

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF PREVENTION SERVICES TASK FORCE

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Subject: Community Driven Solutions / Metrics / and Guiding Principles

Thanks for all the collaborative work that has been done to ensure that LA County is preventing harm and risk that disproportionately impact persons of melanin/ copper skin shades and other populations of color or marginalized.

In efforts to shift the thinking that has built and sustained practices that aren't working best for the people at the community level, there has been a **Community Bill of Rights**. <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eORcB8Hm5RbyzUvw7Og63rylo3duiOjA/view</u>

Designed to uphold integral relationships with the community as they are the experts in their lives. With their expertise, they have the knowledge and practice of preventing and promoting living standards based on the "by any means possible model." This model and practice are unsustainable without the support to achieve better outcomes.

In today's meeting, there a question was raised about addressing poverty. The pandemic has shown us that the best way to do that is to put people in a position to have economic opportunities that matter to them. With the massive amounts of residents who are being productive and useful in their community with their trusted relationships, we must figure out how to acknowledge this type of community asset.

With the question; HOW do we decide on the metrics that matter to the community? There is a wellbeing and centering community assessment <u>https://bit.ly/3TawaHS</u> to support conversations where hard truths lead to surfacing how the community is utilizing county services and how the responsible partnerships with community members give us a foundational leveling for ensuring that we share power and continue to good work **Together**!

Your social justice activist LaRae Cantley

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