

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT



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TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: *KC* Kristin M. Crowley, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: UPDATE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/HUMAN TRAFFICKING ACTION PLAN

FINAL ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Corrections	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input type="checkbox"/> Received & Filed	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

SUMMARY

As directed by the Board of Fire Commissioners, the Los Angeles Fire Department (Department) is providing a quarterly update to the Department's Domestic Violence (DV) and Human Trafficking (HT) Action Plan. This update is for the 1st quarter of 2023.

This update provides an overview of the Department's continued commitment to educating its members in the recognition, documentation, and reporting of all incidents of suspected DV and/or HT.

The Department's overall goal in regards to DV and HT is to ensure that all members are able to recognize, document, and report all suspected incidents of DV or HT that are encountered during an emergency response or identify by other means. To ensure notification all members were provided training on the new emergency medical services documentation platform, Image Trend.

As the Department entered into 2019, the world was faced with the unprecedented COVID-19 Pandemic. As a result, the Department was unable to offer additional updated DV/HT training for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021 and 2022. Within this last year, the focus was collaborating with Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), and the Los Angeles City Attorney's office to develop best practices to assist with recognition of high lethality DV in Los Angeles.

DISCUSSION

DV and HT continues to be a threat to citizens and visitors of Los Angeles. The Department is committed to combatting these issues and see this as critical to deliver

exceptional public safety. To that end, in the 1st quarter of 2023, the Department will accomplish the following actions:

Training

- DV: 'Domestic Violent Extremism' training assigned to all LAFD members
- HT: 'Sex Trafficking Myths and Facts' training assigned to all members
- Continued training on Image Trend DV/HT documentation procedures

Data Tracking/Statistics

Since July 1, 2022 there have been reports of HT- 61 total, DV - 467, and both DV and HT- 32.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

Receive and file this report.

CONCLUSION

The Department is committed to ensuring that every Department member is trained to identify potential DV or HT incidents and to take the appropriate measures to ensure the documentation and reporting of all incidents of suspected DV or HT.

Board report prepared by Battalion Chief Justin G. Moore, Executive Officer,
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