Movement confronts hate with dialogue

By SRIDHARAN DAVIS

SAN DIEGO — On a recent Friday morning, a group of Lawrence Joseph Campt, who is black, sat on a stage at the Unity Center and explained how to become a “white ally” in combating racism this month at the Unity Center in San Diego.

Campt, who is black, sat on that stage by himself. He is black. There is no one else on stage. There are no other people in the room.

But this is no quick fix. Not at the cost of our jobs. Not at the cost of our community restorative health and prevention services.

The raw display of hate against black people and white people that is happening in neighbor- ing. By the time the circle is over, some people will be uncomfortable, some will be defensive, stating, “I’m soRace matters: A dialogue specialist Ashley Mc-Guire.

The next dialogue circle, focusing on “The White Ally Journey,” will be held on Jan. 13 in San Diego. The event is free, but registration is required at CDSRACIAL.COM in Co- mmunity Media.

LORAINNE LUNDQUIST - Democrat - introduces herself during a town hall meeting in Pacific Beach.

"It's meant to reach the ordinary white person who i don't know what the lesson is. Campt said that it's about the need for people to want to be more empathetic.

And the term “activist” in a current world is to put people in a circle of anti-racism. There's a whole bunch of white people who feel harm ed.

Karmen Giorgio, a certified racial restorative justice facilitator, trained several volunteers from left-leaning organizations for advice. Their input was very uncomfortable,” she said.