



**Los Angeles
Center for
Law and Justice**

April 2022 Newsletter

Dear LACLJ Supporter,

Many survivors come to us without any support system at all. Whether they were trafficked to this country or abandoned by their family, clients are left navigating the world on their own. As a result, it can be difficult accepting help when the way you've been able to survive is by counting on yourself.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and it's a reminder to survivors in our community that they are not alone. LACLJ and our supporters are here to lend a helping hand and provide them with the support and resources they need to feel safe and secure.

Read on to learn more about our efforts this month. And be sure to buy your tickets to our upcoming [Celebrating Survivors Gala](#) in downtown Los Angeles on May 24th!

Warmly,

Norayma Cabot
Executive Director



Finding a Home for M.J.

M.J. has learned to protect herself after many traumatic experiences. As a survivor of sexual assault and human trafficking, she felt like she could only count on herself.

M.J. had been living in her car for years. Her experiences on the streets led her to distrust agencies, shelters, hospitals, etc. It was difficult for her to trust anyone who said they wanted to help her.

One of LACLJ's Community Advocates, Brianna, was able to build a trusting relationship with M.J. She validated M.J.'s feelings and experiences, and respected M.J.'s self-determination. She ensured M.J. felt in control of her life and empowered to change her situation.

Brianna helped M.J. come up with a housing solution and now, M.J. lives in her own apartment! She is experiencing greater safety and stability, and can continue her healing process.

Just as important, M.J. is learning to trust again, and has found an agency in LACLJ that is safe for her to turn to.

DONUT FRIEND



BUY A
DONUT.
HELP
SEXUAL
ASSAULT
SURVIVORS.

You still have **2 more days**
left to support survivors of
sexual assault with our
[Donut Friend](#) campaign!

Proceeds will ensure
survivors have an advocate
by their side when facing
their rapist in criminal court,
a support system
connecting them to
community resources, and
free legal representation to
secure justice.

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FRUIT DONUT
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DONUT FRIEND
WILL DONATE
50% OF THE
PROCEEDS TO
LACLS**



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LA, CA 90065**

**DOWNTOWN LA
543 S BROADWAY
LA, CA 90013**

WIN DENIM DAY



DENIM DAY WIN

On Wednesday, April 27th, the LACLJ team wore denim in honor of Denim Day. Denim Day was created in response to a 1992 Italian Supreme Court ruling that a rape survivor must have helped her rapist remove her jeans because they were tight, implying consent and overturning the rape conviction. This ruling sparked a global movement where activists wore jeans on Denim Day to protest the damaging myths surrounding sexual violence and raise awareness.

Even today, 30 years later, harmful myths are still perpetuated throughout culture and in the courts. LACLJ staff see the negative impact they have on survivors and fight daily to ensure survivors can secure justice and freedom. Help ensure sexual assault survivors have an advocate they can count on and [give today](#).

Celebrate with us!

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Join us for an inspiring
night celebrating our
2022 honorees and
the survivors we serve!

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