

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the status of the Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) Program.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the June 20, 2024 communication from the Mayor relative to the status of the GRYD Program, inasmuch as this communication is for information only and no Council action is required.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On June 25, 2024, your Committee considered a June 20, 2024 communication from the Mayor relative the status of the GRYD Program. According to the Mayor, the GRYD Program was established in 2007 with the primary goal of establishing data-driven gang prevention and intervention and reentry programs to reduce violent crime in the City of Los Angeles' most gang-plagued communities. Since the establishment of GRYD, the work has been guided by two primary functions: to provide/support direct services to the community, and to coordinate efforts with key partners. GRYD directly and/or indirectly, provides services in 23 GRYD zones, secondary areas, and sites designated to receive Summer Night Lights (SNL) programming. These services include gang prevention, gang intervention, violence interruption, reentry, community awareness and violence reduction programming via the SNL program.

GRYD contracts twenty-five community-based organizations (CBO's) that provide direct gang prevention and intervention services to youth and families impacted by gang violence. Currently, the GRYD Program partners with Cal State LA, University Auxiliary Services, Inc., Harder+Company Community Research, and Bonterra, Inc. to fully evaluate all prongs of the GRYD Comprehensive Strategy. Over the years, GRYD has issued numerous evaluation reports on its programming. Today, the GRYD Program continues its mission to reduce gang violence by implementing the Comprehensive Strategy, which includes the following four major components:

- a) Gang Prevention
- b) Gang Intervention
- c) Violence Interruption
- d) Community Engagement.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to note and file the communication from the Mayor. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Public Safety Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
LEE:	YES
PARK:	YES
PRICE:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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