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This month's community awareness update from Topanga SLO's will cover a brief synopsis of the revised 41.18 LAMC. This ordinance has been revised by City Council which includes new LAPD guidelines for enforcing sitting, lying, sleeping, storing property, using, maintaining or placing personal property in the public right-of-way. Officers shall attempt to encourage voluntary compliance and use good discretion and judgment to achieve compliance with 41.18 LAMC. If officers receive a complaint or observe a violation of 41.18 LAMC, they may enforce the law if the obstruction on the public right-of-way interferes with a continuous three-foot wide pathway, within 10 feet of an operational driveway/loading dock, within five feet of an operational building entrance/exit, within two feet of a fire hydrant, if the City has a permit to use such right-of-way, and if the obstruction interferes with a bike path or an area meant to be used by motor vehicles. In order to get an area designated as a "no encampment zone" under 41.18 LAMC, the City Council will need to approve a street engagement strategy. These areas would include sites near sensitive locations. 41.18 LAMC does

not include enforcement for vehicle dwelling, as it is not illegal to sleep in a RV or other vehicle.

The City Council has increased the amount of CARE + cleanups in the city which was previously delayed due to Covid-19. CARE + cleanups are more extensive than regular spot cleanings. Contact your Council District for a cleanup or use MYLA311 app.

For crime information in your area go to:
www.crimemapping.com

For anonymous crime tips: www.lacrimestoppers.org/

Thank you,
The Topanga Area Community Relations Office