

County of Los Angeles

Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs

2022 Strategic Priorities

The Commission will focus on education and advocacy for the following priorities:

Strategic Priority 1: Address Substance Use Disorder Treatment Effectiveness and Efficiency

Goal 1: Identify opportunities and funding sources to improve and enhance current county programs addressing substance use disorders (SUDs), providing access to effective treatment, and exploring efforts to reduce recidivism.

Goal 2: Address and support integration of services pertaining to Cal-Aim implementation, co-occurring disorders & integration of services including increased collaboration with diversion programs.

Goal 3: Support the integration of SAPC's well-being centers which provide mental health and other support services to those with SUDs and their families.

Strategic Priority 2: Focus efforts on the Opioid, Fentanyl and Meth Crisis

Goal 1: Increase awareness through education and outreach; and promote programs that directly address the opioid, fentanyl and meth crisis.

Goal 2: Improve strategies involving MAT (medically assisted treatment) and harm reduction methodologies.

Goal 3: Work with the SAPC Meth Taskforce and DEA Community Engagement on the implementation of contingency management for stimulant use disorder.

Strategic Priority 3: Improve Services and Outcomes for County's Youth

Goal 1: Advocate for improved K-12 school and community-based preventive efforts and effective programs for young people, including those in foster care.

Goal 2: Make recommendations to SAPC as they continue to refine and enhance benefits available to youth.

Goal 3: Examine options for State, County and local regulations regarding Sober Living, Transitional Housing and Bridge Housing.

Strategic Priority 4: Improve Collaboration with the Board of Supervisors, other Commissions, Departments, Agencies, and Jurisdictions

Goal 1: Improve communications with the Board and staff to further the mission of the commission and the will of the Board with regard to these strategic goals.

Goal 2: Enhance cooperation with other county commissions/departments including Mental Health, Disabilities, and Youth to further our mutual goals.

Goal 3: Explore other jurisdiction models to replicate and incorporate their solutions to meet our goals.

Strategic Priority 5: Marijuana Education and Regulation

Goal 1: Monitor legislation and the negative impact of Marijuana use on underserved communities.

Goal 2: Assist with preventative efforts particularly aimed at youth.

Goal 3: Support more robust and effective K-12 marijuana education.