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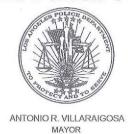
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October 4, 2011

The Honorable City Council City of Los Angeles c/o City Clerk's Office

Dear Honorable Members:

RE: DNA MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2011

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Tuesday, October 4, 2011, the Board APPROVED the Department's report relative to the above matter.

This matter is being forwarded to you for approval.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

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MARIA SILVA

Commission Executive Assistant

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LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK) Progress Report for August 31st, 2011.

Category	Historical Backlog Pre 12/8/08	Subsequent Post 12/8/08	August 2011 Activity (All cases)
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Total Kits Booked	6132 6012	3663	117
Rape Kits (LAPD)		3618	114
Sex Kits (Coroner)	120	45	3
Outsourced to Private Laboratory	4658	2505	30
Analyzed SAEK's	4658	2207	120
Submitted to Laboratory/pending return to LAPD	0	298	30
DNA profiles found	2469	1088	51
Completed Technical Review	2469	869	33
Pending Technical Review	0	219	N/A
Uploaded to CODIS	2117	500	1
Total CODIS Hits	784	310	42
Named offender only	700	270	39
Case-to-case only	34	15	1
Named offender and case-to-case	50	25	2
LAPD Laboratory Analyzed SAEK's	249	333	8
DNA Profiles Found	47	177	1
Uploaded to CODIS	29	245	2
Total CODIS Hits	23	149	1
Named offender only	19	117	0
Case-to-case only	3	14	1
Named offender and case-to-case	1	18	0
Unsuitable for Testing	1225	605	16
Remaining Untested Kits	0	518	N/A

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Overview of August 2011 Activities September 12, 2011

The Los Angeles Police Department Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK) Progress Report provides significant information about the status of the SAEK backlog elimination project. The Serology/DNA unit is also responsible for processing and conducting analysis for biological evidence unrelated to sexual assaults, as well as additional evidence related to sexual assaults. This report is a reflection of the productivity associated with the SAEKs.

Any new request for analysis of a sexual assault evidence kit is immediately put into the process of assignment to an SID criminalist for analysis (in-house or outsourced). There is no backlog of unassigned requests for analysis of SAEKs at SID.

The Report shows a total of 219 Pending Technical Reviews. All data from the analysis of SAEK's by contract labs is put into the technical review process immediately upon return from the contract labs.

Report on the Controller's Office Audit Recommendations

August 31, 2011

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The following numbered items have been completed from the Controller's Office Audit recommendations.

Recommendation #1

Reconcile the difference between the rape kit records from the physical inventory to the APIMS records to ensure that the entire rape kit backlog is accounted for.

Recommendation #2

Verify the information of the physical inventory (such as tested or not tested) with Scientific Investigation Division's (SID) database. Eliminate the kits which have already been tested and include the untested kits which were omitted from the rape kit backlog.

Recommendation #3

Assess the resources needed to clear the secondary backlog of kits awaiting technical reviews and request additional funding, if necessary.

Recommendation #4

Submit written reports to the Public Safety Committee once a month and to City Council once a quarter which show pertinent sexual assault kit statistics as described in the audit report.

Recommendation #6

Continue to place a high priority on sending out required victim notifications and seek additional resources if required. The Department should also send out notifications on pre-2004 cases that are not required by the Penal Code.

Recommendation #7

Develop protocols which will increase the likelihood that victims receive the notifications.

Recommendation #8

Update the information in the Grants Tracking System in a timely manner to prepare the Quarterly Report submitted to the Department of Justice. If needed, request access to Financial Management Information System (FMIS) from the Controller's Office.

Recommendation #9

Modify the system features of the Grants Tracking System so that month-end information will be available to the users in a more timely manner.

Report on the Controller's Office Audit Recommendations

August 31, 2011

The following numbered item remains and is an ongoing effort to reconcile from the Controller's Office Audit recommendations.

Recommendation #5

Place a high priority on developing a comprehensive master database to account for all untested rape kits and develop a formal timeline for implementing the master database.

Response:

In collaboration with Robbery-Homicide Division (RHD), Information Technology Division (ITD) has developed a patch work tracking system as a temporary solution to integrating several feeder legacy systems. This system has a limited application and does not fill the requirements of a comprehensive tracking system. The "RHD Incident Tracking System" (ITS) is currently in use Department wide to submit and track serology requests for all post December 08, 2008, Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEKs) booked into custody.

This month, RHD ITS, the interim system has been updated to provide a "Date of Import." This date will provide the "Total Kits Booked" (Imported) for the monthly DNA matrix report. The electronic data information from this database can query the amount of all SAEKs booked into Property Division based on the consistent date of import, regardless on original custody date, report date, and any other date delays due to evidence kick-back issues, providing a consistent time-valid account of SAEKs.

In response to the master database development, two consultants have been hired and have begun to gather and document the technical and business requirements that will track the collection of all property/evidence. The work progress will be monitored in monthly meetings coordinated by ITD. It is anticipated that their work process will take eight months to complete so we may then issue a Request for Proposal (RFP).

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