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LULAC District XVIII will hold a Press Conference along with, the Greater Houston Coalition for Justice, We the People Organized, and Texas Cops and Communities to denounce the senseless shooting of the Los Angeles sheriff's deputies over the weekend

September 17, 2020

Time 11:00 am

Location: City Hall Reflection Pool

LULAC District will hold a Press Conference along with, the Greater Houston Coalition for Justice, We the People Organized and Texas Cops and Communities to denounce the senseless shooting of the Los Angeles sheriff's deputies over the weekend and the growing cases of police brutality and the use of deadly force against citizens.

Unfortunately, we have all bared witness to the civil unrest plaguing our country. It is without a doubt, the systemic issues will require an all hands-on deck approach. While we praise the hard work and leadership of Mayor Sylvester Turner, Police Chief Acevedo, and DA Kim Ogg that Houston has not experienced civil unrest, as other cities, we understand they cannot do it all.

The problems we face are significant, it is imperative we start the healing process and begin to bridge the relationship with law enforcement and the greater community.

We understand that no one municipality or organization can do this work alone and calls on local leaders, elected officials and celebrities to join us in helping to keep citizens and police officers safe.

Texas Cops and Communities, Inc. is partnering with communities across the state of Texas to close the cop and civilian chasm through providing educational opportunities that engage both cops and civilians.

Texas Cops and Communities, Inc. mission is to build capacity in communities to close the gaps that exists between cops and civilians as well as to eradicate systemic racism and retaliation in law enforcement through providing:

- Civilian interaction training to both civilians and cops;
- Backbone technical support for non-profits that are engaged in this work through collective impact opportunities;
- Legislative grass-root and grass-top advocacy at the local, state, and national levels to push policing reform efforts that make sense;
- Pro-Bono legal representation through our attorney network; and
- Police Whistle Blower confidential infrastructure intake and case management program to support good cops who report police misconduct.

"Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., once stated, 'Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that,' and Texas Cops and Communities, Inc., is partnering with cities, non-profit organizations, businesses, and faith-based and community leaders to ensure we share the love and keep the lights on," said Noel Pinnock, President/CEO of Texas Cops & Communities, Inc.

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