



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE MEETING OF  
THE OFFICE OF PREVENTION SERVICES TASK FORCE**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2023**

**10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.**

**HYBRID MEETING (using Zoom)**

Physical Location: 510 S Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90020

Conference Room A

**[Below is the link to the full meeting recording](#)**  
**[Meeting Recording](#)**

**I. OPENING AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza, Executive Director of Racial Equity, at 10:04 A.M.

**Attachment(s):** [Meeting Slides](#)

2. Mark Lee, Chief Executive Office - Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion Initiative, provided instructional information and disclosures to attendees.
3. Chair Scorza shared a land acknowledgment to acknowledge the ancestral land and peoples of Los Angeles County. He also provided a welcome and opening remarks.
4. Mark Lee conducted roll call. The following reflects attendance at the time of roll call:

**Present (19):** Yvette Willock (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Carlos Benavides, Meredith Berkson\*, Robert Byrd, Jackie Contreras, Barbara Ferrer, Alicia L. Garoupa, Christina Ghaly, Tamara Hunter\*, Kelly LoBianco, Tracie Mann, Ramona Merchan (as an alternate for Minsun Meeker), Cynthia Wright-Westbrooks (as an alternate for Angela Parks-Pyles), D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Tiara Summers, Ashlee Oh (as an alternate for Cheri Todoroff), Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo), Anna Potere\* (as an alternate for John Wagner)

**Absent (4):** Yahnii Bridges, Tyrone Howard, Peter Loo, Carrie Miller

*Note: Some members or alternates arrived late and/or left the meeting early, thus some votes may reflect absences. A quorum was present at all times.*

*\*Member Berkson, Member Hunter, and Alternate Member Potere attended virtually*

*under AB 2449 "just cause" provisions. Their respective attendance did not count toward physical quorum requirements but did count toward votes.*

5. Public Comment Period for Specific Agenda Items

Public Comment: None

Attachment(s): None

6. Review and take appropriate action on the Minutes of the Prevention Services Task Force Regular Meetings on June 2, 2023.

Attachment(s): June 2, 2023 [Draft Meeting Minutes](#) and [Recording](#)

Chair Scorza provided an opportunity for members to suggest revisions to the Meeting Minutes. Seeing none, Chair Scorza suggested that members call for motion to adopt the minutes. Member Byrd put forward a motion, which was seconded by Alternate Member Oh. The minutes were approved by the following vote:

**Yes:** 11 – Carlos Benavides, Robert Byrd, Alicia L. Garoupa, Tamara Hunter\*, Kelly LoBianco, Ramona Merchan (as an alternate for Minsun Meeker), D'Artagnan Scorza, Fran Sereseres, Tiara Summers, Ashlee Oh (as an alternate for Cheri Todoroff), Solomon Shibeshi (as an alternate for Laura Trejo)

**No:** 0

**Abstain:** 7 – Yvette Willock (as an alternate for Songhai Armstead), Jackie Contreras, Barbara Ferrer, Christina Ghaly, Tracie Mann, Cynthia Wright-Westbrooks (as an alternate for Angela Parks-Pyles), Anna Potere (As an alternate for John Wagner)

**Absent:** 5 – Meredith Berkson, Yahniie Bridges, Tyrone Howard, Peter Loo, Carrie Miller

## II. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

7. Chair Scorza provided brief overview regarding Domain Discovery and Selection processes, including a brief summary of the Life Course Framework previously presented to the Task Force.

Chair Scorza presented an overview of two domains organized under this framework, Homeless Prevention & Housing Promotion and Child and Family Well-Being, including a review of research and program inventories compiled across the shortlist of focus areas including potential prevention/promotion outcomes, priority populations, existing prevention initiatives, value add and gaps, community experiences and voices, and relevant stakeholders. Chair Scorza indicated that the third domain presented in the slides, Improving Justice and Safety, would be delayed to the next meeting due to time constraints.

Attachment(s): [Focus Area Research and Program Inventory](#)

[Memo on Domain Selection & Discovery](#)

[Meeting Slides from 4/28: Racial Disproportionality and Disparities data across various County domains and service areas](#) (Slides 24-99)

Members provided feedback on these topics. While some members elevated additional priorities and programs that not yet captured in the slides or summary memo, members generally agreed that the summaries provided a broad and introductory overview of current County prevention efforts in the respective domains.

Members discussed how to establish a Countywide framework for these focus areas, including connecting outcomes and emphasizing services and data tracking relating to marginalized populations, including people with disabilities.

8. Dr. Tolu Wuraola, ARDI Data Analyst Consultant, provided a brief overview and draft display for a County dashboard of prevention and promotion outcomes across domains, population groups, and upstream and downstream factors. Members provided feedback and suggestions regarding the dashboard, including how it might be able to demonstrate how the County is addressing these outcomes. Other members indicated opportunities to share and educate viewers on prevention and promotion strategies and narratives, as well as the various intersections between domains.
9. Mark Lee, ARDI Senior Analyst, briefly provided information for the upcoming Task Force site visit to County of San Diego's Live Well Initiative.

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND CLOSING**

10. General Public Comments to Address Task Force-Related Subject Matters  
Public Comment: Merry Meyers

Attachment(s): [Written Correspondence](#)

11. The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 P.M.

The full upcoming schedule can be found on the task force website at:  
<https://ceo.lacounty.gov/ardi/prevention-taskforce/>