

Antelope Valley Community Survey Project – Information Sheet

Researchers from UCLA working with the U.S. Department of Justice, and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department will be conducting a survey of Antelope Valley residents to understand the relationship between the community and the Sheriff's Department. The Principal Investigator of the study is Professor Jorja Leap. The information gathered in this survey is anonymous and confidential. No individuals will be identified and each survey will only be reviewed by the UCLA researchers, not the Sheriff's Department or the Department of Justice.

The survey is part of an ongoing effort to help the community and the Sheriff's Department better understand relations between residents and law enforcement so that they can continue to be improved and achieve the shared goals of fairness, equality, and justice.

The survey is available to complete both online and in hardcopy. The online option is preferred because it is more convenient and less expensive, so we encourage our community-based organization (CBO) partners to focus on this option where possible.

For the online option, please distribute the following link as widely as possible:

www.tinyurl.com/avcs14

For the hardcopy option, we will provide copies of the survey as well as prepaid return mailer boxes and envelopes so that our CBO partners don't incur any expense in supporting the project. We do ask that our CBO partners help protect the anonymity and confidentiality of survey respondents by providing a place where they can drop off their completed surveys. We can provide a sealed cardboard box with a slot cut in the top if helpful.

In order to encourage participation, we ask that our CBO partners send out two reminders about the survey to their members after the initial announcement – once after two weeks, and then a second reminder two weeks after that.

If anyone has additional questions about the survey, please suggest that the person contact:

avcommunitysurvey@gmail.com

or

(661) 527-0410

On behalf of all the teams working on this project, we thank our CBO partners and their members very much for their time and support.