

VISIT YOUR LOCAL

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Your local prosecutor is a public servant, in most cases, elected to represent you. But they rarely engage their constituents. You and your Squad can change that. We want to show prosecutors that the communities they represent are paying attention and are ready to hold them accountable.

Find Out Who Is Your Local Prosecutor

Find out who your District Attorney is and where their office is located. You can also use this link and the Prosecutor Accountability directory to find out more about your DA and where they stand on the issues you care about. However, for a long time DA's have worked with very little transparency and most prosecutor's offices share very little data and information with the public. Your squad can play a critical role in the movement to change the criminal justice system by find out where your DA stands on the 6 demands we are making to hold all prosecutors accountable to making justice real.

Schedule A Visit to Your District Attorney Office

Schedule a walk-in visit by finding a time that works for the majority of your team over the next two weeks. When scheduling, make sure you plan to meet at the office and ask to speak with a staff person about criminal justice reform.

Another option is that you or another member of your squad can call the office and request an appointment. Make sure you all have an understanding that with or without an appointment, the visit will happen.

Planning for Your Visit

Meet with your team to plan the visit in more detail including:

- Speaking roles for the visit
- Recruiting other community members to join you on the visit
- Review the 6 demands you want to make of your DA and have them answer the questions in this [questionnaire](#).
- Practice telling your stories and develop talking points to convey why criminal justice is important to the community and how you plan to hold them accountable.

The Meeting

Understand that you may not be able to meet with the District Attorney at this meeting, but be sure to ask to meet with a staff person that can answer questions about the DAs positions and practices on the issues you care about it.

- Be sure to get the name and contact information of the person you're speaking with.
- Make sure that someone from your team is taking notes or recording the meeting.
- Ask the questions on the questionnaire to learn more about where your DA stands on the 5 demands and other concerns that may be relevant to your community.
- Take pictures of your Squad and let the world know that you're taking action to hold your prosecutor accountable.

After the Meeting

- Debrief. Make sure to meet with your team and discuss how the meeting went. What went well, what can you improve on the next visit. Also take the time to determine next steps for your squad after the meeting?
- Share information with us. Let us know what you found out. Enter and upload what you found out about your DA on central issues.