

ODR Permanent Steering Committee (PSC)

Quarterly Meeting
March 18, 2026

PSC Agenda / March 18, 2026

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Introductions

Updates

- Clinical Updates
 - Contingency Management/Substance Use Disorder Treatment
 - Navigation Team
 - Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports
- Communications and Government Relations
- Lived Experience Advisory board
- ODR Graduation
- Data Analytics and Evaluation
- Court/Bed expansion

Presentation and Discussion – ODR Housing and LEAD expansion approach and Financing Opportunities

Public Comment

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement is a formal statement that recognizes and respects Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories. Developed over many months of collaboration with leaders from local tribes, on November 1, 2022 the Board of Supervisors unanimously voted to adopt a Land Acknowledgement for the County of Los Angeles.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants past, present, and emerging as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgement demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order):

- Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians
- Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council
- Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians
- Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians Kizh Nation
- San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
- San Fernando Band of Mission Indians

PSC Standing Representatives

County Departments	
Los Angeles County Alternate Public Defender (APD)	Julia Dixon
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) - First District/Hilda L. Solis	TBD
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) - Second District/Holly J. Mitchell	Travion Chamberlain, Terrall Tillman (Alternate)
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) - Third District/Lindsey P. Horvath	Karen Goldberg
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) - Fourth District/Janice Hahn	Heidi DeLeon, Sara Rodriguez (Alternate)
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) - Fifth District/Kathryn Barger	Wendy Wang
Los Angeles County Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Maggie Carter
Los Angeles Department of County Counsel	Jennifer Lehman
Los Angeles County Department of District Attorney's Office (DA)	John Niedermann

PSC Standing Representatives

County (con'd)	
County of Los Angeles Fire Department (LACoFD)	Amy Lozano
Los Angeles Department of Health Services (DHS)	Clemens Hong Ryan Izell (Alternate)
Justice, Care and Opportunities (JCOD)	Yvette Willock
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD)	TBD
Los Angeles Department of Mental Health (DMH)	Connie Draxler, Karen Streich (Alternate)
Los Angeles County Department of Probation	Earl Estell
Los Angeles County Department of Public Defender (PD)	John Alan
Public Health/SAPC	Mandi Bane, Yanira Lima (Alternate)
Los Angeles County Superior Court	Judge Yvette Verastegui or Designee

PSC Standing Representatives

Community Partners and Organizations	
ACLU	
Christ Centered Ministries	
City Attorney's Association	
Exodus Recovery	
LA City	
LARRP	
LA Mission	
Los Angeles City Attorney's Office	
Mental Health Advocacy Group (NAMI)	
Project 180	

Clinical Updates

- Contingency Management Pilot
- Navigation Team
- CalAIM – Community Supports (CS) & Enhanced Care Management (ECM)



Contingency Management

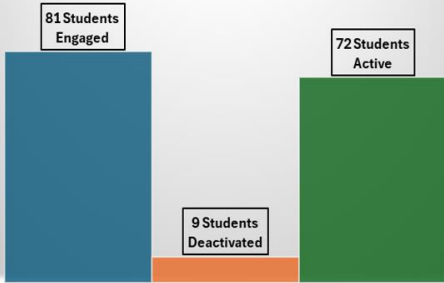
Contingency Management (CM) Program was designed to incentivize abstinence by providing tangible rewards (gift cards) for negative drug tests specifically for stimulants. Each cohort is a 6-month volunteer program that requires clients to provide a UDS test twice a week. By testing negative for stimulants, they will get a chance to draw for an incentive (gift card).

Contingency Management Program provides additional support to the client by meeting with the SUD Counselor and the Addiction Psychiatrist.

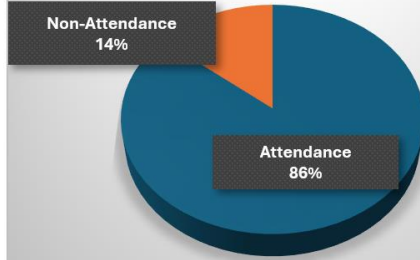
Targeted Substances: Program reporting focuses on stimulant use, including cocaine, crack, amphetamine, methamphetamine, and MDMA.

A total of 72 active clients have been enrolled in the CM Program across six sites.

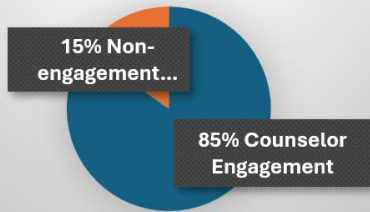
Enrollments - 89% Retention



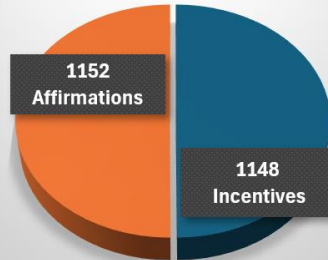
Attendance



SUD Engagement vs Non-engagement



Affirmations vs Incentives



Contingency Management

The Navigation Team

- The Navigation Team is a multidisciplinary team who will receive client referrals from the ODR programs and takes a proactive approach to stabilizing clients at risk of mental health decompensation.
- The Navigation Team will support providers by offering clinical consultation, de-escalation strategies, and direct intervention when needed. The team will support LPS evaluations to determine whether a 5150 hold is warranted and may be required to perform hands-on, life-saving interventions, including facilitating hospitalization when appropriate to ensure client safety.
- The Team aims to provide training to enhance clinical support, improve crisis de-escalation, and reduce hospitalizations and reincarcerations.
- We are currently interviewing and hope to implement in the coming months.



Communications

Maternal Health Video



Communications

One Pager



Health Services and Health Services progress, enjoying the view.



Office of Diversion & Reentry

WHO WE ARE

The Office of Diversion and Reentry (ODR) is part of LA County's Department of Health Services. ODR diverts people with serious physical or behavioral health needs out of the LA County Jails and into the community, where they receive the support they need to stay healthy and housed. ODR also runs a pre-arrest diversion program for people with unmet substance use or mental health needs.

WHAT WE DO

Since 2015, ODR has created many successful programs to help people with justice system involvement obtain caring, community-based support. ODR programs provide an option of permanent supportive housing for life, case management, clinical care and supportive services to help individuals achieve stability. ODR partners with community-based organizations, judges, public defenders, individuals with lived experience and more to increase everyone's chance of success.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Program	Total Released
FIST	3,343
MIST	4,109
Maternal Health	228
ODR Housing	6,452

GRAND TOTAL RELEASED FROM JAIL INTO COMMUNITY SERVICES: 13,982

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OUR GOALS

To reduce the number of people with serious mental illness, physical health conditions and/or substance use disorders in the LA County Jails, to improve their long-term health and housing outcomes and to reduce recidivism.

All ODR programs provide housing, case management, clinical care and supportive services.

ODR PROGRAMS

ODR HOUSING (PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAM)
 A permanent supportive housing diversion program serving individuals who are homeless, have a serious mental health disorder and have been charged with a felony.

LEAD (LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTED DIVERSION)
 A pre-arrest diversion program that helps clients, who have frequent law enforcement contact, address substance use, mental health and housing needs.

MIST (MISDEMEANOR INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM)
 A program that diverts individuals facing misdemeanor charges, who are found incompetent to stand trial, out of jail and into community-based settings.

MATERNAL HEALTH
 A program that diverts pregnant women out of jail and into the community with any pre and postnatal support they require in an effort to keep families together.

FIST (FELONY INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM)
 A program that removes individuals who are facing felony charges, and who are found incompetent to stand trial, out of jail and into community-based settings.

Government Relations

- CalAIM Demonstration Renewal
- Visit from State Officials
- Tracking legislation and impact
- Working on additional visits
- Developing an ODR brief with data



Centering **Lived Experience**: Lived Experience Work at ODR

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Meet the ODR LEB Members

2025 - 2026



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2026

Lived Experience Board

Meeting Schedule: February - July
Every Third Thursday: 12:30 - 2pm

FEBRUARY 19

AC Bilbrew Library
150 E. El Segundo Blvd

Meeting Room

Theme: Program
Introductions

MARCH 19

Kaiser Permanente
Watts
1465 E 103rd St.

Community Room

Theme: Program
Introductions

APRIL 16

Kaiser Permanente
Watts
1465 E 103rd St.

Community Room

Theme: Wellness
and resilience

MAY 14

Kaiser Permanente
Watts
1465 E 103rd St.

Community Room

Theme: Event
Planning

JUNE 18

Kaiser Permanente
Watts
1465 E 103rd St.

Community Room

Theme: Workforce
pathways

JULY 16

Kaiser Permanente
Watts
1465 E 103rd St.

Community Room

Theme: Voice and
visibility

- **Current focus areas: Workforce Development, Community Engagement, and Wellness**
- **Recent highlight: ODR Housing presentation by Dr. Brittany Dennis at last LEB meeting**
- **Baseline Survey Responses will be shared with ODR leadership**



Focus Areas



Workforce Development

- Prioritizing the biggest **barriers to employment** and education for board members and ODR clients
- Connecting people to **existing workforce resources** and partners while building practical job readiness supports
- Developing scalable **tools and opportunities** such as resume support, interview prep, skills workshops, and networking



Engagement

- Improving **two way communication** so lived expertise informs planning, feedback, and decisions
- Making resources easier to find and use through FIST CRC, a **client friendly resource** guide, and Metro LIFE workflow clarity
- Strengthening **feedback loops** between staff, contractors, the board, and the broader community and capturing training feedback



Wellness

- Strengthening **recovery focused supports** for mental, emotional, physical, and social well being
- Building **practical tools for healthy habits**, medication management, and self advocacy
- Identifying **improvements to groups and recovery supports** in housing and programs and capturing training feedback



Community
Programs

- For Staff that were interested in being board champions, please let me know as soon as possible

Thank you!
Please stay in touch



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ODR 10th Anniversary Event





ODRH Graduation Planning

– Save the Date –

Afternoon of October 16th, 2026

ODR Evaluation Overview

ODR is MOVING on Data & Evaluation!

- MOVING to a more data-driven, continuous improvement approach
 - Data & Data Analytics Infrastructure
 - Performance Improvement
 - Training and Technical Assistance
- MOVING from formal “one-off” evaluation to continuous evaluation framework
 - Continuous measurement and reporting to support performance improvement and evaluation
 - Natural experiments – “Comparative effectiveness studies” with a control group

Data Analytics & Evaluation

- New ODR Analytics, Evaluation, & IT lead
 - Introducing Chris Chenet
- Hiring – Data Engineer
- Countywide Infohub Migration
- Partnership with CEO/CIO, Courts
 - Access to data

Court/Bed Expansion

ODRH Court Expansion

Court Hub	Suitability Days Per Week	Progress Report Days Per Week
Hub 1a (Downtown)	1	3
Hub 1b (Downtown)	1	3
Hub 2 (Airport)	1.5	1
Hub 3 (Van Nuys)	0.5	0.5
Hub 4 (Long Beach) ?	?	?

ODR HOUSING EXPANSION

Funding Source	Number of Slots	Slots contracted
AB 109/NCC	2200	2200
CFCI (round 2)	250	250
AB 109	500	500
MHSA	500	500
IH+	165	165

Estimated full program enrollment in July 2026

Current Slot Availability Housing

Interim Housing Plus*	22
ICMS Slots	344

*Not yet under contract



MIST/FIST

Program	Funded "Regular" Community Beds	Active Community Beds	Estimated Full Implementation Date
IST Solutions (FIST)	841	841	All Active
MIST	181	181	All Active

LEAD Slots

Program	Funded ICMS Slots	Active ICMS Slots	Estimated Full Implementation Date
LEAD	780	760	April/May 2026

ODR ACUTE/SUBACUTE EXPANSION

Funding Source	Funded Acute Beds	Active Acute Beds	Estimated Full Implementation Date
IST Solutions (FIST)	45	45	All Active
CFCI (P3/P4)	20	0	July/August 2026

Funding Source	Funded Subacute Beds	Active Subacute Beds	Estimated Full Implementation Date
IST Solutions (FIST)	119	119	All Active
CFCI (P3/P4)	50	42	Dec 2026

ODR Housing Expansion Projection

Program	Beds/Slots	Funding Needed (5 years)
ODR Housing (P2-P4)	8966	\$1.023B
ODR Housing with Clinical and PSH Transition at 2 years	4534	\$766m

Overview

- ODR Housing anticipated to be full ~July, 2026
- Would serve all eligible P3s and P4s and ~140 P2's/month
- If HSH or DMH had available housing subsidies, ODR would partner to move ODR participants post-graduation onto these subsidies
 - DMH would take on treatment for many of these individuals

Model Assumptions

- Jail divertible population does not decline over the 5-year period
- Justice Partners & Community partners able to expand, hire personnel, etc

LEAD Expansion Projection

Program	Beds/Slots	Funding Needed (5 years)
LEAD ICMS Slots	1920	
LEAD IH/PSH Slots	2440	\$302.1m

- Proposed to expand slots in existing LEAD communities and select new communities for expansion
- Ensure every LEAD client has a PSH housing subsidy
 - LEAD could transition participants to HSH when stable, creating capacity to take on new participants on a rolling basis

Funding Opportunities & Efficiency

- Medi-Cal Claiming – enhancing ODR's housing & integrated health delivery model
 - Specialty Mental Health Services
 - Drug Medi-Cal
 - Enhanced Care Management & Community Supports
 - CalAIM Justice Involved
- AB-109
- CFCI
- Housing Funding – New Department, DMH

Discussion

- What input do you have on the proposed direction – model, funding opportunities, efficiency?
- How can we best engage our community partners in the discussion?
- What ideas do you have for developing funding sources?
- What are ways that PSC members can support ODR?

2026 Meeting Schedule

Date	Time	Location
March 18, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Virtual
June 16, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Virtual
September 16, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Virtual
December 16, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Virtual

ODR Public Discussion

**Open Conversation & Dialogue
Public Comment**

ODR Website / QR

<https://dhs.lacounty.gov/office-of-diversion-and-reentry/our-services/office-of-diversion-and-reentry/>

