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**Anti-Racism,
Diversity,
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Prevention Services Task Force Meeting

June 2, 2023





ITEM 2

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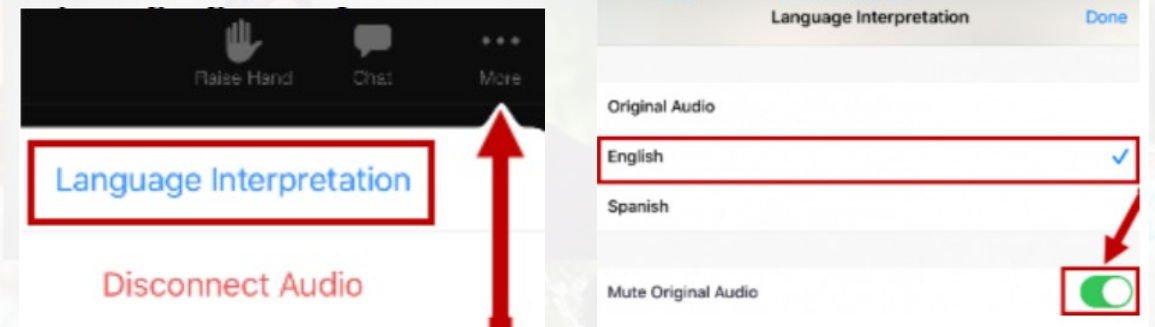
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

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Land Acknowledgement



ITEM 3

WELCOME





ITEM 4

ROLL CALL





ITEM 5 **Public Comment**

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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TIMER



ITEM 6

Take appropriate action on the Minutes of the Prevention Services Task Force Regular Meetings on April 28, 2023

Attachment(s): April 28, 2023 Draft Meeting Minutes and Recording



ITEM 7

Overview, discussion, and consideration of necessary actions regarding Domain Discovery and Selection processes, including a review of data on relevant County outcomes, racial disproportionality, and disparities as needed.

Ongoing Research Processes for Domain / Focus Area Selection

Please see the [hyperlinked Memo](#) for detailed information.

Categories from Initial List

Inventory of existing initiatives relating to the domains

Community interest and priorities:

- (1) Previous department-led community engagement or client feedback
- (2) Commissions and advisory committees
- (3) External news, current events, or community advocacy
- (4) Priorities indicated by other public entities within LA County/region
- (5) If needed, additional community engagement*

County priorities, as indicated by:

- (1) The Board (e.g., motions, public statements)
- (2) County departmental leadership (e.g., Task Force members, other departmental leaders)
- (3) Notable successes or achievements from recent County initiatives

Racial disproportionality data and analyses

Relevant funding initiatives or fiscal context

With additional tasks as needed

*Reflects a desire from the Task Force members not to “ask the same questions” or conduct superfluous efforts on issues that community members have previously shared through multiple channels.

Key Themes from April 28 Meeting Discussion

Approach to Narrow Focus on Domain

**Target
Population(s)
for Domain**

**Prevention
and Promotion
Outcome within
Domain**

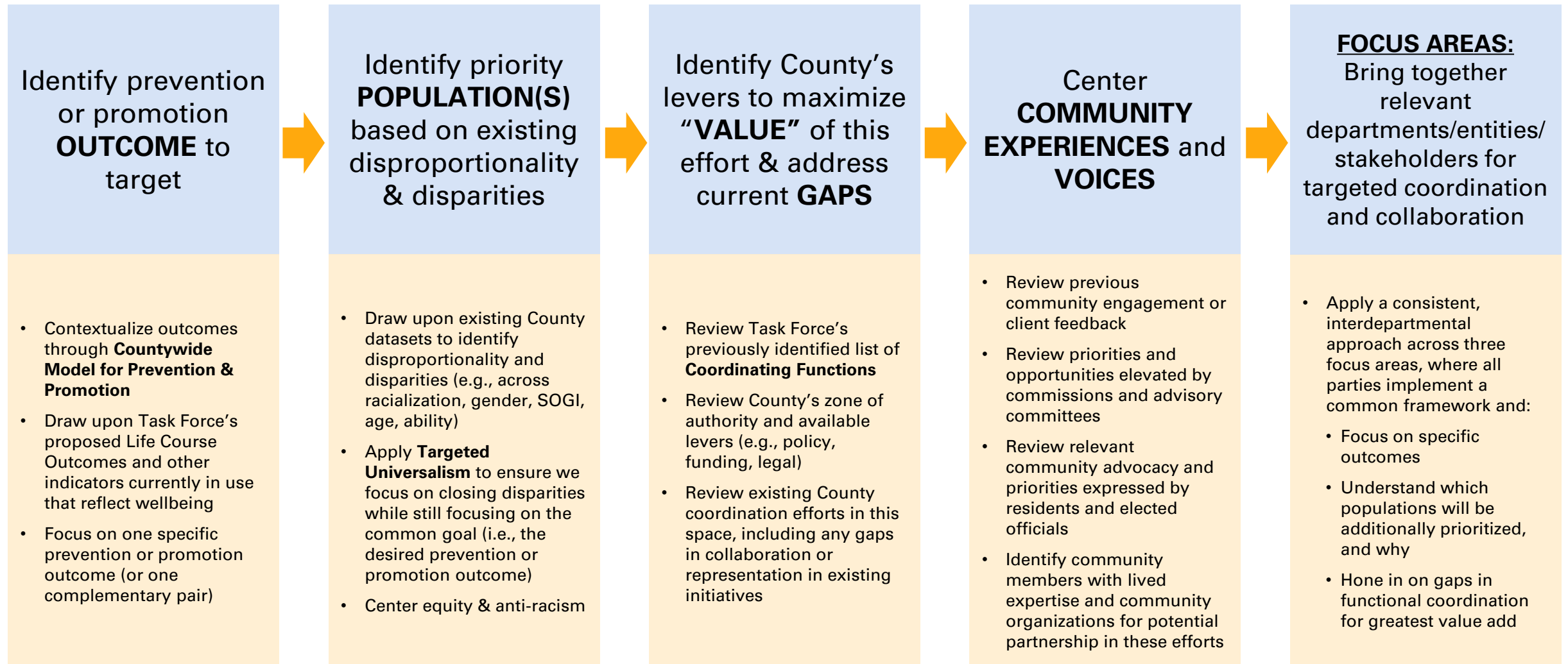
*Overlay of
Anti-Racism and
Promotion Lens*

Value and Gap

**Community
Experiences
and Voice**

Framework for Task Force Focus Areas for Phase 2

Within each of the selected domains/service areas:



Sample Outcomes and Disproportionality Data

Task Force may select relevant outcomes among those identified in Phase 1 listed below, and/or identify new outcomes or those currently in use within domains.

- Decrease Infant Mortality
- Increase the attainment of a postsecondary credential w/ significant labor market value
- Improve socioemotional/cognitive readiness as children approach school age
- Increase [# of individuals with] stable affordable housing
- Increase age-appropriate socioemotional/cognitive proficiency for grades 1-6
- Increase stable full-time employment among individual adults with incomes at or above 250% FPL
- Decrease child maltreatment (within families and systems)
- Increase family income at 250% FPL (pegged to a family of 4)
- Improve physical & behavioral health/well-being
- Increase “aging in place” with safety, dignity and independence
- Improve financial well-being
- Decrease adult first-time felony convictions

Sample disproportionality and disparity data within select domains are enclosed in the appendix; data across additional domains were enclosed in the meeting slide printouts for the April 28 meeting.

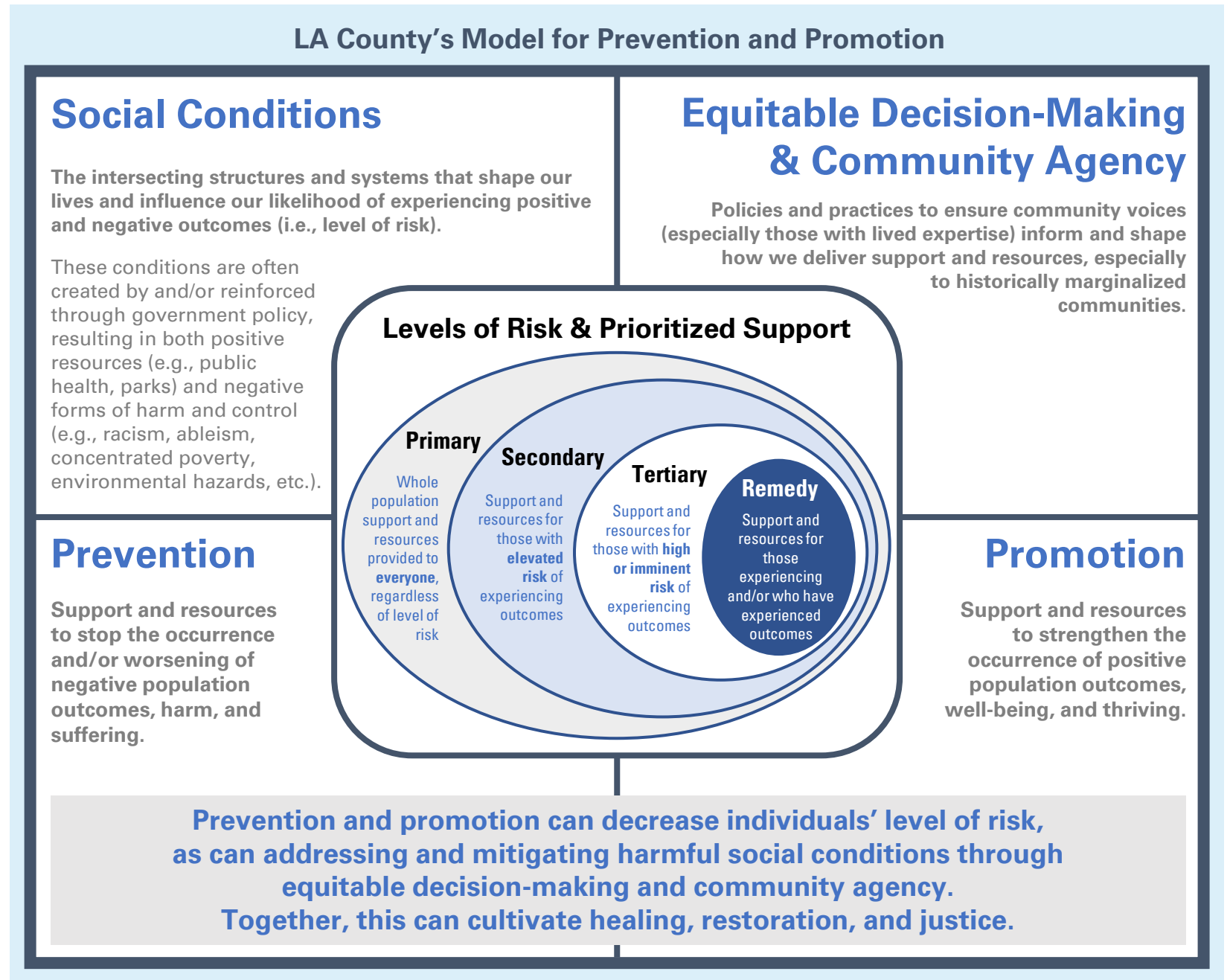
Contextualizing Outcomes

Right: Countywide model for Prevention and Promotion previously adopted by this Task Force and submitted to the Board.

This model can help contextualize how we view **outcomes**, including acknowledging that:

- Social conditions shape the outcomes we see in our communities
- We seek to prevent negative outcomes
- We seek to promote positive outcomes
- Equitable decision-making and community agency help to inform which outcomes to prioritize and what strategies will be most effective in addressing them.

For more information on the Countywide model seen here, see [pages 35-43 of Attachment III](#) submitted to the Board by the Task Force.



Domain Identification

Please note:

- Domains have not been determined yet.
- Domain titles, scope, and “boundaries” have not been determined
- The data in this presentation are non-exhaustive and may have limitations
- These slides are not proposed life course outcomes or metrics.
- In Phase 2, the Task Force will examine which indicators best represent the three selected domains.

Domain Review

To provide a high-level overview of currently available data on some indicators within the Task Force's domains to inform the process narrow areas of focus.

Please note that the following overview does not include:

- Extensive client feedback
- Program Inventory
- Extensive analysis of stakeholder priorities
- Pros, Cons and Tradeoffs

GUIDING QUESTIONS

1. What additional client feedback do we need to incorporate and bring back for consideration?
2. What additional data do we need to analyze and bring back for consideration?
3. Where can we find internal/external initiatives to examine for consideration?
4. How might we align with ongoing Board, departmental and stakeholder led efforts?

Also consider:

- Social & political environment
- Greatest potential impact
- Upstream/downstream implications
- External entities (e.g., city governments, school districts, CBOs)

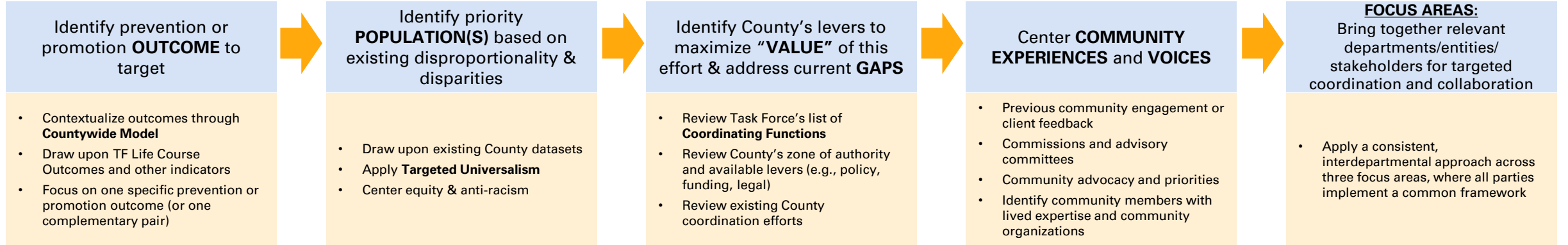


Child Welfare



Child and Family Well-Being

Highly ranked by Task Force members;
Heightened Board interest



OUTCOME: *Promoting* child and family wellbeing and preservation

Context: Social conditions (e.g., racism, labor exploitation, sexism, immigration systems, quality of education systems, inflation and rising costs of living and childcare) increase barriers to families in ensuring that their children have the resources and supports to thrive. Promoting the wellbeing of children and families may also have the secondary effect of reducing interactions with child welfare systems, especially when such cases are due to alleged material “neglect.”

POPULATION: Children and families, especially those who are lower income and face greater economic insecurity and barriers to wellbeing.

In addition, we can apply targeted universalism to especially support Black, Latino, and Native families given:

- Existing racial disproportionality in DCFS (see Appendix of this presentation deck: # of DCFS cases, maltreatment allegations/investigations/substantiations, and # of children first entering foster care, etc.)
- Historical racism documented across U.S. child welfare systems (see: [Attachment III, page 24](#): Contextualizing LA County’s Previous Efforts in Child Welfare), as well as pending legal changes relating to the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)

VALUE / GAPS:

- County holds authorities, levers, and responsibility relating to child welfare/wellbeing and prevention
- Board has passed several relevant motions, including [home visiting](#), [mandated supporting](#), [blind removals](#), [rental assistance](#), addressing disproportionality, and this Task Force
- In particular, the TF can support and bolster the recently launched [Mandated Supporting Initiative](#) – TF can bridge additional depts/programs to connect families to resources, especially by addressing coordinating functions
- Several ongoing initiatives relating to funding, including [FFPSA](#), [CDSS State Block Grant](#), [ACEs Aware](#), [CA Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative](#), etc., many of which may entail new opportunities to source, braid, and blend County funding sources to provide families resources.

COMMUNITY:

- Many community organizations and residents have expressed a desire for reform and policy change in this space, as expressed through the [Reimagining Child Safety Coalition](#) and other avenues
- Identify community members with lived experience navigating child welfare systems and other County systems – especially prior DCFS “general neglect” cases who may be able to inform how resources and supports may have played a role in their experience.
- Identify philanthropic partners and community organizations with prior experience providing direct resources and supports to children and families

STAKEHOLDERS:

- Existing leads, including DCFS, OCP, CCF, and First5LA, as well as other health and human services agencies administering direct services and programs to children, youth, and families, including LACOE, DHS, DMH, Youth Commission, etc.
- Additional departments or entities with programs that may provide resources and supports to bolster family wellbeing (e.g., DPSS, DEO, Aging, LACDA, DPH, Library, Parks and Recreation, Arts and Culture)
- Administrative departments/entities with authorities and expertise relating to coordinating functions (e.g., CIO, County Counsel, CEO, contracting)
- Per previous box, community members with lived expertise, community organizations, and philanthropic partners

Child Welfare

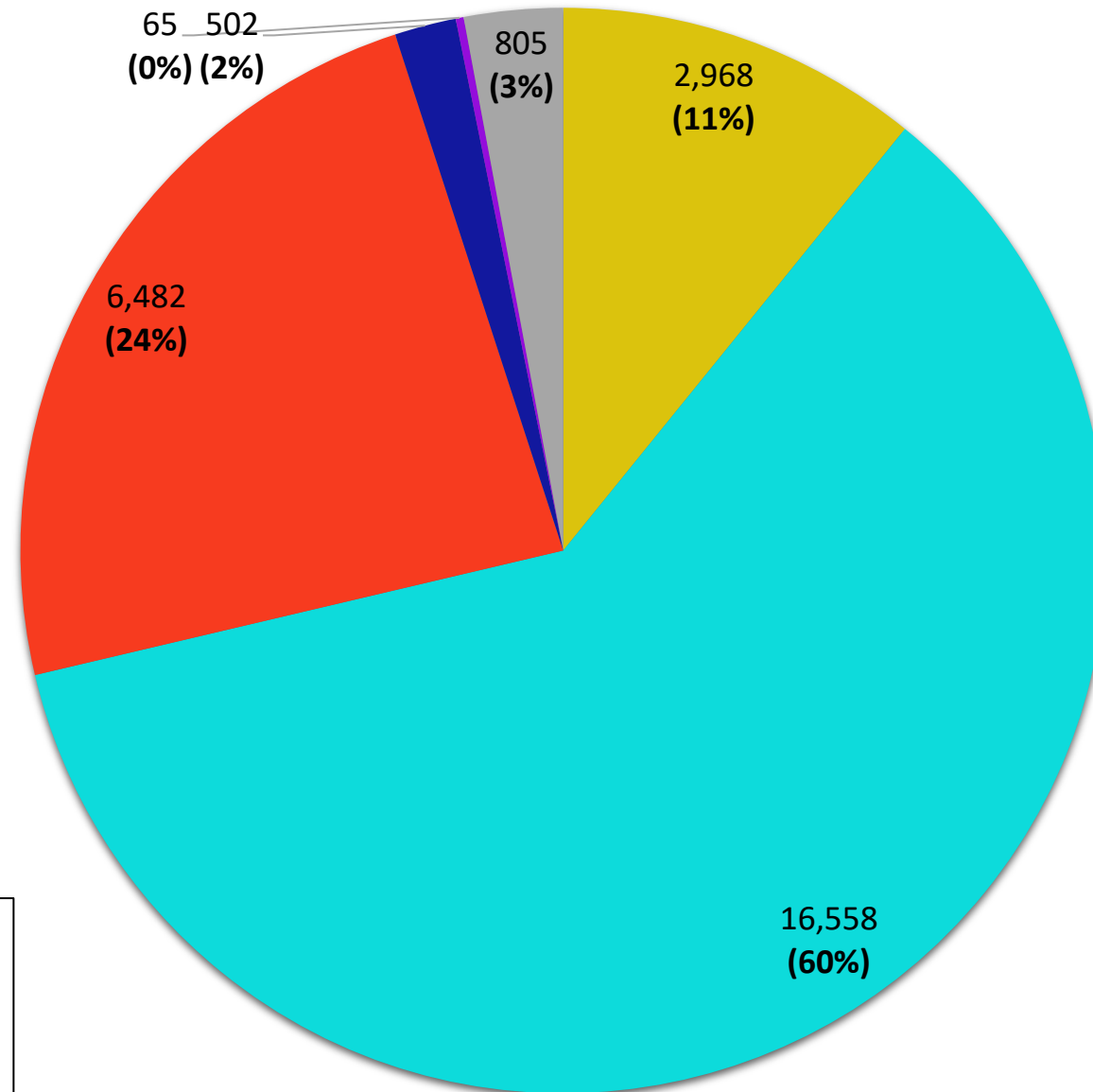
Population Under 18 Years Old in LA County	Percentage
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	60.4%
Some other race	26.1%
White alone (not Hispanic or Latino)	16.4%
Two or more races	14.7%
Asian	11.3%
Black or African American	7.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.2%

Data Source:
ACS (5 Year 2021)

Child Welfare

Prevention

DCFS Cases (2022)



- White
- Hispanic
- Black
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Other

Data Source:

Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) Datamart History Table.

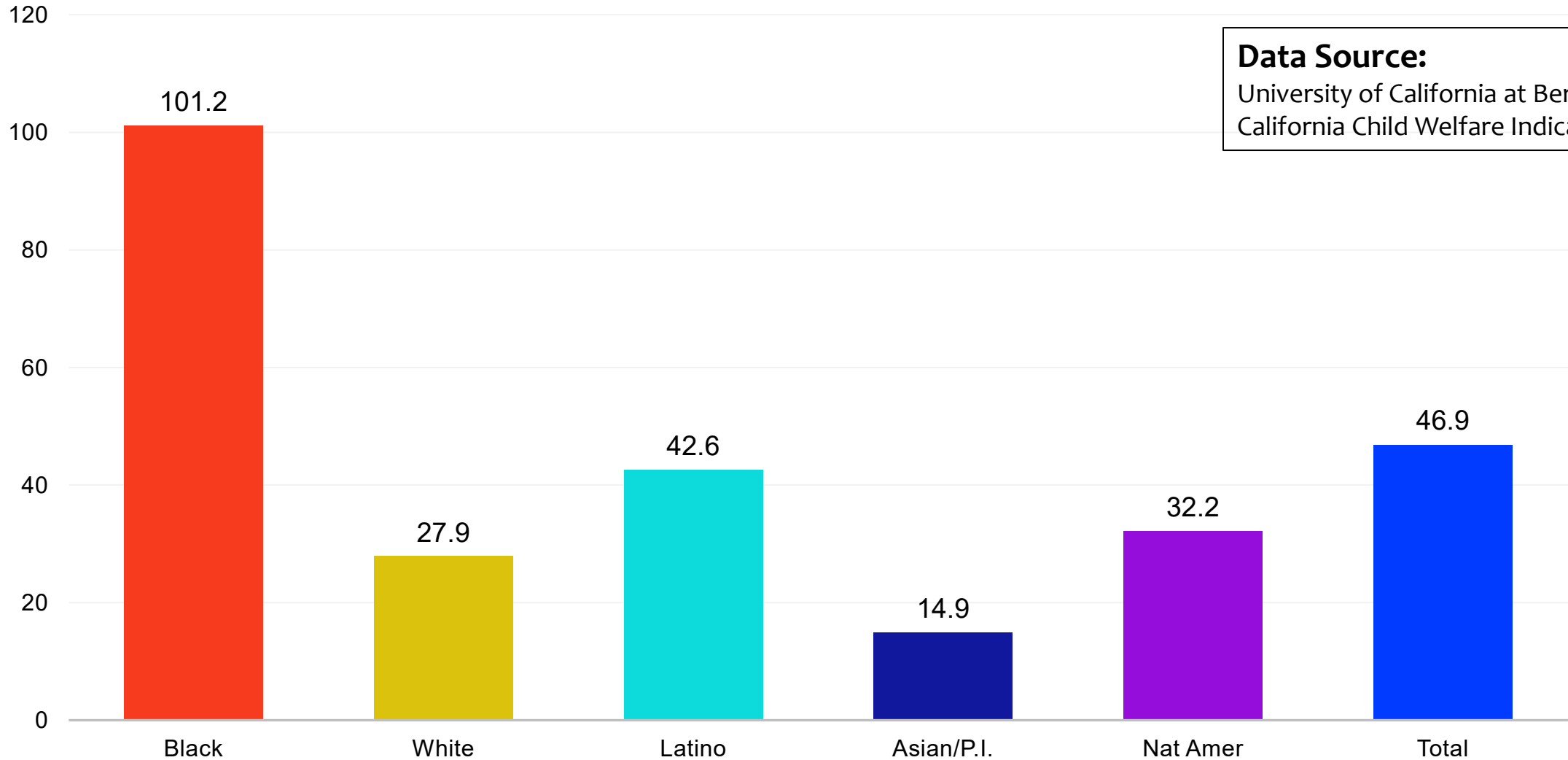
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Child Maltreatment Allegations
Incidents per 1,000 Children (2022)

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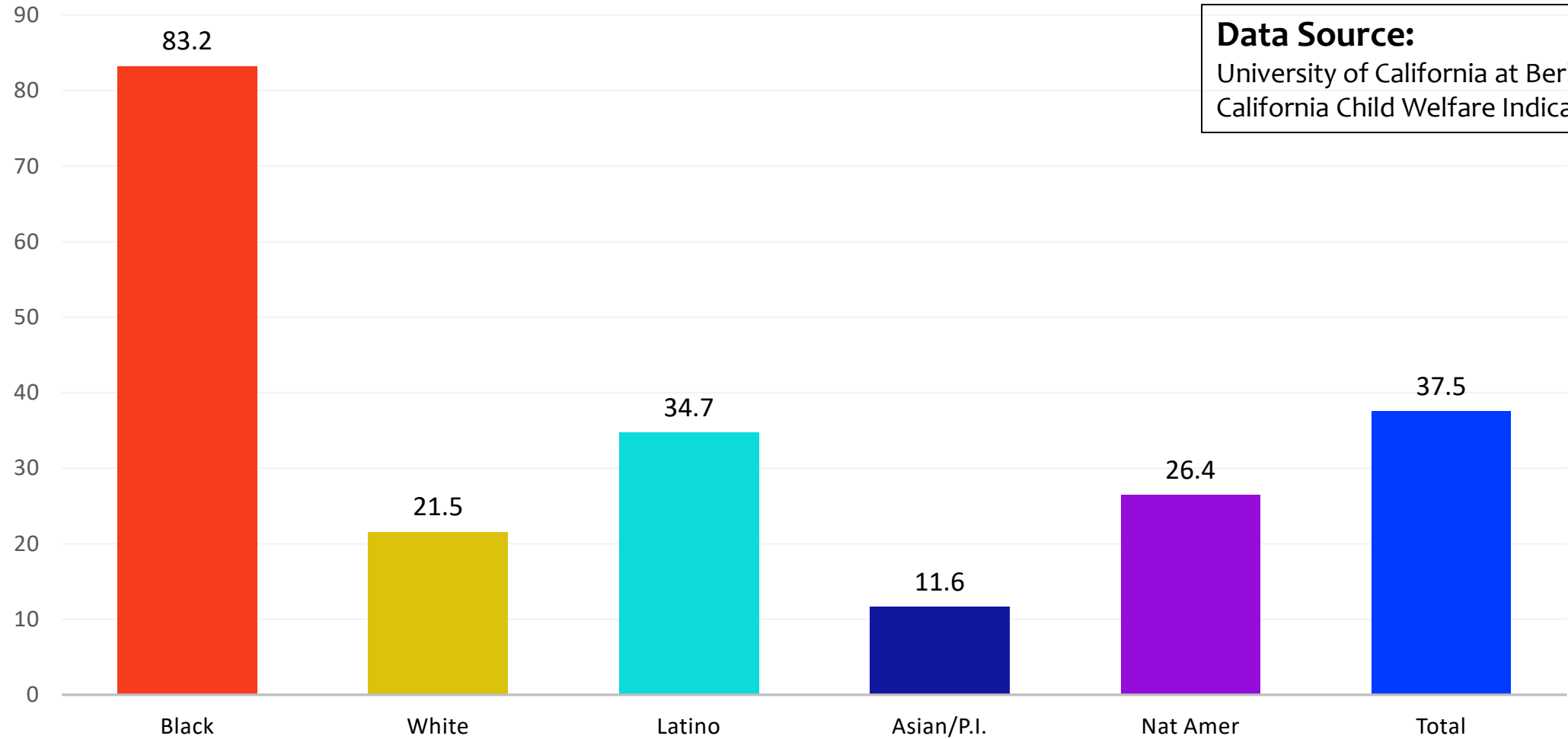
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California Child Welfare Indicators



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Child Maltreatment Investigations
Incidents per 1,000 Children (2022)



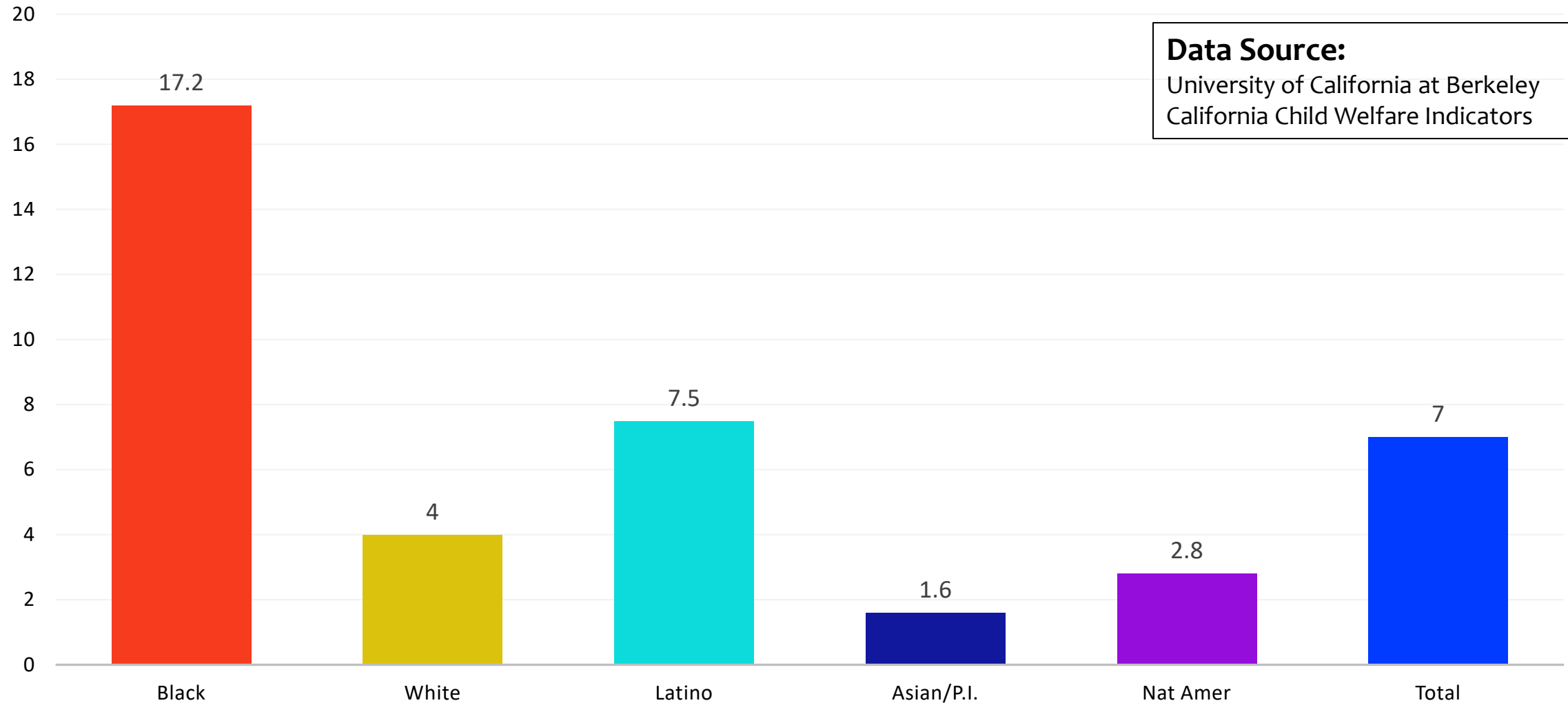
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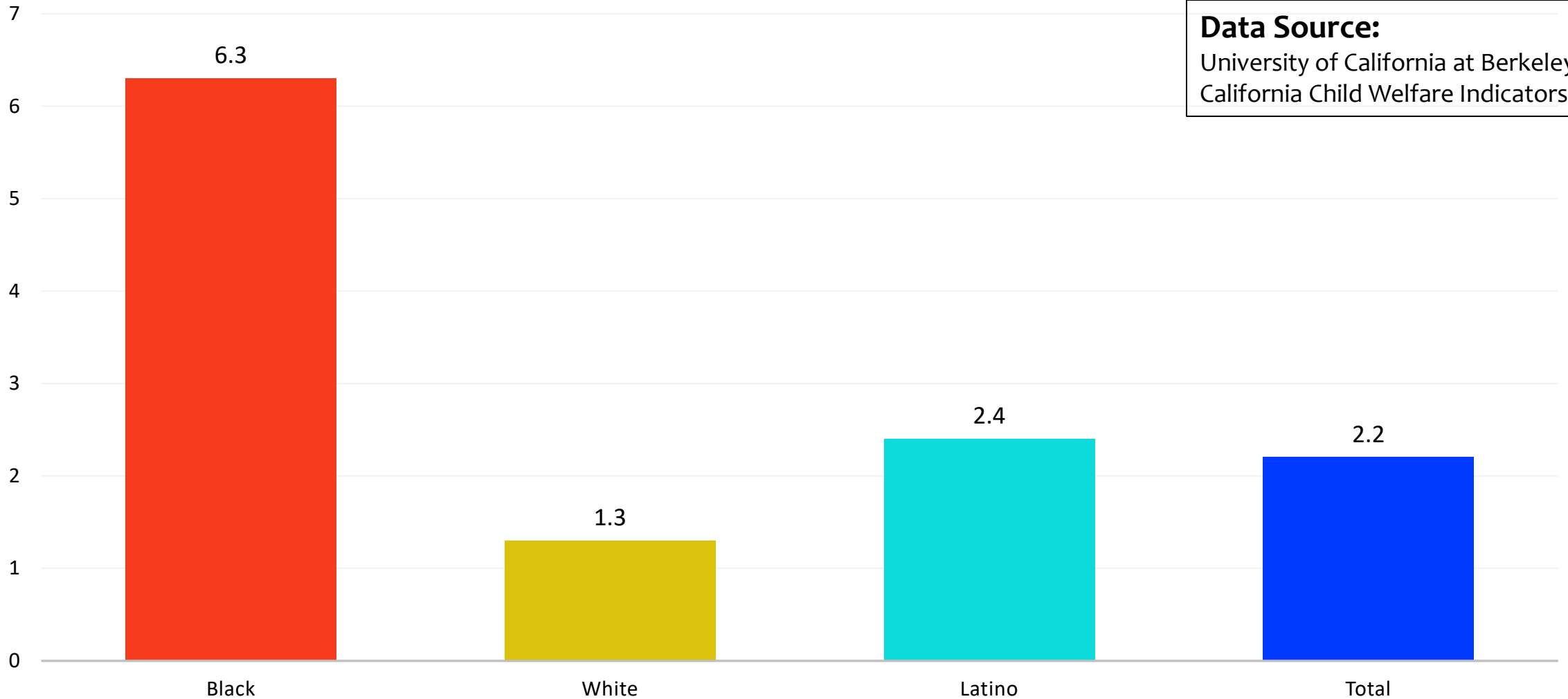
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Children with First Entries to Foster Care
Incidents per 1,000 Children (2022)



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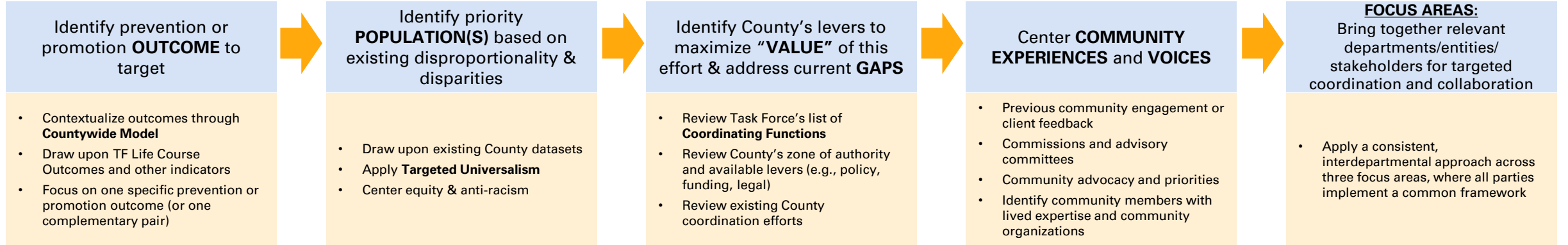


Homelessness and Housing



Homelessness Prevention & Housing Promotion

Highly ranked by Task Force members;
Heightened Board interest



COMPLEMENTARY

OUTCOMES: *Preventing homelessness / Promoting housing stability*

Context: Social conditions (e.g., racism, labor exploitation, immigration systems, rising rents and cost of living, employment discrimination) increase barriers to individuals having the resources and supports to maintain stable housing.

POPULATION:

Older adults and those entering older adulthood. These individuals are particularly vulnerable given the lifetime impacts of racism, denied economic opportunity/wealth accrual, and other harms that destabilize an individuals' economic wellbeing by the time they enter older adulthood.

In addition, we can apply targeted universalism to especially support:

- Black older adults, who are particularly disproportionately represented among LA County's homeless population (see: Appendix)
- Older adults with physical disabilities, serious mental illness, and/or substance use disorders, who are also overrepresented among LA County's homeless population

VALUE / GAPS:

- County holds authorities, levers, and responsibility relating to homelessness and housing (albeit in partnership with cities)
- Board has passed several relevant motions, including the [State of Emergency](#), [tenant protections](#), [new shelters](#), etc.
- In particular, the TF can advance and bolster prevention efforts led by CEO – Homeless Initiative; TF can bridge additional depts/programs to connect individuals to economic supports and housing supports, especially by addressing coordinating functions
- Opportunity to partner and build upon prevention-centric recommendations from [Black People Experiencing Homelessness](#) and [Latinos Experiencing Homelessness](#) initiatives
- Elevated importance raised by elected officials and County leaders regarding demonstrating efficacy of [Measure H](#) (and City's Measure HHH) funds

COMMUNITY:

- Many community organizations and residents have expressed a desire for reform and policy change in this space, as well as elected officials throughout municipalities
- Identify community members with lived experience navigating affordable housing, emergency housing, shelters, and other County housing or homelessness systems
- Philanthropic partners and community organizations with prior experience providing direct resources and supports to individuals experiencing housing instability (e.g., evictions, affordable housing tenants) or homelessness

STAKEHOLDERS:

- Existing leads, including CEO-HI and LAHSA, as well as other health and human services agencies administering direct services and programs relating to housing stability (e.g., LACDA) and services for older adults (e.g., Aging, DPSS, DHS) etc.
- Additional departments or entities with programs that may provide resources and supports to bolster economic and housing security (e.g., DEO, DCFS, etc.)
- Ongoing commissions and recent initiatives, including [BRCH](#), [Measure H Citizens Oversight Advisory Board](#), [LA Regional Homelessness Advisory Board](#), [LACDA Housing Advisory Committee](#)
- Administrative departments/entities with authorities and expertise relating to coordinating functions (e.g., CIO, County Counsel, CEO, contracting)
- Per previous box, community members with lived expertise, community organizations, and philanthropic partners

Homelessness

Total Homeless in LA County = 69,144

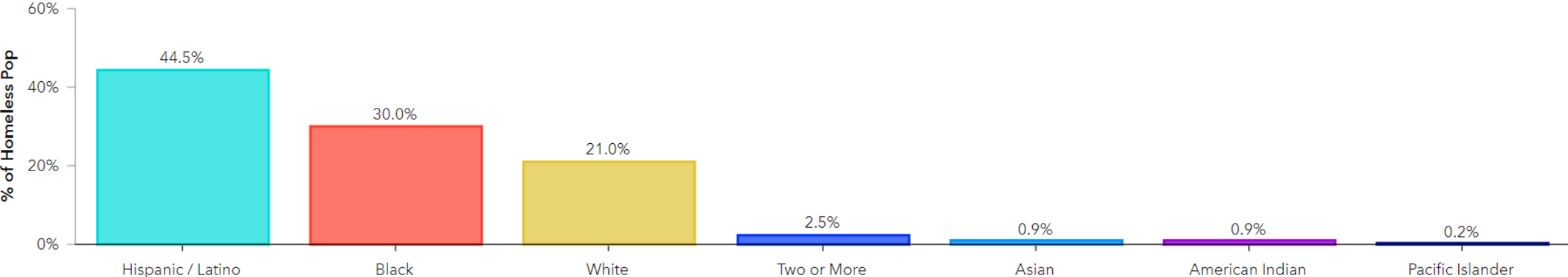
41% experience chronic homelessness

Sub-population	Percentage
Individuals	84%
Family Households	6%
Under 18	9%
18-24	4%
25+	86%
55+	23% approx.
Men	67%
Women	32%
Non-binary	1%
Questioning	1%
Transgender	1%

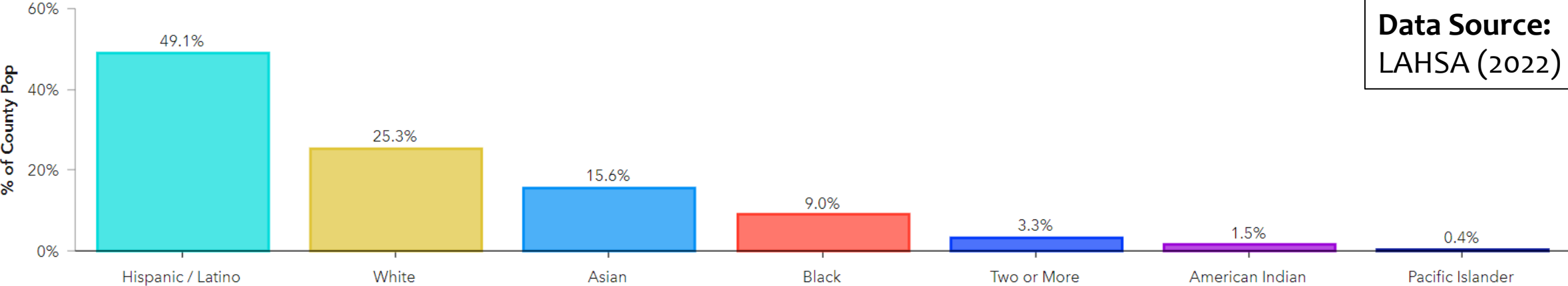
Homelessness

Prevention

Homeless Population by Race



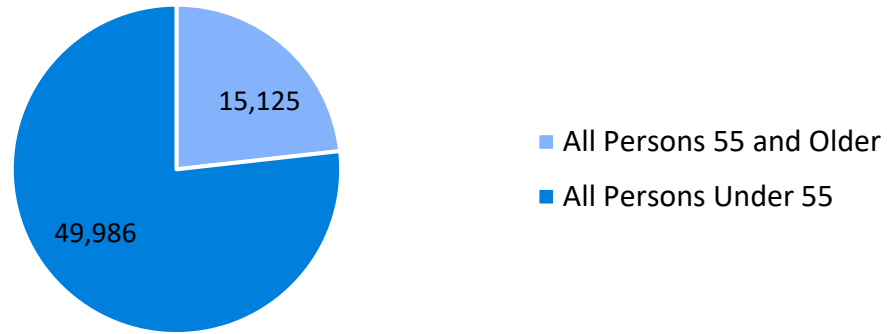
Countywide Population by Race



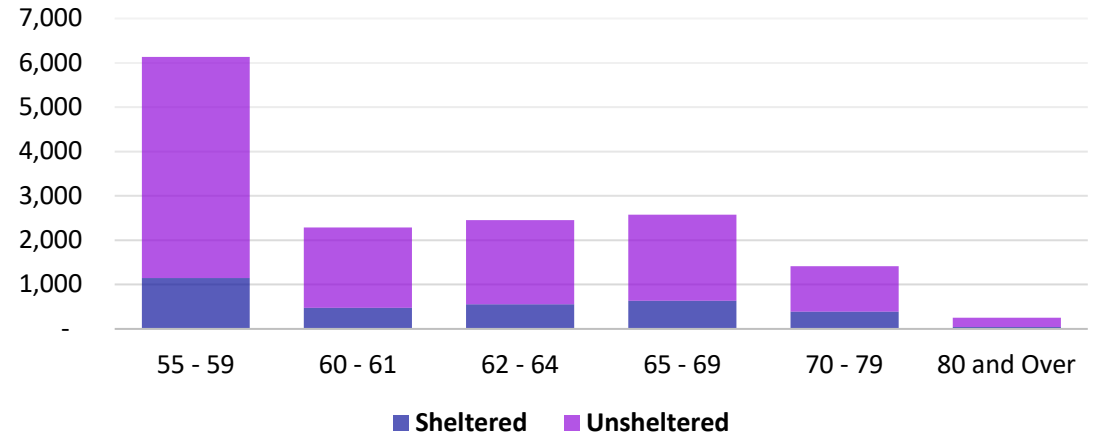
Data Source:
LAHSA (2022)

Homelessness

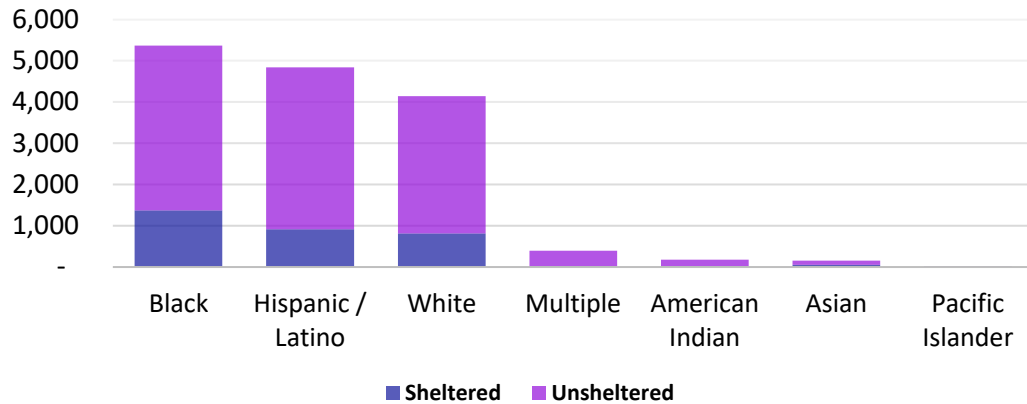
**2022 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
Older Population - Los Angeles Continuum of Care**



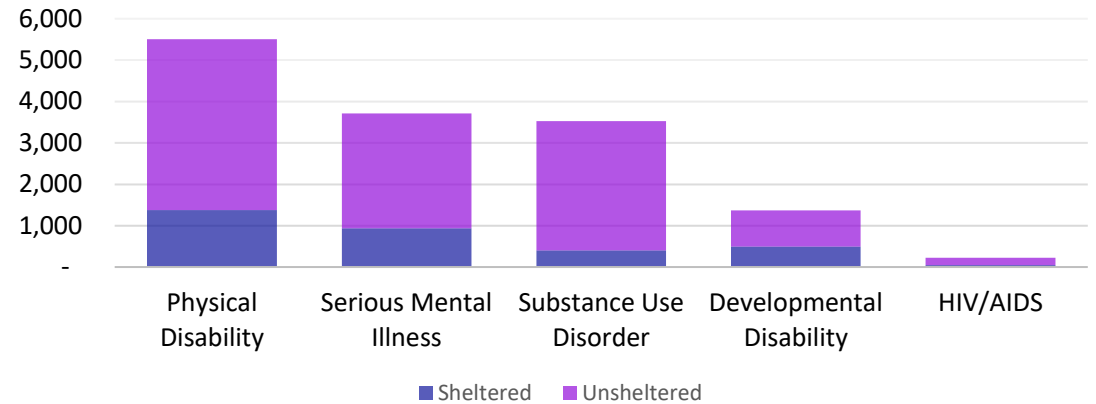
AGE 55+ HOMELESS POPULATION BY AGE



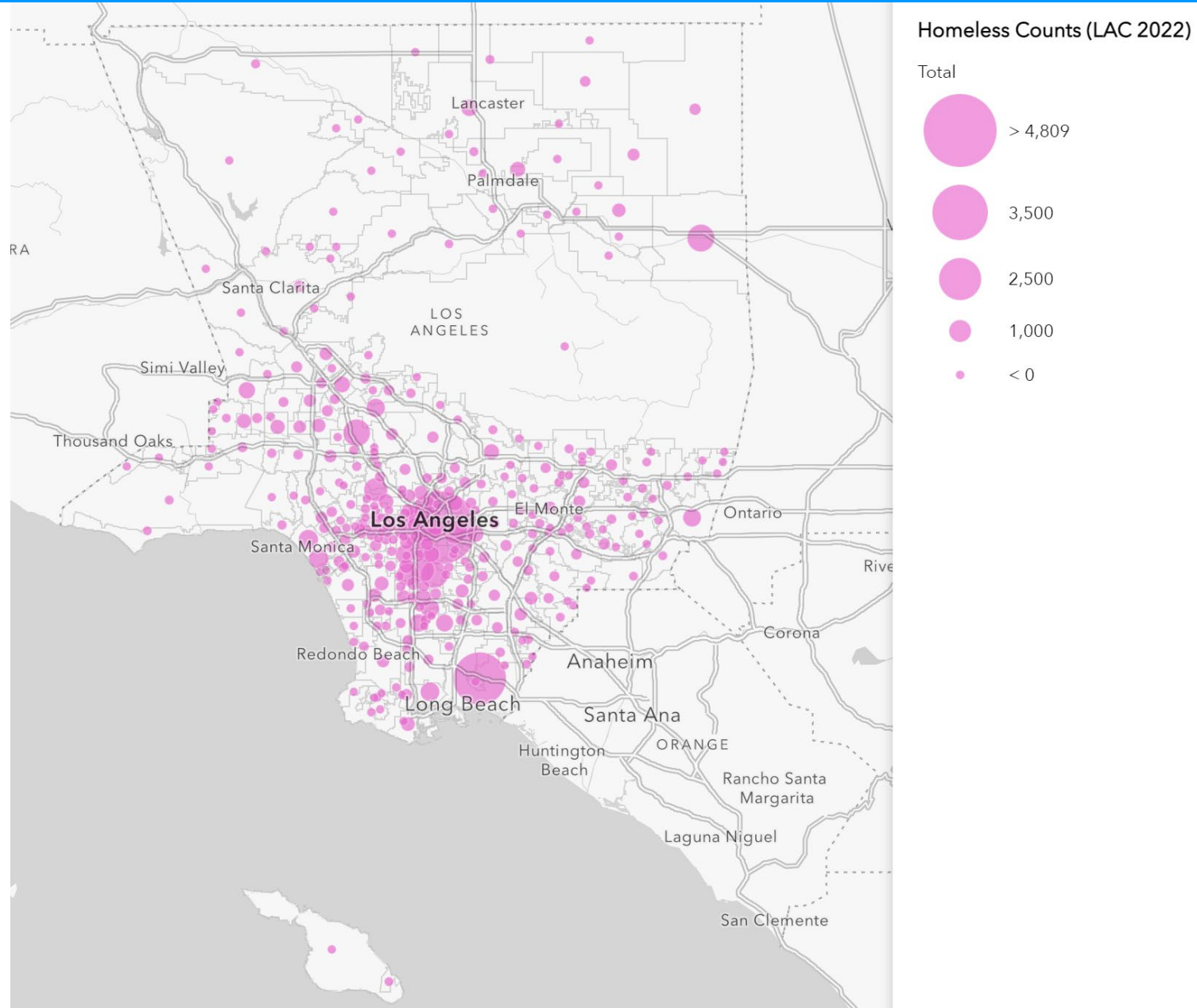
**AGE 55+ HOMELESS POPULATION BY
RACE / ETHNICITY**



**AGE 55+ HOMELESS POPULATION BY
HEALTH & DISABILITY INDICATORS**



Homelessness



Data Source:
LAHSA (2022) +
LA County ISD

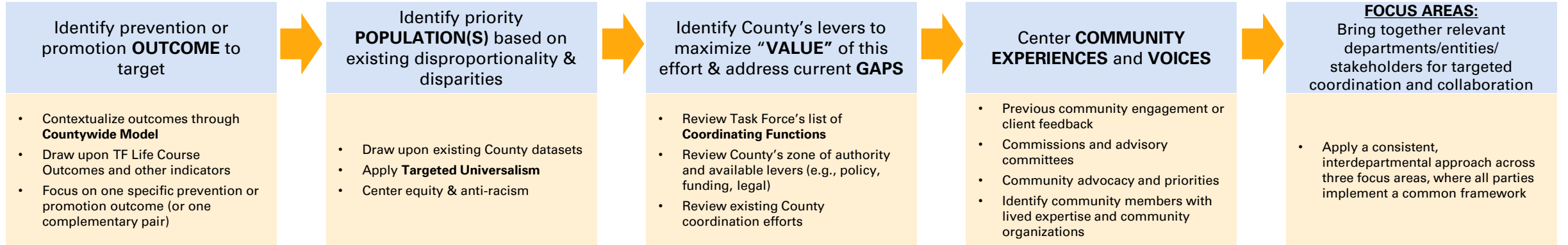


Justice & Safety



Improving Justice & Safety

Highly ranked by Task Force members;
Heightened Board interest



COMPLEMENTARY OUTCOMES: *Preventing adult first-time felony convictions*

Context: As described in the County's Racial Equity Strategic Plan Prison incarceration in the U.S. has increased by 430% since the early 1970s, in large part due to targeted policies at the federal, state, and local level to increasingly criminalize and police specific communities, especially low-income communities of color.

Felony convictions are a key driver of long-term negative outcomes in other life areas because of the array of exclusions it can confer from employment, housing, and other opportunities in life.

POPULATION: Young adults with attributes or experiences that have shown are correlated with higher rates of subsequent incarceration or justice involvement (e.g., high school dropout, juvenile detention, early substance use disorder, etc.)

In addition, we can apply targeted universalism to especially support:

- Black men, who are disproportionately represented in felony convictions and other outcomes across the criminal justice system. The lifetime risk of imprisonment for individuals born 1975 to 1979 was 27% for Black men, 12% for Latino men, and 5% for white men. And in California, it is estimated that approximately 90% of Black males that dropped out of high school have gone to prison.

VALUE / GAPS:

- While the County holds some levers and authority relating to policing and incarceration, there is an opportunity to more effectively utilize its strategies relating to preventative supports and resources, including diversion but also other upstream strategies
- The Board has approved this outcome as a strategic goal to address within the County's Racial Equity Strategic Plan; there is an opportunity to strengthen and advance preventative strategies to reduce felony convictions through upstream supports and resources.
- TF can advance and bolster prevention efforts led to date by JCOD and the newly launched DYD; TF can bridge additional depts/programs to connect individuals to economic supports and diversion resources, especially by addressing coordinating functions

COMMUNITY:

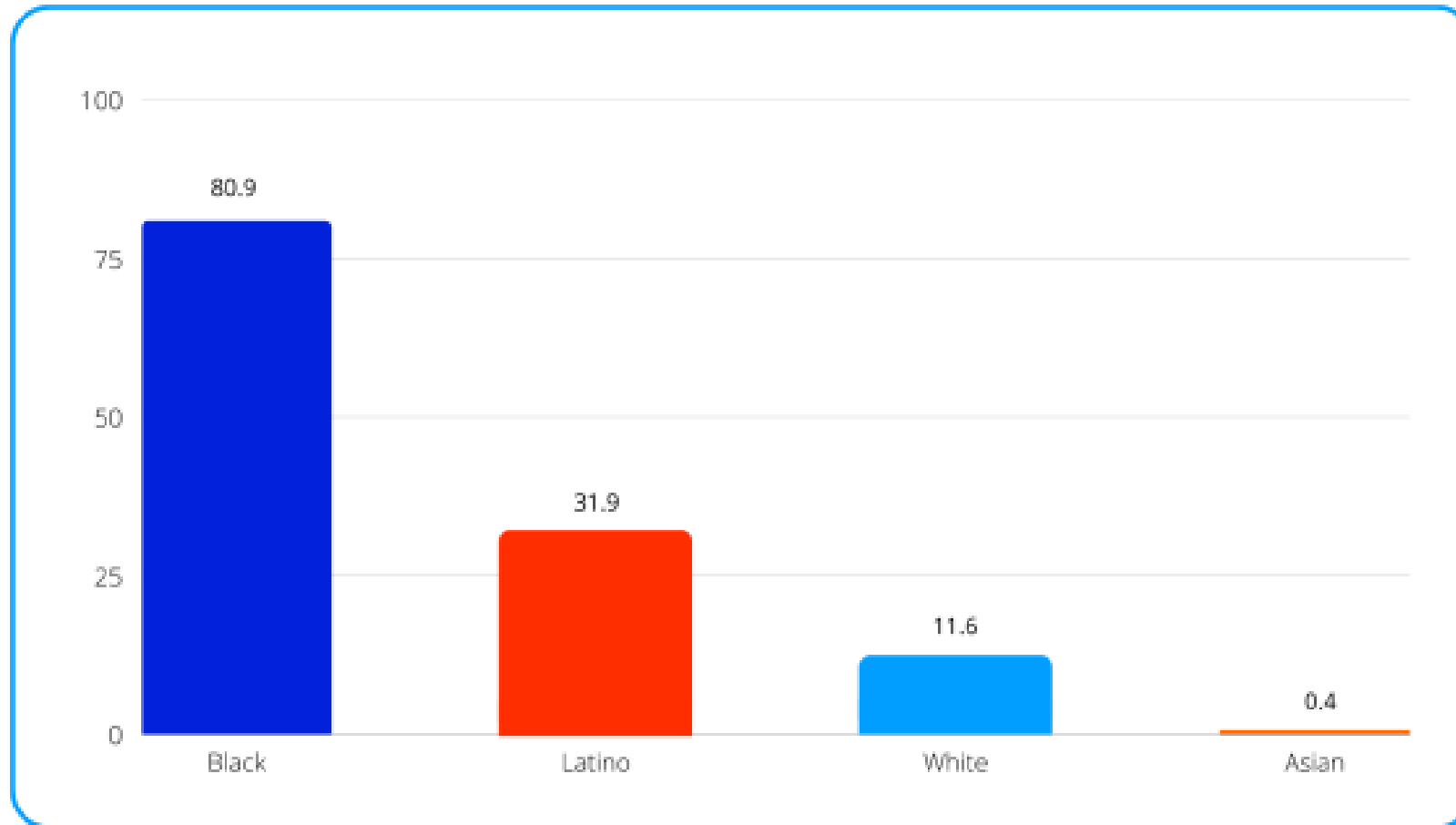
- Many community organizations and residents have expressed a desire for reform and change regarding carceral policies, including during community engagement for the Racial Equity Strategic Plan
- Community members with lived experience regarding justice system interactions, diversion resources, and other County health and human service systems
- Philanthropic partners and community organizations with prior experience providing direct resources and supports to justice-impacted individuals, including during pre-trial, diversion, incarceration, reentry, and other experiences.

STAKEHOLDERS:

- Existing leads, including JCOD and DYD as well as other health and human services agencies administering direct services and programs relating to economic opportunity, mental health, and overall wellbeing for young people (e.g., DEO, DMH, LACOE, etc.)
- Additional departments or entities with programs that may provide resources and supports to bolster economic and housing security (e.g., DEO, DCFS, DHS, DPH, etc.)
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Justice

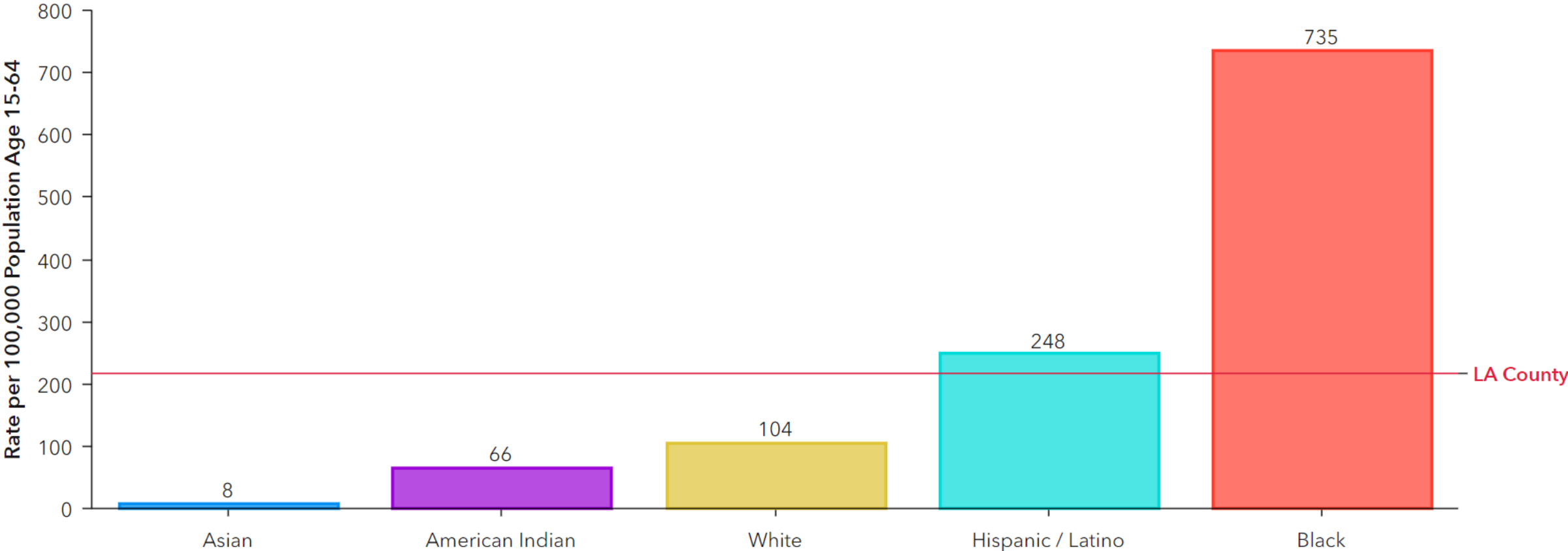
Figure 4. First-Time Adult Felony Convictions by Race/Ethnicity per 10,000 (2019)⁷



Source: LA County Racial Equity Strategic Plan | Data from Los Angeles County Court Data. NOTE: First time felony conviction counts for Pacific Islanders and American Indians were less than 20 observations, so they have been suppressed for privacy reasons.

Justice

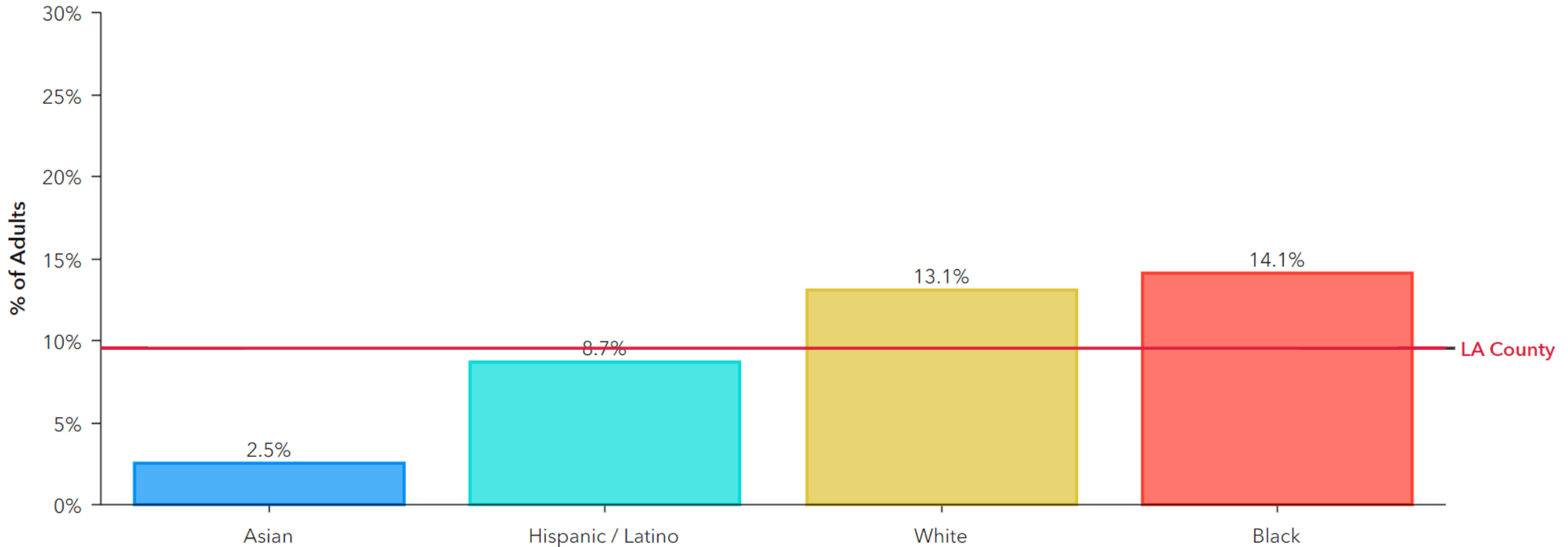
Incarceration Rate (Jail) Per 100,000 Population Age 15-64



Vera Institute, 2019 & 2021

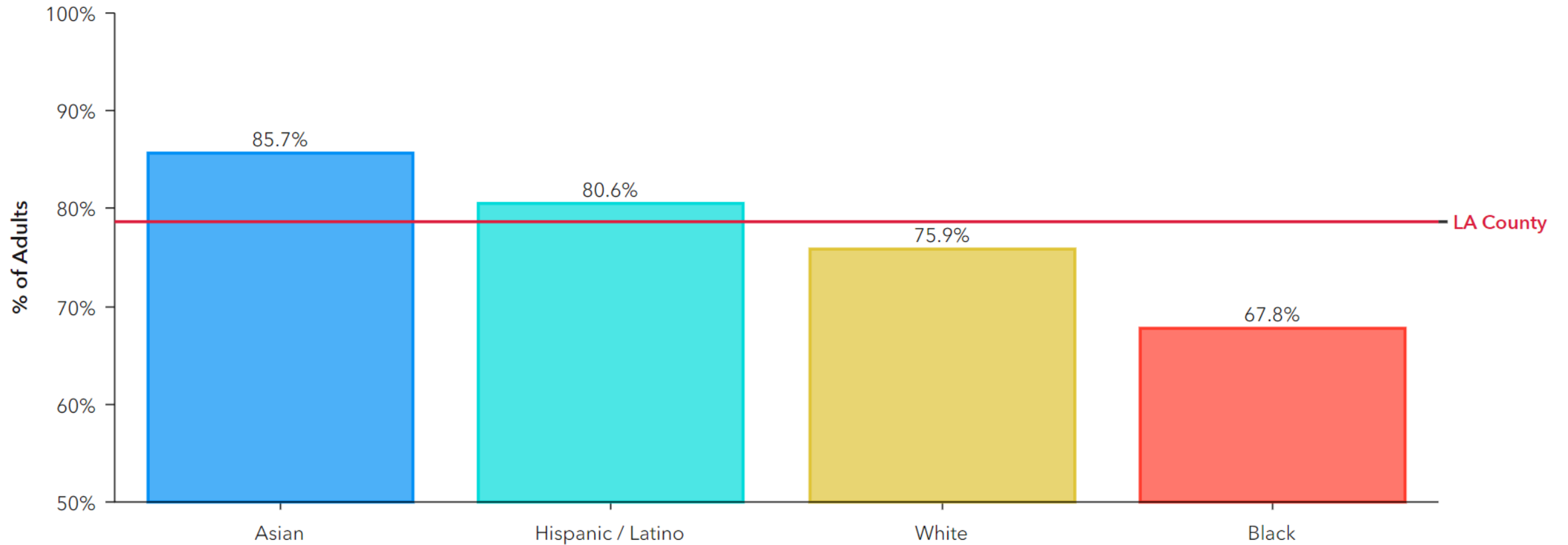
Justice

Ever Arrested and Booked



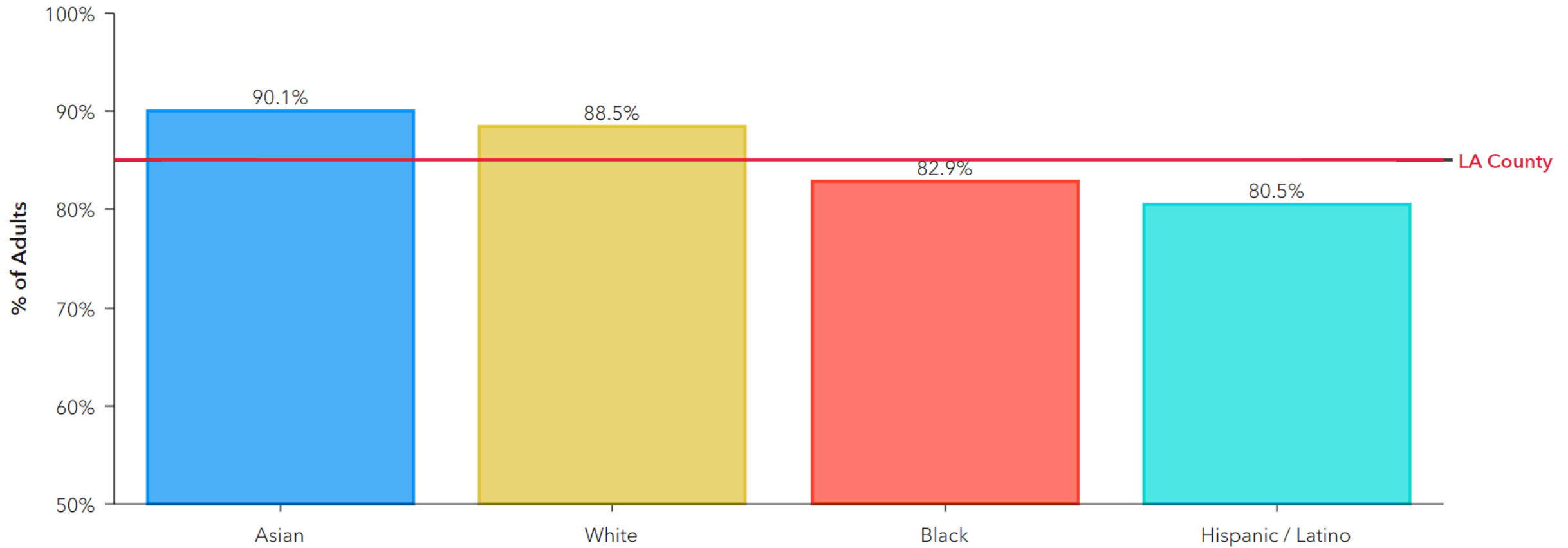
Justice

No Stops by Law Enforcement in Last Three Years



Justice

Perceptions of Neighborhood Safety



Los Angeles County Health Survey, 2018



DISCUSSION





ITEM 8



8. Discussion and planning for upcoming site visit to County of San Diego's Live Well Initiative



San Diego County Live Well Initiative Site Visit

DATE: Friday, August 11

LOCATION: Oceanside, CA – SD County Live Well Center

STAKEHOLDERS: San Diego HHSAs representatives, additional County representatives

ARDI staff will coordinate logistics and confirm topics based on your interests.

Tentative topics:

Live Well: SD
Countywide
Prevention/Promotion

County governance
structure
considerations and
SD case studies

Interdepartmental
coordination,
collaboration, & data
sharing

Live Well Indicators
for wellbeing (i.e.,
prevention &
promotion metrics)

SD's approach to
equity in prevention
and promotion
service delivery



ITEM 9



Discussion and consideration of necessary actions regarding Phase 2 activities and planning.





ITEM 10

Public Comment

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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TIMER



ITEM 11

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming meeting dates (all Fridays at 10am to 12:30pm)

- June 30
- July 28
- August 25
- September 29
- October 27
- November 17

All future meetings will be held hybrid with Zoom teleconferencing
In-person location will be at 510 S Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90020