



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS  
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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**Correspondence Received**

The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
4.		<b>Favor</b>	Ace Anaya	<p>Hello, my name is Ace with Gender Justice LA and . I am writing in support of TGI Wellness, Equity, and Care 2024, a \$7 million investment in Trans, Gender Expansive, and Intersex Communities. LA County must invest in the lives of TGI people in LA county by expanding health, mental health, anti violence, creative healing, social and economic development programs.</p> <p>Sincerely, Ace Anaya</p>
			anniejump vicente	
			Byron Jose	<p>Given these community-informed findings and key recommendations, it is crucial for LA County to lead in the care coordination and equitable investment in Trans, Gender Expansive, and Intersex communities.</p> <p>As residents and constituents, community members call on the Board of Supervisors to address the overarching unmet needs of TGI populations. We continue to advocate towards a true care first budget, and engaging community members in the budget process in support of a \$7 million budget allocation towards the TGI Wellness, Equity, and Care initiatives.</p> <p>Thank you to the chair for being a champion for our communities and prioritizing this community request during the recommended budget process.</p>
			Christian Arana	
		<b>Oppose</b>	V Citizen	Why waste money on this? These people are humans and should be included in the count of everyday people.
		<b>Item Total</b>	<b>5</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>5</b>	

# A DEMAND FOR THE TRANS WELLNESS AND EQUITY CARE INITIATIVE



To: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

From: Trans Rescue Action

June 18, 2024

Re: Trans Wellness and Equity Care Initiative

Trans Rescue Action is a social welfare non profit in West Hollywood; our mission is to help TGI siblings relocate to Southern California to flee dangerous living conditions in their home states brought on by over 600 anti-trans bills across the nation in the first six months of this year alone. **The overwhelming amount of anti-trans bills has increased physical violence and the murders of TGI siblings.**

The state of California has been a sanctuary state for trans youth since 2022. Among cities within LA County, West Hollywood declared itself as a trans sanctuary city in April 2023. According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, 50% of all trans Americans who are unhoused live in California, and LA County has the highest concentration. It is disgraceful that West Hollywood currently has no programs to substantiate its claim as a trans sanctuary city. With the median annual income of \$91,000, West Hollywood is not affordable for most trans people who as a group have an alarmingly high rate of poverty and unemployment.

The Trans Wellness and Equity Care initiative has been long overdue to save TGI lives. **We demand** the County Board of Supervisors work with the community to develop and implement programs that reflect the needs of the most underrepresented and underserved, and make sure that the money goes to where it's needed.

Cordially,

Trans Rescue Action



June 17, 2024

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors  
500 West Temple Street Room 383  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: In Support of TGI Wellness, Equity, and Care 2024**

Dear Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

On behalf of the Latino Community Foundation (LCF), I am writing to express our steadfast support for TGI Wellness, Equity, and Care 2024. This critical \$7 million initiative represents a significant investment aimed at enhancing support for Trans, Gender Expansive, and Intersex Communities in Los Angeles.

The TGI community has long endured criminalization and discrimination, underscoring the urgent need to raise awareness and allocate resources that address their distinct challenges. Across local, state, and national levels, TGI individuals confront ongoing issues such as homelessness, violence, and barriers to essential services.

The \$7 million investment in community-based organizations, led by and for TGI individuals, marks a pivotal step toward advancing equity and aligns with broader Board initiatives aimed at fostering a more inclusive County. Both TGI youth and aging populations face heightened vulnerability to harassment and exclusion, leading to adverse health outcomes and increased involvement in the juvenile justice system.

We deeply appreciate those in the County who recognize the interconnectedness of equity, racial justice, and LGBTQIA+ rights. It is crucial for the County to strengthen its ability to effectively address the challenges affecting our TGI communities. Thank you for supporting efforts to combat invisibility and improve the lives of TGI individuals through the County's budgeting process.

LCF is the nation's largest Latino-serving foundation. LCF has the largest network of Latino philanthropists in the country and has invested \$30 million to build Latino civic and political power and leadership in California.

With deep respect,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christian Arana".

Christian Arana  
Vice President of Policy  
Latino Community Foundation