

AB 3121:
Task Force to Study and Develop
Reparation Proposals for African-Americans,
with a Special Consideration for African Americans Who are Descendants of Persons
Enslaved in the United States

Public Hearing Proposal

Proposal Overview:

- Presently, 8 public hearings left in calendar* (may be increased)
- All future public hearings changed from one day to two days.
- 5 hearings dedicated to information gathering
- At least 4 hearings dedicated to developing and presenting reparation proposals under international law standards (i.e. compensation, restitution, rehabilitation, satisfaction, and guarantees of non-repetition)
- All public hearings to include expert/public testimony + public comment
- Intended to complement and bolster community engagement

Proposal Overview:

- Task Force to call for **Requests for Proposals** (ROPs) from stakeholders before each public hearing
 - Ex. Stakeholders will submit ROPs (i.e policy proposals) on infrastructure or homelessness before Meeting 5, in which those topics will be addressed by expert/public testimony.
- ROPs will include, at minimum:
 - Proposal
 - Cost analysis
 - Implementation plan
 - Explanation on how proposals fit into categories of reparations/repair for Black/African-Americans
- Set aside time to acknowledge and briefly discuss previously submitted ROPs at each scheduled public hearing

Meeting 3 (September 2021) Topic:
**The Transatlantic Slave Trade, the Institution of Slavery (1),
and the Impetus and Implications of the Great Migration(s)(2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:
 - transatlantic slave trade,
 - the institution of slavery,
 - Expert Testimony to give primer on national reparations efforts/ international law framework
- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:
 - impetus and implications of the Great Migration(s)
 - i.e. lack of political inclusion,
 - Economic disempowerment,
 - Convict leasing,
 - Black Codes,
 - other forms of racial terror.

Meeting 4 (October 2021) Topic:
**Segregation and Discriminatory Policies in Public and Private Life:
Education, Housing, Environmental Justice(1), Wealth, Banking and Labor (2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:

- Jim Crow
- Segregation/Discrimination:
 - education,
 - housing,
 - and environmental justice.

- Day 2 will cover the following topics:

- Segregation/Discrimination:
 - racial wealth gap,
 - banking,
 - and labor (includes Black farmers + military).

Meeting 5 (December 2021) Topic:
**Infrastructure, Gentrification/Homelessness, Public Health (1) and
Entertainment, Sports, Arts, and Culture (2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:

- infrastructure,
- Gentrification,
- Homelessness,
- and public health

- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:

- entertainment, arts, sports, and culture
 - i.e. history of racism/anti-black discrimination in entertainment, arts, sports industries;
 - current barriers for Black/African-Americans in respective industries

Meeting 6 (Mid-Feb. 2022) Topic:
**History of Policing and War on Drugs (1),
and the Criminal Legal (Justice) System (2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:

- History of policing,
- History of War on Drugs,
- and its consequences on Black communities

- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:

- criminal legal (justice) system,
 - jails/prisons,
 - Slavery, probation/parole reform, recidivism
 - and anti-Black bias (hate crimes).

Meeting 7 (Mid-March 2022) Topic:
Addressing Various Legal Considerations (1)
and Exploring Reparation in the Form of Compensation (2)

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:
 - Eligibility criteria for reparations,
 - Thirteenth Amendment
 - limits of proposition 209,
 - and scales of culpability
- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:
 - international legal justification,
 - forms of reparations
 - examples of other forms of reparations/precedents;
 - reparations schema:
compensation formulas

Meeting 8 (August/September 2022) Topic:
**Exploring Reparation in the Forms of Restitution (1)
and Rehabilitation (2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:

- restoration of liberty, property (i.e. Bruce Beach),
- restoration of human rights, liberty, identity, family life (i.e. restoration of voting rights for felons)
- infrastructure, employment, education benefits

- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:

- mental health, psychological harm,
- legal/social services,
- public health,
- repair identity/community safety net.

Meeting 9 (October/November 2022) Topic:
**Exploring Reparations in the Forms of Satisfaction and Guarantees of Non-Repetition (1);
Proposals for Reconciliation (2)**

- DAY 1 will cover the following topics:
 - official declaration, public apology, symbolic forms of reparations, commemorations, statues/tributes,
 - consideration of educational materials,
 - And law review/reform, human rights training
- DAY 2 will cover the following topics:
 - consideration of proposals for reconciliation (including ROPS)

Meeting 10 (May 2023) Topic:
Presentation and Approval of Second Report