

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (LACDMH)  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS – QUALITY IMPROVEMENT DIVISION (OAO-QID)  
Service Area Advisory Committee (SAAC4) – August 2019**

<b>Type of Meeting:</b>	SAAC 4 MEETING	<b>Date:</b>	8/15/2019
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Peer Resource Center 560 S Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90020</b>	<b>Start Time:</b>	1:30pm
		<b>End Time:</b>	4:00pm
<b>Attendees Present</b>	<p><b>On-site:</b> Anthony Alvarado, Jesus Romero, Jr., Darryl Lovett, Jennifer Goble, Devanne Hernandez, Vatche Kelartinian, HyoCheol Kim, Lolita Namocaticat, Johanne Preciado, Denisha Evans, Louis Abramson, Carmen Perez, Kandi Dudley, Jeffery Fuentes, Soh Yun Park, Carly Randolph, Catherine Cly, Annmarie Reed, Esiquia Reyes, Richard Donaldson, Erica Schaecher, Nelson Lennox, Phil Harrington, Jessica Montemayor, Nicole Farley, Lakeysia Atkinson, Edward Oh, Jennifer Wright, Marcus Tuttle, Regina Santos, Christina Salazar, Seung Nah, Stacy Williams</p> <p><b>Minutes Secretary:</b> Valencia Gunn</p>		
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion and Findings</b>	<b>Decisions, Recommendations, Actions, &amp; Scheduled Tasks</b>	<b>Person(s) Responsible</b>
<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	Introductions were made around the room.		<i>Pastor Nah</i>
<b>2. DMH Update</b>	<p>Town Hall Meeting - July 25, 2019</p> <p><b>START Program</b> <b>Strategic Threat Assessment Response Team</b></p>	<p>Thanks to everyone who attended; there was a large turnout.</p> <p>A program that focuses on school-aged youth with identifying those who have the potential for violence and helping schools with training, screening, interventions and assessments.</p>	<i>Stacy Williams</i>

	<p>Jail Replacement Program –On Hold until Board of Supervisors have made some changes</p> <p>Suicide Prevention Program pilot Training coming in October</p>	<p>In February 2019, the Board of Supervisors rejected the plan to create a Mental Health Treatment Center to pursue development of a new plan.</p> <p>Service Area 2 &amp; 4 will develop a response team to go out and assist families who have been affected by an attempted or completed suicide of a loved one. They will provide clinicians or someone with lived experience in the tragedy of a suicide as well as providing after care or preventative care to those faced with suicide. Stay tuned.</p>	
<p><b>3. Co-Chair Discussion/ Nominations</b></p>	<p>Town Hall Meeting              July 25, 2019</p> <p>SAAC4 Co-Chair Meeting              Tuesday, August 13, 2019</p> <p>We need volunteers for the Co-Chair position. Who would like to volunteer?</p> <p>Since we are in a state of emergency, how about attending 6 meetings per year instead? What are your thoughts?</p>	<p>It was a great success!!!              Congratulations to Stacy, Regina and Christina for doing such a good job with the Town Hall meeting.</p> <p>The Co-Chair’s meeting was a successful meeting and people were very impressed by the Town Hall meeting.</p> <p>In order to become a Co-Chair, you need to attend at least 9 out of 12 meetings per year.</p> <p>In order to become a co-chair, you need to have been attending for the past 6 months. The 75% meeting attendance remains the same which is 9 out of 12 meetings per year to</p>	<p><i>Pastor Nah</i></p>

	<p>What does it take to become a co-chair?</p> <p>If you agree with the clause from the charter and wish to volunteer as co-chair for attending 6 meetings, submit your interest by sending an email to Christina Salazar at <a href="mailto:csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov">csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov</a> or Pastor Nah at <a href="mailto:love4usa@gmail.com">love4usa@gmail.com</a></p>	<p>maintain co-chair.</p> <p>Attend preparation meetings; have a good attitude and a willingness to serve the community; attend the co-chair's meeting; consumers and providers can serve as co-chair but not a provider in a managerial level.</p> <p>It was agreed by a show of hands. To be considered, submit a brief statement of interest of how you wish to serve the community and why you would like to serve as co-chair so that it can be voted on in September.</p>	
<p><b>4. Holiday Event Discussion / Sub-Committee</b></p>	<p>It was asked by Mimi McKay's office that we come up with outreach and engagement plans for every month of the fiscal year.</p> <p>We will create a sub-committee group to decide what type of event to plan for December.</p> <p>This committee will also decide how to outreach and engage to people to attend the SAAC4 meetings.</p>	<p>SAAC4 was approved for a back to school event but it was approved too late. We were approved for \$5,000 that we could use for an event in December.</p> <p>Email me your suggestions at <a href="mailto:csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov">csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov</a>.</p> <p>We want to focus on those groups that are not represented in our SAAC meetings like veteran groups, cultural groups, agencies, 0-5, prenatal, etc.</p>	<p><i>Christina Salazar</i></p>
<p><b>5. Break for Translators</b></p>	<p>Do the translator's need a break?</p>	<p>5 minute break</p>	<p><i>Translators</i></p>
<p><b>6. Union Rescue Mission Presentation</b></p>	<p><b>Union Rescue Mission (URM)</b>        545 S San Pedro Street        Los Angeles 90013</p>	<p>URM is a non-profit organization that was established in 1891. They are one of the largest rescue missions in the United States and the oldest in</p>	<p><i>Daniel Anderson</i></p>

24hrs/ day; 7 days/week -intake women & children  
Good news & Bad news regarding Skid Row

“People experiencing homelessness” instead of calling people homeless.

History of Union Rescue Mission  
(URM is the largest building ever built for this type of service in the United States)

Gospel Wagons

Scope of Services

Los Angeles.

**Bad news**

-homelessness is up 11%  
-due to media attention and the Mayor’s office, it’s still going up

**Good news**

-more people than beds  
-more women & children than men  
-more people willing to come inside

We at URM use this phrase since this is a temporary condition they are going through.

URM has been in Los Angeles for 128 years and was founded in 1891 by Lyman Steward, president and owner of Union Oil Company (Union 76). He started Biola University (Bible Institute of LA) to send the good news around the world.

These were horse drawn wagons that gave hot meals and an encouraging message under the tent to the poor. “Fell Off the Wagon” – is a phrase used for relapse that came from URM’s gospel wagon.

Two facilities:

1. URM in Skid Row  
Transitional ministry with 225, 000 square feet, 5 floors and 1000-1300 people each night.

2. Mom’s Program in Sylmar

Two basic services offered at Union Rescue Mission are **Transition and Transform**

On the **3<sup>rd</sup> Floor** is a medical facility. The LA Lakers renovated a full scale gymnasium and the LA Dodgers renovated the learning center. We offer a holistic approach to healing.

Transformation ministry with 77 acres, 75-80 moms, 150-175 children

A third facility is being built in Carson for women and children.

**Transitional Program**

Two-week passes with ID for one night or two weeks, can be renewed as needed; requires a TB test, no sex offenders allowed and meet with a case manager. Free meals.

**1<sup>st</sup> FL** – intake / no drug tests done

**2<sup>nd</sup> FL** is Gateway; pay a month to month fee of \$210; single adult men & women; and random drug tests.

**3<sup>rd</sup> FL-** USC & UCLA provides doctors and dentists; Pepperdine provides psychologists, attorneys and interns.

**4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> FL-**mom's & dad's with kids;

**Transformation Program**

Internal program that gets to the root cause of the problem. The opposite of addiction is not sobriety. Addiction comes from a disconnection with people and God. One year of work therapy and counseling is required. Cap and Gown ceremony afterwards.

After graduation, if you need more time, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year is available:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*room of two instead of five;</li> <li>*come and go as you please</li> <li>*moved to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor</li> <li>*more privileges</li> <li>*work as an apprentice</li> <li>*go to school and learn a trade</li> <li>*get a job and save money</li> </ul> <p>Resident living is also available</p>	
<p><b>7. Announcements</b></p>	<p><b>ACCESS CALIFORNIA</b>  <i>A program of Norcal MHA</i>          2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mental Health Conference</p> <p><b>MH Services Oversight &amp; Accountability Commission</b>          Suicide Prevention Subcommittee Meeting</p> <p>California Money Bail Reform Act          Also known as <b>Senate Bill 10</b></p> <p><b>Abstract Art Class – Freedom of Expression</b>          MH Peer Resource Center          560 S Vermont Avenue          Los Angeles, CA 90020</p> <p><b>Uplift Family Services</b>          Hollygrove Campus</p>	<p><u>Date:</u>          Friday, August 23, 2019 8:30-4:00pm</p> <p><u>Location:</u>          The California Endowment          1000 Alameda Street          Los Angeles, CA 90012</p> <p>The meeting will be held in Sacramento and the meeting audio will be recorded.</p> <p><u>Date:</u>          Wednesday, August 28, 2019</p> <p>This legislation eliminates cash bail, replacing it with a risk assessment of an individual. The bill will go into effect in October 2019.</p> <p>Abstract watercolor painting          Lead Artist: Jessie Castillo          Date: August 23, 2019          Time: 11:00am-1:00pm  <b>FREE materials</b></p> <p>Back-to-School Carnival and Backpack giveaway          Melrose &amp; Vine</p>	<p><i>Marcus Tuttle</i></p>

	Email all flyers or announcements to Christina Salazar at <a href="mailto:csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov">csalazar@dmh.lacounty.gov</a>	Saturday, August 17, 2019 10:00am-2:00pm <b>Open to the public</b>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>September 19, 2019</b> / Founders Church of Religious Science 3281 W 6th Street Los Angeles, CA 90020		