

Community Outreach Subcommittee Minutes

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Zoom

Community Outreach Subcommittee Present: Gail Hardy (Chair), Rashad Glass, Ana Mitchell, Eyvonne Parker-Bair, Cheryl Sharp, Chief Fusaro, Rachel Timm

Staff: Ken Barone

I. Welcome & Introductions

Gail Hardy convened the meeting at 10:02 a.m. and asked members to introduce themselves.

II. Approval of the February 28, 2024 minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from February 28, 2024. The minutes were unanimously approved by members via voice vote.

III. Old Business

a. DMV Information Sharing- Updated Draft

Following the last meeting, the project staff worked on finalizing the recommended language for the DMV to share on their public displays at local branches. The subcommittee unanimously approved the following language, that should be provided to the full advisory board for final approval:

Did You Know...

- Connecticut has a racial profiling prohibition law, known as the Alvin W. Penn Act, enacted in 1999.
- The law prohibits racial profiling and requires police to report traffic stop data for annual review.
- Connecticut police are committed to fair and impartial policing.

- Complaints of racial profiling can be submitted to the police agency of the officer who stopped you or the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO).
- All complaints of racial profiling will be thoroughly investigated.

For more information about the Alvin W. Penn Law please visit www.ctrp3.org.

b. Notice to be included on past reports regarding CSP data quality

The subcommittee reviewed language to be added to past reports outlining the findings from the data audit that was conducted of the CT State Police data. After some discussion, the subcommittee unanimously approved the following language to be forwarded to the full advisory board for their consideration:

"The Connecticut Racial Profiling Prohibition Project advisory board authorized a comprehensive audit of racial profiling records submitted by the Connecticut State Police between January 1, 2014, and December 31, 2021. The audit identified inaccurate infraction records that were submitted to the racial profiling database by both troopers and constables during all years of the audit. The inaccurate records had a statistically significant impact on the analysis of Connecticut State Police data published before 2021. For more information, visit www.ctrp3.org."

c. Branford public forum- April 24, 2024

The next public forum will take place at the James Blackstone Memorial Library in Branford on Wednesday, April 24th at 5:30 p.m. Ana has been advertising the event to the public, and subcommittee members were encouraged to attend if they are available.

IV. General Discussion

The general discussion items were tabled until the next meeting due to time constraints. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.