



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION**

World Trade Center
350 South Figueroa Street, Suite 288, Los Angeles California 90071

August 26, 2019

The Honorable Alex Villanueva, Sheriff
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
211 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Sheriff Villanueva:

On behalf of the Civilian Oversight Commission (COC), I would like to request that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) publish the following policies in a user-friendly format, that are searchable, with an effective and/or last revised date and place them on the LASD public website in a "department policy" page or similar section:

1. Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP)
2. Custody Division Manual (CDM)
3. Field Operations Manual and/or Directives

I would further request that the above material be consistently updated and made available to the public on the LASD public website from this point forward unless there is a specific reason not to do so. If there is a specific reason not to place all or a portion of the policies on the website provide the COC with the reasons for not publicly displaying all or portions of the above materials on the LASD website and similarly note such reasons on the webpage.

Fulfillment of this request will enable COC staff to function as a bridge between LASD and the community related to public safety services and public needs. LASD fulfillment of this request will further aid in transparency.

Please provide a response to the above request by **September 9, 2019**.

Thank you for your anticipated prompt response to this request. Please feel free to call me at _____ or contact me via email message at _____ with any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Brian K. Williams
Executive Director, Civilian Oversight Commission

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Department E-Mail Response

From:
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 11:08 AM
To: Williams, Ingrid
Cc: Wilson, Michele
Subject: COC Request for Public Access to LASD Manuals
Attachments: COC Request - Public Access to Manuals (8-26-19).pdf; COC Response to Public Manuals.pdf

Good morning Ingrid,

Please see the attached letter for further on this topic. The original letter has been mailed today.

Take care,

Lieutenant

*Office of the Undersheriff
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Department Response



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF



September 6, 2019

Mr. Brian K. Williams
Executive Director
Civilian Oversight Commission
World Trade Center
350 South Figueroa Street, Suite 288
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Mr. Williams:

**PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S
POLICIES AND MANUALS**

In your letter dated August 26, 2019, you requested that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) publish its' Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP), Custody Division Manual (CDM), and Field Operations Manual and/or Directives. You additionally requested that these materials be placed on the LASD website, are searchable, and have effective and/or revision dates associated with the policies.

Please be advised that LASD will continue to publish the above listed materials in compliance with Senate Bill No. 978 and its' commencing deadline of January 1, 2020. Additionally, please note that LASD's public website currently has the Department's MPP accessible under the site's "Public Data Sharing" portal, "General Reference Material" section. The MPP is searchable by volume, chapter, and topic of interest. As to the effective date(s) of the policies, further updates and revisions are planned in the coming months.

Please contact me at _____ should you wish to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

ALEX VILLANUEVA, SHERIFF

TIMOTHY K. MURAKAMI
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