angeles County for all residents.

As part of the package, known as the Care First Community Investment (formerly Measure J), more than $60 million will be allocated to direct community investments and many of those programs will be administered by a third party administrator(s) (TPA) with direct ties to the community.

The County is seeking qualified applicants to serve as the TPA(s).

CLICK HERE for more information and to apply.

Two Incentives Programs For Landlords:

As part of the effort to address the homelessness crisis, the L.A. County Development Authority (LADCA) has two incentive programs to encourage landlords to rent available units to Section 8 voucher holder participants.

For more information, click here.

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Alliance for Safety and Justice SURVEY

LA County American Rescue Plan Funding

LA County has received federal funding through the American Rescue Plan to help citizens reentering society after completing their sentences. People who are reentering society have a wide range of needs, and we hope this funding can be applied in a way that supports different aspects of the reentry journey. Will you take a few moments to share your thoughts on the needs of people that are reentering after completing their sentencing?

TAKE THE SURVEY

September Housing Rights in Your City

Learn how your city is protecting tenants and landlords during the COVID-19 pandemic. Join one of HRC's online workshops to learn the rights you have, where you live.

CLICK HERE

In the NEWS

Feature News Story

This month we would like to feature this important opinion piece by LARRP Steering Committee member Jose Osuna, who speaks for so many of us!
Opinion: We need to receive the formerly incarcerated re-entering our community with hope and love

Long Beach Post for "Voices" by Jose Osuna, August 2021

READ

White House Weighs Clemency to Keep Some Drug Offenders Confined at Home

NYTimes By Zolan Kanno-Youngs and Charlie Savage, Aug. 30, 2021

Biden officials are exploring what should be done with inmates in home confinement whenever the pandemic emergency ends.

READ MORE

Editorial: For the love of California, don’t sit out this recall election

By The Times Editorial Board
Aug. 18, 2021

Gov. Gavin Newsom’s most formidable challenger in the Sept. 14 recall election is not radio host Larry Elder, former San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer or any of the other 44 replacement candidates on the ballot, though they may like voters to think so. Nope, the biggest threat to Newsom — and to Californians — is voter apathy.

READ MORE

Mental Health Monday: What CSU Campuses Are Doing To Address Mental Health

CBS Los Angeles, August 30, 2021

See LARRP LEADER cohort#1 Lami J. Glenn interviewed in this news clip!

Here’s how Democrats, Republicans and others say you should vote in the recall election

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READ MORE
How you vote is up to you, but here's what your vote will mean and what various political parties, newspapers and others are saying.

The Tent Mender

Hand Made Productions, is proud to announce the release of a limited three-part documentary film spotlighting people experiencing homelessness. Filmed entirely in the heart of Skid Row, it introduces raw, inspirational, and true stories. The series will be exclusively available to stream on August 6 on IMDb TV, Amazon’s free streaming service.

MORE INFO

Want to Reduce Crime? Start with Funding Our Communities

Newsweek Opinion, Gina Clayton-Johnson And Thea Sebastian , Attorneys, 7/29/21

Opinion piece by former LARRP consultant from the early days!

READ

REPORTS

Crime trends and violence worse in California’s Republican-voting counties than Democratic-voting counties

Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice Mike Males, August 25, 2021

A report released today by the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice finds that, compared to the 35 California counties that voted Democratic in the 2020 presidential election, the state’s 23 Republican-voting counties have higher rates of violent crime, including homicides.

For decades, Republican candidates and elected officials have demanded a “get-tough” approach to crime that generated more arrests, more imprisonments, and longer prison sentences. As a result, a person is 58 percent more likely to be arrested and 41 percent more likely to be incarcerated in a Republican-voting county than in a Democratic-voting one. Likewise, 12 of the 13 highest-incarceration counties vote Republican, while 16 of the 18 lowest-incarceration counties vote Democratic.

But have the hardline approaches pursued by Republicans officials actually reduced crime? Just the opposite. Republican-voting counties are seeing lesser declines in crime and higher rates of crime, particularly violent offenses and homicides, compared to their Democratic-voting counterparts.

READ THE REPORT

Figure 1. Homicide trends per 100,000 population by county voting, 1990-2020

Sources: DOJ (2021); DDI (2021); SOS (2020). Note: Percent change compares 2020 with respective 1990s peak year.