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# **Social Justice Ad Hoc Committee Meeting**

May 5, 2021 6pm – 8pm

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### AGENDA

- 1. Call to order and welcome by Committee Chair Danielle Mead (Infrastructure)
- 2. Introduction of Social Justice Ad Hoc Committee members
  - a. Danielle Mead (Infrastructure)
  - b. Paul Jenkins (Public Safety)
  - c. Jeremy Saunders (Community Enrichment)
  - d. Matt Shichtman (Treasurer)

#### 3. Overview of Ad Hoc Committee Mission

To advise the Board and committees on issues affecting underserved and under-represented communities within HHWNC, by outreaching to stakeholders, gathering stakeholder input and building coalitions with other NCs and organizations.

4. Discussion of Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) for gift cards to be distributed to community by LAPD. This agenda item was originally presented at April 21 HHWNC Board Meeting and tabled to allow further discussion by the SJAHC. Information below is from the April 21 meeting agenda for background purposes only. Possible motion and vote.

Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) to: 1) Hollywood Police Support Association (contact: Brian Folb), which benefits LAPD's Hollywood Division, and 2) Police Activity League ("PAL"), which benefits LAPD's North Hollywood Division, with the intention of those entities using the funds to purchase and distribute gift cards of recommended denominations of \$20 or less to Angelenos showing immediate need. The gift cards would likely be obtained from local restaurants/retailers, such as Target, Starbucks, Subway, and McDonalds. The proposed grants would provide 300-600 gift cards, split evenly between LAPD Divisions serving HHWNC boundaries.

As a NPG, the funds would be non-restrictive to the recipients. Rather, HHWNC would express a desire how the funds might be used.

Some anticipated community benefits of the NPGs include:

1) Assisting homeless in immediate need, 2) a de-escalation tool, 3) an increased opportunity to promote LAPD's public service mandate, 4) involving local restaurants/retailers, 5) providing an opportunity to share social service contacts (on the envelope containing the card, such as DMH (LA County Department of Mental Health), LGBT Center, LA Family Housing, and MVA (Military & Veterans Affairs)), and 6) promoting HHWNC outreach to often-marginalized Stakeholders (HHWNC could be referenced on the card envelope).

### 5. Discussion of ideas that may help the committee fulfill its mission

- a. Outreach
- b. Identifying stakeholder issues
- c. Building coalitions
- 6. Public comment on non-agenized items
- 7. Adjournment