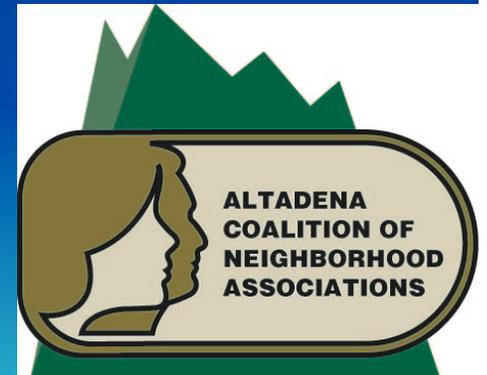


Altadena Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (ACONA)

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January 26 2021



Agenda for Tonight's Meeting

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

- **7:00 PM – 7:02 PM Quick introductions and welcome**
- **7:02 PM – 8:30 PM Panel on Recent Violence & Shootings in Altadena**
 - **Captain Captain Jacobs - Altadena Sheriff's Station**
 - **Paul Livingstone - Soul Force Project**
 - **Dominick Correy - District Representative, Senator Anthony J. Portantino's Office**
 - **Brian Biery - Flintridge Center**
 - **Nina Ehlig – SENCH Neighborhood Watch Association**
- **8:30 PM Meeting end**



Your ACONA Team

- Elliot Gold
- Nina Ehlig
- Melody Comfort
- Diane Marcussen
- Captain Marjory Jacobs
- Holly Rundberg
- Carlotta Martin
- Ellen Walton
- Savannah Moore



7:02 PM – 8:30 PM Panel on Recent Violence & Shootings in Altadena

**Captain Captain Jacobs
Altadena Sheriff's Station**



Panel Members

2 Minutes of what you do to prevent gang violence in Altadena

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Questions to the Panel

Deb Halberstdt

1. “What can individuals of our community do to help lessen gang violence in Altadena other than report suspicious activity to the LASD?”

- (PAUL, DOMINICK, BRIAN or NINA)



Questions from Sue Koskey

- 2. What are indications of gang presence in our neighborhood?
 - (BRIAN, DOMINICK)
- 3. What are security measures that could protect property and persons from gang violence?
 - (CAPTAIN JACOBS, PAUL, DOMINICK, BRIAN)
- 4. What and how to report suspected gang presence in the neighborhood
 - (CAPTAIN JACOBS, DOMINICK)
- 5. To what public entities should neighbors advise of violence and gang activity in their area?
 - (PAUL, BRIAN)
- 6. What response can we expect following a report of gang activity and personal/property violence?
 - (CAPTAIN JACOBS, PAUL, DOMINICK)
- 7. Advise on how to organize a neighborhood response to threats of violence by gangs and individuals
 - (CAPTAIN JACOBS)



Questions from Jill Vig

8. I would like to know the current status of our Sheriff's Department. Obviously it has not been closed, as was threatened, but has the staff been reduced? And if so, by how much?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

9. What is the status of the officers who were doing outreach to homeless people in Altadena?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

10. Is there any group of officers who are working with at-risk youth?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)



Questions from Kathy Musial

11. There has been a great increase in property crime lately, in particular vehicle thefts and break-ins, and catalytic convertor thefts.

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)



Questions from Laura Berthold Monteros

12. With the emphasis on "see something, say something" and other aphorisms that encourage citizens to be in contact with law enforcement, what are your concrete ideas and plans to proactively reach out to neighborhoods to establish/reestablish Neighborhood Watch groups? Would you consider moving from the "block" plan, which is not effective in most cases, so a broader "several blocks" plan?

(NINA)

13. Currently, the burden is entirely on residents in a limited area to establish Neighborhood Watch for their block. I don't think this is working. I understand it would be difficult to implement a more proactive approach before the lockdown is lifted, but that gives you time to organize.

(NINA, PAUL, BRIAN)



Questions from Juliana Erdody

14. I was told by one of the deputies that the station will not close down. Is this still true, and if so, are there any plans in the works to shave down the number of staff at the Altadena Station? Will Captain Jacobs remain? Other staff?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

15. On a related note, are there changes coming to the Altadena Station that will impact the work they are currently doing, particularly as it relates to youth and gangs? Are mental health professionals and resources being made available to the department to assist them in their work? If not, do plans exist to add this dimension to the department services?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

16. What changes can the department envision that will help to bring the recent increase in violence in Altadena under control, and what can we do to support this process?

(CAPTAIN JACOBS)



Questions from Janet West

17. Would the panel describe what efforts have been or will be made to identify gang leaders and try to interact with them to break the cycle of retaliation. Is this something the police gang task force did in past? Or is there a nonprofit group that does this?
(PAUL, DOMINICK, BRIAN or NINA, CAPTAIN JACOBS)

18. How many gang members are estimated to live in Altadena? Are there maps of different gang territory?
(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

19. It seems that recent shootings have targeted specific houses. Is this correct? Or were the shootings random? Or car to car? Or do they target hangouts? (Is one of those Fair Oaks Burger?)
(CAPTAIN JACOBS)

20. I happen to live near Fair Oaks and Mariposa. I had walked to the cemetery and back for exercise. Wondering if I am walking thru specific gang territory because I was clueless there were active gangs. But Calaveras / Fair Oaks seems prominent in recent trouble.
(CAPTAIN JACOBS)



Question from Paul Livingstone

21. How could a better awareness of the struggle to transform the violence of racism, from historical abolition, civil rights, the modern BLM movements in Pasadena and Altadena better prepare the members of our community? Including faith leaders, and the LA County Sheriff / Pasadena Police & beat cops... how can we envision agreement on creating more awareness of our shared history and diverse voices and stories in this area?

(PAUL, BRIAN)



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QUESTIONS?



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