



Los Angeles County Office of Violence Prevention



Community Partnership Council Application - 2022

The Department of Public Health is seeking members to serve on the Los Angeles County Office of Violence Prevention's Community Partnership Council for a 2-year term beginning January 2023.

Background

In February 2019, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors passed a motion establishing a countywide Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) within the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH). OVP, together with community and county partners, developed a comprehensive strategic plan to achieve a vision for a Violence Free LA County. In addition to direction provided by a County Leadership Committee, comprised of leadership from over 25 County Departments, OVP believes community involvement is critical to achieving this collective vision. OVP established a Community Partnership Council (CPC) in 2019 to guide the work of the office and to ensure our work was survivor centered, trauma informed and focused on equity and justice. Together, OVP and its partners continue to advance 6 key priorities. Additional information about OVP can be found online at: <http://ph.lacounty.gov/ovp/>

After the initial term of the CPC, we are opening up applications for interested community members to participate on the Council, to advise, guide and share expertise and input. Current Council members may re-apply for another 2-year term.

Roles and Responsibilities

20 individuals will serve in an advisory capacity to OVP and will:

- Provide guidance and recommendations to OVP on violence prevention, intervention and healing strategies across multiple forms of violence; resource allocations; policy and practice system change; and other issues as determined by the Community Partnership Council, County Leadership Committee and OVP.
- Help coordinate and integrate existing community violence prevention activities and priorities with county efforts.
- Develop recommendations and plans for collective action towards implementation of priority strategies identified by CPC.
- Contribute to the feedback loop between the community at large and county leadership structure, including OVP, the County Leadership Committee, and the Board of Supervisors.
- Hold OVP accountable to the achievement of its stated goals and objectives and adherence to the vision, mission, values, and guiding principles of the Strategic
- Commit to regular attendance and participation in meetings for a minimum of 2 years.

Eligibility

- Membership is restricted to individuals who live or work in Los Angeles County and represent one or more of the following categories:
 - Networks or coalitions (local, state, or national non-governmental) engaged in violence prevention, intervention or healing work;
 - Representatives of community based or faith based organizations serving individuals impacted by different types of violence including survivors;
 - Community leaders organizing efforts to address violence in specific communities or for a distinct demographic group;
 - Survivors affected by violence, not representing an organization or network.
- **City or County employees of Los Angeles (or other government agencies) are not eligible to apply.**

Selection

- Applications will be accepted by self-nomination for 20 seats on the CPC.
- CPC applications will be reviewed by a selection committee comprised of three community partners (who are not submitting or supporting applications), three County Leadership Committee members, and OVP representatives.
- Applicants will be selected based on eligibility criteria and who represent a diverse spectrum of experiences, communities, and demographics.
- In addition to the 20 self-nominated seats, five members of the CPC will be selected by the Board of Supervisors. Each Board member will select one person who: 1) is a survivor of violence or works in the field of violence prevention and, 2) resides or works in their Supervisorial District

Instructions

If you are able to commit to the roles and responsibilities of the CPC and would like to be considered as a candidate to serve on this body, please complete the self-nomination form below and provide the name and contact information for one reference. The information you provide in this form will be kept confidential and will only be shared with members of the OVP Selection Committee.

The deadline to submit your completed application is Friday, October 7, 2022.

Thank you for your time and interest.

Please specify the best way to contact you (telephone, work or personal email address)

Name: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Are you applying as an individual, or representing an organization or network?

- ☐ Individual (if individual, skip to question 1)
- ☐ Community or Faith Based Organization representative
- ☐ Network representative

Organization/Network: _____

Work Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

List the geographic areas where your organization provides services:

- ☐ Countywide
- ☐ Specific cities or areas. Please specify:

What type of violence do you or your organization primarily address?

Interest and Experience

- 1. Why are you interested in serving on the OVP CPC? What do you want to achieve through participation? Please answer in 200 words or less.**

- 2. Please provide a short description and/or attach a resume of any relevant experience (personal, professional or both) you would like to share as part of this application. Describe your interests, experiences and role, not that of your organization. Please answer in 200 words or less.**

- 3. In which violence prevention topic area(s) do you have experience and expertise?**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Child Abuse/Maltreatment
- ☐ Elder Abuse
- ☐ Firearm Safety and Policy
- ☐ Community Violence/Gang Violence
- ☐ Hate Violence
- ☐ Bullying
- ☐ Human Trafficking/Commercially Sexually Exploited Children
- ☐ Incarceration/Reentry
- ☐ Intimate Partner Violence/Domestic Violence
- ☐ Sexual Violence
- ☐ Youth Violence/Teen Dating Violence
- ☐ Suicide
- ☐ Systemic Violence
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

4. **Are you currently serving on a County Commission or a County Committee guiding local policy, strategic planning, funding recommendations or another advisory role?**

☐ **Yes.** If yes, please name the committee and your role on the committee:

No

5. **Are you able to meet the following Commitments for OVP CPC Members?**

Select all that apply

Commitment to the OVP mission to prevent violence and coordinate existing violence prevention, intervention and healing efforts in Los Angeles County.

Commitment to be a liaison with your organization or network.

Commitment to a public health approach to violence prevention that incorporates solutions that address the root causes of violence beyond the specific focus of your agency or personal interests.

Commitment to consider and respect different perspectives and work collaboratively.

Commitment to participate on the OVP CPC for 2 years and attend a majority of all meetings whether virtual or in person during that time?

6. **Please briefly explain if you are not able to meet any of the above commitments:**

Please answer in 200 words or less

References

Please provide the name and contact information for one reference. We may contact them to learn more about your experience.

Reference:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Los Angeles County OVP Community Partnership Council.

Completed applications may be sent by email or U.S. mail, by **Friday, October 7, 2022** to:

Email: ovp@ph.lacounty.gov

U.S. mail:

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Applications received by U.S. mail must be postmarked by October 7, 2022.

The selection committee will review all nomination forms and all applicants will be notified by November 15th if they are selected to the OVP Community Partnership Council.

If you have any questions, please call 626.293.2610 or email:
ovp@ph.lacounty.gov

Optional Demographic Information

Although voluntary, this information will be shared with the selection committee only to ensure diverse representation across Los Angeles County.

Age

- ☐ 18 - 29 years
- ☐ 30 - 49 years
- ☐ 50 - 64 years
- ☐ 65 years and older
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

Race/Ethnicity: Select all that apply.

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian (please specify in Other)
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

Gender Identity

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- Transgender Male / Trans Man
- Transgender Female / Trans Woman

Gender Non-Binary / Gender Non-Conforming

Another gender category or another identity: _____

Prefer not to answer

Sexual Orientation

- ☐ Straight or heterosexual
- ☐ Gay or Lesbian
- ☐ Bisexual
- ☐ Not sure
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

Another sexual orientation category: _____