

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ORANGE COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Thursday, September 14, 2023, 11:00 A.M.



County Administration North
400 W. Civic Center Drive, Multipurpose Room
Santa Ana, California 92701

JO-ANNE P. MATSUBA
Chair

JENNIFER S. WANG
Vice Chair

ADA BRICEÑO
Commissioner

HEATHER CHAPMAN
Commissioner

ADELI DURON
Commissioner

LAUREN JOHNSON-NORRIS
Commissioner

MICHAEL KENT
Commissioner

DOT LEACH
Commissioner

JANY LEE
Commissioner

RHONDA SHADER
Commissioner

RABBI RICK STEINBERG
Commissioner

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Chapman, Kent, Matsuba, Steinberg and Wang

ABSENT: Commissioners Briceño, Duron, Johnson-Norris, Leach, Lee and Shader

PRESENT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Norma Lopez
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION Jamie Ross & Dora Guillen, Deputy Clerks

The Orange County Human Relations Commission is an independent advisory body, and our positions do not necessarily reflect the positions of the County of Orange Board of Supervisors.

1. Call the Meeting to Order
CHAIR MATSUBA CALLED MEETING TO ORDER AT 11:04 A.M.; CLERK INFORMED CHAIR MATSUBA THAT A QUORUM OF COMMISSIONERS WAS NOT PRESENT
2. Opening quote/reflection
COMMISSIONER STEINBERG SPOKE OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE WITH THE COMING OF THE FALL SEASON

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3. Overview of Monthly Summary of Commission Activities

PRESENTED

OPEN FORUM

None

HEARING/SPEAKER/PRESENTATION: (None)

ACTION ITEMS: (Item 4)

4. Review, discuss and vote on Pride Month statement template to be issued by the Commission every year prior to June (Continued to 10/12/23)

DISCUSSION ITEMS: (None)

INFORMATION ITEMS: (Items 5 - 7)

5. Commission staff reports

- a. Hate Crime (HC) Report event release event

PRESENTED; COMMISSION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STATED 10/12/23, MEETING WOULD BE HELD AT ACCESS CA LOCATED AT 300 W. CARL KARCHER WAY, ANAHEIM

6. Update from OC Chiefs and Sheriff

COMMISSIONER KENT STATED AUTISM AWARENESS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT OC CHIEFS AND SHERIFF MEETING; ALL IRVINE POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES TO VISIT MUSEUM OF TOLERANCE

7. OCSD Interfaith Council update

NEXT EVENT ON 10/24/23, WILL BE ACTIVE THREAT TRAINING FOR RELIGIOUS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS; 2ND ANNUAL SANDRA HUTCHENS INTERFAITH AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Chair Matsuba – Oral Re.: 9/11 Anniversary and reflected on the patriotism shown immediately after attacks.

Commissioner Wang – Oral Re.: Stated the need to pass knowledge of 9/11 to younger generation. Mid-Autumn festivals on 9/29, in Irvine and on 10/7, in Santa Ana. Santa Ana will be officially celebrating Lunar New Year starting next year.

ADJOURNED: 11: 29 A.M.

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1 Ada Briceño	A = Abstained
2 Heather Chapman	X = Excused
3 Adeli Duron	
4 Lauren Johnson-Norris	
5 Michael Kent	N = No
6 Dot Leach	C.O. = Commission Order
7 Jany Lee	
8 Jo-Anne P. Matsuba	Reso = Resolution
9 Rhonda Shader	Ord = Ordinance
10 Rabbi Rick Steinberg	
11 Jennifer S. Wang	

(1st number = Moved by; 2nd number = Seconded by)

/s/

JO-ANNE MATSUBA
Chair

/s/

Jamie Ross, Deputy
Clerk of the Commission



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MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES: August 2023

CONTRACT ACTIVITY	12/14/22-3/31/23	4/1/23-6/30/23	7/1/23-9/30/23	10/1/23-12/31/23	1/1/24-3/31/24	4/1/24-6/30/24	TOTAL	GOAL
A. Organize meetings for the Hate Crime Prevention Network group and lead hate prevention efforts.	3	2	2				7	6
B. Monitor and offer support when intergroup relations or bias related community conflicts, tension or crisis arise.	3	4	3				10	12
C. Follow-up on hate activity reports referred from 211-OC.	4	2	5				11	18
D. Offer listening sessions or restorative community dialogues process to promote respect and understanding to diverse communities and/or to address tension, conflict, or crisis when it arises (i.e., law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, nonprofits, etc.)	4	4	1				9	6
E. Service on advisory committees for local city police departments, as well as assist the Orange County Sherriff's Department, to convene a countywide interfaith Advisory Council	4	3	2				9	12
F. Deliver multilingual, multicultural, & diverse community-based hate prevention through community outreach, relationship building efforts, collaboration and network meetings, and attending diverse community/law enforcement events	18	6	38				62	150
G. Provide monthly comprehensive Hate Activity Database & Reporting data reports	3	3	2				8	18

Intergroup Relations & Relationship Building

- Commission ED led the monthly CAHRO Board meeting to organize the next virtual convening for HRCs across CA.
- Commission staff provided support for 2 community crisis/support cases this month.
- Commission staff conducted a total of 23 relational/outreach engagement meetings with various CBOs and other community stakeholders such as the Community Action Partnership – OC, G.R.E.E.N. Foundation, Arab American Civic Council, C.A.I.R. and many more.
- Commission staff convened the Hate Prevention Network that brought out 22 different organizations to the table.



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Hate-Motivated Activities in Orange County

August 2023



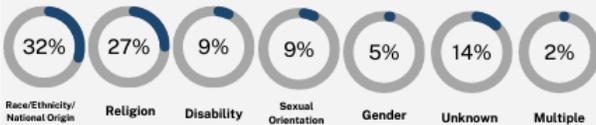
22 Total Hate-Motivated Activities Reported

HATE CRIMES VS. HATE INCIDENTS

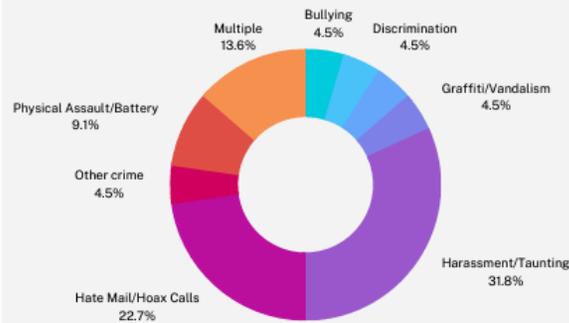


Out of the 22 hate-motivated activities: **5 hate crimes, 13 hate incidents, 1 bias not identified and 3 unknowns** were reported

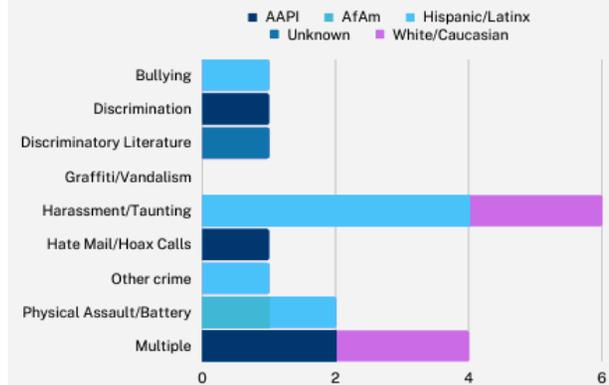
SENTIMENT



TYPE OF OFFENSE



COUNT OF TYPE BY OFFENSE AND MOTIVATION



Source: OC Human Relations Commission