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**Nevada Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
Community Forum:**

The Impact of Policing Practices on the Administration of Justice

On May 3, 2019, in Carson City, the Nevada Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will continue its study on policing practices in the state. The Committee will hear from community advocates, law enforcement, and lawmakers and welcomes members of the public to share comments and opinions related to the implications for the administration of justice of police practices impacting individuals on the basis of disability (individuals with mental health concerns), veteran status, and race.

WHEN: Friday, May 3, 2019 / 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. PDT

WHERE: Carson City Community Center, Sierra Room, 851 E. William St., Carson City, NV 89701 (Parking: West Lot)

The Committee welcomes the public to share their comments and opinions during open comment sessions at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. It will also accept written testimony submitted to afortes@usccr.gov by June 3, 2019. Following the meeting, the Committee will issue its findings and recommendations in a report to the Commission.

Committee Chair Wendell Blaylock said, “This second public meeting will continue to explore the use of police practices on communities of color, including veterans as a potentially impacted group. The Nevada Committee welcomes the engagement and participation of the public as we learn more about this important topic affecting many in our community.”

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May 3, 2019

**Carson City Community Center Sierra Room
851 E. William St., Carson City, NV**

AGENDA

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Panel 1: 9:10 – 10:00 a.m.

- Sharon Chamberlain, CEO of Northern Nevada HOPES
- Representative, Reno Police Department
- Corey Solferino, Lieutenant, Washoe County Sheriff's Office

Public Open Comment: 10:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Panel 2: 11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- Assemblyman Steve Yeager
- Robin Reedy, Executive Director, National Alliance for Mental Illness (Nevada)
- Maura McNamara, Policy Specialist, Crime and Justice Institute

Break: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Public Open Comment: 1:00 – 1:50 p.m.

Closing Remarks

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