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## SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT HOSTS 3<sup>rd</sup> VIRTUAL TOWNHALL ON ELIMINATING BIAS

**SAN BERNARDINO, CA**— San Bernardino Superior Court's (SBSC) Community Outreach Committee is collaborating with local justice partners to host a third virtual townhall event focused on eliminating bias in the justice system. This third townhall entitled ***Eliminating Bias: Addressing Mental Health in the Justice System*** focuses on mental health issues within the justice system and is scheduled on Thursday, March 25 from 12:00 p.m. (Noon) to 1:15 p.m.

During this 75-minute virtual townhall, leaders within the San Bernardino County justice system will continue the conversation on bias and community impacts by answering questions and informing attendees of programs and services available to the public for family members, organizations, and individuals who suffer from mental illness. This will be the third virtual event in a series of townhalls scheduled to continue in the 2021 calendar year to promote community engagement and conversations to facilitate awareness, change and understanding.

Opening remarks will be provided by Presiding Judge Michael A. Sachs, with moderation by Judge John M. Pacheco and Judge Winston Keh. Panelists include: Judge Tara Reilly, Judge Michael Knish, Judge Denise Trager Dvorak, and Commissioner Ronald Gilbert; Dr. Veronica Kelley, Director of the Department of Behavioral Health; Katherine Norman, Deputy District Attorney; Lisa Slade, Deputy Public Defender IV; Diana Waitschies, Supervising Probation Officer; and Todd Holmes, Probation Officer III.

Registration is required in advance (click [here](#)) and questions are encouraged to be asked prior to the event via email to [townhall@sb-court.org](mailto:townhall@sb-court.org). For media-related inquiries, please contact Julie Van Hook, Communications and Public Affairs Officer at [courts-pio@sb-court.org](mailto:courts-pio@sb-court.org).

JOIN US  
FOR SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT'S  
FREE EVENT ON

# ELIMINATING BIAS: ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM

MARCH 25 | 12:00PM(NOON)-1:15PM

WATCH AS LEADERS WITHIN THE SAN BERNARDINO JUSTICE SYSTEM  
PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS & SERVICES  
AND ANSWER QUESTIONS DIRECTLY FROM THE PUBLIC

SCAN HERE TO  
REGISTER



WE WANT TO KNOW! WHAT  
CHALLENGES DO YOU SEE FOR  
OUR COMMUNITY IN  
ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH  
IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM?  
WHAT ARE YOUR IDEAS TO  
ADDRESS THEM? WHAT WOULD  
YOU LIKE US TO KNOW?

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