

Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 7:26 PM
To: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Subject: Re: Pastor Troy, Las Vegas Nv- Religious Liberty Outreach

Yep.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 13, 2018, at 6:50 PM, Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Can we discuss tomorrow? Thanks.

From: Whitaker, Matthew (OAG)
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 2:25 PM
To: Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: FW: Pastor Troy, Las Vegas Nv- Religious Liberty Outreach

Can you follow up on this?

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 12:29 PM
To: Whitaker, Matthew (OAG) (b) (6)
Subject: Pastor Troy, Las Vegas Nv- Religious Liberty Outreach

Matthew,

Thank you for taking my call today.

I would greatly appreciate being introduced to the point of contact in the DOJ working on the Religious Liberty Task Force announced by AG sessions on July 31st, 2018. The Outreach component of the Task Force interests me, as I network Nationally with Pastors, Police, Civic Leaders, School Districts and Non-profits to promote partnerships with Faith Based leadership.

Please forward my contact information as well as provide the point of contact that I can follow up with at DOJ. I have included a short video <https://vimeo.com/user8244884/review/219052796/83d0cbbddd> (Password is (b) (6)) describing Law Enforcement Faith Based Partnerships.

Also an attachment describing how exercising our First Amendment Right of Religious Liberty increases Public Safety.

Thank you and blessings!

Pastor Troy

Pastor Troy Martinez

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RELIGIUS LIBERTY OUTREACH: Faith Based Leadership – Law Enforcement Partnerships for Urban revitalization, Violent Crime Reduction, Prevention, Awareness and Public Safety

Pastor Troy Martinez has demonstrated leadership and worked successfully in the inner-cities to reduce homicide, gang and gun violence. Statistical and anecdotal proven results for over 25 years in both Los Angeles, Ca and Las Vegas, NV are evidence of the Faith based violence reduction strategies documented successful outcomes to increase public safety. As founder of 10,000 kids non-profit both Criminal Justice expertise and Faith provide a wide scope of solutions to social challenges.

Pastor Martinez is the Chair of Rebuilding Every City Around Peace, Las Vegas (RECAP). RECAP LV is part of a national community-based antiviolence group that are mobilizing cities across the United States to end the era of gang-violence, gun-violence and restore neighborhoods to peace.

The RECAP Las Vegas has an official partnership with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD). Pastor Troy assisted in the development of the policy of the department to strengthen its partnership with the community by coordinating with faith-based leaders, community and business partners and stakeholders who can assist in bringing about sense of calm and peace to an affected community in the aftermath of a violent crime; help suppress future retaliatory violence stemming from that violent crime; and establish a collaborative effort to identify, develop and implement joint strategies to enhance and promote a culture of non-violence in our community.

As RECAP Chair Pastor Martinez oversees the recruitment and training of Certified Violence Responders with the police department. These Violence Responders are on call 24 hour a day. They are dispatched by the RECAP Chair when a violent crime fits the criteria; Primary Activation (Phase I) – A faith-based/community response initiated by the department when a preliminary investigation of a violent event indicates the strong probability of retaliation, a violent event that involves youth crews, gangs, or racial tension; an event so egregious that it affects the safety and security of the affected community, despite the fact there is little or no likelihood of retaliation; or circumstances prior to and/or after civil unrest incident(s).

The RECAP LV has expanded to all LVMPD Area Bureau Commands since 2013 (7th largest Police Department in the Nation). Pastor Martinez was a founding member of the original Pilot model then documented by the University of Las Vegas Nevada, Criminal Justice Department under

the “Safe Village Initiative” in 2007. The initiative saw a reduction of homicide by 40% and shootings 65% in targeted areas. The International Association of Chiefs of Police recognized LVMPD with the Webber Seavey Award for the Safe Village Initiative.

Violent Crime Reduction

Through City-Community Partnerships and Faith-Based Leadership Summary

Program Summary: The “Rebuilding Every City Around Peace” (RECAP) Initiative brings all members of the Las Vegas government and community together to reduce violence through formal partnerships and, most importantly, through a direct, personal touch. Under RECAP, faith leaders work directly with police, government, and community leaders to come up with strategies to reduce violence citywide. The Faith-based component is led by Pastor Troy Martinez.

Mission: Pilot a multifaceted partnership between faith-based organizations, law enforcement, government agencies and community to reduce overall violence and its impact. Expand the model to every Area Command throughout the Las Vegas valley. Expand a replicable RECAP model nationally.

‘Statistics’^[1]: The initial 2007 “Safe Village” pilot, which was the forerunner to RECAP:

- Started in a West Las Vegas target area of 3 square miles with a population of 19,800
- Led to a 40% reduction in homicide in one year
- Led to a 65% reduction in violence in one year
- Led to a reduction in gun-related crimes of 363 to 205 (56% reduction) in one year

The RECAP Initiative from 2007-2017:

- Expanded to a target area of 8,061 square miles with a population of 2,027,000
- Led to a decrease of 9.06% for violent calls-for-service citywide
- Increased its coalition in partnership with the Mayor of Las Vegas’s Faith Initiative(MFI) to include more than 120 faith leaders representing over 70,000 congregants. The MFI is the 2017 US Conference of Mayors Award winning program.
- Collaborated with Metro’s Multi Cultural Advisory Council and the US Department of Justice to increase police-to-community communication and relationship-building^[2]
- Led to a reduction in the number of officer-involved shootings (OIS) by 37% since 2011, with total number of fatal OIS incidents down by 67%
- Created the Nevada Sex Trafficking Awareness Campaign and airing an Emmy-nominated documentary to 187,000 households and training more than 18,000 high school students per semester on sex-trafficking awareness and prevention

After ten years of successful reduction in violent crime and homicide solvability increases, RECAP is prepared to expand to other cities in collaboration with National partnerships. It is our current commitment to collaborate with Federal, State, and local law enforcement and replicate violence reduction in additional cities. Host strategic plan convening, templates, training

manuals and workshops for engaging, educating, equipping, and empowering national leaders in Las Vegas NV. Our proven strategy and unique models for execution can easily be scaled without placing increased pressure for tax payer funding.

[1] Sources: 2008 Herman Goldstein Award Submittal, "The Safe Village Initiative: Reducing Violent Firearms and Gang-Related Crime in West Las Vegas," (2010). UNLV Swanson, Daniel Duane: "A Secondary Analysis of the Las Vegas Safe Village Initiative".

[2] Sources: "Assessment of the Collaborative Reform Initiative in the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department: A Catalyst for Change", Department of Justice Report 2017. US Conference of Mayors City Livability Award 2017 and National All-American City Award in 2016.

MAYOR'S FAITH INITIATIVE. Pastor Martinez is a founding member of the City of Las Vegas Mayor's Faith Initiative (MFI). The MFI further strengthens the community's ability to reduce violent crime and increase public safety. In 2012, over 120 faith leaders representing over 70,000 congregants from the Las Vegas Valley houses of worship responded to the Mayor's invitation to help change the city through Faith in Action. This was an expansion of the original Las Vegas Mayor's Community Interfaith Council founded in 2006 to build coalitions between entities such as faith-based organizations, police, courts, community organizations, specifically around critical public safety concerns;

- Create cultures of trust, with the goal of sharing information and resources within these coalitions; and
- Use proven principles and methods to combat and eventually neutralize the current culture of violence with a culture of peace and provide alternatives to promote healthy communities. It will also repair the relationships between inner-city communities and public safety stakeholders.

The Mayor's Faith Initiative utilizes the faith-based institutions that are embedded in neighborhoods as part of an emergency response plan regarding potential civil unrest or rioting, before and after an event. Pastor Martinez provides leadership and inspiration to harness passion into deliberate action and purposeful and pragmatic social services. The MFI was a finalist of the national **All-American City Award** in 2016. **The US Conference of Mayors 2017 "City Livability Award"** recipient was Las Vegas' Mayor's Faith Initiative recognized as both replicable and sustainable model to improve quality of life.

SEX TRAFFICKING. Pastor Martinez is the Executive Director of the Nevada Sex Trafficking Awareness Campaign (NSTAC). The statewide campaign launched in 2014. While directing the campaign Pastor Martinez was able to bring together a collaboration of the US Attorney of the District of Nevada, Nevada Attorney General, Clark County District Attorney, The Southern Nevada Human Trafficking Task Force which included the FBI, Local Police and Fire

Departments, Nonprofits and faith-based entities. The campaign kicked off with an award winning and Emmy nominated half hour documentary film produced by Pastor Martinez called "Trafficked No More". Collaborating with NBC, CBS, ABC, PBS and Fox Television Stations to donate millions of dollars of air time to air simultaneously and uninterrupted to over 187, 000 viewing households.

The US Department of State's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons vetted the "Trafficked No More" documentary high school version as well as student handbooks. The Clark County School District with over 300,000 students (5th largest in the Nation) utilizes the materials to provide a free "Trafficked No More" handbook to students after prevention class conducted by School Psychologists, Counselors and Health Teachers. Thousands of High School students receive these resources every year. The campaign continues to be successful to raise awareness of the issue of human sex trafficking by also conducting outreach and education in the community. This is sustained with no federal or state funding, only in-kind gifts, collaborations, private donation and millions of free airs time from the media. *The Clark County School District with 150,000 High School students utilizes the NSTAC as its sole resource to train 500 teachers and 18,000 students per semester.*

Police Officers Standard Training (POST) The State of Arizona utilized portions of the "Trafficked No More" materials in the Police Officers Standard Training (POST) of 16,000 Peace Officers statewide. This preparation for the increase of sex trafficking around Super Bowl XLIX in Phoenix in February, 2015 played a role in the identification and rescue of 23 minors being trafficked.

COALITION BUILDING. Pastor Martinez has worked with the Governor's Office of the State of Nevada and Nevada's First Lady. In 2007 a Coalition led by pastor Martinez began working to create a drug prevention model to reduce methamphetamine use in the Nevada. The Las Vegas Crystal Darkness Campaign reduced high school students trying meth by 50% by 2008. Pastor Martinez received the **Governor's Points of Light Award** in 2008 for his leadership.

DRUG PREVENTION STATEWIDE & REGIONAL EXPANSION DRUG PREVENTION The Las Vegas Crystal Darkness Campaign model was replicated in California, Washington, Oregon, Oklahoma, Colorado, and New Mexico.

Every Major Television Network Statewide in Nevada aired the Documentary. Encore showing of the Documentary's air dates and times will be posted on the website.

Las Vegas has suffered greatly with 22,000 people attending the 1 October tragedy in addition to all the first responders, police, fire, rescue and hospital personnel who were directly involved. The loss of 58 deceased and more than 800 injured has created a renewed emphasis on violence prevention and public safety.

All sectors of our community participation are vital to the 3 to 5-year plan that is being drafted. The data and feedback from the crowd sourcing will assure the public has a voice in their ability to heal and be involved in the process as the plan evolves based on survey responses

RECAP and OCT 1, responses:

RECAP violence responders went to hospitals, Metro HQ, Convention Center, and met with families to assist in Death Notifications Oct. 1, 2017

POST October 1, RECAP Community Response - Initiatives

A. Oct. 2nd 2017: City of Las Vegas/ RECAP community response on Oct. 2nd with Mayor on steps of City Hall Prayer Vigil and worship service.

B. Oct. 7th 2017: Mayor's Faith Initiative/ RECAP host Vice President Pence at LV City Hall and prayer walk Oct. 7th.

C. Nov. 3rd & 4th 2017: Standing United/ RECAP Trauma and Man-Made Violence symposium

D. December 2017: BELIEVE AGAIN Documentary Television premier and Crowd Sourcing launch.

E. Jan. 13th 2018: Mayor's Unity Prayer Breakfast/ RECAP/ SUSTAIN Trauma Recovery introduction and registration.

E. Feb. 10th 2018: RECAP/ SUSTAIN Trauma Recovery certification classes at LVMPD HQ with 77 Non-Profits, Churches and Chaplains.

MASS SHOOTINGS FAITH BASED AND COMMUNITY RESPONSE AND TRAUMA RECOVERY

BELIEVE AGAIN initiative founding members have effectively bridged the gap between government entities, law enforcement, educators, business owners and the faith-based community in the aftermath of manmade disasters similar to the way that the City of Las Vegas realized a significant reduction in crime and improved awareness of sex trafficking and drug prevention.

The BELIEVE AGAIN COMMUNITY COLLABORATION operates as a Coalition of like-minded leaders in the above-described occupations, whereby the combined resources, energies, expertise and spheres of influence are joined together to combat the social issues and challenges the quality of life for that community's residents. The Coalition is committed to using the templates developed through its past ten years of successfully reducing crime and increasing public safety in the City of Las Vegas.

The focus of this business plan is to identify its future target clients, explain its marketing strategy, and to establish internal procedures so it can engage, equip, and enable other leaders to emulate the same model in their cities.

SUSTAIN PROGRAM TRAUMA RECOVERY Mental Health Social Issues, Post Traumatic Stress Disorders from Mass Shootings. The SUSTAIN Trauma Recovery is in partnership with the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC) is offering this training at no cost in order to help mobilize and train the body of Christ to facilitate, the trauma-based bible study group, Living Hope, in order to bring healing to those who have been traumatized by the October 1st tragedy. The specific details of the Sustain road-map to recovery and healing. Sustain is a plan that is working together with the local faith-based community of leaders, pastors, chaplains, churches local law enforcement, local media, licensed Christian counselors as well as local counseling centers.

We appreciate the collaborative teamwork of the American Association of Christian Counselors, Standing United, Believe AGAIN, Las Vegas and the City-Wide Unity Prayer gatherings of churches who are leading the way in bringing healing to Las Vegas. We truly believe Las Vegas is already serving as a national example of how the body of Christ can come together, unite with city officials, rise up and respond to tragedy with a message of hope and healing to the victims of trauma.

CROWD SOURCING can be utilized to provide the opportunity that is desperately needed to seek and unleash the human potential. It can help enable our ability to reach the inner creativity, talent and basic desire to release/exchange the thoughtful expression of ideas in an organized way that can lead to the tangible delivery and implementation of solutions to address the difficult challenges that are currently facing the city of Las Vegas Trauma recovery as well as a reference for other cities experiencing Mass Shootings.

The deployment of a crowdsourcing platform to compliment the Las Vegas initiative aimed to assist in the healing/restoration of both the individuals impacted and the residents of the city. Furthermore, a crowdsourcing engagement can also be utilized to enable a proactive measure to mitigate possible future gun violence. Crowdsourcing is a novel and viable approach to assist this initiative in the following ways:

1. Examine new ideas to prevent violence and create awareness of gun violence: Desired outcome would be for the public to be involved in restoration of the process by offering compelling suggestions that can be implemented as viable solutions.
2. Promote an outlet for the organized expression of feelings and ideas that can promote emotional well-being and reduce fear related to the mass shooting event.
3. Study how a city responds to a tragic event and document best practices for its recovery: Desired outcome would be to recognize the impact of gun violence on a city and utilize these findings and ideas to help aid in potential future events either in Las Vegas or throughout the country,

COMMUNITY CATALYST & FAITH BASED LEADRESHIP provide Coalition building, consulting and training for City Officials, Law Enforcement, Faith-Based Leaders, business owners and Nonprofits interested in emulating much of the success the Coalition's members accomplished over the past 10 years of work with the Mayor of Las Vegas' Faith Initiative.

REPLICABLE MODEL

The majority of the 1,407 cities in the United States have populations that exceed 30,000, of which the majority are experiencing crime, gang and drug activity as well as many other social issues that negatively impact the quality of life for its community residents. The social issues these cities face is too big for one government, the law enforcement, the faith-based houses of worship, nor the business community can solve independently.

It is the Coalition's objective to train and equip leaders from these communities who desire to emulate the programs and procedures that have been employed by the faith-based community in Las Vegas; and to do so without placing additional demand for tax dollars.

The Coalition has established proven models, or templates, for working with the following types of leaders:

- Faith-based organizations - this template prescribes methods, terminology and practices than are aimed at solving the social ills within the community

- Government and Law Enforcement - this template outlines how to engage local public officials to gain their endorsement by working together to solve the social issues using the resources of the faith-based community, business owners and non-government nonprofits orgs.
- Local business owners - The Coalition educates, consults, and encourages local business owners on win-win methods of gleaning where business owners commit a portion of their profits as a means of giving back to the communities that patronize their businesses. The template provides identification of participating businesses to the community thus encouraging community residents to patronize BELIEVE AGAIN partners. Lastly, the business donations are fully tax deductible and in many cases the business owners will realize increased profits based upon the publicity received by associating with BELIEVE AGAIN.

The key to success is found in educating, engaging, and empowering these leaders to work together in one unified fashion where the sum of all the parts is greater than the whole. Such cooperation between vastly different fields of practice and expertise is mission-critical toward successfully impacting the community in a tangible way that is felt by all. By unifying the various leaders, the local Coalition can effectively minimize its dependence on government tax dollars while at the same time improving the quality of life for its residents and therefore improving profits for its for-profit partners.

Financial Considerations

The organization must rely heavily upon collaborating with public and private donors, business, and foundation sponsorship as well as like-minded leaders to launch and sustain its first six months activities. After that, it is expected that the public-private donations, fees and sponsorship funds from the training programs, workshops and speaking engagements will sustain the Coalition's ongoing operational expenses. To coin a phrase used by the LVMPD Sheriff, the existing partnership operates as a "force multiplier," thereby multiplying the resources of all involved parties to produce more than each could independently.

LOS ANGELES GANG INTERVENTION. Los Angeles California inner cities violence interruption and para church ministry. Pastor Martinez is a native of Los Angeles and was instrumental in leading gang violence intervention in the mid 1980's thru the height of gang homicides in 1991. Partnerships with Churches and NGOs in many of the most violent neighborhoods were formed to reduce homicides in Compton, East and West LA, South Central LA and San Fernando Valley. In 1991 the City of Long Beach experienced a spike in violence between newly formed Asian gangs from the Southeast Asia refugee population and Black and Hispanic gangs. Pastor Martinez established a Church plant that outreached to the affected area and eventually was instrumental in a gang truce. The ministry is continuing to serve Long Beach to date.

LOS ANGELES RIOTS 1992, POST RIOT RESPONSE. The LA Riots brought a new era of tension between law enforcement and inner-city communities. While living through the riots and aftermath was a significant setback there were some lessons learned by community leaders. POST RIOT RESPONSE is a critical component to normalizing the community. The realization that an approach of urgent response to any future escalating tensions must be taken. Engaging directly on the streets in the most affected areas to mitigate the damage and trauma was the approach taken by Pastor Martinez and 47 area Teams in the greater Los Angeles area.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT / AT RISK YOUTH. Government Housing Projects, HUD Section 8 Voucher residents and violent crime in Los Angeles. Pastor Martinez established an additional Church plant in the Los Angeles Harbor area in 1993 and remained serving there thru 1998. The church location was two blocks from the housing projects and many of the residents in the surrounding neighborhood received Section 8 Vouchers. There was an obvious connection to homicide, violent crime, drug addiction and distribution, prostitution, racial tension and gang activity and the housing projects. The church and para church ministry continue to date. The notable successes are the families that could escape the cycle of poverty and violence. 23 years later 46-year-old Tim a husband and father now makes \$50. Per hour working at a refinery. Tim was a former Crip gang member and drug dealer who never worked a day in his life until his life changed as he was mentored through the ministry. Another example is Ed who had his common-law wife with six children on welfare, section 8 housing, food stamps, WIC program and Medicaid. Ed was a gang leader in the Hispanic gang and was unwilling to marry and take responsibility of his family due to fear of the government benefits being cut. Through counseling with Pastor Martinez, he came to realize the cycle of poverty his family would be bound too. Ed has now been married for 20 years and is a leader in the church and has a high paying job. Ed's adult children work and have never been on any government aid, the cycle of poverty has been broken.

Pastor Troy and wife Sandra have been married for 38 years. Have four adult children and nine grandchildren. Senior and founding Pastor of the East Vegas Christian Center since 1998. Founder of the 10,000 Kids Non-Profit organization since 2005 www.10000Kids.org . Pastor Troy has made it his life's calling to serve in the inner cities of America. A common thread of the many works he has been involved in is that there is a severe humanitarian need to be met.

Pastor Troy can go into a challenging or violent situation troubleshoot- quickly access the needs on the ground then create momentum to move in a positive direction. Troy is gifted at assembling passionate people to commit to a common goal. The results are evident in lives being saved and communities transformed. The fact that the efforts are community driven

allows progress and quick results. Local politics or systematic challenges will not impede the task at hand.

Pastor Troy has a unique perspective he gained through life experience. Born in Los Angeles to a teenage mother who herself was raised in an orphanage. Troy did not meet his father until Troy was 50 years old. Poverty, Drugs, Crime, Gangs, and cycles of violence were a social norm in the home and life as a youth. The personal transformation he preserved is an incredible asset to others.

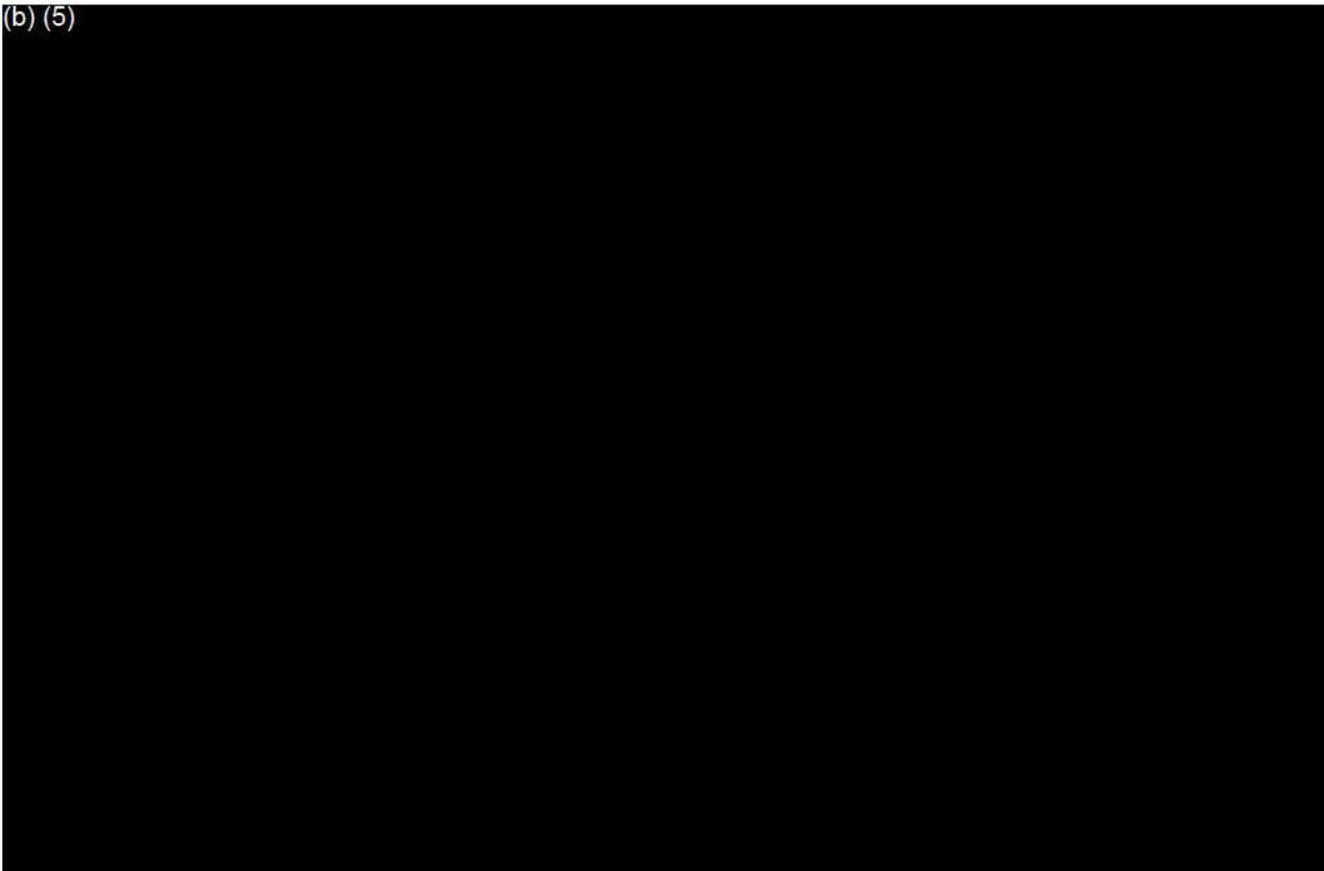
The efforts by the Las Vegas Faith and Community as a whole have many commonalities with other cities who face similar social challenges, public safety and quality of life issues. Our wide scope of experience may provide solutions that benefit families and entire communities.

Pastor Troy Martinez,

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From:
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 5:53 PM
To: Cox, Stephen (OASG); Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Subject: VAWA reauth / religious exemption

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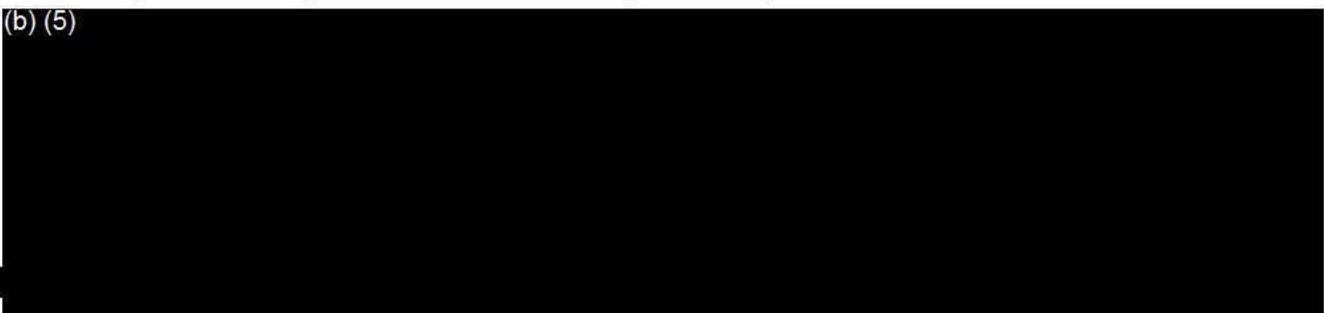


From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 2:48 PM
To: Cox, Stephen (OASG) <scox@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: VAWA reauth

Steve, I am going to split into two separate email chains since we have two distinct issues here. (b) (5)



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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

Subject: TF
Location: Jennie's office / 4257

Start: Tuesday, August 14, 2018 3:00 PM
End: Tuesday, August 14, 2018 4:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Required Attendees: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)

From: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 4:28 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: mtg w Abba Cohen

Sure if I can. Also, I'm basically free after 2:45 tomorrow.

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Saturday, August 11, 2018 8:51 PM
To: Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: mtg w Abba Cohen

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Separate from (b) (5); let's def talk further whenever you're free. Think you said Tuesday?
I'm available whenever. (b) (6) Talk soon.

Jennie

From: Williams, Beth A (OLP)
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 2:45 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Crytzer, Katherine (OLP) <kcrytzer@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Thanks and follow up

Hi Jennie, I think it would be a great idea to meet with him and hear what he has to say. The schedule is changing constantly now, so I don't want you to schedule around me, but I'd be happy to drop in and say hello while he's here. Just let Katie and me know when he's planning to come.

Maybe the subcommittee of the Task Force can meet with him together?

Thanks,
Beth

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 10:53 PM
To: Williams, Beth A (OLP)(b) (6)
Subject: FW: Thanks and follow up

Beth, see below for an email from a rep from one of the Jewish groups we met with at a listening session. He raised an issue with religious comp time – (b) (5)

Would you like to meet him when he comes by to meet with me? (I haven't responded to his email yet but will tell him I'd be happy to talk further with him.) I'll schedule around your availability, if you're interested.

Thanks!
Jennie

From: Abba Cohen <acohen@agudathisrael-dc.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 4:04 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Thanks and follow up

(I had sent this to you last week but I guess I had the wrong email address, as it kept bouncing back.)

Jennie:

Just wanted to drop you a note to thank you for both the "listening session" and the "summit." Both were great – interesting, educational, inspiring and thoroughly enjoyable. I hope we will have much such opportunities.

I also very much would like to follow up with you in regard to the "religious comp time for federal employees" issue I raised at the meeting. I have some material that I think you should see and some background to share. Might you have some time for a brief meeting next week?

As I mentioned, I have brought this up with the WH and, frankly, I think it would be another great step and victory for the Administration on the religious liberty front!

Please let me know.

Looking forward to working together.

Abba



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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 3:31 PM
To: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Subject: Task Accepted: Thanking the AG for implementing the Religious Liberty Task Force

Subject: Thanking the AG for implementing the Religious Liberty Task Force
Start Date: Monday, August 20, 2018
Due Date: Monday, August 27, 2018

Status: Not Started
Percent Complete: 0%

Total Work: 0 hours
Actual Work: 0 hours

Owner: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Requested By: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)

Good morning,

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Davis, Valorie A (OLP)

From: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 2:36 PM
To: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Cc: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Bcc: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Subject: Thanking the AG for implementing the Religious Liberty Task Force

Good morning,

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 3:31 PM
To: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Subject: RE: Thanking the AG for implementing the Religious Liberty Task Force

Val, I don't think I have this one yet do I?

-----Original Task-----

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Priority: Normal

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Requested by: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)

Good morning,

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Davis, Valorie A (OLP)

From: Davis, Valorie A (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 13, 2018 2:37 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: Task Request: Thanking the AG for implementing the Religious Liberty Task Force

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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Saturday, August 11, 2018 9:54 PM
To: Steve McFarland - US
Subject: RE: Good to meet you last week

Thanks very much for your kind words. I'm sure we will talk again soon.

Jennie

From: Steve McFarland - US <SMcFarla@WorldVision.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 6:51 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Good to meet you last week

Jennie:

The honor was mine. Thank you for soliciting our views and for listening so patiently. I am indeed grateful that people of your caliber and heart are in DOJ at such a critical time.

Please do not hesitate to let me know how I can support your work on behalf of religious liberty.

Gratefully,

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) [<mailto:Jennifer.Lichter@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 11:49 AM
To: Steve McFarland - US <SMcFarla@WorldVision.org>
Subject: Good to meet you last week

Steve,

It was very good to meet you last week during our listening session at the DOJ. I'd heard your name (all good things!) in the past from Anthony Picarello and others who till the same soil, and I'm glad to have

connected. Thank you for the thoughts you shared with us and for the good work that you do.

I look forward to crossing paths again. Please feel free to be in touch at any time.

Best,
Jennie Lichter

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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Saturday, August 11, 2018 2:48 PM
To: Abba Cohen
Subject: RE: Thanks and follow up

Great. I'll be back in touch soon.

From: Abba Cohen <acohen@agudathisrael-dc.org>
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 7:05 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Thanks and follow up

Disregard the email I just sent!

I just received this.

Hopefully we're in the same time zone now!

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 10, 2018, at 5:56 PM, Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <Jennifer.Lichter@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Hi Abba,

Thank you for your email, which did not reach me last week but which I was happy to receive on Wednesday! I'm sorry for my delayed response.

I'm very interested in the issue you raised about religious comp time, and I'd be happy to talk more about this so that I can understand better the precise nature of the problems. I may loop in one or two others from the DOJ but have not had a chance to compare schedules yet, so I'm not ready to put a meeting date and time on the calendar. But sometime next week should work. Do you have any schedule constraints that I should be aware of?

Many thanks.
Jennie

From: Abba Cohen <acohen@agudathisrael-dc.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 4:04 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Thanks and follow up

Duplicative Material

August 10, 2018 OLP Weekly Report

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| <p>Religious Liberty—</p> <p>OLP is working with OASG to lay the groundwork for the new Religious Liberty Task Force announced by the AG last week.</p> <div data-bbox="172 722 810 1185" style="background-color: black; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 20px; font-size: 48px; font-weight: bold;">(b) (5)</div> | None at this time | OLP: Jennie Lichter (4-4606) | None at this time |
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August 3, 2018 OLP Weekly Report

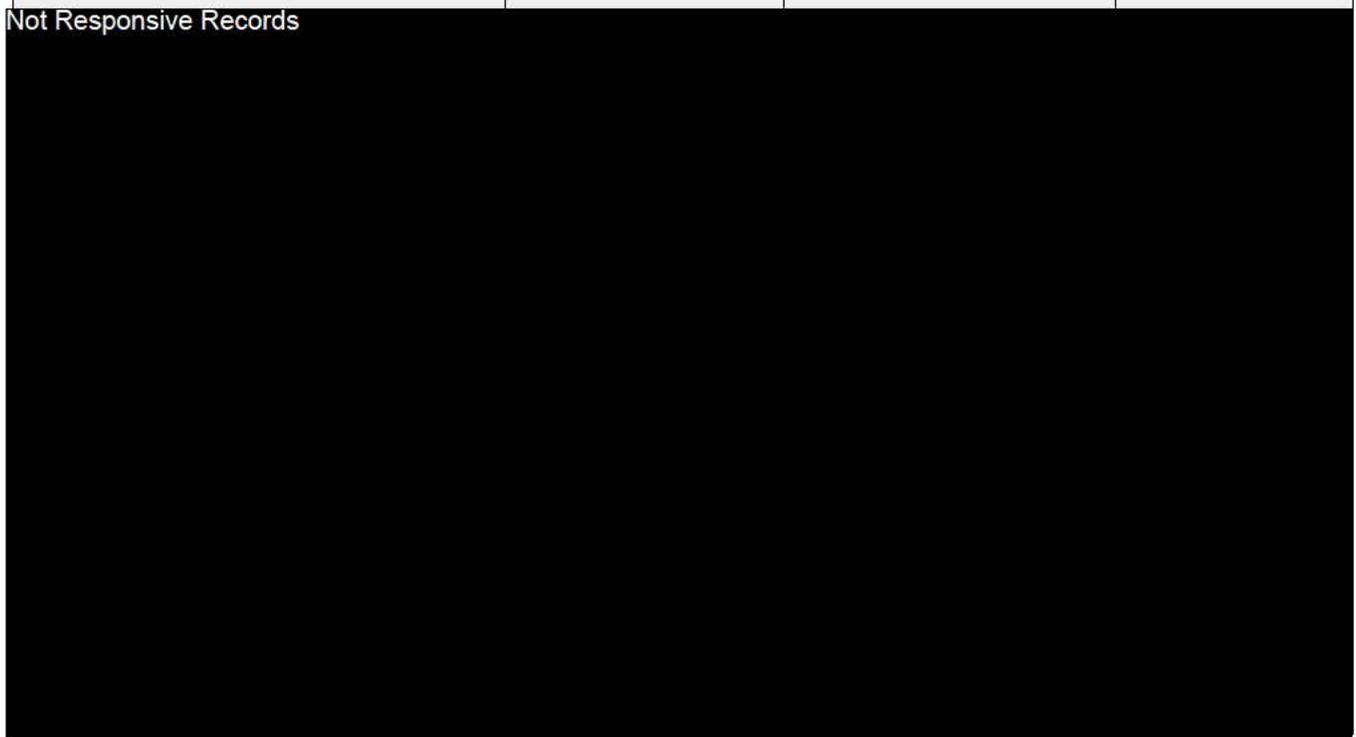
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| <p>Religious Liberty</p> <p>On July 30, OLP co hosted the Religious Liberty Summit with OAG, OASG, CRT, and OPA. AAG Williams has been named Vice Chair for Policy of the new Religious Liberty Task Force announced by the AG at the event.</p> <p>(b) (5) [Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> <p>[Redacted]</p> | None at this time | OLP: Jennie Lichter (4 4606) | None at this time |

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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 11:27 AM
To: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG)
Subject: RE: task force
Attachments: Task Force Prep Mtg_8.9.docx

Thanks! I moved things around a little. (b) (5)

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See you soon.

From: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 11:14 AM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: task force

Please take a look. (b) (5)

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[REDACTED]

From: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 11:12 AM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: task force

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 10:20 AM
To: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG) <jehall@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: task force

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Hudson, Andrew (OLP)

From: Hudson, Andrew (OLP)
Sent: Thursday, August 9, 2018 7:33 AM
To: Williams, Beth A (OLP)
Cc: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: Re: The Hill piece / religious liberty

It sure does.

On Aug 9, 2018, at 7:26 AM, Williams, Beth A (OLP) (b) (6) wrote:

That's crazy. Twitter shows you those numbers?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 8, 2018, at 9:24 PM, Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Beth did you see this from the AG's speech to ADF tonight? Incredible. :

Last Monday we held a religious liberty summit at the Department of Justice and I announced our next steps. I announced our new Religious Liberty Task Force.

More than 100,000 people tweeted about it. It was the third most tweeted-about topic on Earth at one point that day. Late-night comedians joked about it—although 'joke' is a generous term for their doings.

Contrary to the elites and their "resistance," this task force is simply going to help us fully protect our religious freedoms that are preexisting, unalienable.

From: Williams, Beth A (OLP)
Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 6:48 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Hudson, Andrew (OLP) <ahudson@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: The Hill piece / religious liberty

Thanks!

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Wednesday, August 8, 2018 3:40 PM
To: Williams, Beth A (OLP) (b) (6) >
Cc: Hudson, Andrew (OLP) <ahudson@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Fwd: The Hill piece / religious liberty

Some nice ongoing coverage -

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Treene, Eric (CRT)" <Eric.Treene@crt.usdoj.gov>
Date: August 8, 2018 at 12:40:13 PM EDT
To: "Gore, John (CRT)" <John.Gore@crt.usdoj.gov>, "Hall, Jeffrey (OASG)" <jehall@jmd.usdoj.gov>, "Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)" <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>, "Tucker, Rachael (OAG)" <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: **The Hill piece**

Nice piece in The Hill today:

<http://thehill.com/opinion/civil-rights/400877-the-doj-under-trump-is-standing-up-for-religious-freedom>

Timmons, Mollie (OASG)

From: Timmons, Mollie (OASG)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 2:44 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Cc: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Subject: RE: Meeting Wednesday

Okay!

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 2:10 PM
To: Timmons, Mollie (OASG) <mtimmons@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Meeting Wednesday

Hi Mollie, could you please add Rachael Tucker to the religious liberty task force prep meeting scheduled for Wednesday?

Thanks!
Jennie

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Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 2:10 PM
To: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

Great. See you then.

From: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 2:04 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

Yep!

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 1:52 PM
To: Tucker, Rachael (OAG) <ratucker@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

OASG moved this meeting to Wednesday at 1.15. that work?

From: Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 12:07 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Re: Religious Liberty Task Force

Sure. I'm free after 2:30 on Tuesday.

On Aug 5, 2018, at 10:46 AM, Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Rachael – happy Sunday. (b) (5)

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. Right now we're planning to meet on Tuesday afternoon. If that doesn't work for you but you do want to join, we can reschedule. Just let me know.

Jennie

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Treene, Eric (CRT)

From: Treene, Eric (CRT)
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 9:13 AM
To: Gore, John (CRT); Thomas, Mary (CRT); Nation, Patricia (CRT); Hall, Jeffrey (OASG); Lichter, Jennifer (OLP); Parker-Bissex, Rachel (OASG); Tucker, Rachael (OAG); Sheehan, Matthew (ODAG)
Subject: NRO

Great National Review piece from Saturday on the Religious Liberty Summit and Task Force:
<https://www.nationalreview.com/2018/08/religious-liberty-task-force-right-to-champion-first-freedom/>

And two others worth a look from over the weekend:
[https://www.realclearreligion.org/articles/2018/08/06/sessionss doj steps up to protect religious liberty 110197.html](https://www.realclearreligion.org/articles/2018/08/06/sessionss%20doj%20steps%20up%20to%20protect%20religious%20liberty%20110197.html)

<http://adflegal.org/detailspages/alliance-alert-details/how-the-media-covered-the-religious-liberty-task-force-announcement?>

Eric

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From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 4:34 PM
To: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG); Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: Religious Liberty Task Force

Dear Mr. Hall and Ms. Lichter,

I am grateful for the government's renewed attention to religious liberty. I read in Attorney General Sessions' speech about several cases where the DOJ has defended mosques and temples. I encourage the DOJ to carefully monitor the speech of pundits on television and politicians to ensure that they do not unfairly characterize people who are Muslims. I encourage the Religious Liberty Task Force to fund the development of curriculum materials for elementary, middle, and high school students that describe the basic teachings of various religions present in the United States and the accomplishments that folks from those different groups have made over the history of our nation, for instance (b) (6) and the early Muslims brought to the U.S. from Africa as slaves.

Sincerely,

(b) (6)

Nate Bult

From: Nate Bult
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 2:32 PM
To: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA)
Cc: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: RE: DOJ event today

Dorothy,

This is very helpful, many thanks for sharing the memo and your assistance on Monday.

Nate

From: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA) [mailto:Dorothy.W.Hildabrand@usdoj.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 2:05 PM
To: Nate Bult <nbult@bethany.org>
Cc: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <Jennifer.Lichter@usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: DOJ event today

Nate,

Thanks for speaking with me on Monday and sharing your concerns. I've attached a memo that announces the creation of the religious liberty task force and has a few more details. I hope it is helpful. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Dorothy

From: Nate Bult <nbult@bethany.org>
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 10:17 AM
To: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA) <dwhildabrand@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Cc: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: DOJ event today

Dorothy,

Many thanks for the call this morning. Thank you for understanding our concerns (b) (6)

— I appreciate your ensuring that (b) (6)

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Please do follow-up with me after the event so we can discuss the task force further.
Truly appreciate it!

Nate

[Nathan Bult](#)

Director of Government Affairs
Bethany Christian Services
Phone - 202.819.1387



From: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA) [<mailto:Dorothy.W.Hildabrand@usdoj.gov>]
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 9:33 AM
To: Seitz, Sarah (Lankford) <(b) (6)>
Cc: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <Jennifer.Lichter@usdoj.gov>; Nate Bult <nbult@bethany.org>
Subject: Re: DOJ event today

Nate,

Let me know if there are any questions I can answer. My number is (b) (6).

Thanks!
Dorothy

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 30, 2018, at 9:30 AM, Seitz, Sarah (Lankford) (b) (6) > wrote:

Dorothy and Jennifer –

Please meet Nate with Bethany Christian Services. He has some questions/concerns about the event this morning.

Sarah Seitz
Legislative Director and General Counsel
Senator James Lankford (R-OK)
316 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.
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Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA)

From: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA)
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 1:58 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

Will do. Thanks!

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA) <dwhildabrand@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

Yes perfect. thanks. could you also send the memo to the Bethany Christian guy? He can call me if he has additional questions that the memo doesn't answer.

Jennie

From: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA)
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 9:40 AM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

It's Congressman Ed Royce's office. I think they may have a constituent inquiring and were looking for an easy place to direct them. I can send them the link to the memo on the website to pass along, and I think that should be enough.

Thanks!
Dorothy

From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 10:43 PM
To: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA) <dwhildabrand@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: RE: Religious Liberty Task Force

Hi Dorothy, can you tell me which office is inquiring? We don't have a website for the task force and I don't imagine that we will, at least in the short term. You could provide them the Memo if they don't have it already – see attached. The Memo explains that the AG is the Chair, with OASG and OLP as co-vice-chairs (lots of media reporting has this wrong). It might answer some of their additional questions too.

Jennie

From: Hildabrand, Dorothy W. (OLA)
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 5:56 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Religious Liberty Task Force

Subject: Religious Liberty Task Force

Hi Jennie,

We've gotten some outreach from a congressional office about the Religious Liberty Task Force. Is there a website? I know that the Associate Attorney General and AAG for OLP will be co-chairing it. Is there any other information we can provide?

Thanks!
Dorothy

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Treene, Eric (CRT)

From: Treene, Eric (CRT)
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 10:14 AM
To: Gore, John (CRT); Lichter, Jennifer (OLP); Hall, Jeffrey (OASG); Thomas, Mary (CRT); Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Subject: FW: Masterpiece Cakeshop Owner Jack Phillips at Religious Liberty Summit, Plus More

From: Alliance Alert Digest <info=alliancealert.org@mail185.atl171.mcdlv.net> **On Behalf Of** Alliance Alert Digest
Sent: Wednesday, August 1, 2018 9:56 AM
To: Treene, Eric (CRT) <Eric.Treene@crt.usdoj.gov>
Subject: Masterpiece Cakeshop Owner Jack Phillips at Religious Liberty Summit, Plus More

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ADF in the News

PJ Media: Twitter Scandal and Facebook Stock Drop Are Just Symptoms 'of a Larger Backlash Against Big Tech'



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Facebook's stock dropped at a historic rate last week, and Twitter didn't fare well either. Could this dip have anything to do with the public's growing mistrust of tech companies that censor speech by relying on discredited sources like the Southern Poverty Law

Center?

-The Editors

Read more at [PJ Media](#)

- [Sessions: We Will Keep Fighting for Religious Liberty, and 'We're Going to Keep Winning'](#)
-CNS News
- [Governing Like a Bunch of Hezekiahs](#)
-Christian Post
- [Seeing threat to religious freedom, Jeff Sessions announces special task force](#)
-National Catholic Reporter
- [Appeals Court Upholds Ruling in Favor of School District Policy Allowing Girl to Use Boys' Locker Room](#)
-Christian News Network

Religious Freedom

Townhall: Masterpiece Cakeshop Baker Jack Phillips Discusses His Religious Freedom Win



Image source: Alliance Defending Freedom

Masterpiece Cakeshop owner Jack Phillips was invited to speak at the Department of Justice's Religious Liberty Summit earlier this week, where he recounted the events that led up to his case going to the U.S. Supreme Court. He also described what it was like to have his religious convictions protected by the Supreme Court.

-The Editors

Read more at [Townhall](#)

- [Sessions announces 'religious liberty task force'](#)

-The Hill

- [What Jeff Sessions' New Task Force Will Do to Defend Religious Freedom](#)

-The Daily Signal

- [US Pastor's House Arrest in Turkey Puts Religious Freedom in the Spotlight](#)

-The Daily Signal

- [State Department religious freedom summit ends with commitments, critiques](#)

-National Catholic Reporter

Marriage and Family

National Review: Protecting Religious Adoption Agencies Won't Stop LGBT People from Adopting



Image source: Pixabay via National Review

An LGBT individual writes that faith-based adoption providers should have the right to operate true to their convictions when it comes to placing children in forever homes. He forcefully argues that allowing faith-based adoption providers that freedom will not restrict the ability of LGBT individuals to adopt and will increase the number of children who are able to find loving homes.

-The Editors

Read more at [National Review](#)

- [LGBT advocates considering lawsuit over faith-related foster care denials](#)
-*The Post and Courier*
- ['LGBT Christians' conference draws SBTS, ERLC responses](#)
-*Baptist Press*
 - [Lawsuit revived over transgender woman at gym](#)
-*Detroit Free Press*
- [Transgender student in Florida can now use men's restroom](#)
-*WRAL.com*

Sanctity of Life

The Washington Examiner: Abortion is no laughing matter



Image source: Alliance Defending Freedom

A recent story in *Vanity Fair* highlighted a comedy troupe trying to normalize abortion by

joking about it. One woman writes about how this is out of line due to the emotional trauma abortion causes women. How would she know? Her mother almost chose to end her daughter's life in the womb.

-The Editors

Read more at [The Washington Examiner](#)

- [Cuomo threatens lawsuit over federal abortion changes](#)
-Associated Press
- [Planned Parenthood Sues South Carolina Over Medicaid Ban](#)
-The Daily Caller
 - [Ban on publicly-funded abortion heads to ballot](#)
-East Oregonian
- [Black Pastor Slams "Black Genocide" of Abortion: 1,800 Black Babies are Aborted Every Day](#)
-Life News

Latest News Releases

- [ADF commends HHS for life-affirming health funding reforms](#)
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- [ADF commends DOJ for creation of Religious Liberty Task Force](#)
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From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 11:25 PM
To: Hall, Jeffrey (OASG); Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Subject: Religious Liberty Task Force
Attachments: (b) (6)
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Religious Liberty Task Force:

Let me begin by thanking you both for the work that you are doing. I believe that this is an important initiative and especially so in a corrupt, biased, hostile, and predatory Department of Justice which was weaponized by the previous administration to commit egregious acts of terrorism and human rights abuses upon more qualified responsible adults. I would like to thank the Executive Office of the President and Attorney General Sessions. However, I am concerned that rampant prejudice, discrimination, and even outright illicit criminal misconduct continue unabated. In fact I recently beat Attorney General Jeff Sessions before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (b) (6) Mr. Sessions knows that I have overwhelming evidence in the United States Supreme Court Journal that will criminally prosecute his predecessors Eric Holder and Loretta Lynch, Senator Bob Corker, every Inspector General in the DOJ nationwide, EOUSA Victim Ombudsperson Marie O'Rourke, Special Counsel Robert Mueller, the Office of the Special Counsel, etc. for treason and countless crimes against humanity. How can you claim to support a Constitutional Right to Religious Liberty while simultaneously condoning these heinous atrocities and outrageous totally unacceptable behavior. I am afraid he must be using Captain Jack Sparrow's moral compass. Nevertheless, I will continue to pray for the administration and for this task force. I would strongly suggest removing unqualified activist Judges. I realize only 15 have been impeached in our nations history. I also realize that only one sitting US Senator has been impeached and it was 220 years ago. Be that as it may it is the right thing to do. Frankly, the Appellate Courts should be purged of felonious swamp creatures as should the 13 Circuit Executives though I am most familiar with Patty Nicely and Elizabeth Paret when dealing with the Judicial Misconduct and Disability of Merrick Garland and his subordinates in the DC Circuit including Brett Kavanaugh who is currently under investigation though none is needed. The child is guilty as sin and has no intention of obeying the law.

Faithfully in Service,

(b) (6)

Treene, Eric (CRT)

Subject: Religious Groups listening session #5
Location: Main CRT conference

Start: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 2:30 PM
End: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 4:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Treene, Eric (CRT)
Required Attendees: Gore, John (CRT); Aguiñaga, Ben (CRT); Nation, Patricia (CRT); Thomas, Mary (CRT); Hall, Jeffrey (OASG); Murray, Michael (ODAG); Lichter, Jennifer (OLP); Tucker, Rachael (OAG)
Optional Attendees: Frank, Michael (ODAG); Sheehan, Matthew (ODAG)

Updated list of participants:

Navigators **Doug Weber**

Association of Christian Colleges and Universities **Shirley Hoogstra**

Knights of Columbus **Andrew Walther**

Focus on the Family **Tim Goeglein**

Family Research Council **David Christensen**

World Vision **Steve McFarland**

Goeglein, Tim

From: Goeglein, Tim
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 4:04 PM
To: Treene, Eric (CRT); (b) (6) Doug [REDACTED]; shoogstra@cccu.org; andrew.walther@kofc.org; David Christensen; Steve Mcfarland - US
Cc: Goeglein, Tim
Subject: listening session

My friend Eric -

Profound thanks for the invitation to that matchless listening session at the DOJ today.

Truly, a heartfelt appreciation for arranging it, and for allowing us that kind of time and access. What a marvelous group of DOJ colleagues you brought together.

It was wonderful to see David, Doug, Shirley, Tim, and Steve; that are such stalwart friends/comrades/allies for all we believe on religious liberty and conscience issues.

And an especial thank you to Kerri Kupec, who is doing such great work. Kindly know how much we appreciate her.

Endless thanks and praise.

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Subject: listening session

We look forward to meeting with you tomorrow for the listening session at 2:30 p.m. Please come to the DOJ visitor's center by 2:20, on Constitution between 9th and 10th. I will come down to meet you there and bring you up.

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Subject: FW: NR on the summit

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Progressive Reactions to the Religious-Liberty Task Force Prove We Need It,
<https://www.nationalreview.com/corner/religious-liberty-task-force-left-reaction-shows-need>

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Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 12:25 PM
To: Treene, Eric (CRT); Gore, John (CRT); Hall, Jeffrey (OASG)
Subject: RE: Focus on the Family

Thanks for sharing!

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Subject: Focus on the Family

Statement by Focus on the Family about the task force:

<https://jimdaly.focusonthefamily.com/jim-daly-praises-new-religious-freedom-task-force/>

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 10:13 PM
To: Kelly Shackelford
Subject: RE: task force

Kelly, it was great to meet you too – I've heard your name for years (all good things!) and am glad to connect.

Thanks for your thoughts today, and for your kind words. I look forward to working together on this really important issue.

Jennie

From: Kelly Shackelford <kshackelford@firstliberty.org>
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 9:49 PM
To: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov>
Subject: task force

Jennifer,

It was great to meet you today.

Thank you for all of your work for our country. I am so glad you are a key part of the religious liberty task force.

If I can ever be of assistance, please let me know.

Kelly

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<https://www.cnn.com/2018/07/30/politics/jeff-sessions-religious-liberty-task-force/index.html>

Washington (CNN)Attorney General Jeff Sessions on Monday announced [the Department of Justice's creation of a "religious liberty task force"](#) to "help the department fully implement our religious guidance."

In a [speech](#) at the Department of Justice's Religious Liberty Summit in Washington, Sessions said the goal of the task force will be protecting religious groups from persecution.

"The task force will help the department fully implement our religious liberty guidance by ensuring that all Justice Department components are upholding that guidance in the cases they bring and defend, the arguments they make in court, the policies and regulations they adopt and how we conduct our operations," Sessions said. "That includes making sure that our employees know their duties to accommodate people of faith."

Sessions cited "a dangerous movement" aimed toward stripping away the First Amendment right to freedom of religion as a basis for forming the new task force.

"A dangerous movement, undetected by many, is now challenging and eroding our great tradition of religious freedom," Sessions said in his speech. "There can be no doubt. This is no little matter. It must be confronted and defeated."

This is not the first time Sessions promoted the idea of federal protections for religious groups.

[Sessions issued a religious liberty memorandum](#) following [President Donald Trump's executive order](#) in May 2017, [which outlined how federal administrative agencies and executive departments should interpret federal law to protect religious groups.](#)

In a memo released Monday morning, Sessions highlighted how the task force would implement the memorandum released last year.

"The Religious Liberty Task Force will continue the Department's ongoing work to implement the Religious Liberty Memorandum and the implementation memorandum," Sessions stated in the memo. "The Task Force will also consider new initiatives that will further the Department's work to protect and promote religious liberty." The task force will be co-chaired by Associate Attorney General Jesse Panuccio and Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Policy Beth Williams.

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From: Lichter, Jennifer (OLP)
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To: Williams, Beth A (OLP)
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Subject: RE: RL Task Force

Thank you!

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Looks good, Jennie. Some suggestions attached.

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Subject: RL Task Force

Beth, here is the current draft of the religious liberty task force memo. (b) (5)

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Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!
Jennie

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Thanks Jennie

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 28, 2018, at 9:43 PM, Lichter, Jennifer (OLP) <jlichter@jmd.usdoj.gov> wrote:

Beth, here is the current draft of the religious liberty task force memo. (b) (5) [REDACTED]
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Thanks!
Jennie

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