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#### **Accomplishments in 2013**

Two-thousand and thirteen was a tremendous year for the County of Los Angeles, and I'm pleased that I had the opportunity to chair during that period of time. One of the flagship issues around which the Board itself rallied, was the issue of human sex trafficking: a moral challenge to the entirety of the County of Los Angeles. And the good news is that we stepped up and we are making a difference for these approximately 3,000 children, girls, in large measure, who deserve our attention and our care. We seek not to criminalize them or victimize them. We really have an obligation to rescue them, and we're on that mission.

### Martin Luther King Jr Medical Campus

Significant steps were taken to ensure that the medical campus that we refer to as Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Campus, the work that's taking place there is simply phenomenal. It presents itself in a pristine manner, a representation of what's new, and what's next in health care delivery. And in just a few months we will be opening the new Outpatient Center. And following that, the Inpatient Tower will open. So you will see the rebirth of a campus that will focus on top-quality, first-rate, medical care for all who walk through those doors.

#### **LA County Serving You**

The County's doors are open to servicing the constituents from areas related to the Blue Ribbon Commission on Child Safety and Protection, a huge effort that is going to benefit children who are in the Foster Care system, to the work that we are doing in building libraries throughout the 2nd District in particular. Because literacy matters, education is a fundament of democracy. To the extent that that is the case, we can all celebrate our learning together to what we can do to make LA County a better place in which to live.