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MESSAGE from Dean

I am excited to announce our transition from the Voting Systems Assessment Project to "Voting Solutions for All People." This signifies our transition from our research and development project to system development and implementation.

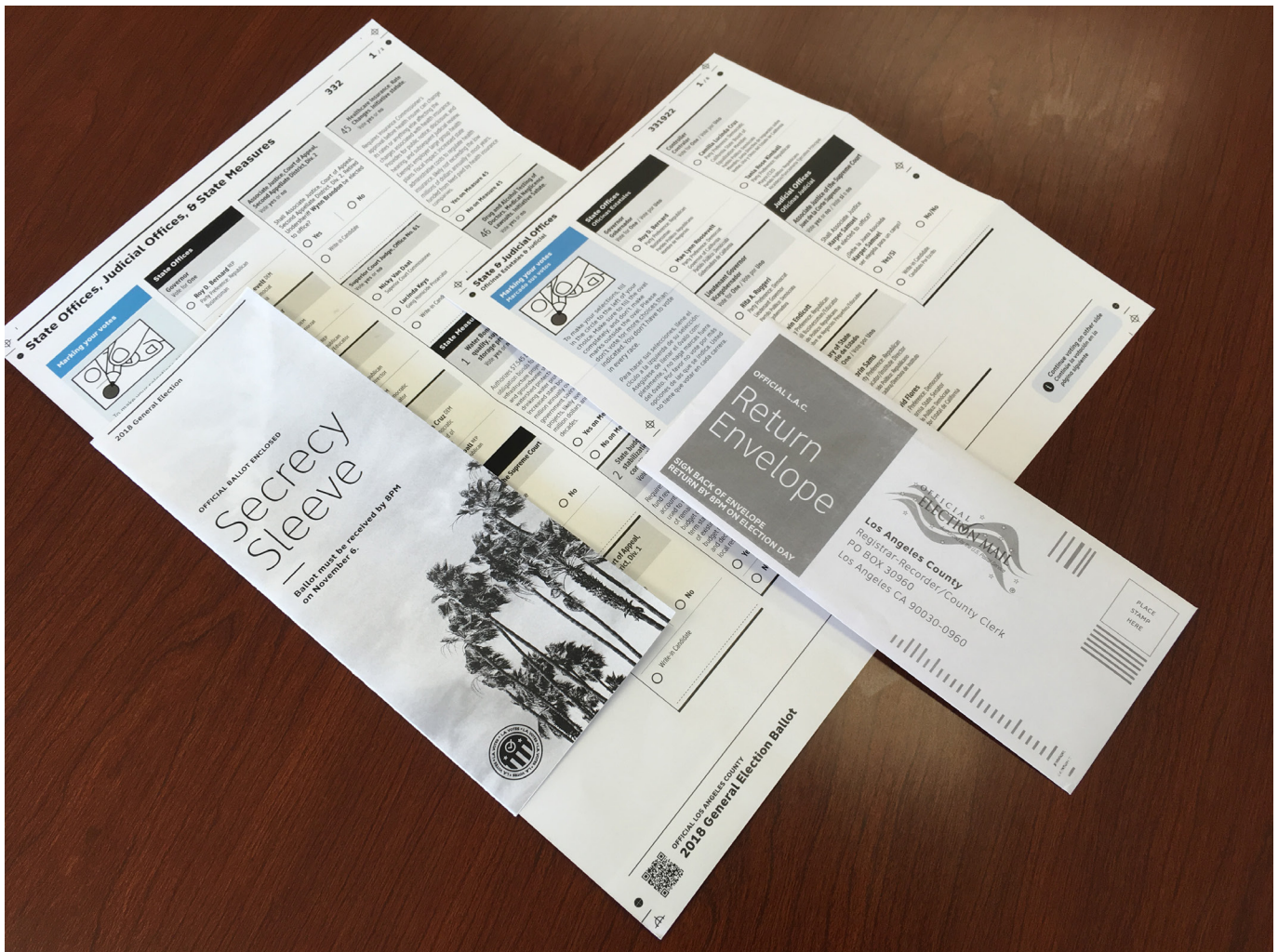
As we transition to this new phase of the project, we will continue to engage and educate our internal and external stakeholders to ensure our development and implementation process remains aligned with our vision to ensure a new voter experience that focuses on addressing the needs of our voters.

I look forward to continue working with you on this important journey.

DEAN C. LOGAN
 Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
 Los Angeles County

VSAP RFI

The Department issued a second Request for Information (RFI) to gather information on various components pertaining to our Ballot Marking Device ballots and Vote by Mail ballots. The RFI was issued on August 4, 2017 and closed on August 25, 2017. We received 6 responses from various vendors, which we are currently analyzing. This information will be critical in guiding our implementation of a new Vote by Mail experience and new Ballot Marking Device ballots in Los Angeles County.



VSAP LAB

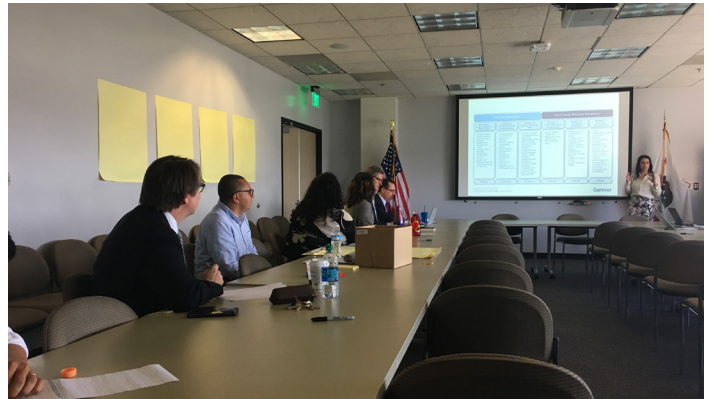
The VSAP Lab was created to prepare Departmental staff for the implementation of a new voting system. The VSAP Lab is a simulated Vote Center of the future and serves as a space where staff can be educated on the future voting experience, as they consider how operations will need to change within the Department.

The VSAP Lab was rolled out on April 27, 2017 with the intention of having all departmental staff go through the training. To date, over 600 employees have gone through the VSAP Lab. Once all Department staff has gone through the VSAP Lab, the Department will begin to invite external partners to attend sessions.



IDEO DESIGN STEWARDSHIP

As the Department prepares to form the manufacturing, engineering and implementation team, we have re-engaged IDEO to serve as Design Stewards for the manufacturing and certification of the new voting experience. As design stewards, IDEO will ensure that the system that is manufactured remains aligned with the human-centered design that was developed in previous project phases. A kick-off meeting for this engagement was held with IDEO at Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk headquarters in Norwalk on June 26, 2017.



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

We met with various organizations and representatives from different cities this past quarter to present the new voting experience coming to LA County.

PROTOTYPE DEMOS

JUNE 27, 2017 City Clerk Summit

The Department hosted a City Clerk Summit at Liberty Community Plaza in Whittier on June 27, 2017. Governmental and Legislative Affairs Division Manager, Aaron Nevarez and VSAP Administrative Program Manager, Monica Flores presented the vision for the future of Los Angeles County Elections. This included an overview of the future voting experience and the upcoming legislation. City Clerks had the opportunity to interact with the VSAP Ballot Marking Device (BMD) prototype. Approximately 29 representatives from various cities attended this Summit.



VSAP Project Administrative Manager, Monica Flores presenting at the City Clerk Summit in Whittier, CA.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

JULY 14, 2017

LA City

We conducted a demonstration of the BMD prototype and tally system for several members of LA City at our headquarters in Norwalk. LA City expressed their strong support and appreciation for the work of the VSAP.

JULY 25, 2017

ACLU of California Center for Advocacy and Policy and California Calls

VSAP Administrative Project Manager Monica Flores met with Raul Macias of the ACLU and James Woodson of California Calls to present the latest BMD prototype.

JULY 29, 2017

League of Women Voters of Los Angeles

We were invited by the League of Women Voters of Los Angeles to Pasadena, CA to offer various members of the organization an opportunity to see, experience, and learn about the new voting experience and BMD prototype.



JULY 30, 2017
Politicon

VSAP staff was also present at Politicon in Pasadena, CA to provide members of the public with information about the future voting experience.



Public Information Officer Brenda Duran appears at Politicon in Pasadena, CA to register new voters and help answer questions about the new voting experience.

AUGUST 2, 2017
City of Monterey Park City Council Meeting

Government and Legislative Affairs Manager, Aaron Nevarez attended a Monterey Park City Council Meeting to discuss the implementation of the new voting experience.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

AUGUST 25, 2017

2017 NASED Summer Meeting

Registrar-Recorder County Clerk Dean Logan spoke on a panel at the National Association of State Elections Directors (NASED) Conference. Throughout the conference, participants had the opportunity to use the BMD prototype and ask questions about the device.



VSAP Internal Project Team member Irvin Guillermo demonstrating the Ballot Marking Device prototype to conference attendees.

IN THE NEWS

The link below provide access to the news article that features the VSAP:

July 20, 2017 - The VSAP was recognized by KHTS AM-1220, a local radio station in Santa Clarita, CA. KHTS wrote an article about the VSAP that highlights the measures being taken by Dean Logan and our department to prevent cyber-attacks and improve our voting process.

<http://www.hometownstation.com/santa-clarita-latest-news/county-sets-its-sights-on-updated-secure-voting-system-199831>

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You can view an animated video of LA County's future voting experience. Learn more about the project, access full research reports, media coverage and read the blogs from our team and committee members.



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