

COUNTY OF YOLO OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEFF W. REISIG, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: October 8, 2021

Contact: Jonathan Raven, Chief DDA Jonathan.raven@yolocounty.org Bilingual Spanish Representative available @ (530) 666-8356

October Virtual Commons Town Hall Meeting to Discuss Domestic Violence

(Woodland, CA) – October 8, 2021 – The Yolo County District Attorney will hold its fifth virtual Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 6pm. The discussion and data point that will be discussed at this month's meeting is domestic violence in recognition of October being Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

These one-hour monthly virtual town hall meetings, which began in June 2021, provide an opportunity to engage with local policy makers and criminal justice officials in an effort the ensure transparency by diving in to actual criminal justice data points and relevant topics. The data is gathered directly from a data transparency portal called Commons, which was created in partnership with the Yolo County District Attorney Multi-Cultural Community Council and Measures for Justice, a third party data collection team out of Rochester, NY, who manages the portal.

This month's guests are Celina Alvarez, Associate Director of Empower Yolo, Yolo County's safe shelter and resource center for families affected by domestic violence, and Officer Gina Bell, of the Woodland Police Dept. These two guests come face to face with domestic violence on a daily basis. Their insight is sure to be informative and empathetic. Meetings are hosted by Marcus Wiggins.

Register to attend at: <u>https://bit.ly/2ZWIIwi</u> To view previous town hall meetings or to learn more about the Commons Transparency Portal go to: yoloda.org.