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December 31, 2019

To: All Department Heads

From: Sachi A. Hamai  
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## CHAIR'S CHALLENGE

At the December 3, 2019 Board meeting, Supervisor Barger announced, "The Chair's Challenge" (or Challenge). The goal of the Chair's Challenge is to motivate each County Department to implement and highlight creative programs in our communities designed to support the needs of our youth – **programs above and beyond existing programs and strategies.**

Each quarter in 2020 Supervisor Barger will highlight a successful program initiated by a single County department or by several departments working together. Challenge winners will be recognized at the following Board meetings during the Board presentations: **March 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, September 1<sup>st</sup>, and December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Supervisor Barger has requested that departments submit a program or strategy proposal each quarter that demonstrates an innovative way the County is serving youth. Please include the following information with your submission: 1) the number of youth that will be impacted; 2) the number of youth that have successfully received support from this new program; and 3) identification of the names of community organization(s) involved with the new program or strategy.

My office will be sending a **reminder to all department heads two months prior to each of the aforementioned Board meetings** to remind you of the submission deadlines for the Chair's Challenge.

All submission information should be sent directly to Supervisor Barger's Children and Social Services Deputy, Monica Banken at [mbanken@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:mbanken@bos.lacounty.gov) **one month prior to the aforementioned Board meetings**, with a copy to my staff, Harvey Kawasaki at [hkawasaki@ceo.lacounty.gov](mailto:hkawasaki@ceo.lacounty.gov) for tracking purposes. Supervisor Barger will review the programs and select the winner(s).

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The winners should provide a short video highlighting the program to be shown at the Board meeting and posted on the [www.lacounty.gov](http://www.lacounty.gov) website. The Board presentation and video must feature the department(s), community organization(s), and youth being positively impacted to demonstrate its broad impact.

I have reprinted for your reference the relevant dates associated with the Chair's Challenge.

<b>CEO Reminder to all Department Heads</b>	<b>Submission to Supervisor Barger's Office</b>	<b>Board Presentation</b>
January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	February 3 <sup>rd</sup>	March 3 <sup>rd</sup>
April 2 <sup>st</sup>	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	September 1 <sup>st</sup>
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	December 1 <sup>st</sup>

Thank you for your assistance in working to implement a successful Chair's Challenge in 2020. Please contact Monica Banken or Harvey Kawasaki if you have questions.

SAH: FAD:LR:ef

c: Each Supervisor