



PROSTITUTION DIVERSION PROGRAM

The Los Angeles City Attorney's Office now provides a Prostitution Diversion Program for eligible arrestees. This program is conducted with the cooperation of the Los Angeles Police Department.

You were arrested for PC 647(a), PC 647(b), PC 653.22a or PC 653(a) Lewd Conduct (lewd conduct with a prostitute) and released per LAPD policy. Prostitution is illegal and prosecuted in this state. Due to the increase of sexually transmitted diseases and the exploitation of young adults, prostitution is no longer just a criminal justice issue; it is a public health concern.

Pending further review by the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office of the police report and your criminal record, you may have committed a criminal offense that can be prosecuted. However, you may be eligible for the Prostitution Diversion Program (PDP).

In lieu of criminal prosecution, this program is designed to educate individuals about the social, health and legal ramifications of engaging in the act of or the solicitation of prostitution. The program is further designed to provide you with access to organizations that can provide you with assistance. The program is voluntary and requires payment of an administrative fee of six hundred (\$600) to cover the costs of the program. The program is presented as an eight-hour course, usually on the last Saturday of designated months. If you are eligible and desire to participate in this program, you must take the class on the date listed on the bottom of this page. You may wish to consult an attorney as to whether or not you wish to participate in the Prostitution Diversion Program.

If you are interested in participating in the program, you must enroll in the program prior to your next court date. The upcoming class will be held at the Los Angeles Police Department's 77th Street Division at 7600 South Broadway. To enroll, follow the procedure below:

- 1) Call the Police Training Services Company enrollment number at (805) 520-5825.
- 2) Leave your full name and daytime telephone number.
- 3) If you know it, state your LAPD citation number, booking number, and/or case number.
- 4) Bring proof of a current AIDS test or be prepared to take one at the class.
- 5) To be eligible for a reduced rate (\$500) bring proof of an of official government assistance program.
- 6) Bring either \$600 dollars in cash or money order (made payable to PTSC); no checks.
- 7) At the end of the class you will be given proof of completion.