Street gangs continue to plague the County of Los Angeles, as well as the State of California at large. Los Angeles has been called the epicenter of gang activity according to the FBI. There are approximately 1,350 street gangs in Los Angeles County. Many of the gangs’ roots nation-wide can be traced back to Los Angeles. Although Law Enforcement has been able to reduce some gang activity, recruitment into gangs has increased. The internet, prisons and schools have all become recruitment sites. Gangs are a deviant sub-culture that in recent years have increased their participation in organized crime. Street gangs have direct involvement in the crimes of drug trafficking, robbery, and in recent years human trafficking. Street gangs not only plague our communities, but our schools as well. Often time’s schools do not know how to deal effectively with this issue. We continue to see an upswing in school and community-based gang activity throughout the county. Gang activity can escalate quickly on a school campus. Educators need to understand gang culture and implement successful intervention and prevention strategies. Schools must learn to work collaboratively with law enforcement and other agencies to share information since what happens in the community often spills over into the schools.

This one day workshop will examine gang violence and its presence on the school campus. We will discuss strategies and community based solutions. Realizing that there is no one simple approach to combating this problem in our schools and our community at large but that the key is successful collaboration between schools, parents, law enforcement, community agencies and policy makers.

Topics Covered:  
- Panel Discussion: Current gang prevention and intervention strategies, and resources.
  Panel will include a representative from Violence Prevention Coalition, The GRYD Program, Los Angeles County Probation Department, and the CEO’s Office.
- Gangs and Human Trafficking
- At-Risk Social Groups and Current Drug Trends
  Presented by Sgt. Nancy Wilkey, Orange County Sheriff's Department

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