

**Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health  
Stakeholder Engagement Unit  
LGBTQIA2-S UsCC Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday November 4, 2021, 2-4 pm**

**Welcome/Introductions**

**Present:** Nicole Kristal, Gerald Garth, Greg Wilson, Bill Sive, Jeffrey King, Ana Bernal, JavonTae Wilson, Cynthia Ruffin, Live · Xóchi Salas, Merry Meyers, Mikey Fields, Bobby Dillard, Addison Rose Vincent, Diego Echaveste-Avila, Jamie Estrada, Princess Murray, Jacob Rostovsky, Johana Lozano, riKu Matsuda, Jose Guevara, Summer Gomez, Tara Omrani, Paul Vallejo, Emma Carpenter, X, Luckie Alexander, Karla Leiva, Martel Okonji, Rebecca Gitlin, Andrea Aoun, George Liou

**DMH Admin:** Kelly Wilkerson, Pinki Mehta, Hyun Kyung Lee

**Getting To Know You** – X shared about themselves. After sharing, other subcommittee members recommended looking at ways to engage affirming faith and spiritual leaders and practitioners, and then looking at ways to engage the sober and holistic health and wellness community.

**October 2021 Meeting Minutes** – Reviewed & Approved with no corrections (first-Bill Sive, second-Greg Wilson).

**Cultural Calendar Presentation**

- Dr. Hyun Kyung Lee from the Cultural Competency Unit shared regarding the Diversity and Multicultural Calendar that is being developed through the Cultural Competency Committee.
- Rough draft was presented and subcommittee members were asked to provide any dates to Dr. Lee via email [HKyungLee@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:HKyungLee@dmh.lacounty.gov).

**Capacity Building Projects – Brainstorm/Discussion**

- Proposals for Transmasculine Community
  - Transmasculine Mental Health Training Coalition Project – Submitted and presented by Jacob Rostovsky during meeting.
  - Transmasculine Resilience Project – Submitted and presented by Jacob Rostovsky during meeting.
  - TransMasc Healing Project – Submitted and presented by Luckie Alexander during meeting.
- Proposals for Elder LGBTQIA2-S Community
  - OUTSpoken LA Project – Submitted and presented by Ana Bernal and Bill Sive during meeting.
  - The Griot Project – Submitted and presented by Cynthia Ruffin during the meeting.
- Proposals for Black LGBTQIA2-S Community
  - Black LGBTQ+ Community Outreach & Engagement Project – Submitted and presented by Greg Wilson during the meeting.

- Black LGBTQ+ Activists for Change (BLAC) Leadership Initiative Project – Submitted and presented by Gerald Garth during the meeting.

#### **Next Steps**

- A survey will be sent out to all voting members to rank the proposals no later than Friday, 11/26/21.
- Results will be emailed to the subcommittee members following the closing of the survey.

#### **General Announcements/Resources**

- Send to Kelly via email ([KeWilkerson@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:KeWilkerson@dmh.lacounty.gov)) to be sent out to the listserv.

**Upcoming Meetings (first Thursday of the month, 2-4pm):** 1/6/22, 2/3/22, 3/3/22, 4/7/22, 5/5/22, 6/2/22

[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

323-776-6996, Conference ID: 542 042 921#

Meeting recordings can be found at <https://dmh.lacounty.gov/about/mhsa/uscc/lgbtqia2-s-uscc/lgbtqia2-s-uscc-meeting-minutes/>