



FEATURE



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Along with his work as an urban farmer with *The Growing Experience*, David Hedden brought his love of aquaponics into the halls of the SpaceTime Collaborative studio on March 6, 2024.

## Creativity knows no bounds at SpaceTime Collaborative

Samantha Diaz  
Managing Editor

Tucked in a quiet street in Signal Hill lies an art studio with a aquaponics station, wood-working area, 3D printing capabilities, a dark room, small kitchen space and an invitation to independent artists needing the space and time to create.

The space — half garage, half outdoor patio — is filled with collaborative yet contrasting technologies, mediums, sounds, images, shapes and tastes. Artists who join the cohort are surrounded by various art pieces that inspire and the near constant hum of construction work, welcoming any and all creation to take place.

“We needed the space and time to create, so that’s where the name came from,” said David Hedden, one of the founders of SpaceTime Collaborative. “A lot of our friends also needed the space so we share the mentality of collaboration. If one person knows a skill that we need support with with what we’re working on, we share tools, we share expertise, so it’s in the collaborative nature that we can do more when we work together.”

Longtime friends and artists Hedden and Gabe Gaete met while working for the Makers Space at the Billie Jean King Main Library almost 10 years ago. They were both honing their STEAM-based skill set (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) when they heard about the Maker Faire in 2016.

The festival was created in 2006 to bring together creatives in a wide range of interests, from scientists and coders to crafters and homesteaders. Hedden and Gaete visited the fair and were inspired by the smorgasbord of art and design, specifically a band that couldn’t find a drummer and so decided to build their own.

Using Hedden’s background as a drummer and Gaete’s skills with engineering, they decided to create something that combined their love of technology, sound and the freedom of creativity.

Thus, the Box of Boom was born: a drum kit connected to an intricate clump of wires feeding signals to play the parts of the instrument by pushing different buttons. The group took the Box of Boom on a tour through different festivals, racking up awards and grants to keep growing along the way.

“It was really just to see a creative idea come into fruition and see what happens,” Hedden said. “As opposed to doing projects for clients and for others, just having this passion project and to see it through to the finish, we didn’t really know if people would like it or not but there would be people lined up to play it and it was really rewarding to see people respond to it.”

The Box of Boom needed a home after its tour run, and as the different parts of the project sat in group member’s backyards they searched for a space to keep building it, along with their other ideas. They

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JOBS

## California Service Corp wants hundreds of Long Beach workers

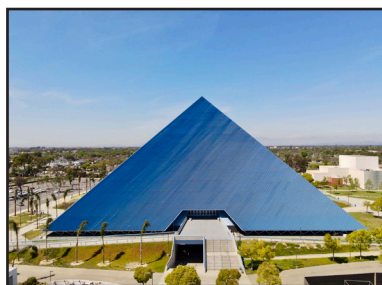
Kristen Farrah Naeem  
Staff Writer

Public officials held a press conference Thursday morning outside the Long Beach Civic Center to encourage residents to take advantage of government-provided work experience programs.

“We are investing in you to create change, to create the kind of change that you want to see, that you can be part of [...],” said Josh Fryday, chief service officer of California Volunteers. “And now we just need you to step up.”

The California Service Corp is looking to hire hundreds of paid workers from Long Beach for its four programs:

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An aerial view of the Walter Pyramid at California State University, Long Beach on April 30, 2021.

CITY COUNCIL

## Long Beach finalizes City Library rules

Samantha Diaz  
Managing Editor

The Long Beach Public Library has codified its rules for patrons, which include behaviors that may result in suspension, the city council unanimously approved Tuesday night.

Long Beach public libraries have longstanding codes of conduct, like many other library systems in the nation. The City Library rules were last updated in 2019, and this most recent update includes a process to



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A view of the front entrance of the Billie Jean King Main Library in Long Beach on May 13, 2022.

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TRANSPORTATION

GRANT FUNDS



35 residents will be included in the first round of rentals, with applications open through April 18.

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Long Beach residents have until April 18 to apply for Long Beach's electric bike lending program. The pilot program will allow residents to rent an electric bike, helmet and lock for up to three months for free. The City is using \$350,000 from Long Beach Recovery Act funds for the first year of the program, as reported by the *Signal Tribune* in September. Residents who are enrolled in certain federal or state assistance programs will receive priority for 24 of the bikes, while the remaining 11 will be available to the general public.

Participants in the program will also receive education on E-bike technology. "Our new Electric Bicycle Lending Library is a bold step toward a more sustainable and equitable transportation system in Long Beach," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "By providing our residents with the chance to experience the benefits of E-bikes firsthand, we're not only promoting eco-friendly mobility but also fostering a sense of community and shared responsibility."

Long Beach shop Propel Bikes will provide the 35 E-bikes, with standard, cargo and tri-cycle model options. Applications can be submitted online or via paper copies available in person at any Long Beach Public Library location.

Applications are available in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog.

Applicants who meet eligibility requirements will be selected at random to participate in the first round of the program. Selected participants will be notified in May, and operator training and E-bike pick up will be scheduled soon thereafter.

The applicant list will be used for additional lending rounds until the list is exhausted. Any Long Beach resident over the age of 18 can apply, as no driver's license is required.

"In alignment with the City's 2030 strategic vision, Long Beach seeks to achieve a balanced, multi-modal transportation network that enhances connectivity, retains our community character, encourages active lifestyles, and enhances environmental sustainability by reducing gasoline consumption and greenhouse gas emissions," read a public statement the City released about the program.

The continuation of the program following 2024 will depend on this pilot year's success, Long Beach Transportation Planner Reed Sherlock to the *Signal Tribune* in September.



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# Congressman Robert Garcia secures over \$7 million in federal funding for Long Beach projects

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Congressman Robert Garcia (CA-42) announced on March 14 that a total of over \$15 million in federal funding has been allocated to Long Beach and Southeast Los Angeles to support community projects.

Garcia requested and secured these funds from the U.S. House of Representatives' Appropriations Committee, which allowed congress members to submit funding requests for up to 15 projects in the districts they represent. These projects can either belong to state and local governments, or eligible non-profit organizations.

Five of these projects will be in Long Beach, receiving a combined sum of over \$7 million for Fiscal Year 2024. The list of projects slated to receive funding in Long Beach



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Congressman Robert Garcia holds Long Beach District 2 Veterans Commissioner Mike Shakhovich's son while talking to him and his wife during the "Honoring our Heroes" Memorial Day event on May 28, 2023.

includes:

- \$3,443,700 to California State University Long Beach for enhancements to the Isabel Patterson Child Development Center.
- \$963,000 to Long Beach Community College for the establish-

ment of a Space Beach Research and Innovation Center in Long Beach.

- \$1,000,000 to the City of Long Beach for improvements along the Studebaker Road Corridor.

- \$850,000 to the City of Long Beach for upgrades to the Bixby Park Community Center.

- \$850,000 each to the City of Long Beach for upgrades to the Heartwell Park Field.

- \$500,000 to the City of Long Beach for enhancements to Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

"These community projects aim to improve the lives of everyone in our district." Garcia said in a public statement. "As we continue to work hand in hand with local partners, it is my priority to advocate for funding that will serve folks from every corner of our district."

FUNDRAISER

# GoFundMe for family of stabbing victim raises \$21,000

Staff Report  
Signal Tribune

A GoFundMe made by the family of a 20-year-old man that was recently stabbed to death in Long Beach has raised \$21,302 of its \$25,000 goal, as of March 20.

Adrian Hernandez was allegedly stabbed on Second Street in the early hours of March 3. The Long Beach Police Department has identified 29-year-old Brandon Nguyen of Huntington Beach as the suspect in the stabbing.

Police said officers were dispatched to the 5200 block of East Second Street in response to a report of a stabbing and responded within two minutes. Officers found Hernandez had been stabbed in the upper body and rendered emergency aid until Long Beach Fire Department (LBFD) paramedics arrived. LBFD rushed Hernandez

to a local hospital, where he later died from his injuries.

According to a report by the County of Los Angeles Medical Examiner, Hernandez's manner of death was homicide caused by a stab wound to the chest.

Nguyen was arrested by Long Beach police the following day at the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and booked into the Long Beach City Jail on murder charges. According to the Los Angeles Sheriffs' Inmate Information Center, Nguyen is currently being held without bail in the Men's Central Jail in Los Angeles.

Nguyen's arraignment was scheduled for Wednesday morning, but was pushed back to April 10, according to *City News Service*.

On the GoFundMe page, Hernandez's family described him as, "A beacon of light in our lives, he was a great young man whose



Courtesy of GoFundMe  
Adrian Hernandez was allegedly stabbed to death by Brandon Nguyen on Second Street in Long Beach on March 3.

warmth and compassion knew no bounds. His love for his family, especially his mother, was unwavering, bringing joy and comfort to their hearts. To his friends, he was a pillar of support and camaraderie, always there with a listening ear and a helping hand. As an amazing brother, he exemplified loyalty and devotion, enriching the lives of his siblings with his boundless love."

CITY SERVICES

# Burnett and El Dorado Libraries will be open on Mondays starting in April

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Signal Tribune

Two Long Beach libraries will extend service days to include Mondays beginning in April, the City of Long Beach announced Wednesday morning.

Burnett Library at 560 E Hill St. and El Dorado Library at 2900 Studebaker Road will join the recent expansion of Long Beach Public Library service hours. Five other libraries have begun offering services on Mondays in the past year.

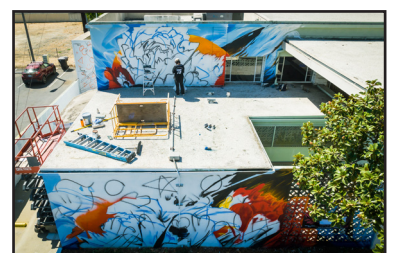
"Over the past year, we have expanded to six-day service at many of our neighborhood libraries across Long Beach," said Mayor

Rex Richardson in a public statement. "By providing more accessible hours, we are offering residents the opportunity to learn, grow, and achieve more. We are committed to enhancing our City services to best meet the needs of our community."

This expansion of service is made possible through structural and one-time enhancements to Library Services as approved in the City's Adopted Fiscal Year 2023 Budget by the City Council.

The extended service hours at Burnett and El Dorado Neighborhood Libraries will be as follows:

- Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays: noon to 7 p.m.
- Wednesdays: noon to 6 p.m.



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Thao Huynh French is seen working on her mural at the Burnett Neighborhood Library for the Long Beach Walls event on Aug. 30, 2022.

- Fridays and Saturdays: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information about the Library hours and services, visit [LBPL.org](http://LBPL.org) or call 562.570.7500.

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# AROUND TOWN

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

The first week of spring also ushers in a wide variety of events for everyone in Long Beach and Signal Hill this coming week.

Parents and kids can enjoy a drawing class at a local library or storytime at The LGBTQ Center Long Beach on Friday. Teens are invited to attend a movie screening in North Long Beach Wednesday evening.

Theater goers can enjoy a live performance on Saturday night, or try their hand at acting at an audition for an upcoming play on Monday. Art lovers can enjoy free admission to the Museum of Latin American Art, attend a panel discussion on submitting their work for exhibits, or attend a lecture on micro-galleries.

### 22 FRIDAY

#### KIDS DRAWING CLASS

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Artist Dave Boatman will be leading this cartoon drawing class for students between the ages of 6 and 12 at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W Broadway). Free.

#### DRAG QUEEN STORY HOUR

Drag Queen Big Dee will be reading a children's book aloud at The LGBTQ Center Long Beach (2017 E Fourth St.). Pizza and cookies will be provided. Free.

### 23 SATURDAY

#### DIVE INTO LEARNING

11 a.m. to noon. Parents are invited to learn how to help their young children develop their speech from a speech language pathologist at

the El Dorado Neighborhood Library (2900 E Studebaker Road). Free.

#### FREE-FOR-ALL MUSEUM DAY

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.) will not be charging admission for this day. Free.

#### ARTIST PANEL DISCUSSION

2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Long Beach Creative Group will be hosting a panel discussion at the Rod Briggs Memorial Gallery (2221 E Broadway) where their jurists and exhibit coordinators will explain how artists can apply to an open call. Free.

#### PLANTFEST

Noon to 5 p.m. Hella Plants Market and Plantiitas will be hosting this plant marketplace at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.). The event will feature multiple plant vendors, workshops and more. General admission tickets cost \$10 on Eventbrite.

#### LIVE THEATER PERFORMANCE

8 p.m. The Garage Theatre (251 E Seventh St.) will be performing a rendition of the play "Hat Box," which follows the story of four sister wives and their polygamist prophet husband. General admission tickets can be purchased for \$25 on ovationtix.com.

### 24 SUNDAY

#### YOGA AT THE FARM

10 a.m. This morning yoga session at Farm Lot 59 (2714 California Ave.) is appropriate for all experience levels. The class will consist of breathing exercises and

gentle stretching. Tickets are available on a sliding scale on Farm Lot 59's website, from \$5 to \$15.

#### FOOD GIVEAWAY

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Individuals and families in need are invited by the Friends of Puvungna to pick up baskets of fruits and vegetables in the G2 parking lot at Cal State Long Beach. Free.

#### BOOK SIGNING

Noon to 3 p.m. Artist and photojournalist Manny Crisostomo will be signing copies of the second edition of his book "Journey to the Heart: Pacific Islanders Celebrate Their Indigenous Cultures" at the Pacific Island Ethnic Art Museum (695 Alamitos Ave.). All proceeds will benefit the Kutturan Chamoru Foundation. Attendees are highly encouraged to register ahead of time by emailing info@kutturan-chamoru.org. Free to attend.

#### WORLD POETRY DAY READING

3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Four students from UC Irvine's MFA Programs in Writing will be reading their poems and works of fiction at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.). Register on the museum's website. Free.

### 25 MONDAY

#### SUPPORT GROUP

4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach (2017 E Fourth St.) will be hosting this weekly support group for gay, bisexual and transgender men to share their experiences in a supportive environment. Free.

#### THEATER AUDITIONS

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Long Beach



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A customer browses through some plants under an archway of hanging plants inside the new Plantiitas location on Fourth Street in Long Beach on May 4, 2022. Hella Plants Market and Plantiitas will be hosting a plant marketplace this Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. at the Museum of Latin American Art.

Playhouse (5021 E Anaheim St.) is holding auditions for its upcoming rendition of "Detroit '67." Actors must be available to perform every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Actors will work on a volunteer basis for no compensation. Those auditioning should bring a resume and headshot with them. Free.

### 26 TUESDAY

#### DIY CRAFT

4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Participants will make a mini-notebook at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) to take home with them. Materials will be provided. This event is appropriate for those 12 and older. Free.

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING

5:45 p.m. to 7 p.m. A new affordable housing development may be coming to the Cal Heights neighborhood, and the local community is invited to weigh in on the project during this public meeting at the Expo Arts Center (4321 Atlantic Ave.). Attendees are asked to register ahead of time by emailing nsb@longbeach.gov or calling (562) 570-6949. Free.

### 26 WEDNESDAY

#### TEEN MATINEE

4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Teens are invited to a screening of the 2005 movie "The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants" at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library (5614 Britton Dr.). Popcorn will be provided. Free.

#### SIP & STITCH

6 p.m. Attendees are invited to

bring their current hand stitching project to Beachwood Brewing to ask questions and get inspiration from each other. To reserve a spot, Venmo \$20 to @jeaninedesigns.

### 28 THURSDAY

#### MOVIE IN THE PARK

4 p.m. to 8 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the animated movie "Turning Red" at Lincoln Park (101 Pacific Ave.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. The movie will begin at dusk. Free.

#### ANTI-SURVEILLANCE COMMUNITY TEACH IN

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Long Beach Anti-Surveillance Coalition will be hosting this meeting at St. Luke's Episcopal Church (525 E Seventh St.) to teach the public about how the authorities use surveillance technology in Long Beach. To register, visit bit.ly/march28teachin. Free.

#### ARTIST LECTURE

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Local artist Dave Clark will be giving a lecture on micro-galleries at The Artist Coop (1330 Gladys Ave.). Attendees are asked to bring a dish or beverage to share. Free.

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Mayor Rex Richardson also said the City was looking at creating legislation that would prioritize the hiring of previous California Service Corp and Long Beach Public Service Corp fellows for City jobs.

The City of Long Beach launched its Public Service Corp in November 2023, in partnership with the California Service Corp and local nonprofit Pacific Gateway. Its inaugural group of nearly 50 students and recent grads from Long Beach City College, Cal State Long Beach and Cal State Dominguez Hills will be placed in various positions across ten departments, where they will be paid while getting hands-on experience for long-term careers in public service.

Richardson called public service experience "life-changing," and ex-



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Long Beach Mayor Rex Richardson speaks to the public during the 2024 State of the City address at the Long Beach Terrace Theater on Jan. 9, 2024. Richardson announced Thursday that the City is looking to create legislation that prioritizes the hiring of previous California Service Corp and Long Beach Public Service Corp fellows for City jobs.

plained how his career in the public sphere began at 26 years old with a job in the office of former councilmember Steven Neal in North Long Beach.

"I believe that public service is a gift that we should continue to share with future generations," Richardson said.

Attendees of the press conference heard from fellows participating in the programs, who shared their experiences and expressed gratitude for the chance to contribute to projects in their communities.

"This fellowship is an incredible opportunity to apply what I'm learning in the classroom to pro-

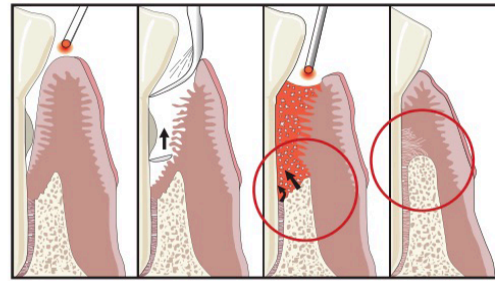
grams that make the city of Long Beach a more equitable place for all its employees and students," said Crystal Vega, a Public Service Corp fellow pursuing their Master of Public Administration degree at Cal State Long Beach. "I firmly believe there's a place for everyone in government. Opportunities like this fellowship open doors, creating a pipeline to the public sector and calling young people into a lifelong career in public service."

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went to visit their friends' nonprofit Dramatic Results that works with local schools to give kids STEAM education and found the perfect space for what they needed behind the office.

Dramatic Results works with the Long Beach Public Library to offer free workshops to students, and the longstanding relationship resulted in Signal Hill's unique artist space nestled behind the nonprofit.

"Part of our program has also been to create a residency program for local creatives to pitch an idea and then have something where all the members can support that idea and make it a collaborative project with a timeline and make some sort of show or exhibit at the end," Hedden said.

Since 2019, SpaceTime Collaborative has transformed the warehouse space into a safe haven for independent artists to combine their ideas and work together to create out-of-the-box exhibits and projects. Their first event was a Bugsgiving Dinner, where local chefs crafted a Thanksgiving-style feast of scrumptious dishes made with creepy crawlies in the small industrial kitchen.

The group has also worked with the City of Long Beach to help host

the virtual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration during the pandemic, with enough space for musical guests and speakers to perform. Creativity has no bounds at SpaceTime Collaborative, as they've hosted a wide variety of exhibits using drones, music composition, film photography, urban farming, augmented reality and 3D-printed creations.



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A servo smacks a drumstick into the skin of a snare drum in the "Box of Boom," a light-reactive, programable drum machine installation that sits in the middle of the SpaceTime Collaborative studio on March 6, 2024.

SpaceTime Collaborative now offers memberships to artists who need the space and connections to grow. Behind the squeaky red door that faces the street, artists can come and use the various workshop spaces, work together on projects

and teach one another their skill sets to produce synergistic, immersive shows.

When asked about the success of their once small, now sprawling and extraordinary collaborative efforts, Gaete said it came naturally.

"[Hedden] and I are so like minded, we're always finding interesting concepts to spread out into the community," Gaete said. "It's one of those things where you don't really see it until someone points it out to you, because you're in the middle of it and you don't even know exactly why you're doing it. I think that's how art has always been to me."

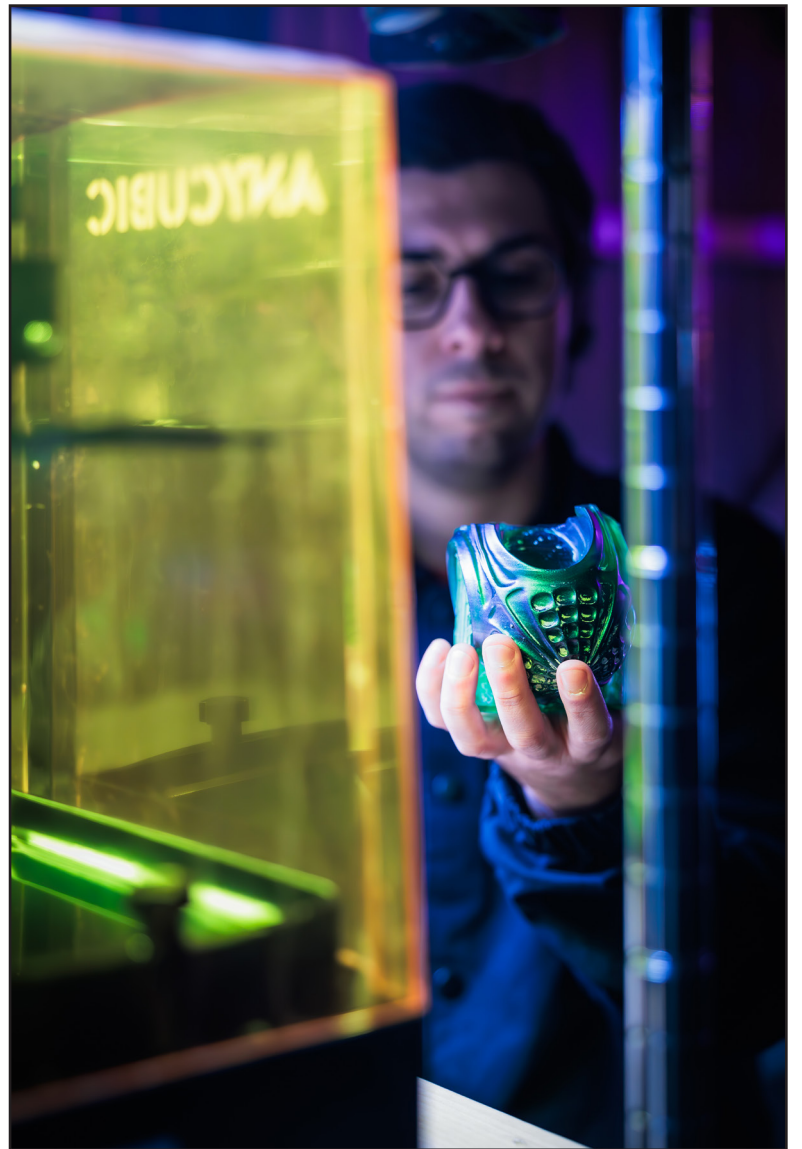
Members are also welcome to take advantage of the weekly artist groups, which Hedden referred to as an "artist support group." Artists convene weekly to work on whatever projects they want, asking each other for tips and ideas late into the evening.

Hedden and Gaete further the collaborative nature and share it with their students, as both grow their artistic journey into educational efforts. Hedden is a design professor at Cal State Long Beach while Gaete has continued his work with the Makers Space, so SpaceTime Collaborative has far reaching impacts across all age groups.

"The stuff I work on and the way I work and collaborate with other folks, this is something that I'm able to directly bring to my students and I utilize those things everyday in my work with Long Beach youth," Gaete said.

The latest project on their mind calls back to the inception of the group. Inspired by the Box of Boom, they're working on a more personal, immersive sonic project with a tentative title, "The Dome of Ome" which will take ideas such as sound baths combined with acoustic capabilities to allow people to create a musical piece using their own voice and instruments of their choosing in a space of solitude.

SpaceTime promotes their members' exhibits and events on its Instagram: @spacetimecollaborative.



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Chris Rivera, a member of the maker's group, SpaceTime Collaborative, holds up one of his 3D printed H.R. Giger-esque eggs that wasn't able to complete printing fully, but ended up adding to the strange biomechanical art of the piece inside the group's studio on March 6, 2024.



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David Hedden, co-founder of SpaceTime Collaborative, shows off the "Box of Boom," a light-reactive, programable drum machine installation inside their studio on March 6, 2024.

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7:41 p.m., Intoxicated person, 700 block E. Spring St.  
9:07 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)

### Thursday, March 14

2:38 p.m., Grand theft, E. 21st St. east of Gundry Ave.  
6:19 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 700 block E. Spring St.

### Friday, March 15

6:27 a.m., Burglary, 3200 block E. PCH  
10:54 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 700 block E. Spring St.  
11:33 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2400 block Cherry Ave.  
12:40 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1900 block Freeman Ave.  
1:35 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Redondo Ave.  
6:21 p.m., Inflict corporal injury on spouse, 1800 block Temple Ave. (suspect arrested)

### Saturday, March 16

8:50 p.m., Robbery, 2700 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)  
8:59 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2200 block St. Louis Ave.

### Sunday, March 17

No information available

### Monday, March 18

7:10 a.m., Suspicious vehicle; felony warrant, E. 29th St. west of California Ave. (suspect arrested)  
2:09 p.m., Indecent exposure, California Ave. north of E. Spring St.  
6:04 p.m., Injury traffic collision, 3300 block Atlantic Ave.

### Tuesday, March 19

7:25 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 3200 block Atlantic Ave.  
2:03 p.m., Auto burglary, 2500 block Temple 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 and type in an address.**

#### TST7216 Case No. 24LBCP00057 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Governor George Deukmejian Courthouse, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Anna Lamae Johnson for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Anna Lamae Johnson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Anna Lamae Johnson Proposed Name: SkyWalker 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: April 9, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. 26. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. March 1, 8, 15, 23, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: February 23, 2024

#### TST7231 Case No. 24CMCP00032 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 200 W. Compton Blvd., Compton, CA. 90220 PETITION OF: TAYNA LAVON KING for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: TAYNA LAVON KING filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: TAYNA LAVON KING Proposed Name: TANYA LAVON KING 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: May 14, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A, Room 904. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo

Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael Shultz, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 5, 2024

#### TST7232 Case No. 24LBCP00055 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Governor George Deukmejian Courthouse, 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Celeste Mishael Saxton for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Celeste Mishael Saxton has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Celeste Mishael Saxton Proposed Name: Celeste Mishael Saxton-Moncure 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: April 9, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. S-26, Room 5500. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: February 23, 2024

#### TST7233 Case No. 24CMCP00015 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Compton Courthouse, 200 West Compton Blvd., Compton, CA 90220 PETITION OF: Ramon Santos for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Ramon Santos has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Ramon Santos Proposed Name: Ramon Flores 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: April 23, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A, Room 904. The address of the court is the same

as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755 March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael Schultz, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: February 14, 2024

#### TST7234 Case No. 24NWCP00082 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Norwalk Courthouse, 12720 Norwalk, Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 PETITION OF: 1. FNU Rajni, 2. FNU Reeva for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners 1. FNU Rajni, 2. FNU Reeva has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing their name as follows: Present Name: 1. FNU RAJNI 2. FNU REEVA Proposed Name: 1. RAJNI SINGH 2. REEVA SINGH 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: May 6, 2024; Time: 9:30a.m., Dept. C, Room 312. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Olivia Rosales, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 6, 2024

#### TST7229

##### Case No. 23STPB13617

#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Monica Rae Herman, aka Monica Herman, or Monica R. Herman

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of MONICA RAE HERMAN, aka Monica Merman or Monica R. Herman. 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Charlene Garces in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles. 3. The Petition for Probate requests that Charlene Garces be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 4. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. 5. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain and very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. **A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:** a. April 15, 2024 @ 8:30am, Dept: 99 b. Stanley Most Courthouse 111 North Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90802. 7. **If you object** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objection or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. **If you are a creditor or contingent creditor of the decedent**, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court with the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.** 9. **You may examine the file**

kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a **Request for Special Notice** (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A request for Special Notice form is available from the Court clerk. **ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: J. BRETT MILLER 3070 BRISTOL ST., STE. 500 COSTA MESA, CA. 92626** Pub. Signal Tribune, March 8, 15, 22, 2024

#### TST7247 Case No. 24LBCP00081 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, Governor George Deukmejian Courthouse, 275 Magnolia Ave. Long Beach, CA 90802 PETITION OF: Crystal Hazel Saguin Flores for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners Crystal Hazel Saguin Flores has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Crystal Hazel Saguin Flores Proposed Name: Crystal Hazel Soegono 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: April 23, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept.S26, Room 5500. The address of the court is the same as above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county, THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE, 1860 Obispo Ave., Ste. F, Signal Hill, CA 90755. March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael P. Vicencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 12, 2024

#### TST7253

#### Case No. 23STPB08115 NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: FRANCIS EDWARD ARNOLD

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of FRANCIS EDWARD ARNOLD. 2. A Petition for Probate has been filed by ROBERT EDWARD ARNOLD in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles. 3. The Petition for Probate requests that ROBERT EDWARD ARNOLD be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 4. The Petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. 5. The Petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain and very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. 6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: a. April 25, 2024 @ 8:30am, Dept: 62 b. Stanley Most Courthouse 111 North Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90802. 7. **If you object** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objection or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. 8. **If you are a creditor or contingent creditor of the decedent**, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court with the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.** 9. **You may examine the file kept by the court. If**

you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A request for Special Notice form is available from the Court clerk. **ROBERT EDWARD ARNOLD 506 SOUTH LEBANON STREET MASCOUTAH, ILLINOIS 62258** Phone: 618-334-13069 Pub. Signal Tribune, March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

TST7250/Order No: 16927  
Auto Lien Sale

On 04/03/2024 at 3085 EAST 4TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 NISSAN VIN: 1N4AL3AP6JC241401 STATE: CA LIC: 9BSD390 at 8AM

TST7249/Order No: 16925  
Auto Lien Sale

On 04/03/2024 at 1865 E 65TH ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 HONDA VIN: 2HGFC2F62MH502522 STATE: CA LIC: 8WXM117 at 8 AM

TST7248/Order No: 16919  
Auto Lien Sale

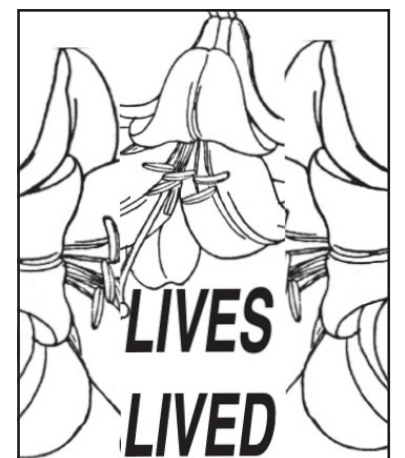
On 04/03/2024 at 2801 W SLAUSON AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 FORD VIN: 1FTEW1EB8JKE78550 STATE: LIC: at 8 AM

TST7252/Order No: 17441  
Auto Lien Sale

On 04/08/2024 at 644 E MANCHESTER AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 JEEP VIN: 1C4HJXDG2KW526923 STATE: CA LIC: 8XOY841 at 10 AM

TST7251/Order No: 17439  
Auto Lien Sale

On 04/08/2024 at 644 E MANCHESTER AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 HONDA VIN: 3CZRUSH12LM719042 STATE: CA LIC: 8SWX607 at 10 AM



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Christopher Safos 38

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appeal a suspension.

The ordinance at Tuesday night's city council meeting only had two residents speak during public comment. Both residents said they were opposed to the update, arguing that the rules "criminalize homelessness" due to rules surrounding odors and items brought into the library.

"... I don't believe we should keep the public library as an institution that can only be used by people that are not poor," a resident who did not state her name said to the council. "Poverty is not a moral failing, poverty is not violence and poverty does not threaten."

The City Library rules include:

- Disruptive behavior
- Noise
- Offensive odors
- Health and sanitation hazards
- Bringing possessions
- Bringing possessions, materials or objects into the library or facility which are likely to interfere with the library's use by others

"Suspending privileges of visitation is only something we do as a last resort," said Cathy De Leon, director of library services. "It's necessary because ultimately we need to protect our patrons and staff."

In 2023, Long Beach libraries reported 446 "incidents" through

its internal reporting system, and suspended 131 people from entering various libraries throughout the city.

Consequences for rule violations vary depending on the severity of the situation, with a minimum of one day and a maximum of one year. A person can appeal their suspension to the City Manager, and if the City Manager upholds the suspension, they can appeal the case to the City Council.

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In September 2022, the City closed the Billie Jean King Main Library, the largest library in the city, due to safety and security concerns from the staff. The library was shut down for multiple weeks. The Mark Twain Neighborhood Library also shut down in July to address mental health and safety issues regarding the staff.

The rules state that they may not "unreasonably or unfairly restrict access to libraries or facilities by any person or group."

People who owe \$20 or more in library fines will have their borrowing privileges suspended, but can still access the library and all other services, though they can appeal a

borrowing suspension with the library director.

"To me this is not about limiting folks from being able to go to our libraries, I think it's about making sure that anyone can have free access in our libraries in a way that's safe," Mayor Rex Richardson said in support of the ordinance.

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**Pet of the week: Chrissy and Chris**

Chrissy (bottom right) and Chris have nearly identical markings, so it's no surprise that they're related—mother and son, in fact. But they're only about 6 months apart in age! Yes, Chrissy is about 14 months old, and Chris is 8 months old. Female cats can get pregnant as young as 4 months old! Spaying and neutering pet cats and community cats is important to prevent unwanted litters, but as for these two sweet, brown-and-white domestic shorthair cats, they need a home. They share a double kennel and are not only close in age but are also practically attached at the hip! They eat together, play together, snooze together, and shine and entertain. We couldn't imagine adopting one without the other! To adopt or foster this cute pair, email [PetAdopt@longbeach.gov](mailto:PetAdopt@longbeach.gov) to speed the process, or call (562) 570-7387. Better yet, come meet them in person at Long Beach Animal Care Services, 7700 E. Spring St., Long Beach. Hours are Weds–Fri, 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m., and Sat–Sun, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Ask for ID#A714163 for Chrissy and ID#A714162.

(This rescue encouraged by the usual suspects.)

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On the Hill



**The Mother of Signal Hill**

The first Mayor of Signal Hill. Mrs. Jessie Elwin (Le Master) Nelson. was also 'called affectionately, by her 1920s constituents "Mother of Signal Hill." Mrs. Nelson, a native of Clarksville, Tennessee, came to Long Beach in 1903 with her husband Z.T. Nelson. Mr. Nelson had been born in Illinois. Soon after arriving in Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson purchased 17 1/2 acres of land in Signal Hill. and then made two more local land purchases totaling 9 additional acres. Later, the Nelsons sub-divided and sold this land.

Mrs. Nelson was an active resident of Signal Hill. During World War I, she was an effective member of the Red Cross and furthered local Liberty Loan drives. She wrote a column for the Long Beach Telegram which reported community news from Signal Hill and Los Cerritos. During the emerging oil boom on the hill, Mrs. Nelson covered oil production news, as well.

It is credited to Mrs. Nelson that her influence, by and large, led the defeat of a movement to annex Signal Hill to Long Beach. She was supported by Signal Hill residents who had abandoned their homes to make way for extensive oil drilling. These residents objected to paying a higher tax rate the City of Long Beach was attempting to levy upon them.

In his 1927 book, *The History of Long Beach and Vicinity*, Walter Case wrote this about Mrs. Jessie Nelson:

"She started the movement for the incorporation of Signal Hill into a city of the sixth class. In this she was successful and the city was incorporated April 7, 1924. She was elected a member of the Board of City Trustees and, having received the highest number of votes, was made chairman of the Board, which automatically made her mayor. Hers is the distinction of having been the first woman Mayor in California. She served very ably and considered the interests of her constituents, without fear or favor or selfish ends. A woman of strong individuality, tactful and gracious in manner, she has long been recognized as one of Signal Hill's most progressive citizens. While in the social life of the community she enjoys a well merited popularity having a host of warm and devoted friends."

On March 30, 1925, Mrs. Nelson presented a written resignation to the board of trustees of the City of Signal Hill. Her resignation as mayor would take effect April 2, 1925. In her own words, Jessie Nelson explained her motivations for her political involvement as first mayor.

"At the time of the proposed annexation to Long Beach of the territory embraced in the City of Signal Hill, I strenuously opposed the same and favored the incorporation of a new city. My attitude was inspired by the

fact that had my late husband, Z.T. Nelson, survived, he would have personally taken the same position relative to these problems. My entry into the public service was not prompted by desire of personal gain or prestige or political preferment.

I have been glad to neglect my own personal and business interest for the past eighteen months, on behalf of my fellow citizens of Signal Hill in the common good, and now that the big project is well under way others can take up the good work and continue it.

Therefore, I ask to be relieved of the exacting duties and demands that I may devote my time and attention to to the recovery of my health, which has been greatly impaired during this period of time and to the protection of my personal business and property interests."

Z.T. Nelson, Jessie Nelson's husband, died in 1921. He had been previously married and had a son, Roy B. Nelson, by his first wife. In 1925 Jessie got married, again. This time to her stepson, Roy B. Nelson. Roy died two years later. Mrs. Nelson, herself, died August 25, 1929 after a long period of illness. She was 58.

Her obituary credits Jessie Nelson with helping to establish city and county libraries in Long Beach and Signal Hill. She also organized the Ebel Club of Signal Hill, serving as its first president, and was president of the Civic League. Mrs. Nelson's years of dedicated community service has earned her a prominent place in local history. Truly, she was "The Mother of Signal Hill."

**Save the date: Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Jessie Nelson Memorial and Old Towne Orange Visit.**

We will honor Jessie Nelson, "Mother of Signal Hill" who is with both husbands at the Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana.

- 9:30 buses depart from Signal Hill Library
- 10:15 a special tribute to Jessie Nelson at Fairhaven Memorial Park
- 11:30 visit Old Towne Orange - shopping and lunch at your leisure.
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- 2:00 depart 2:00 and arrive at Signal Hill Library 2:45

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