



TOWN OF LOS GATOS
DEI COMMISSION REPORT

MEETING DATE: 02/13/2025

ITEM NO: 4

DATE: February 7, 2025

TO: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Commission

FROM: Holly Young, Senior Management Analyst

SUBJECT: Discuss Outreach to the Community in the Categories of (1) Education/Schools, (2) Religious Groups, (3) Businesses, and (4) Non-Profits/Service Organizations Regarding Opportunities for Collaboration (Related to DEI Plan Goal C, Item 1.a.i.).

RECOMMENDATION:

Discuss outreach to the community in the categories of (1) Education/Schools, (2) Religious Groups, (3) Businesses, and (4) Non-Profits/Service Organizations regarding opportunities for collaboration (related to DEI Plan Goal C, Item 1.a.i.).

REMARKS:

On July 11, 2024, the Commission unanimously voted to create four ad hoc subcommittees focusing on community outreach in the areas of (1) Education/Schools, (2) Religious Groups, (3) Businesses, and (4) Non-Profits/Service Organizations to develop a set of outreach questions for the organizations in each category in order to support a listening campaign. The ad hoc subcommittees will need to complete their work and disband by the DEI Commission's June 18, 2025 meeting.

The ad hoc subcommittees are currently comprised as follows:

- Education/Schools: Commissioners Carmen Lo, Varilly Isaacs, Folake Phillips, Ryan Idemoto, and Aanya Singh
- Religious Groups: Vice Chair Diane Fisher and Commissioners D. Michael Kane, Folake Phillips, and Tooba Ahmed
- Businesses: Chair Gordon Yamate and Commissioners D. Michael Kane and Carmen Lo
- Non-Profits/Service Organizations: Chair Gordon Yamate, Vice Chair Diane Fisher, and Commissioners Aanya Singh and Varilly Isaacs

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SUBJECT: Community Outreach

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On October 10, 2024, the Commission unanimously voted to move forward with the outreach to schools, religious groups, businesses, and non-profits/service organizations using the following questions:

- Does your (school/business/religious group/non-profit or service organization) have concerns about the issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Town of Los Gatos?
- What are you most hopeful for relative to these concerns?
- Do you see opportunities for the Town to do more to promote and ensure diversity, equity, and inclusion?
- What type of support could the Town and the DEI Commission provide to your (school/business/religious group/non-profit or service organization) to provide a more inclusive community?

The Commission may continue to discuss this item.

The Commission may wish to add new Commissioner Anne Lamborn to an ad hoc subcommittee.

Commissioner Idemoto submitted the comments in Attachment 1.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Commissioner Comments