

Weekly Update: June 27, 2025

Probation Los Padrinos Transition Web Page

Launched on May 30, the Los Angeles County Probation Department is committed to regularly updating the Los Padrinos web page. This resource is designed to support parents, guardians, community members, and stakeholders in understanding the court-ordered plan, approved by Judge Micheal Espinoza on May 16, 2025, to depopulate Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall and relocate youth to alternative facilities better suited to their needs.

Chief Viera-Rosa and Department Leaders Meet with City Officials

Chief Viera Rosa and members of the executive team will continue their series of meetings with city officials throughout July, including leaders from the City of Sylmar. These meetings aim to provide updates on the court-approved depopulation plan for Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall (LP) and discuss any potential impacts, or lack thereof, on their respective communities. The plan involves transferring youth to other existing facilities to better meet the individual needs of the young people in our care.

Chief Viera-Rosa Host Staff Townhalls

This week, Chief Viera Rosa met with Probation Officers and staff at Barry J. Nidorf to discuss the court-approved depopulation plan for Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall and its potential impact on personnel. During the townhall, the Chief engaged directly with the BJN team, responded to questions, and reinforced how vital and valued staff are to the department's mission. Staff were reminded to consult the Human Resources FAQ and email LPTransition@probation.lacounty.gov with any questions or concerns during this transition. The Chief will continue hosting staff townhalls throughout July, with upcoming visits to Campus Kilpatrick and Dorothy Kirby Center, to promote open communication and provide continued support during this critical period.

Youth and Parent/Guardian Engagement

On June 24, the Superintendent, Directors, and partnering agencies at Dorothy Kirby Center met with the young ladies housed in three of the cottages to engage directly and provide updates on the ongoing transition to facilities better suited to meet their individual needs.

Each facility is scheduled to host follow-up parent/guardian meetings in July for parents and guardians who were unable to attend previous sessions. These meetings will offer an opportunity to answer questions and address any outstanding concerns.

Parents and guardians were encouraged to stay up to date on the Los Padrinos transition by visiting the Los Padrinos Transition

Website: <https://probation.lacounty.gov/lospadrinostransition/>, where they can learn more about:

- The transition of youth from Los Padrinos
- What's changing and why
- Resources for families and youth
- Community and stakeholder engagement
- News and updates

Parents/Guardians were also invited to subscribe to receive important updates and correspondence from the Probation Department via text.