



TBOC Newsletter

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Welcome to the first issue of the Taking Back Our Community (TBOC) Newsletter. The intent of the newsletter is to keep members up to date on the activity of the coalition, provide a new member update and forward related stories of interest.

California Public Safety Partnership Submits Proposed Ballot Measure

On October 30, 2017 the California Public Safety Partnership (CAPSP) submitted to the Attorney General's office a proposed ballot initiative called the "Reducing Crime and Keeping California Safe Act of 2018".

This initiative will enact a broad range of critical reforms including the following:

- *The initiative will allow serial theft to be charged as a felony for people who are convicted of a third theft of property worth \$250 or more. It will also allow thefts committed by organized snatch-and-grab theft rings to be charged as felonies.*
- *The initiative will reinstate DNA collection for certain misdemeanor convictions.*
- *The initiative will still allow early release of non-violent offenders but will add to the list of violent crimes for which early release is not an option. A few examples of violent crimes added by the initiative include: child trafficking for sex, rape of an unconscious person, domestic violence, assault*

of a peace officer, drive-by shooting, and exploding a bomb with intent to injure.

- *The initiative will require a mandatory court hearing for anyone who is charged with a third violation of parole.*

For more information on Initiative #17-0044, click on the following link: "[Reducing Crime and Keeping California Safe Act of 2018](#)".

The TBOC coalition will continue to follow the measure and update members of its progress towards qualifying for the November 2018 ballot.



Aaron Moreno with the California Grocers Association (CGA) presents proposed ballot measure at the first TBOC coalition meeting on October 24, 2017.

Taking Back Our Community Updates

The Taking Back Our Community logo has undergone a transformation. The revised logo fittingly includes the State of California as a backdrop for the Taking Back Our Community text, which is set in a bold font that grabs attention and yet maintains a friendly feel with rounded edges. For continuity, the original logo is still present in the updated version and can be found in the letter "A" of the word, "BACK".



The standalone website, TakingBackOurCommunityca.com, is currently under development. The website is under design by Ready Artwork, the website and marketing company that created the initial Taking Back Our Community video. The site will provide consistent, fact based information intended to help the reader better understand the impacts of AB109, Prop 47 and the anticipated impacts of Prop 57, and thus understand the goals of the coalition and why the coalition believes an amendment to legislation is necessary. All members will be notified of the website once completed and will be encouraged to direct their constituents to the website.

As TBOC moves forward, we would like to hear back from members. If there are crime-victim stories from your community or updated statistics that you are willing to share with the group or even perhaps have featured in an upcoming marketing video, please let us know by forwarding an email to: Info@TakingBackOurCommunityCA.com.



Taking Back Our Community booth at the League of California Cities Annual Conference on September 14, 2017.

Membership Updates

Taking Back Our Community is appreciative of all the cities who have joined the coalition thus far. We are pleased to report, the coalition continues to grow. Please welcome the newest member, the City of Rancho Cucamonga, who officially became a TBOC member on November 15, 2017.

COALITION MEMBERS





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