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**THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**  
*A Quarterly Series*

# CARE

*Community Awareness,  
Response, & Engagement*

**We will begin our  
presentation shortly.**

# Today's Agenda

- I. **Welcome** – *CARE Director Cat Nou and Deputy Director Maheen Ahmed*
- II. **Why CARE?** – *CA Attorney General Rob Bonta*
- III. **DOJ in the Community** – *Chief of Staff Viviana Becerra*
- IV. **Inside CARE** – *CARE Director Cat Nou and Deputy Director Maheen Ahmed*
- V. **A Conversation with CARE** – *Jacqueline Salvi, CARE Assistant Deputy Director; Kimberly Salyphone, PIU Staff Services Manager; Kimberly McCrickard, PIU Staff Services Manager; Benjamin Nate, State Manager*
- VI. **Q&A**
- VII. **Upcoming Events and Close**



# DOJ IN THE COMMUNITY

Chief of Staff Viviana Becerra

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# Attorney General Rob Bonta

Chief of Staff

Executive

Office of Community Awareness, Response, and Engagement (CARE)

- Community Outreach Managers
- Public Inquiry Unit
- Victims' Services Unit

Communications

External Affairs

Legislative Affairs

Native American Affairs



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Hate Crimes Roundtables



AG at the State Capitol

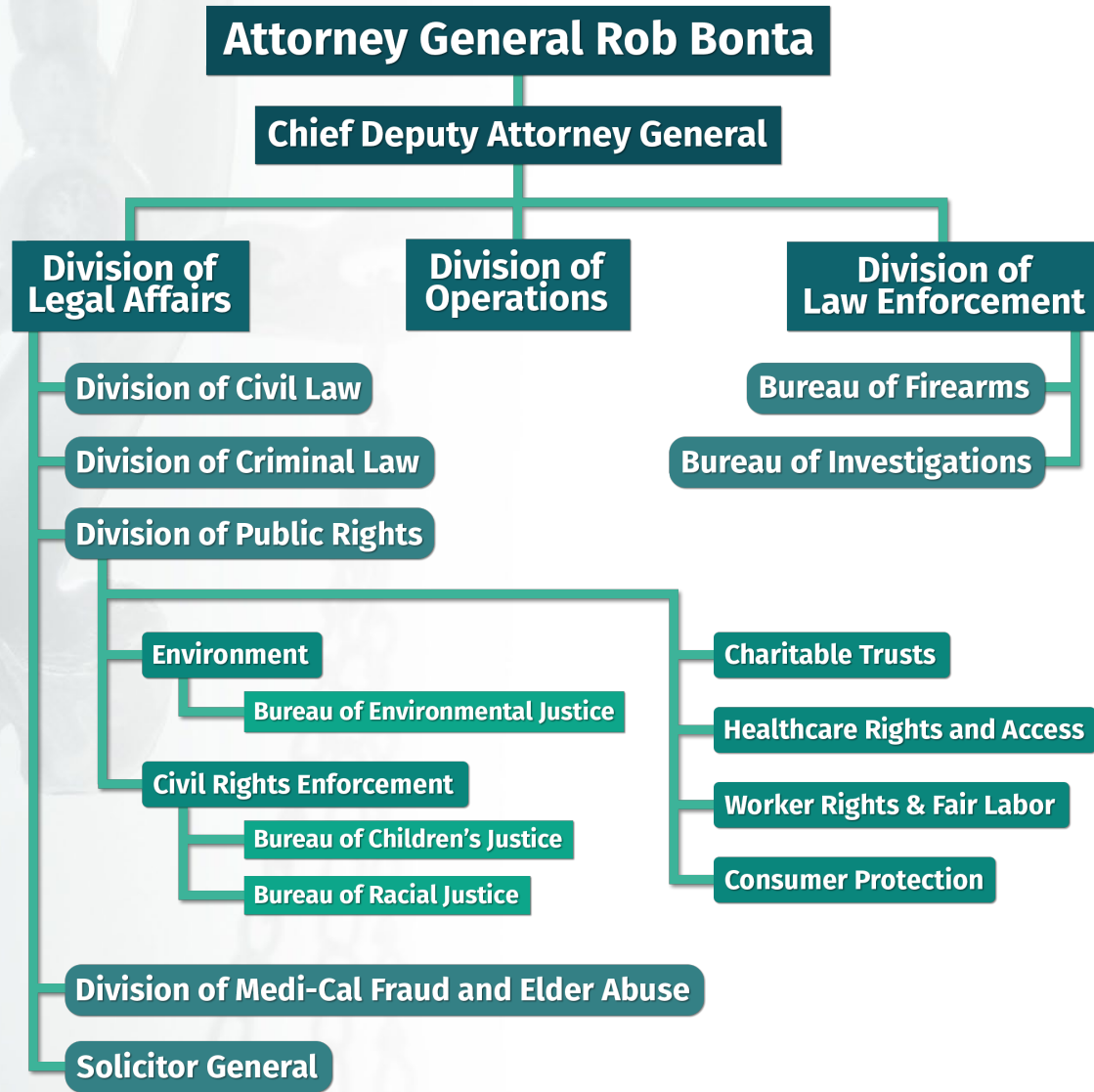


Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Event



Charity Press Conferences and Volunteering

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**NOTE:** This is not a comprehensive Department of Justice organizational chart.



# Special Assistants to the Attorney General

Francesca Gessner  
*Chief of Policy*

Damon Brown  
*Civil Rights*

Alex Fisch  
*Housing*

Jessica Gordon  
*Environment*

Michael Redding  
*Criminal Justice, Division of Law  
Enforcement, Officer-Involved  
Shootings*

James Toma  
*Healthcare*

Eleanor Blume  
*Consumer Protection, Securities,  
Antitrust*

Evan Ackiron  
*White Collar/Financial Crimes &  
Worker Rights*

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Reparations Task Force



Criminal Law



Police Practices



Office of Gun Violence Prevention

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# INSIDE CARE

**CARE Director Cat Nou & Deputy Director  
Maheen Ahmed**

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# CARE's Mission and Goals:



Develop knowledge and awareness among the public and community organizations of DOJ's mission and actions on behalf of the people of California.



Build trusted relationships with California's communities, focusing on those who have historically been marginalized and underrepresented.



Work to directly meet the needs of California's communities, particularly those who have historically been marginalized and underrepresented.



Ensure DOJ's policies and programs are directly informed by the needs of all Californians.



# CARE's Three Units:



## Community Outreach Managers

Focus on cultivating relationships with historically marginalized and underrepresented communities in line with DOJ's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all aspects of its work on behalf of the people of California, including in the fight for environmental, economic, and social justice. Community Outreach Specialists can be reached at [CARE@doj.ca.gov](mailto:CARE@doj.ca.gov).



## Public Inquiry Unit (PIU)

Serves as the primary access point for Californians seeking information or assistance from the Attorney General's Office. Direct contact information for all DOJ programs is available at [oag.ca.gov/programs](http://oag.ca.gov/programs). To file a complaint, please use our online web form at [oag.ca.gov/report](http://oag.ca.gov/report).



## Victims' Services Unit (VSU)

Provides trauma-informed services and advocacy to all crime victims, survivors, and their families at every stage of the criminal process, including families impacted by officer-involved shooting incidents (OIS) that result in the death of an unarmed civilian after July 1, 2021. In addition, VSU assists with sexual assault evidence tracking notifications through the SAFE-T system. VSU can be reached at [VictimServices@doj.ca.gov](mailto:VictimServices@doj.ca.gov).





# A CONVERSATION WITH CARE

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# Upcoming Events

## CARE Community Briefing: Immigration Rights Resources

Friday, January 10, 2025

11:00 AM -11:30 AM

Virtual Presentation

## CARE Community Briefing: Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA) Report

Tuesday, January 21, 2025

11:00 AM -12:30 PM

Virtual Presentation

Please register at [oag.ca.gov/care/community-briefings](https://oag.ca.gov/care/community-briefings)