

# Los Angeles County Commission on HIV

## Black Caucus

# WORLD AIDS

DEC 5

# DAY

2025

JESSE OWENS COMMUNITY REGIONAL PARK GYMNASIUM

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

## COMMUNITY TOWNHALL

THE STATE OF BLACK SEXUAL HEALTH AND THE FIGHT FOR FUNDING

## PROGRAM

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM: MUSIC & COMMUNITY WELCOME

11:00 AM – 11:10 AM: OPENING REMARKS: CENTERING BLACK COMMUNITIES IN A SHIFTING POLICY/FUNDING LANDSCAPE

MARIO J. PÉREZ, MPH, DIRECTOR, LA COUNTY DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, DIVISION OF HIV & STD PROGRAMS (DHSP)

11:10 AM – 11:35 AM: BEYOND THE DATA: CLINICAL AND RESEARCH INSIGHTS ON THE THREATS FACING BLACK SEXUAL HEALTH

DR. LEO MOORE, MD, MSHPM, AAHIVE, DIPBLM, MEDICAL DIRECTOR, CLINIC SERVICES, SPAS 4 & 5  
LA COUNTY DEPT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

DR. NINA HARAWA, PHD, MPH, PROFESSOR & RESEARCHER, UCLA & CDU

11:35 AM – 11:50 AM: COMMUNITY DATA SPOTLIGHT: FINDINGS FROM THE BLACK COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS

DR. LEON MAULTSBY, BLACK CAUCUS CO-CHAIR

ROXANNE LEWIS, BLACK CAUCUS MEMBER

11:50 AM – 12:20 PM: OPEN DIALOGUE: COMMUNITY VOICES, COLLECTIVE STRATEGIES & CALL TO ACTION

FACILITATED BY DR. DONTÁ MORRISON

12:20 PM – 12:30 PM: SHOWCASE : CDU WOMEN & PREP PROMOTIONAL VIDEO (NEW RELEASE)

PRESENTED BY SHELLYE JONES, MSW, LCSW, CLINICAL SUPERVISOR, DREWCARES

12:30PM - 2:00PM

PROGRAM ADJOURNMENT

FREE HOT LUNCH · FREE HAIRCUTS+BRAIDING · DJ · \$25 VISA GIFT CARDS W/ HIV TESTING ·

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

# WITH GRATITUDE . . .

TODAY, WE HONOR THE LIVES OF OUR ANCESTORS, LOVED ONES, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WE'VE LOST TO HIV — THOSE WHOSE STORIES CONTINUE TO SHAPE OUR FIGHT, GUIDE OUR PURPOSE, AND REMIND US WHY THIS WORK MATTERS. THEIR LEGACY IS WOVEN INTO EVERY STEP WE TAKE TOWARD JUSTICE, HEALING, AND LIBERATION.

WE UPLIFT ALL WHO CONTINUE TO SHOW UP . . . PROVIDERS, ORGANIZERS, ADVOCATES, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO CARRY THIS WORK FORWARD EVERY SINGLE DAY — OFTEN QUIETLY, OFTEN WITHOUT RECOGNITION, AND ALWAYS WITH LOVE AND COMMITMENT. THANK YOU FOR SHOWING UP FOR OUR COMMUNITIES, FOR ONE ANOTHER, AND FOR THE GENERATIONS COMING BEHIND US.

MAY THIS GATHERING STRENGTHEN US, ROOT US, AND REMIND US THAT WE ARE NEVER ALONE IN THIS WORK.

“WE ARE THE ONES WE’VE BEEN WAITING FOR.” — JUNE JORDAN

