

A photograph of a busy transit station. In the foreground, a white bus with "ATLANTIC" written on its destination sign is visible. A large, diverse crowd of people is walking along a covered walkway. The background shows palm trees and modern buildings under a clear blue sky.

Reimagining Public Safety Use of Force Policies

Operations, Safety, and Customer Experience Committee

2020-0571

Motion #35: Use of Force Policies

- A. Review training and Use of Force policies followed by law enforcement partners, private security, and Transit Security
- B. Propose recommendations on how to further reform policing and reallocate resources for homelessness outreach

Assessment Methodology

- SSLE's Initial Assessment: Identified 'Meets' based on achieving the 'Spirit of '8 Can't-Wait' (The spirit identified the training and other policies that the agency noted as they agreed to update written policies to reflect existing practices).
- LA County OIG Assessment: Evaluated adherence to the '8 Can't-Wait' guidance solely on the basis of 'written policies'. It did not include training that has the use of force policy within the law enforcement industry.
- Campaign Zero: Identified the performance of L.E. agencies and identified a differing interpretation than the OIG report related to compliance.
- Substantively, these interpretations are vastly different, but Metro will clearly work toward ensuring that our contractual oversight makes all agencies adhere to Metro's stated values.

LONG BEACH, CA

Last Updated 7/14/2020

Mayor Robert Garcia

Since 8Can'tWait's launch, the city initiated a review on all Use of Force policies (2 of 8 in place). There is now a temporary ban on carotid holds and the ban on chokeholds is now more restrictive. A bill banning carotid and chokeholds across California will be in legislation until 8/31/20.

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- Requires De-escalation
- ✔ Requires Warning Before Shooting
- ✔ Requires Exhaust All Alternatives Before Shooting
- Duty to Intervene
- Ban Shooting at Moving Vehicles
- Has Use of Force Continuum
- Requires Comprehensive Reporting

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF, CA

Last Updated 8/19/20

Sheriff Alex Villanueva

Since 8Can'tWait's launch, the city is considering a ban on neck restraints (5 of 8 in place). A bill banning carotid and chokeholds across California is in legislation.

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LOS ANGELES, CA

Last Updated 6/1/2020

Mayor Eric Garcetti

Since 8Can'tWait's launch, 4 new policies adopted in LA and California is reviewing a bill banning carotid and chokeholds statewide (6 of 8 in place).

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Findings

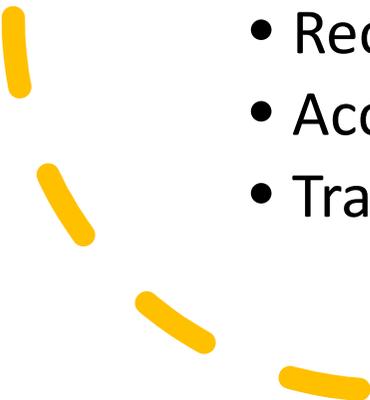
Law enforcement partners MEET most of the reform policies. Each of the policies that fail to meet the standard is currently being reviewed or revised.

Private security and its subcontractors currently FAILS TO MEET the reform policies. They've agreed to work with SSLE and update their policies.

Transit Security currently FAILS TO MEET the reform policies. They are being reviewed and revised will be completed within the next 90-days.

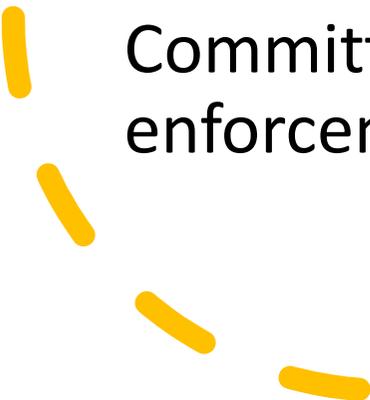


Reforming Policing: Transit Security

- System Security and Law Enforcement (SSLE) will work with the Office of Civil Rights, Executive Officer for Equity and Race, and the Transit Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) to implement reform recommendations within the following categories for Transit Security:
 - Recruitment
 - Accountability
 - Training
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Reforming Policing: Contractors

- In the current contracts, Metro has the ability to remove law enforcement or private security officers who act in any manner on Metro's property that is inconsistent with Metro's values.
 - SSLE will partner with the Transit Public Safety Advisory Committee to develop the SOW for the next law enforcement and security contracts.
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Reallocation of Resources

- In the base of the multi-agency law enforcement contract, approximately \$12.5M was allocated for homeless outreach.
 - An additional \$19.5M has been allocated to increase outreach teams, reallocating existing teams to support “*Operation Shelter the Unsheltered*,” and creating the LBPD’s Quality of Life team.
 - The policing contract will need to be amended to increase its contract price; there is no available funding for reallocation of funds.
 - Approximately up to **\$3.5M** from the private security contract (RMI) can be reallocated to homeless outreach and services.
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