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Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, the founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis, poses with his five specially crafted drinks that will be served during a St. Patrick's Day event at Roxanne's. The drinks tell the story of the Irish soldiers who defected from the U.S. military to fight for Mexico during the Mexican-American War.

"A mini history lesson that accompanies every cocktail"

## Enjoy St. Patrick's Day cocktails with a side of storytelling, from Marie's Tek Tec

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Design Editor

This St. Patrick's Day, Long Beach residents can indulge in a taste of Irish and Mexican history while taking part in one of several festive alcohol-fueled celebrations happening throughout the day.

On Friday, March 17 from 6 p.m. to midnight, local outdoor tiki bar Marie's Tek Tec, located at the rear end of Roxanne's (1115 E. Wardlow Rd.), will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day-themed event celebrating the cultural connection between Mexico and Ireland dating back nearly two centuries.

The event will also serve as the soft-opening in the run-up to Marie's spring reopening for their "second season." Their first season ran during the summer and fall of 2022.

Along with the St. Patrick's Day celebration and a Cinco De Mayo event that's currently in the works, Marie's grand reopening will include a life-size Olmec head created by Los Angeles-based artist Andy Rios (@loveyodreams on Instagram), and a blessing of the venue from Aztec dancers.

"Marie's was built around the

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Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, the founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis, slides out the vividly green "La Isla Verde" drink, topped with an umbrella and pineapple ring inside Marie's Tek Tec bar on March 9, 2023.

LOCAL BUSINESS



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Brooklyn Gage, the vegan cheesemonger behind O'LaVi, holds a board with a selection of her vegan cheeses at the Bixby Knolls Farmers market on Thursday, March 9, 2023. There is a variety of cheese analogs to choose from, including mozzarella and sharp cheddar.

## Meet Long Beach and Signal Hill's vegan cheesemonger

Kristen Farrah Naem

Staff Writer

After becoming vegan, there was only one food Brooklyn Gage really missed—cheese. Her journey to find a tasty plant-based alternative led her to create her own business: Long Beach's only artisanal vegan cheese pop-up shop, O'LaVi.

"It really was just me trying to find a way to satisfy my own cravings for vegan cheese," Gage said. "And I realized that there was a market to start selling all of these vegan cheeses that I was researching, and finding out about, and taste-testing for myself."

Gage has been vegan for the past six years, but it wasn't until she was stuck at home during the pandemic in 2020 that she had time to seriously look for a source of quality vegan cheese.

She began by trying to make vegan cheese herself, but realized there is a steep learning curve, and it would take years for her to develop a recipe she's happy with. In the meantime, she began buying and taste-testing vegan cheeses from various businesses across the country.

"I realized that there really wasn't much of a market for artisanal, good vegan cheese in Long Beach," Gage said. "And I thought that was really surprising because Long Beach has such a great vegan community and so many great vegan options. But I realized that there's really not too many places, not just in Long Beach, but even in like, LA or Orange County, to get artisanal vegan cheese."

After having a hard time finding what she was looking for in the nearby area, in the summer of 2022 Gage decided to step up and become Long Beach and Signal Hill's local vegan cheesemonger.

Every Thursday, Gage sets up shop at the Bixby Knolls Farmers Market with a spread of logs, wedges and whole wheels of nut-based vegan cheeses that mimic the taste of brie, pimento, pepperjack, chèvre, gruyere and more. She also has an online store where customers can place orders to later pick up in Long Beach or Signal Hill.

When choosing which products O'LaVi sells, Gage looks for vegan cheeses from small businesses that meet her standards for taste.

"I want it to be super tasty and I'm really picky with what I carry because I feel like there's such a negative taste in people's mouth with what they think vegan cheese tastes like, because they've really only had vegan cheese when it started coming out like five to 10 years ago, or what they've had only in the grocery store," Gage said. "So a lot of people haven't had a really great experience with vegan cheese."

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## CITY COUNCIL

# Long Beach reopens discussions for Terminal Island Freeway, possibly expanding green space in west side

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Managing Editor

Long Beach is revisiting a plan that has been tabled for eight years to expand park space in the west side by transforming parts of land along the Terminal Island Freeway.

The plan was created in 2015 by the city, CalTrans and the Port of Long Beach to address the environmental impacts on westside neighborhoods and improve quality of life for residents. The westside is surrounded by the 710 freeway, 405 freeway and Pacific Coast Highway, which contributes to some of the worst air quality in the city.

"We know that Long Beach is park-starved," said Councilmember Robert Uranga, who reintroduced the plan to the council Tuesday night. "We need more open space so let's make this project something we can be proud of and something that's going to matter for the city of Long Beach."

The city doesn't control the entire length of Terminal Island, but owns almost 10 acres of the land.

Facilities surrounding Terminal Island include Cabrillo High School, Hudson Elementary School, the Century Villages at Cabrillo and multiple housing developments. According to studies done by the city in 2015, 47% of the community around Terminal Island is Latino.

"This project will address multiple issues that the west side definitely has right now such as poor air quality, lack of green space and lack of retail," said Long Beach resident Connie Loggins. "My desire is to have that zone address these particular issues. There's no reason that residents should have to leave



Image Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

A rendering of what the Terminal Island Freeway will look like after being transformed into green space.

their community for ... bike paths, walk paths, even retail opportunities."

Through public outreach conducted in 2015, the plan outlines ways to transform the first and last mile of the Terminal Island into urban forests, walking and bike paths, storm drainage, wetlands, a skating area, a community garden, a plaza, "pollution-eating plants" and more.

Terminal Island Freeway was built in 1947, then called the Industrial Freeway, by the U.S. Navy to improve access to Long Beach ports and Naval shipyards. Now the freeway connects Terminal Island to the Long Beach Port.

The road would still be in use, but the pedestrian space would be expanded and large spaces of land that are now road or concrete will be reused for green space.

"When we decided as a city to create a port we still had horses and carriages. We didn't know that we would have the second largest port in America, but we made that

choice," said Mayor Rex Richardson. "When it comes to thinking about how we create some sense of environmental justice in those areas, we have to think big ideas here and if we can get this right ... This is something that we can rally some of our state and federal partners around."

There are also plans to use the strip of land to connect Hudson and Admiral Kidd Parks and to create a buffer of trees separating residences from commercial usage.

According to city documents, it would take five to seven years to complete the Terminal Island Transition Plan.

City staff will return to the council within four months on the feasibility of implementing the plan, "ranging from partial to full implementation," according to staff reports. City staff will also report back on funding sources and ways the project might help Long Beach's goal of hosting events in the 2028 Olympics.

## SIGNAL HILL

# Signal Hill ends COVID-19 state of emergency after 3 years



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A health care worker with the City of Long Beach Department of Public Health scans the bar code of a PCR (polymerase chain reaction) COVID-19 test at the Veterans Memorial Stadium parking lot in Long Beach on Jan. 3, 2022.

Kristen Farrah Naem

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The Signal Hill City Council unanimously voted to officially end the local COVID-19 state of emergency on Tuesday, March 14, almost three years after it began.

The state of emergency was first proclaimed three years ago by City Manager Hannah Shin-Heydorn, in accordance with Signal Hill Municipal Code and California Government Code 8630, and was ratified by the city council on March 24, 2020.

Signal Hill's state of emergency occurred after California and Los Angeles County had already de-

clared their own. Because the state also declared a state of emergency, the council did not have to renew the state of emergency every 30 days, like it would usually have to for local states of emergency.

Shin-Heydorn said in 2020 that declaring a state of emergency would allow Signal Hill to receive reimbursement from the state and federal governments for costs caused by the pandemic, and assign all government workers as "disaster service workers" so they can take on roles usually outside of their intended responsibilities.

There was no discussion by council members before they voted to end the state of emergency.

## NEWS

# Long Beach launches Food Truck Survey, will inform future regulations

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

Long Beach is inviting residents to share their thoughts on how the city should regulate food truck operations through its Food Truck Survey. From now until April 2, residents can give their perspectives on the frequency, locations and operational regulations they think food trucks should abide by.

The Food Truck Survey differs from the previously distributed Sidewalk Vendor Survey, which was launched in 2022.

Long Beach will attempt to support "food truck entrepreneurial opportunities" while addressing the "needs and concerns" of residents, business owners, food truck operators and "other key stakeholders," according to a press release from the city.

The survey is broken up into three sections: perspective on food trucks, frequency and location of food trucks and demographics of the survey-taker. Questions center around the benefits and concerns of food trucks in Long Beach, where and when residents see food trucks most often, where food trucks



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Cesar Coutino salts fries while aboard the Poutine Brothers food truck at the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach on Sept. 25, 2021.

should be limited or encouraged, and if the existence of a food truck has ever discouraged the surveyee from dining at a restaurant.

Surveys can be taken online at [longbeach.gov/foodtrucks](http://longbeach.gov/foodtrucks) through a smartphone or computer. Those without access to a phone or computer can take the survey at Long Beach Public Library branches through their computer labs or pick up a paper survey.

Online and paper surveys are

available in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog.

Survey results will inform new citywide regulations on food truck operations and are expected to be presented to the city council in the coming months.

For updates on the food truck and sidewalk vendor policies, residents can complete the online interest form or visit [longbeach.gov/foodtrucks](http://longbeach.gov/foodtrucks).

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# AROUND TOWN

## A WEEKLY LIST OF THINGS TO DO IN LONG BEACH AND SIGNAL HILL



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A monarch butterfly lands on David Hedden's hand at the Growing Experience Urban Farm in Long Beach on May 6, 2022.

If you're not already feeling lucky, a skim through our things to do in Signal Hill and Long Beach will change your mind.

Local businesses, nonprofits and artists are hosting a mass of ways to celebrate the clear skies this weekend. Friday night local music will shine at Kubo LB, as residents flock to the stage to share their original poetry, songs and acoustic melodies. Six local bands will serenade residents at Gilmore Music as The Lock Jester Ensemble celebrates its new album release.

Spring is not only a time for basking in the sunlight, but also for welcoming new life—whether it's plant life or vibrant insects. Residents can help create a habitat for monarch butterflies that will soon grace Long Beach skies at Willow Springs Park Saturday morning. Those who want to get an early start on their spring gardening can buy or trade plant cuttings at Plantiitas Saturday afternoon.

It's also a good week for book and magazine lovers. Those interested in learning how to create zines can learn from local organization VoiceWaves at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library Saturday afternoon. Teens in need of a new book to obsess over should head over to Casita Bookstore Sunday afternoon to swap novels with their fellow bookworms.

### 17 FRIDAY

#### KUWENTO OPEN MIC

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Local business space Kubo LB (3976 Atlantic Ave.) will be holding an open mic night on the third Friday of each month. Poets, musicians and acoustic bands are invited to share

their work with the community. This is an inclusive and supportive space for people of all skill-levels. Free.

#### ALBUM RELEASE PARTY

7:30 p.m. The Loch Jester Ensemble invites the public to celebrate the release of their new album at Gilmore Music (1935 E 7th St.). Five other bands will also be performing. This event is appropriate for all ages. There is an entry fee of \$5.

### 18 SATURDAY

#### MONARCH DAY OF ACTION

9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are needed to help create a habitat for monarch butterflies at Willow Springs Park (2745 Orange Ave.). Volunteers will spread narrowleaf milkweed seeds and plant native sagebrush and buckwheat. The event will include live music and crafts. Free.

#### WOC FOODIE & ARTS MARKET

Noon to 4 p.m. A variety of businesses owned by women of color will be selling their products at Shop Pretty+Chloe (4405 E Village Rd.). The event will also feature photo-ops and children's activities. Free.

#### SHAMROCKIN' MARDI GRAS

1 p.m. to 5 p.m. In honor of Mardi Gras and St. Patrick's Day, a celebration will be held at Shoreline Village (401-435 Shoreline Drive), featuring food, music, performers, dancing, beads and a parade. Balloon animals and face-painting

will be available for children until 4 p.m. Free.

### 19 SUNDAY

#### TEEN/YA BOOK SWAP

noon to 1 p.m. Teens are invited to Casita Bookstore (1440 E. Fourth St.) to bring a book they would highly recommend to a friend and swap with fellow book-lovers. Books should be in "like new" or slightly-used condition and attendees should come with one to two reasons why they highly recommend the book. Free.

#### MIDWIFERY MONTHLY MEETUP

Noon to 2 p.m. Local midwife Angelica Miller hosts a monthly meetup with families in the Long Beach area. Parents will have a supportive space to share their experiences and ask questions. To register for the meetup, direct message Miller on Instagram, @midwife\_ang. The location will be disclosed after registration. Free.

#### JAZZ CONCERT

3 p.m. Dewey Erney and friends will return to the Grace First Presbyterian Church (3955 N. Studebaker Rd.) to celebrate the music of Jazz legend Cole Porter. The concert is offered for free but has a requested \$10 donation per person.

### 20 MONDAY

#### HELP FOR THE UNHOUSED

Free. 9 a.m. to noon. The City's Mobile Access Center will be offering services to people experiencing

homelessness at the North Los Altos Shopping Center (2270 N Bellflower Blvd.). A medical clinic will be offering health care and showers will be available for use. Free.

#### INTRODUCTIONS TO REFERENCE SOLUTIONS

11 a.m. to noon. The Long Beach Public Library invites entrepreneurs and business owners to learn how to use Reference Solutions, a free program available at the library, to help them start, manage and grow a business. Registration is required for this event. To register, visit <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/6932781878054041870>. Free.

### 21 TUESDAY

#### WORLD POETRY DAY

11 a.m. to noon. The Museum of Latin American Art will be hosting an online event in honor of World Poetry Day, featuring reading by six Latinx poets. To register for the event, visit [molaa.org/events](http://molaa.org/events). Free.

#### EASTER BASKET BUILDING & DONATIONS

Noon to 3 p.m. Treatment center Akua Strong Long Beach (5355 E Carson St.) needs volunteers to help make easter baskets that will be donated to schools and shelters. Free.

### 22 WEDNESDAY

#### FOOD DISTRIBUTION

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Individuals and families in need are invited to receive groceries at Community Medical Wellness Centers USA (1360 E

Anaheim St.). Food will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees should bring a cart or bag to carry their food home. For more information, call 562-826-1608 or 562-624-5477. Free.

#### SENSORY STORY TIME

Parents and caregivers are invited to bring children to this inclusive storytime at the Bach Neighborhood Library (4055 N. Bellflower Blvd.). Children of all abilities will use their senses to read, create and learn through stories, songs and play. Free.

### 23 THURSDAY

#### TODDLER STORYTIME

11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Parents and caregivers are invited to bring toddlers between 17 and 36 months to the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.) to enjoy stories and songs. Free.

#### CELEBRATE DOWNTOWN

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The public will be able to enjoy food, drinks, music and activities at Lincoln Park (Intersection of W Ocean Blvd & Pacific Ave.) during this celebration by the City of Long Beach. Free.

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Green sprinkles are shaken onto the whipped cream that tops the "Mamo's Chocolate," a drink inspired by Mexican hot chocolate and an Irish Coffee drink inside Marie's Tek Tec bar on March 9, 2023.

concept that we need to pay homage to our Latin American roots, dating as far back as Ancient Mesoamerica, and it's these kinds of stories that we absolutely love giving Chuntikis an opportunity to tell," Torres said.

Marie's St. Patrick's Day soiree will feature all-you-can-eat corned beef tacos and a special cocktail menu crafted by Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis. Gutierrez was recently named in beverage magazine *Imbibe's* list of 75 people and places in the world of drinks to watch for 2023, where he shared his "Ajua Fresca" recipe.

All of Gutierrez's drinks are created around vivid storytelling, with a mini history lesson that accompanies every cocktail. It creates an experience that's both indulgent and educational with every sip.

When Gutierrez started Chuntikis, it initially served as a takeaway service during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic before they started organizing pop-ups with local bars, beginning with a Cinco De Mayo event held at Roxanne's in 2021. Since then, there has been a "symbiotic relationship" with Jim Torres, the communications director at Roxanne's.

For this menu, Gutierrez has crafted four unique cocktails inspired by the San Patricio (St. Patrick's) Battalion, a unit of immigrants and U.S. Army deserters led by Irishman John Riley that fought for Mexico during the Mexican-American War.

Each cocktail will offer a unique story that takes inspiration from Spanish and Gaelic. Gutierrez said he hopes that those who attend will take these "five-minute stories" home with them at the end of the night.

"Everyone comes out and drinks and has a good time and probably drinks more than they should," Gutierrez said about the holiday. "At least I want them to take some form of education along with whatever green-tinted tongue they

might have at the end of the day," Gutierrez said.

The primary drinks on the menu include "Mamo's Chocolate (Grandmother's Chocolate)," described as "Mexican hot chocolate meets Irish coffee," as well as "La Isla Verde (The Green Island)" a green piña colada-inspired drink featuring Irish whiskey, coconut tequila, Irish cream and green matcha-tinted coconut cream.

There will also be a special charity shot dubbed the "Yankee Slammer," a pre-Mexican-American War-themed tequila and lime shot dropped into a celery michelada beer. All proceeds from this drink will be going to The World Central Kitchen, a nonprofit that provides humanitarian food relief to countries struck by disaster.

Though Torres says it's difficult competing with Irish taverns throwing their own festive St. Patrick's Day events, he believes their event will not only fit perfectly with the holiday, but with the overall theme of Marie's as well.

One specific example of this cross-cultural history is the origins of Obregón, Mexico, the hometown of Gutierrez's father. The town's namesake originates from Álvaro Obregón (originally O'Brien), one of Mexico's first presidents and one of several Mexican leaders who came from joint Irish-Mexican descent.

"We want to focus on the entirety of Latin America and Latin America is incredibly diverse, not only throughout the entire continent but within regions and within cities," Torres said.

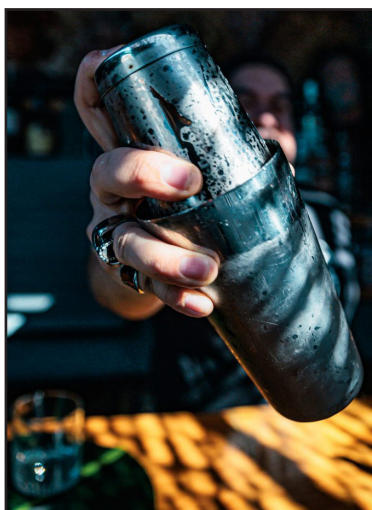
The St. Patrick's Day celebration at Marie's Tek Tec, located at 1115 E Wardlow Rd, will be held on Friday, March 17 from 6 p.m. to midnight.

Tickets to this 21+ event are available for \$50 on Eventbrite or at the door the day of the event. Every ticket includes all-you-can-eat corned beef tacos and a choice between a welcome cocktail or green beer for all guests.



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Five specially crafted cocktails that will be served during a St. Patrick's Day event at Roxanne's are laid out by Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, the founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis. The drinks tell the story of the Irish soldiers who defected from the U.S. military to fight for Mexico during the Mexican-American War.



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Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis, shakes up a cocktail from inside Marie's Tek Tec bar area of Roxanne's on March 9, 2023.



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Julio "Jules" Gutierrez, the founder of local pop-up bar Chuntikis, adds tequila into the shot glass for the "Yankee Slammer," a pre-Mexican-American War-themed tequila and lime shot dropped into a celery michelada beer. All proceeds from this drink will go to The World Central Kitchen, a nonprofit that focuses on providing humanitarian food relief to countries struck by disaster.



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The viscous green coconut cream of the "La Isla Verde" drink is poured into a jigger by Julio "Jules" Gutierrez inside Marie's Tek Tec bar on March 9, 2023.



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The sign for O'LaVi helps make the Long Beach Vegan Cheesemonger stand out at the Bixby Knolls Farmers market on Thursday, March 9, 2023.

O'LaVi offers around 20 different vegan cheeses. Gage claims she can win over any non-vegan with the cashew-based Barn Cat by Philadelphia-based company Bandit. Among her personal favorites, she lists another Bandit product, a cave-aged imitation of Brie cheese, complete with a natural rind.



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Vegan cheesemonger Brogyn Gage shows off two of her curated selections of vegan cheeses at the Bixby Knolls Farmers market on Thursday, March 9, 2023. One is a cashew-based mozzarella; the other is a ghost pepper and fried onion cheddar.

"They're all like my little cheese babies, so it's hard to pick one," Gage said.

O'LaVi is at the Bixby Knolls Farmers Market, located at the intersection of Atlantic Avenue and E 46th Street, every Thursday from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. To place online orders for pick up in Long Beach and Signal Hill, visit o-lavi.com.

**NEWS**

# Long Beach is giving its youth the power to decide how public funds are spent

Kristen Farrah Naeem  
Staff Writer

The City of Long Beach is preparing to distribute public funding for youth development, and, for the first time, is asking local youth to help them decide where the money will go.

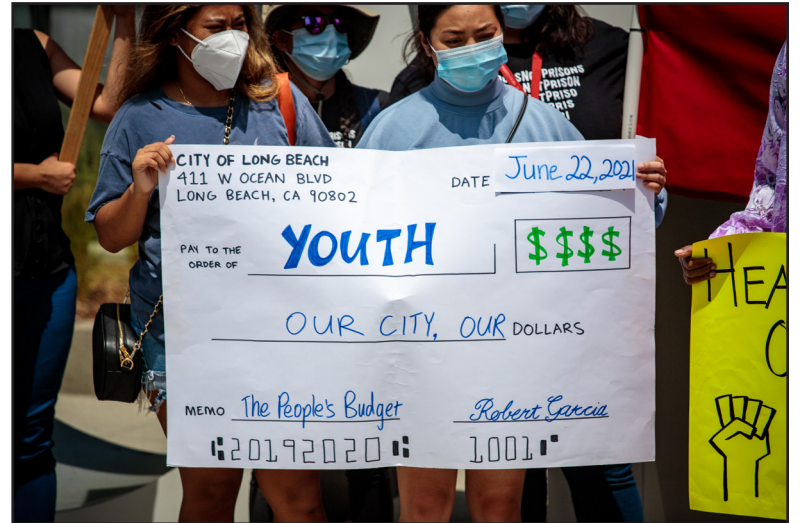
There are two phases in the new Youth Power Participatory Budgeting Long Beach program. First, the City is asking nonprofit organizations whose goals align with the Youth Emerging Adults Strategic Plan to submit ideas for summer programs for local youth by March 17.

The second phase of the program will begin in May, when youth that live, work or visit Long Beach will be able to vote on which summer programs will receive funding—either online or at a planned voting fair. Nonprofits whose ideas garner the most votes will receive grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$75,000.

This is the first time the City of Long Beach has asked for community members to directly decide how funding from the public budget will be used, and will serve as a pilot program.

The Youth Power Participatory Budgeting Long Beach program will be led by the Office of Youth Development, The Nonprofit Partnership and the Long Beach Invest In Youth Coalition, with assistance from local nonprofit Khmer Girls In Action.

The funding comes from Measure US, which was passed by voters and went into effect in October



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Supporters of the 2021 People's Budget hold a poster resembling a check, encouraging the Long Beach City Council to invest in youth during its 2022 fiscal year budget deliberations.

2021 and doubled the tax rate on every barrel of oil produced in Long Beach. The City of Long Beach has allocated \$400,000 of this money to youth summer programs.

The money will be divided between the Youth Power Participatory Budgeting Long Beach program, which will fund programs by official nonprofits, and The Youth 100 Fund, which gives smaller grants to informal student, parent and neighborhood groups.

"Investing in our youth and ensuring they have the tools, resources and support needed to foster their development and future success is a priority for our City," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "We're thrilled for the



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Carlos Romeo, President of the Long Beach Neighborhood Foundation, uses a dry erase marker to sign a \$500 grant presented to a youth group in the Long Beach area on Feb. 6, 2022.

opportunity, through Measure US, to once again provide these grants to community organizations that support local youth through their programs and services."

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**TST6922**

CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): 21STCV15989 SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): ALVARO LOPEZ dba LOPEZ REMODELING SERVICES, Does 1 - 10 YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): ABHAIJEET SINGH, an individual; "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached" NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CAL-NDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion. Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios

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**TST6923 / 2023 048980  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
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The following person is doing business as: THE PT CHICK, 4508 ATLANTIC AVE SUITE A 477, LONG BEACH, CA 90807. Registrant: SCI TOTAL FITNESS, INC., 4508 ATLANTIC AVE SUITE A 477, LONG BEACH, CA 90807. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: KRISTIN ANN MCNEALUS, PRESIDENT. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in N/A. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on (Date). NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: March 10, 17, 24 & April 7, 2023

**TST6925 / 2023 050347  
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STATEMENT**

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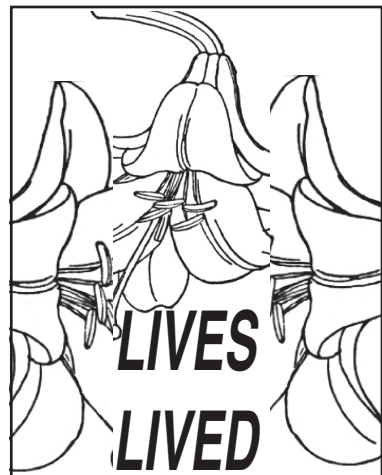
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**Pet of the week:  
Linda**

You might be thinking, "Why is Linda surrounded by pumpkins when it's almost Easter?" Answer: to show that she's been in the shelter at least since October—in fact, she entered in the middle of an August night when a couple of Long Beach Animal Care Services officers found her and another dog tied up at the main entrance gate! Linda's been at the shelter for the better part of a year, and this is no fate for such an adorable, friendly girl. As you may have heard, our shelter is literally overflowing with dogs, and some of them may not make it out of there at all. So please, consider this girl! She deserves you! Our shelter hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors). You can email PetAdopt@longbeach.gov to speed the process for adopting or fostering Linda. Ask for ID#A682262.

(This rescue encouraged by the usual suspects.)

**CITY OF SIGNAL HILL**

**TST6926  
NOTICE OF ORDINANCE ADOPTION**

Ordinance No. 2023-02-1543 was introduced by the Signal Hill City Council at their meeting of Tuesday, February 28, 2023 and adopted by the City Council at their meeting of March 14, 2023. A summary of the ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 12.05.040 OF CHAPTER 12.05 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO NEW STREET TREE PLANTING

The ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: MAYOR TINA L. HANSEN, VICE MAYOR LORI Y. WOODS, COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBERT D. COPELAND, KEIR JONES, EDWARD H.J. WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

A copy of the full text of the ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office and on the City's website: [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org).

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_  
Kimberly Boles  
Senior Deputy City Clerk

Published in the Signal Tribune newspaper on March 17, 2023.  
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# EYE ON CRIME

## CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

### Wednesday, March 8

10:43 a.m., Identity theft, 2400 block E. 21st St.  
 12:12 p.m., Petty theft, 1600 block E. Willow St. (suspect arrested)  
 1:14 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 3300 block Industry Dr.  
 2:27 p.m., Identity theft, 3200 block E. 19th St.  
 4:53 p.m., Identity theft, 2200 block Molino Ave.  
 8:51 p.m., Fire, 1300 block E. 23rd St.

### Thursday, March 9

8:39 p.m., Auto burglary, 2400 block Cherry Ave.  
 9:05 a.m., Injury hit and run, E. Willow St./Cherry Ave.  
 9:36 a.m., Identity theft, 2700 block Gundry Ave.  
 9:50 p.m., Auto burglary, 2700 block Junipero Ave.  
 11:15 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./Crescent Heights  
 12:33 p.m., Battery, 1700 block E. Willow St.

### Friday, March 10

8:19 a.m., Person with a knife, E. PCH/Redondo Ave.  
 10:16 a.m., Battery, 2200 block E. Willow St.  
 2:58 p.m., Forgery Report, 2100 block E. Spring St.  
 4:03 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 900 block E. 33rd St.  
 7:44 p.m., Burglary, 2600 block Cherry Ave.  
 11:47 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Redondo Ave./E. PCH

### Saturday, March 11

9:19 a.m., Auto burglary, 2300 block Orange Ave.  
 5:04 p.m., Injury traffic collision, 2300 block E. 28th St.  
 6:50 p.m., Injury traffic collision, 2700 block E. PCH

### Sunday, March 12

6:09 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 600 block E. Willow St.  
 3:29 p.m., Burglary, 3200 block Lewis Ave.  
 5:38 p.m., Burglary, 2600 block E. 19th St.  
 6:42 p.m., Burglary, 2800 block Junipero Ave.

### Monday, March 13

5:38 a.m., Burglary, 2500 block E. 28th St.  
 9:55 a.m., Grand theft, 2300 block Lemon Ave.  
 8:39 p.m., Battery, E. Willow St./Walnut Ave.

### Tuesday, March 14

8:50 a.m., Battery, 1900 block Cherry Ave.  
 2:49 p.m., Person with a gun, E. PCH/Redondo Ave.  
 3:45 p.m., Forgery, 2500 block Cherry Ave.

**LBPD reporting area is too extensive to report here, but you can go to their website: [longbeach.gov/police](http://longbeach.gov/police). Once there, click on Crime Info, then Crime Incident Mapping Application. Click on Launch Crime Incident Mapping Application & type in an address.**

*You can use filters to select dates and types of crime.*

## NEWS

# Youth Advisory Council shares its goals with Long Beach City officials

**Samantha Diaz**  
*Managing Editor*

For the past two years, Long Beach youth have been given a passenger seat in the city's investment in the future of its young people.

Young Long Beach leaders presented the Invest in Youth Report to city council in 2018, which resulted in the Long Beach Youth and Emerging Adults Strategic Plan (YSP), created with the help of youth ambassadors.

There are 19 objectives and 71 proposed activities in the YSP that Long Beach youth ambassadors believe will ensure their future. They culminate into six goals: youth development, planning for the future, community care, housing, transportation and physical, mental and emotional wellness.

The YSP is meant to "not only build the capacity of youth, but also their families," said Kelly Colopy, director of Health and Human Services.

The first action of the YSP was creating the city's Office of Youth Development in 2021 to coordinate funds and create formal partnerships that will benefit the lives of young people in Long Beach. In July 2022, the office chose 11 leaders ages 16-26 for the Youth Advisory Council to see through the six goals previously stated.

"Who knows more about what the youth needs than the youth," said Kimberly Lim, youth representative for district one.

Three members of the Long Beach Youth Advisory Council gave an update on the progress made in the past two years and of its future goals. A common thread among the three leaders was that, despite their accomplishments, they require more input and partnerships with the various city departments in order to meet all of their goals.

"We recognize it takes a lot of time and effort, but we are also here to collaborate with city departments to make sure work is being done intentionally," Lim said.

So far, nearly \$3.1 million has been allocated into furthering the

goals of Long Beach youth leaders including the creation of the Office of Youth Development and the YSP. More than half of this funding (\$1.56 million) is coming from Measure US, which increased the price of oil per barrel for community resources.

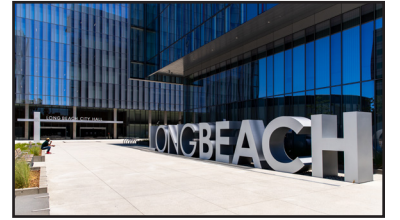
According to Colopy, 71% of funding has gone towards programming and "direct community investments." Since the creation of the Office of Youth Development, the city has created an Annual Youth Festival where young people are directed to local resources and the My Hood, My City program that allows youth to create neighborhood tours through North, West and Washington neighborhoods in Long Beach.

There's also been 81 completed mentorship training programs between city staff and students from Franklin, Hoover, Lindbergh, Stephens and Washington Middle Schools. Programs created under the Youth Strategic Plan include Books & Buckets, Californians for Justice, Pools of Hope, RightWay Foundation and the Youth Leadership Institute.

"I'm just incredibly proud of the progress we've made together on this work," said Mayor Rex Richardson. "You stepped forward as young people. You worked together and showed what's possible when we work together. We took it to the ballot together with Measure US and won and you have dedicated funding now to do and continue this work."

Members of the Youth Advisory Council shared specific goals for Long Beach youth which include developing family-centered approaches to health, mental health and trauma, enhancing career development opportunities for youth, creating "transition-age" youth housing opportunities, providing accessible transportation and strengthening its partnerships.

"A lot of work has been done, but the job's not finished," said Maleka Lassiter, an 18-year-old current member of the youth council. "I'm here to say we need your support."



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 A picture of the LONG BEACH sign located in the Long Beach Civic Center, in Downtown Long Beach.

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I'm here to say we need your support. We want to further our connections with city departments, youth civic bodies and elected offices to get more work done.

—Maleka Lassiter,  
 youth council member

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Long Beach will also begin working with a Chicago youth-focused nonprofit My Block, My Hood, My City, which inspired Long Beach's own iteration of the program. Chicago's program not only does youth-led neighborhood tours, but also mentors "underprivileged youth through educational programs and field trips," its website states. The council did not share specifically what the partnership would result in.

"The decisions we're making today ... it's for you all, the next generation," said councilmember Jonie Ricks-Oddie. "The decisions we're making now are impacting you all. So having you engaged at the table and not just asking, but having you be leaders and using your voices and advocating for your community is what we need."

## NEWS

# Long Beach, LA students reach 10 million free public transit rides

**City News Service**

*Southern California Local News*

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority announced Monday it has reached its 2023 ridership goal for the GoPass pilot program four months ahead of schedule, achieving 10 million additional rides as of March 7.

The GoPass pilot program, which began in August 2021, provides unlimited free transit rides to K-12 and community college students in participating districts on Metro and 13 other county transit agencies.

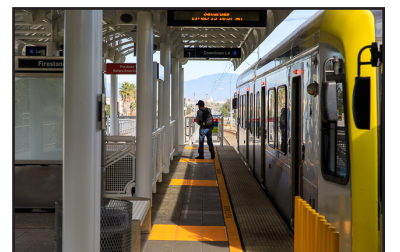
"The success of GoPass shows the need for public transit for K-12 and community college students, and that if we make transit affordable and accessible for them, they will use it," Ara Najarian, Glendale City Council member and Metro board chair, said in a statement.

GoPasses are available to students at 16 county community col-

leges and 90 K-12 districts, charter networks and private schools. The Los Angeles Unified School District is the largest user of the program.

"GoPass is an important part of Metro's strategy to provide critical support for students and their families while building back ridership post-pandemic," Stephanie Wiggins, Metro CEO, said in a statement. "By offering free rides to K-12 and community college students and teaching them how to access the transit system through their schools, we're building up their familiarity and comfort with public transportation, and creating lifetime transit users in the process."

According to LASUD Superintendent Alberto Carvalho, in the last 16 months, more than 100,000 LASUD students, mostly from low-income families, used public transportation, with more than 7 million rides to go to school or access museums, get to an internship



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 A Metro A Line-rider exits the train at Firestone Station along the route from Long Beach to Los Angeles.

and extra-curricular opportunities. Metro reported students from Santa Monica College were heavy users of the GoPass program as well as students in Long Beach.

"One important way to ensure equity for our students and their families is to help provide transportation for traveling to and from school," Jill Baker, superintendent of Long Beach Unified School District, said in a statement.

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