



# Board of Supervisors Health and Mental Health Cluster Agenda Review Meeting

**DATE:** September 3, 2025

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**MEETING CHAIR:** Tyler Cash, 5<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District

**CEO MEETING FACILITATOR:** Jack Arutyunyan

**THIS MEETING IS HELD UNDER THE GUIDELINES OF BOARD POLICY 3.055**

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Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012  
Room 140

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THIS TELECONFERENCE WILL BE MUTED FOR ALL CALLERS. PLEASE DIAL \*6 TO UNMUTE YOUR PHONE WHEN IT IS YOUR TIME TO SPEAK.

I. Call to order

II. **Board Motion:**

- a. **SD 4:** Maintaining Community's Health and Safety Through the Los Angeles County's Health Authority Law Enforcement Task Force

III. **Presentation Item:**

- a. **ISD/DHS:** Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project – Approve project and budget, appropriation adjustment, and authorize Internal Services Department to deliver the proposed project using Board-approved Job Order Contract (Presenter: Paige Bruyn, Section Manager, ISD)

IV. **Discussion Items:**

- a. **DHS:** DHS Financial Challenges – (Presenter: Dr. Christina Ghaly, Director, Department of Health Services and Dr. Nina Park, Chief Deputy Director, Clinical Affairs & Population Health)
- b. **DHS/CHS/LASD:** Prioritizing Dignity and Life in the Los Angeles County Jails (Report Back from Motion from 5/13/25 BOS Meeting, Item 21) (Presenter: Dr. Tim Belavich, Director of Correctional Health Services)
- c. **DMH:** Contracting for DMH Network Needs (Jaclyn Baucum, Senior Deputy Director)

V. Items Continued from a Previous Meeting of the Board of Supervisors or from the Previous Agenda Review Meeting

VI. Items not on the posted agenda for matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation, or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Department subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO EMAIL A COMMENT ON AN ITEM ON THE HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER AGENDA, PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING EMAIL AND INCLUDE THE AGENDA NUMBER YOU ARE COMMENTING ON:

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**MOTION BY SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN**

AGN. NO.  
September 16, 2025

**Maintaining Community's Health and Safety Through the Los Angeles County's Health Authority Law Enforcement Task Force**

In 1998, the Los Angeles County (County) Board of Supervisors (Board) directed the Department of Health Services (DHS) to "investigate the problem of unlicensed dental operations...unlicensed medical practitioners and sales of illicit pharmaceuticals..."<sup>1</sup>, which led to the creation of the Los Angeles County Health authority Law Enforcement Task Force (HALT), a multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional taskforce made up of internal and external stakeholders that includes DHS, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (DA), County Counsel, the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), and the California State Department of Health Services' Medical-Cal Fraud Division.

Between 2022 to 2025, HALT has been responsible for 225 cases, 85 arrests, 189,923 illegal pharmaceuticals seized amounting to \$1,103,658 dollars, closure of 75 illegal businesses, 82 assists with other agencies, and saved the County and the State \$1,540,000 dollars in potential Medi-Cal fraud<sup>2</sup>. HALT's activities include investigating "sale of prescription medicine without a license or prescription, practicing dentistry or

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<sup>1</sup>

<http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/phcommon/public/aboutus/aboutdisplay.cfm?ou=ph&prog=programs&unit=halt>

<sup>2</sup> Data received from HALT.

**MOTION**

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medicine without a license, illegally operating blood labs, forced alcohol aversion therapy clinics, and illegal state Medicaid (Medi-Cal) billing practices.”<sup>3</sup> Additionally, HALT “provides educational seminars to community groups informing them of the medical services available, as well as the dangers involved in receiving medical care from untrained practitioners.”<sup>4</sup>

On August 18, 2025, HALT conducted a search warrant in Riverside County, which was connected to an operation in Cudahy, on one of the largest illicit pharmaceutical distributors in Southern California. HALT had evidence that the suspect was shipping to every supervisorial district in the County. At the end of the operation, HALT recovered 18,743 of counterfeit/misbranded pharmaceuticals valued at \$735,420.

The current cost of operating the HALT program is approximately \$1.5 million dollars, with DHS having the sole responsibility of funding it. Given this is a joint effort involving both health and law enforcement partners, it is only fair that those costs be equitably shared. Specifically, DHS should support the health component, the investigations, and necessary equipment; and enforcement should be handled by LASD and the DA, and if necessary, external law enforcement partners like LAPD and the City Attorney’s Office. Given the impending fiscal challenges to patient care, DHS will not be able to continue sole financial support for HALT.

The longstanding goal of HALT is to “combat and deter criminal activity which has an adverse effect on the public’s health and well-being.”<sup>5</sup> The work is important, and HALT is a necessary tool to keep our communities safe from unsanctioned and illegal

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<sup>4</sup> Id.

<sup>5</sup> Id.

medical practices and to minimize the stress on our existing first responder and emergency response systems.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Health Services (DHS) to work with the Chief Executive Office (CEO), in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD), the District Attorney's Office (DA), and any other relevant department determined by the CEO, to institute a funding plan for the Health Authority Law Enforcement Task Force (HALT), during Fiscal Year 2025-2026, that equitably disburses the fiscal responsibilities among the relevant and impacted departments, internal and external, and provide a report back within 90 days.

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# BOARD LETTER/MEMO CLUSTER FACT SHEET

☒ Board Letter

☐ Board Memo

☐ Other

<b>CLUSTER AGENDA REVIEW DATE</b>	9/3/2025				
<b>BOARD MEETING DATE</b>	9/30/2025				
<b>SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AFFECTED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> All <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <sup>st</sup> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <sup>nd</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <sup>rd</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <sup>th</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <sup>th</sup>				
<b>DEPARTMENT(S)</b>	Department of Health Services				
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement				
<b>PROGRAM</b>					
<b>AUTHORIZES DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO DEPT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
<b>SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain why:				
<b>SB 1439 SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FORM REVIEW COMPLETED BY EXEC OFFICE</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No – Not Applicable  <b>If unsure whether a matter is subject to the Levine Act, email your packet to <a href="mailto:EOLevineAct@bos.lacounty.gov">EOLevineAct@bos.lacounty.gov</a> to avoid delays in scheduling your Board Letter.</b>				
<b>DEADLINES/ TIME CONSTRAINTS</b>					
<b>COST &amp; FUNDING</b>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Total cost: \$2,448,000</td><td style="width: 50%;">Funding source: DHS Enterprise Fund -Committed for the DHS</td></tr> </table>			Total cost: \$2,448,000	Funding source: DHS Enterprise Fund -Committed for the DHS
Total cost: \$2,448,000	Funding source: DHS Enterprise Fund -Committed for the DHS				
	<b>TERMS (if applicable):</b> Explanation: Board approval of the enclosed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 appropriation adjustment would allow DHS to use \$1,990,000 from the DHS' Enterprise Fund-Committed for DHS (Harbor-UCLA Replacement Program Initiative) to fully fund the proposed capital project. There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommended actions.				
<b>PURPOSE OF REQUEST</b>	Approval of the recommendations will find the proposed Department of Health Services Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project (Project) is within the scope of the impacts analyzed in the County's previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report and subsequent Addenda Nos. 1, 2, and 3, establish and approve the proposed Project, Capital Project No. 8A134, approve the Project budget and related appropriation adjustment, and authorize a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC) to deliver the Project.				
<b>BACKGROUND (include internal/external issues that may exist including any related motions)</b>	The existing 25,000-gallon secondary underground storage tank currently holds generator fuel and when needed, provides fuel to the hospital's four (4) emergency generators. Per the Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems, Alfred E. Alquist Hospital Seismic Act of 1983, and Senate Bill 1953, the H-UCLA MC is required to maintain 96 hours of secondary fuel on site in the event of an emergency. This includes HVAC for surgery and intensive care and steam for sterilization. The existing UST is a single wall UST that will not be legally allowed to be on service after December 31, 2025, per current codes. This system needs to be replaced in order to avoid penalties and to maintain code compliance.				
<b>EQUITY INDEX OR LENS WAS UTILIZED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain how:				
<b>SUPPORTS ONE OF THE NINE BOARD PRIORITIES</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please state which one(s) and explain how:				
<b>DEPARTMENTAL CONTACTS</b>	Name, Title, Phone # & Email: Paige Bruyn, P&PM Section Manager, (323) 267-3196, pbruyn@isd.lacounty.gov				



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September 30, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER  
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT  
CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION  
ESTABLISH AND APPROVE CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 8A134  
APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT  
AUTHORIZE USE OF JOB ORDER CONTRACT  
(FISCAL YEAR 2025-26)  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2)  
(4 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

The Internal Services Department is seeking Board approval of the proposed Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement project.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project is within the scope of the environmental impacts analyzed in the previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report and subsequent Addenda Nos. 1, 2, and 3 for the Harbor-UCLA Master Plan.
2. Establish and approve the proposed Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project, Capital Project No. 8A134, with a total project budget of \$2,448,000.

3. Approve the Fiscal Year 2025-26 appropriation adjustment to use \$1,990,000 from the Department of Health Services Enterprise Fund-Committed for the Department of Health Services (Harbor-UCLA Replacement Program Initiative) to fund the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project, Capital Project No. 8A134. DHS has previously paid \$213,000 for design services and has issued a \$245,000 Purchase Order Contract for the temporary above-ground fuel tank, both funded through DHS' operating budget.
4. Authorize the Director of the Internal Services Department or his designee, to deliver the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement Project using a Board-approved Job Order Contract.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approval of the recommendations will find the proposed Department of Health Services (DHS) Harbor-UCLA Medical Center (H-UCLA MC) Underground Storage Tank (UST) Replacement Project (Project) is within the scope of the impacts analyzed in the County's previously certified Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) and subsequent Addenda Nos. 1, 2, and 3, establish and approve the proposed Project, Capital Project No. 8A134, approve the Project budget and related appropriation adjustment, and authorize a Board-approved Job Order Contract (JOC) to deliver the Project.

#### **Background**

The existing 25,000-gallon secondary underground storage tank currently holds generator fuel and when needed, provides fuel to the hospital's four (4) emergency generators. Per the Standard for Emergency and Standby Power Systems, Alfred E. Alquist Hospital Seismic Act of 1983, and Senate Bill 1953, the H-UCLA MC is required to maintain 96 hours of secondary fuel on site in the event of an emergency. This includes HVAC for surgery and intensive care and steam for sterilization. The existing UST is a single wall UST that will not be legally allowed to be on service after December 31, 2025, per current codes. This system needs to be replaced in order to avoid penalties and to maintain code compliance.

The proposed Project will remove and replace the 25,000 gallon UST along with associated pumps, piping, control systems, leak detection, temporary emergency fuel storage tank, fuel servicing and polishing, soil testing and remediation if required, and related site work.

The proposed replacement work includes the installation of a dual-walled fuel tank and associated systems. Temporary security fencing and a temporary above-ground 25,000-gallon fuel tank will be set up, with fuel service transferred from the old tank to the temporary one. The existing concrete slab will be demolished, and excavation will take place for the removal of the old tank, with soil tested for contamination and remediated if needed. Fuel piping would be disconnected and rerouted, and the replacement fuel tank, including pumps, power supply, and monitoring systems, will be installed. The site will be backfilled, compacted, and paved with concrete and asphalt, with striping provided. Testing of the tank system will be conducted and will be put into service. The Project will be closed out with final inspections, return of temporary equipment, and site cleanup.



The scope of work consists of replacement made to an existing asset. The replacement of the underground tank is anticipated to be internal to the underground system so there is no expected soil contamination caused by fuel.

The estimated time for the construction component is seven (7) months after Board approval, if granted and is estimated to be completed by April 2026.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

These recommended actions support the Los Angeles County (LA County) Strategic Plan: North Star 3: Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal G: Internal Controls and Processes, Strategy ii. Manage and Maximize LA County Assets by investing in public infrastructure that will improve the operational effectiveness of an existing LA County asset.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total project budget for the proposed Project is estimated at \$2,448,000 which includes design, construction, change order contingency, inspection/testing, temporary equipment and ISD LA County services. DHS has previously paid \$213,000 for design services and has issued a \$245,000 Purchase Order Contract for the new replacement tank, both funded through DHS' operating budget.

Board approval of the enclosed Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 appropriation adjustment (Enclosure B) would allow DHS to use \$1,990,000 from the DHS' Enterprise Fund-Committed for DHS (Harbor-UCLA Replacement Program Initiative) to fully fund the proposed capital project. There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommended actions.

### **Operating Budget Impact**

The Internal Services Department (ISD) and DHS do not anticipate any one-time start-up or additional ongoing costs as a result of the proposed Project.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

In accordance with the Board's Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, updated on May 17, 2023, the proposed Project will have a mandatory hiring requirement of at least thirty percent (30%) Local Workers and 10 percent (10%) Targeted Workers.

In accordance with the Board's Civic Art Policy, adopted on December 7, 2004, and last amended on August 4, 2020, the proposed Project is exempt from the Civic Art Allocation as it involves underground work.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed Project is within the scope of the impacts analyzed in the FEIR, certified by the Board on December 16, 2016, and subsequent Addenda Nos. 1, 2, and 3 approved by the Board on November

10, 2020, November 10, 2020, and February 8, 2022, respectively, and there have been no changes to the project or to the circumstances under which it will be undertaken that would require further review or findings under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The proposed scope of work to remove and replace an existing underground storage tank located on the north side of the central utility plant is within the scope of impacts analyzed in the FEIR and certified Addendum No. 3, which states that the mitigation measures would reduce impacts to less-than-significant levels.

The previously certified EIR, Addendum, and related documents and materials constituting the record in this matter are available and can be viewed at the Department of Public Works (DPW) trailer located at 1000 W Carson St, Torrance, CA 90502 as well as online via:

[https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/isd/docs/1189301\\_H-UCLAMasterPlanandEIR.pdf](https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/isd/docs/1189301_H-UCLAMasterPlanandEIR.pdf).

The custodian of such documents and materials is the Management Assistant, DPW.

Upon the Board's approval of the proposed Project, ISD will file a Notice of Determination with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and with the State Clearinghouse in the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation in accordance with section 21152 of the California Public Resources Code and will post the Notice to its website in accordance with section 21092.2.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The proposed Project will be delivered using an ISD Board-approved JOC for the construction. The standard Board-directed clauses, including those that provide for contract termination and hiring qualified displaced county employees, are included in all JOCs.

The JOC contractor, contractor or vendor, who will perform the work is required to fully comply with applicable legal requirements, which among other things, include Chapters 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program) of the LA County Code, and Section 1774 of the California Labor Code pertaining to payment of prevailing wages.

For this Project, ISD has made the determination that the use of a JOC is the most appropriate contracting method to perform the tasks involved. Specifically, to the extent the project entails repair, remodeling, refurbishment, or alteration, and the cost of such project exceeds \$50,000, such project would have to be performed via a competitively procured construction contract, such as a JOC, not by county employees, due to the "Force Account" limitations set forth in the Public Contract Code.

ISD will coordinate the testing, inspection, and observation for the commissioning ensuring that the code and regulatory requirements of the California State Water Resource Board and South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) are met and documented. The Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) Inspector of Record and the LA County inspector will ensure that all required documentation is properly filed with the appropriate agencies prior to turning over the project to DHS.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the recommendations will have minimal impact on current county services. The underground storage tank supplies fuel to the four (4) emergency generators, which operate only as needed; therefore, no impact to daily operations is anticipated, and a temporary fuel tank will be installed during construction.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of the board letter to the following: ISD Operations Service, the Chief Executive Office – Capital Programs Division, and DHS.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Owh  
Director

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Enclosures

C: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Department of Health Services

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**SCHEDULE AND BUDGET SUMMARY**

<b>PROJECT :</b>	<b>DHS H-UCLA Underground Storage Tank</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECT NO. :</b>	<b>8A134</b>

<b>I. PROJECT SCHEDULE</b>		
<b>Project Activity</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Scheduled Completion Date</b>
Complete Construction Documents	Complete	May 2025
Jurisdictional Approval	In progress	Aug 2025
Award Construction Contract	1 month following Board approval	Oct 2025
Substantial Completion	6 months following Board approval	Mar 2026
Project Acceptance	7 months following Board approval	Apr 2026

<b>II. BUDGET SUMMARY</b>	
<b>Budget Category</b>	<b>Proposed Budget</b>
Construction	
Construction	\$1,168,000.00
Change Orders (Contingency)	\$334,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,502,000.00</b>
Civic Art	\$0.00
Plans and Specifications	\$228,000.00
Jurisdictional Review/Plan Check/Permits	\$73,000.00
Project Management	\$199,000.00
Overhead	\$446,000.00
<b>Total Project Budget</b>	<b>\$2,448,000.00</b>

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September 02, 2025

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

**REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT**

Department of Health Services

**AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:**

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HER RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

**ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFORE****FY 2025-26****4 - VOTES**

SOURCES		USES	
<b>DHS ENTERPRISE FUND</b> MN2-3078 COMMITTED FOR DHS <b>DECREASE OBLIGATED FUND BALANCE</b>		<b>DHS ENTERPRISE FUND</b> MN2-HS-6100-60070 OTHER FINANCING USES <b>INCREASE APPROPRIATION</b>	
	<b>1,990,000</b>		<b>1,990,000</b>
<b>HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER</b> MN1-HH-96-9911-60020 OPERATING TRANSFERS IN <b>INCREASE REVENUE</b>		<b>HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER</b> MN1-HH-96-9912-60020 OPERATING SUBSIDY - GENERAL FUND <b>DECREASE REVENUE</b>	
	<b>1,990,000</b>		<b>1,990,000</b>
<b>ENT SUB - HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER</b> A01-AC-6100-21200-21226 OTHER FINANCING USES <b>DECREASE APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER</b> <b>HARBOR-UCLA MC UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REPLACEMENT</b> A01-CP-6014-64015-8A134 CAPITAL ASSETS - B & I <b>INCREASE APPROPRIATION</b>	
	<b>1,990,000</b>		<b>1,990,000</b>
<b>SOURCES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,970,000</b>	<b>USES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,970,000</b>

**JUSTIFICATION**

This budget adjustment of \$1,990,000 is necessary to fund Capital Project No. 8A134, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center Underground Storage Tank Replacement project in the amount of \$1,990,000, using DHS Enterprise Fund-Committed for DHS for anticipated expenditures in FY 2025-26.

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE**

JEAN LO, CHIEF, CONTROLLER'S DIVISION

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR---☐ ACTION☐ RECOMMENDATION

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

B.A. NO.

DATE

☐ APPROVED AS REQUESTED☐ APPROVED AS REVISED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

BY

DATE

# PRIORITIZING DIGNITY AND LIFE IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAILS

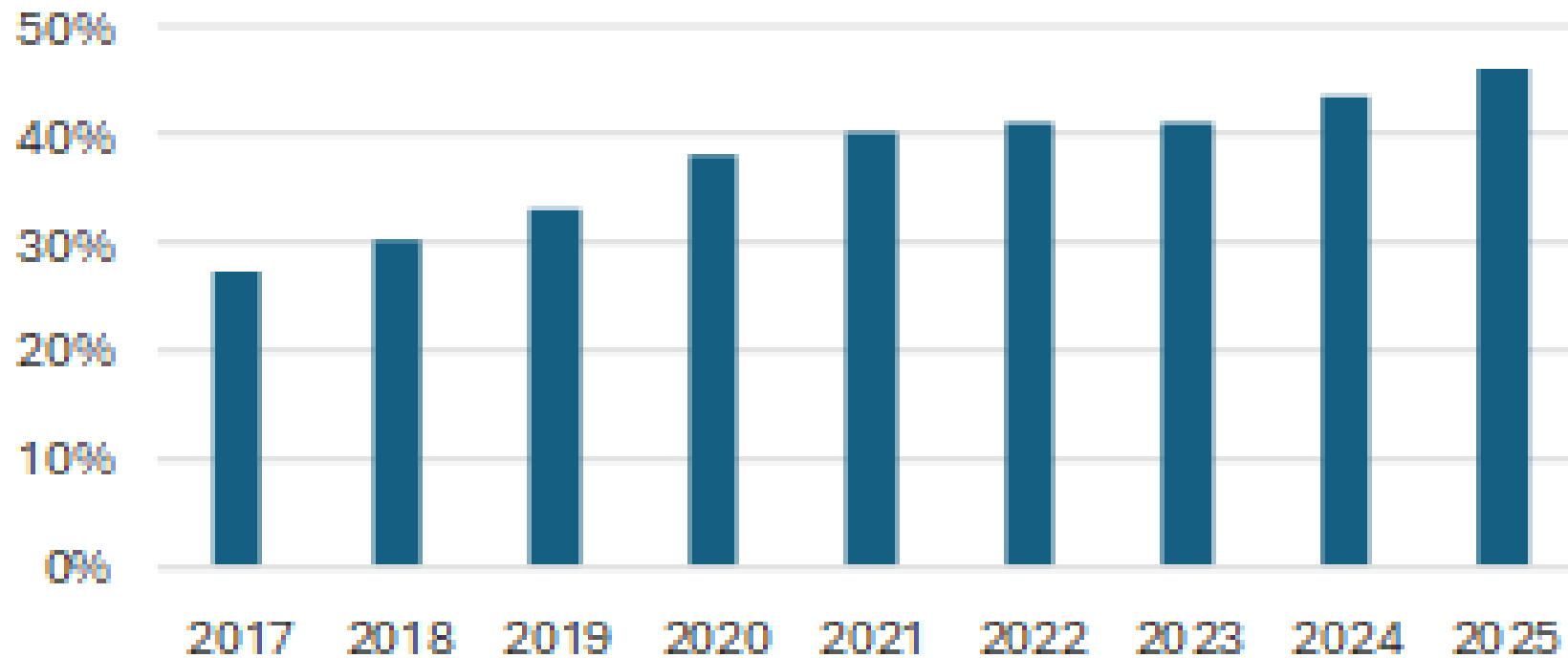
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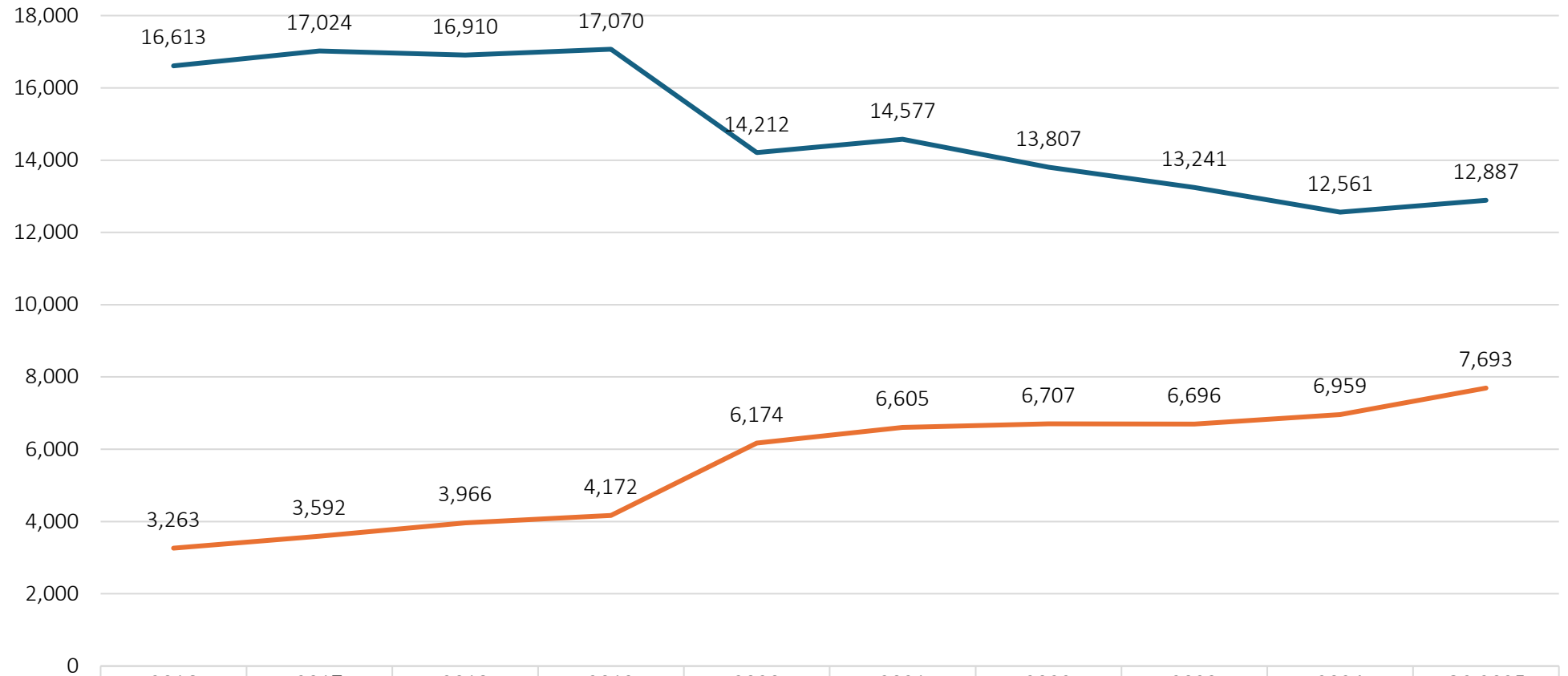
Primary Causes of Death by Year in LA County Jails (2016 - 2025 YTD)										
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	1/1/25 to 7/1/25
Natural Causes	14	21	14	18	23	29	22	23	18	11
Cancer	2	2	0	2	5	6	5	2	2	4
Heart Disease	9	5	6	6	2	4	5	7	5	2
Respiratory	0	3	1	1	8	10	4	5	1	1
Other natural causes	3	11	7	11	8	9	8	9	10	4
Overdose	2	1	5	8	4	10	10	13	8	7
Suicide	3	3	5	4	4	9	4	3	3	5
Traumatic Injury (excluding suicide)	2	1	0	1	4	2	5	5	4	0
Unknown	1	0	2	1	3	0	2	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>24</b>



## % of LA County Jail Population with Mental Health Diagnosis



## Total Inmate Population vs. Mental Health Population 2016 - 2025 (Q2)



	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Q2 2025
Total Inmate Population	16,613	17,024	16,910	17,070	14,212	14,577	13,807	13,241	12,561	12,887
Mental Health Population	3,263	3,592	3,966	4,172	6,174	6,605	6,707	6,696	6,959	7,693

— Total Inmate Population — Mental Health Population

Total Inmate Population Data Source: Average Daily Inmate Population from LASD Custody Division Reports

Mental Health Population Data Source: 2016-2019 LASD MH Count, 2020-2025 P-Level Reports

# SUICIDE

- ▶ What we are doing
  - ▶ FIP STEPDOWNs (16 at TTCF, 5 at CRDF)
  - ▶ LPS BED EXPANSION (52 licensed LPS beds in CTC)
  - ▶ Acute Intervention Module (AIM) (10 bed LPS Licensed Mental Health Urgent Care)
- ▶ What we need
  - ▶ Funding for:
    - ▶ Inmate Reception Center Psychiatric Services
    - ▶ Medication Refusal Team
  - ▶ Increase in Community Health Resources

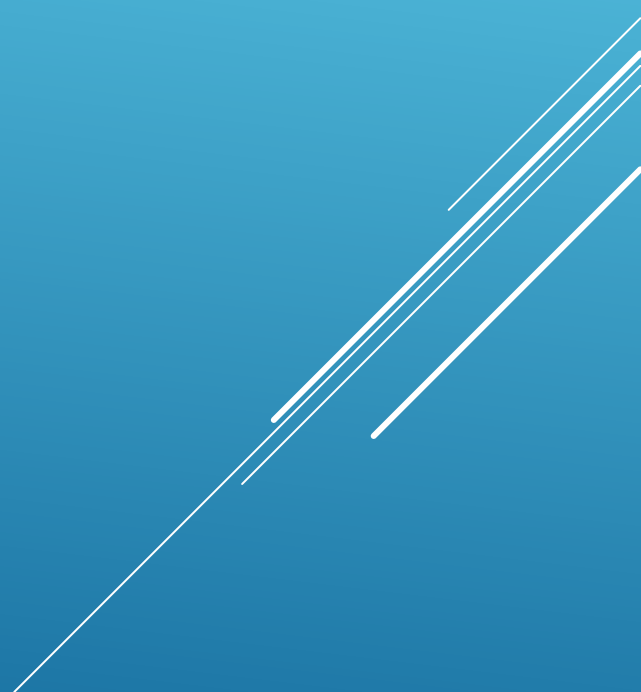
# OVERDOSE

- ▶ What we are doing
  - ▶ Active MAT program
  - ▶ Naloxone Program
  - ▶ Harm Reduction Vending Machine
  - ▶ Referrals to Community-Based Substance Use Resources
- ▶ What we need
  - ▶ Additional MAT medications and staff
  - ▶ Funds to enable LASD to decrease introduction of substances into LACJ

# NATURAL CAUSES

- ▶ What we are doing
  - ▶ Aggressive Release Requests
  - ▶ Creation of Population Health Program
- ▶ What we need
  - ▶ Automated HSRF system
  - ▶ Primary Care Model
  - ▶ Universal Screening and Treatment

QUESTIONS?



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# DMH Contracting Health Cluster

September 3, 2025



LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
**DEPARTMENT OF  
MENTAL HEALTH**  
hope. recovery. wellbeing.

# ▶▶ Health Plan Provider Network Contracting

- DMH operates the Mental Health Plan for covered specialty mental health services for MC members. DMH also provides services for uninsured.
- DMH has different types of contracts to support the MHP/Department, such as:
  - ◀ Legal Entity agreements
  - ◀ 24-hour, inpatient, and FFS contracts
  - ◀ Master Agreements
- DMH/MHP forecasts the need and then contracts with third parties to ensure that resources are available to meet the need. DMH forecasts anticipated need for services and opens or closes solicitations based on those forecasts to ensure that contracted services are available as needed.
  - ◀ For example: 24-hour contracts have been designed as an open/continuous RFA to ensure growth of the treatment bed network; while outpatient services has not been open because we did not have a need (*met network adequacy*).
  - ◀ As we transition into BHSA and BH-CONNECT, DMH will open solicitation opportunities for new MC services to meet the projected need of its members.



# ▶▶ Pathway to Contracts

- As DMH puts out solicitations for various services, vendors will have an opportunity to apply. When/if solicitations are posted all requirements and instructions to submit a response are included. All solicitations come with their own requirements and instructions.
- Solicitations: DMH publicly posts open solicitations for funded and unfunded contracts on DMH and ISD public facing websites.
- Timeline: Solicitations are posted on a flow basis, based on the needs of the Department and funding availability. Each solicitation follows the County's guidelines on timelines and contains the submission timelines within the solicitation documents.

# ▶▶ MHSA to BHSA Contracting

- In addition to running the MHP, DMH also oversees MHSA/BHSA funding.
- Historically, there have been providers who have qualified to provide services for DMH under a MHSA Master Agreement (MA).
- Under new rules for BHSA, all services will be MC eligible and moving to MC contracts. For non-MC services, there will be a new BHSA MA.
  - ◀ The MA is where most of our prevention providers have been contracted.

# ▶▶ Pathway for Prevention or Non Medi-Cal services Contracts (*MHSA to BHSA*)

- There is no more prevention funding to the County under BHSA.
- Existing prevention providers that provide *qualifying* early intervention services may transition over to an early intervention contract.
- DMH will secure technical assistance and support for the eligible providers to help them with the transition.
- DMH will close the MHSA Master Agreement list. The BHSA Master Agreement list will only include programs and services that qualify for BHSA funding.
- Providers interested in becoming legal entity providers will receive guidance on obtaining a Legal Entity Agreement.