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# Transgender Caucus Virtual Meeting

*TRANSform the HIV Movement*

Tuesday, July 25, 2022  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM (PST)

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**TRANSGENDER CAUCUS (TG)  
VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA**

**TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023**

**10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions                                    | 10:00am-10:10am |
| 2. Co-Chairs Report                                             | 10:10am-10:20am |
| a. Last Meeting Recap (June 27, 2023)                           |                 |
| 3. Executive Director/Staff Report                              | 10:20am-10:30am |
| 4. DISCUSSION:                                                  | 10:30am-11:15am |
| a. Update 2023 Workplan and Meeting Calendar                    |                 |
| b. Plan: Trans Health Summit                                    |                 |
| 5. Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting | 11:15am-11:20am |
| 6. Public Comments and Announcements                            | 11:20am-11:30am |
| 7. Adjournment                                                  | 11:30am         |



**VIRTUAL MEETING—TRANSGENDER (TG) CAUCUS**  
**Tuesday, June 27, 2023 | 10:00am to 11:30am**  
**MEETING SUMMARY**

**In attendance:**

<b>Yara Tapia (Co-Chair)</b>	<b>Xelestíal Moreno-Luz (Co-Chair)</b>	Chloe
Jazmin Rojano	Julie McAvoy-Banerjea	Philip
Cheryl Barrit (COH staff)	Lizette Martinez (COH staff)	Jose Rangel-Garibay (COH staff)

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Xelestíal Moreno-Luz and Yara Tapia, Co-Chair, welcomed attendees and led introductions.

**2. Co-Chairs Report**

**a. Last Meeting Recap (May 23, 2023)**

Y. Tapia provided a recap of the May 23, 2023 Transgender Caucus meeting. Key points from the meeting were as follows:

- The Caucus also heard from Camila Camaleón, a community member who shared her expertise and experience in leading health advocacy efforts benefiting the Transgender community. She framed her discussion on the premise that there are areas outside of the greater Los Angeles metropolitan area that lack representation in research studies and data collection efforts for LGBTQ+ communities; and an appeal to consider a larger framework for HIV preventative care through youth.
- Commission staff led a presentation on an Overview of the Commission on HIV and the role of Caucuses to help the Transgender Caucus attendees learn more about the COH and identify strategies for directing the work of the Caucus in alignment with the charge of the COH.

**3. Executive Director/Staff Report**

**a. 2023 Commission Training Calendar**

- Jose Rangel-Garibay shared the 2023 Commission Training Calendar and noted that recordings are available for trainings that have already taken place.
- J. Rangel-Garibay reminded the Caucus that the public comment period for the Universal Standards and Patient Bill of Rights ends on Monday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**4. DISCUSSION: Review activities for 2023**

**a. 2023 Meeting Calendar**

- J. Rangel-Garibay provided an overview of the 2023 meeting calendar and reminded the caucus members that the July meeting will be in-person.

**b. July Caucus meeting**

- Xelestíal Moreno-Luz, co-chair, recommended to host a community planning session at the July in-person meeting to solicit feedback for the Trans Summit in the fall. Y. Tapia suggested adding a networking component to the meeting to allow caucus members and guests to get to know each other better.

**c. October Summit**

- The Caucus reviewed the agenda for the 2016 Trans Health Summit and brainstormed topics and speakers for the keynote, plenary and breakout sessions for the summit. The

document is included in the meeting packet. Topics include Intergenerational Community Building Space, Policy and Advocacy, Trans History, Trans Media, Trans and HIV, Building Collaborative Partnerships.

- The Caucus decided to change the date of the summit to Thursday November 2, 2023 from 8am-4pm. COH staff will make the conference room reservation at the Vermont Corridor.
- COH staff will coordinate a meeting the Caucus co-chairs to discuss the budget and potential expenses for the summit.
- Y. Tapia and X. Moreno-Luz agreed to draft marketing materials for the summit and present them to the Caucus and community members at their July in-person meeting.

**5. Meeting Confirmation and Agenda Development for Next Meeting**

- The next meeting will be virtual on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 via WebEx.
- The Caucus will continue planning for the July in-person learning session and the “Trans Health Summit” in November.

**6. Public Comments and Announcements**

- There were no public comments.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by X. Moreno-Luz at 11:22am.



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**TRANSGENDER CAUCUS 2023 MEETING SCHEDULE (updated 06.27.23)**

DATE	KEY AGENDA ITEMS/TOPICS (subject to change; for planning purposes)
<b>January 24</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Elect Co-Chairs for 2023 Develop meeting schedule and learning session topics for 2023
<b>February 28</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Continue Co-Chair elections Develop 2023 Caucus workplan
<b>March 28</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Plan for Commission on HIV Overview and role of Transgender Caucus
<b>April 25</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>In-Person</i>	<b>Presentation 1:</b> Commission on HIV Overview and Role of Transgender Caucus <b>Presentation 2:</b> Health Advocacy in the Transgender Community, Camila Camaleón Plan for Trans Summit
<b>May 23</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Debrief April presentations Plan for July networking event Plan for Trans Summit
<b>June 27</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Plan for July networking event Plan for Trans Summit
<b>July 25</b> 10am-11:30am <i>Virtual</i>	Share updates on Trans summit planning and gather community feedback
<b>August 22</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Debrief July learning session Plan for Trans Health Summit
<b>September 26</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Plan for Trans Health Summit
<b>October 24</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Finalize details for Trans Health Summit
<b>November 2</b> 8:00am-5:00pm <i>In-Person</i>	Trans Health Summit at LA LGBT Center
<b>November 28</b> 10am to 11:30 am <i>Virtual</i>	Debrief Annual Commission on HIV Meeting + Trans Summit Review 2023 events and plan for 2024 Co-Chair nominations for 2024
<b>December 26</b>	Meeting cancelled due to Christmas Holiday



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The Los Angeles County Commission on HIV (COH) Transgender Caucus Presents:

## Trans Health Summit 2023

The Village at Ed Gould Plaza  
1125 N. McCadden Place  
Los Angeles, CA 90038  
Thursday, November 2, 2023  
8:30am-4:30pm

<b>8:30AM</b>	<b>REGISTRATION &amp; BREAKFAST</b>
<b>9:00AM</b> <i>(30 minutes)</i>	<b>WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</b> Xelestiál Moreno-Luz, Transgender Caucus Co-Chair Yara Tapia, Transgender Caucus Co-Chair Cheryl Barrit, Executive Director, COH
<b>9:30AM</b> <i>(45 minutes)</i>	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: TBD</b>
<b>10:15AM</b> <i>(30 minutes)</i>	<b>MORNING PLENARY: TBD</b>
<b>10:45 AM</b> <i>(60 minutes)</i>	<b>WORKSHOP SESSION</b>
<b>11:45AM</b> <i>(45 minutes)</i>	<b>LUNCH</b> Entertainment component/passive educational component
<b>12:30PM</b> <i>(45 minutes)</i>	<b>AFTERNOON PLENARY: TBD</b>
<b>1:15PM</b> <i>(15 minutes)</i>	<b>BREAK</b>
<b>1:30PM</b> <i>(60 minutes)</i>	<b>BREAK-OUT SESSION A: Collaborative Partnerships</b> Mariana Marroquin, Trans Wellness Center
[Round 1]	<b>BREAK-OUT SESSION B: St. John’s Community Health: Transgender Health Program</b> Azul Ruiz, St. John’s Community Health, Avalon Clinic
<b>2:30PM</b> <i>(60 minutes)</i>	<b>BREAK-OUT SESSION A</b>
[Round 2]	<b>BREAK-OUT SESSION B</b>
<b>3:30pm</b> <i>(60 minutes)</i>	<b>CLOSING: Call to Action TBD (courtyard space)</b>

## **Partnering Agencies and Planning Committee**

Los Angeles County Commission on HIV Transgender Caucus; REACH LA; USC Department of Population and Public Health Sciences; LA LGBT Center's Trans\* Lounge program

**Theme:** Empowerment and Community-Building

### **Objectives for the summit:**

- Collaborate with local organizations serving the TGI community
- Provide leadership and educational opportunities to TGI individuals
- Provide information about community resources available
- Improving knowledge and awareness of HIV care and prevention services in Los Angeles County
- Extend the opportunity to youth and elders to share their lived experiences to generate multigenerational discourse
- Educate the community about the Commission on HIV and its functions

### **Session topics:**

- **Health and Wellness**
  - HIV/STI Prevention, sexual health education
  - Mindfulness activities and community building exercises
  - Innovative ways to advance access and raise awareness of PrEP, including long acting injectables
- **Multimedia Arts and History**
  - Portrayals of TGI people in media
  - Archiving TGI history
- **Policy Education and Advocacy**
  - Understanding policy issues affecting the TGI community
  - COH Public Policy Committee activities and opportunities for the community to get involved

### **Summit Agenda and Speakers:**

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks** (30 minutes)
  - Trans Caucus Co-chairs
  - COH Executive Director
- **Keynote Speaker** (45 minutes)
  - TBD
- **Morning Plenary** (30 minutes)
  - TBD
- **Workshop** (60 minutes)
  - TBD
- **Afternoon Plenary** (30 minutes)
  - TBD
- **Break Out Session Round 1** (60 minutes)
  - Collaborative Partnerships, Mariana Marroquin
  - St. John's Community Health: Transgender Health Program, Azul Ruiz
- **Break Out Session Round 2** (60 minutes)
  - TBD
- **Closing Call to Action** (30 minutes)
  - Trans Caucus Co-chairs
  - COH Executive Director



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# CULINARY ARTS TRAINING PROGRAM



# INTERGENERATIONAL INNOVATION: Job Training and Food Production Program Model

Culinary training, meal production, and job placement are the hallmarks of the Los Angeles LGBT Center's Culinary Arts program. Enrolling up to 100 students a year, the program provides the foundation of required culinary skills for students to secure jobs and pursue meaningful careers throughout the Los Angeles restaurant and hospitality sectors.

The 300-hour culinary curriculum, based on classic French techniques, provides a solid framework for students. Lessons include basic knife skills, food safety training, and essential baking techniques. Daily class progression works to build on previously learned skills and increase the speed and productivity of students. This foundation is necessary as students prepare up to 600 fresh and nutritious meals a day for the Center's youth and senior members, many who struggle with homelessness and food insecurity.

To complete the program and gain industry experience, students are placed in a myriad of local businesses. Diverse community internship partners range from fine dining establishments, to amusement parks, bakeries, and cafés. The program assists in launching new culinary careers while providing much needed nourishment for members of the community.



## Provide culinary job training to youth and seniors:

- 12-week / 300-hour training program
- 3 modules / 4 weeks each
  - M1: Basic culinary skills development
  - M2: Campus meal production
  - M3: Externship and job placement assistance
- Annual Program enrollment - 100 students





## OUR SOCIAL ENTERPRISE, A COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDER

The Culinary Arts Program generates income that can be reinvested back into Center programming. Liberation Coffee House, the Center's cafe on Santa Monica boulevard, will provide a daily stop for both Center employees and members of the local community to purchase delicious food items and beverages. In addition, our commercial kitchen prepares meals for our members 365-days per year. Our

in-house meal production keeps our food spending within the Center by eliminating the need for outside caterers. This not only lowers the overall cost to the Center, but also improves the quality and freshness of the food. Finally, the programs' catering arm provides gourmet menu options for events at both the Anita May Rosenstein Campus and the Village at Ed Gould Plaza.

### Key components of our social enterprise:

- Prepares nutritious meals for the Center community
- Serves as an employment site for youth and seniors
- Operates a coffee shop and retail outlet showcasing the Center's programming, events, and community presence
- Caters both in-house and external events
- Provides income for the Center to help offset program costs



# SOCIAL ENTERPRISE COMPONENTS



## LIBERATION COFFEE HOUSE

- Espresso bar featuring locally roasted, artisan coffee
- Pastries, pre-made sandwiches, and salads
- Center branded swag for sale
- A transitional cafe floorplan to allow for small meetings and performances



## ANITA MAY ROSENSTEIN CAMPUS MEALS

- Supply nutritious meals for all on-site programming
  - Youth Center
  - Transitional Living Program
  - Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Senior Center programming
  - Senior Housing
- Preparing approximately 450 meals per day or 12,000 meals per month; estimated to increase to 600 daily meals as programs reach capacity



## EVENT CATERING

- Catering for both Center-sponsored events and outside clients for functions booked on Campus, as well as exciting new venues such as our rooftop event space
- Increased employment opportunities for Center clients, including kitchen and serving positions
- Expansion to include off-site, private catered events



# PROGRAM BENEFITS

## Intergenerational Programming

The enjoyment of food is universal and allows for generations to interact around a shared experience. Recruiting from both clients of the Center’s senior and youth services, the program’s culinary training classes will launch the first intergenerational job training programming at the Center’s Anita May Rosenstein Campus. Special community meals will further act as a catalyst to unite the Center’s clients.



## Creating a Built-In Mentoring Network

Culinary Arts students take an active part in both the setup and service of meals. These interactions create a built-in mentoring network for at-risk youth and seniors engaged in Center services.



## Service Recipients Become Service Providers

Culinary Arts students are service recipients, who, through their participation in the program and work producing meals, become service providers.



## Reducing Food Insecurity and Food Waste

The on-site kitchen allows for greater receipt and storage of donated food. These items are used in Center meals as well as other food distribution programs at the Center. Many of these produce donations would have otherwise ended up in landfills. This utilization combined with our active compost program works to reduce the Center’s environmental impact.

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

Contact our team for details at [sponsorship@lalgbtcenter.org](mailto:sponsorship@lalgbtcenter.org) or 323-860-7364

Supporting Partners:



Chef Susan Feniger, a Center board member and accomplished celebrity chef, provides visionary leadership for this innovative solution. Under her leadership, this commercial-grade kitchen provides healthy meals to our youth and seniors while creating a nurturing learning environment.

Susan is an American chef, restaurateur, cookbook author, and radio and TV personality. She is known for starring in the cooking show *Too Hot Tamales* on the Food Network and opening several influential restaurants in Los Angeles. She has been awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the California Restaurant Association and received the 2018 Julia Child Award.