

## **Mental Health Crisis Response: Action Items**

**October 28, 2020**

### **City of Oakland**

Contact Mayor Libby Schaaf and City Councilmembers to voice support for the Mobile Assistance Community Responders of Oakland (MACRO) Program

- Reroutes mental health crisis calls away from Oakland Police Department and replaces police response with an unarmed counselor and EMT
- Mayor Schaaf: 510-238-3141 or [officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com](mailto:officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com)
- City council members:  
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/departments/oakland-city-council#page-contact>

Support the City of Oakland Reimagining Public Safety Task Force efforts to divest 50% of OPD general fund budget to other city departments, including Human Services, Parks and Recreation, and the Department of Violence Prevention

- <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/reimagining-public-safety>
- Take the Reimagining Public Safety survey to share ideas on what our public safety system and infrastructure should look like if we were to prioritize trauma-informed mental health crisis response
- Join an upcoming community listening session on November 5th 2020, December 8th 2020, or January 9th 2021

Consider joining as a member or participating in a city commission that deals with community issues at the intersection of youth services, policing, and mental health

- Community Policing Advisory Board (CPAB):  
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/the-community-policing-advisory-board-cpab>
- Oakland Fund for Children and Youth Planning & Oversight Committee (OFCYPOC):  
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/oakland-fund-for-children-youth-planning-and-oversight-committee-poc>
- Police Commission: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/police-commission>
- Public Safety and Services Oversight Commission (SSOC):  
<https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/public-safety-and-services-violence-prevention-oversight-commission>

### **Alameda County**

Urge the Alameda County Board of Supervisors to reallocate police funds to emergency mental health training in Alameda County

- Sign the petition:  
<https://www.change.org/p/alameda-county-board-of-supervisors-reallocate-police-funds-to-emergency-mental-health-training-in-alameda-county>

- Urge Supervisors to train and certify licensed mental health providers to write 5150/5585 psychiatric holds, which is a common practice in many other California counties, instead of having law enforcement respond to them
- Alameda County Supervisors: <https://www.acgov.org/board/>

Contact Alameda County Board of Supervisors to expand the Mobile Crisis Team, currently only in operation Monday-Friday.

- Mobile Crisis Team (MCT): Clinicians based in West Oakland to respond to 5150 and other crisis calls from police, shelters, community agencies, and community members. Clinicians conduct a psychiatric and risk assessment and linkage to services.

Voice support for the prosecution of San Leandro Police Department officers responsible for the murder of Steven Taylor

- Call District Attorney Nancy O'Malley's office: 510-272-6222 or [info@alcoda.org](mailto:info@alcoda.org)