

PARKS



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(Top) Oranges grow on the Orange Avenue entrance to Willow Springs Park in Long Beach on Sept. 28, 2021. (Bottom) A sign informs park-goers about the greening project at Willow Springs Park on Sept. 28, 2021.

## 'A historic moment': Willow Springs Park becomes park space in perpetuity

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Managing Editor

Long Beach's best-kept nature secret was officially recognized by the City this week, as Willow Springs Park received its long awaited park designation from the City Council.

Following years of back and forth from City officials, 46 acres of green space in the Wrigley neighborhood is now protected from development. It's an assurance from the City that the land will remain park space, and a commitment for the natural reservation to finally receive much needed funding.

At Tuesday's City Council meeting, the council unanimously voted to protect the park in perpetuity through the City Charter. Long Beach announced \$1 million in funding for the park along with its dedication.

"We've been so used to being like, 'When is this going to happen?'" said Mauna Eichner with the Friends of Willow Springs Park. "We're totally thrilled this has finally come to pass, and we're also ready and willing to go to the next stage."

The land has been a labor of love for the group, which began with Eichner and her husband years ago. The group has hosted weekly cleanups, gone to dozens of City meetings and connected with other local environmental groups to bring awareness to the park.

Through word of mouth and email chains, hundreds of volunteers now advocate for Willow Springs through meetings, letters and their time spent caring for the land.

"Basically we're creating a giant park in the middle of the city which is a big deal," Mayor Rex Richardson said during the City Council meeting. "It's a historic moment."

Willow Springs was the first water source for Long Beach, and the springs were the first location where the Puvungna tribe lived before settlers claimed the land. In 1921, Long Beach announced plans to make the space a regional park similar to Golden Gate Park in San Francisco.

When oil was discovered on the land, it became a focus for crude oil extraction, and any green space there was neglected for generations. The park still contains one oil pump in the corner, owned and operated by Signal Hill Petroleum.

During recently proposed developments like the City's plans to build Tiny Homes on a small part of the park,

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HEALTH

## From EpiPens to ice cream: Long Beach institute aims to eliminate milk allergies

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For the first two years of Vivek Peterson's life, his mother Priti was constantly on high alert.

His list of allergies, including tree nuts, sesame and eggs, was topped by milk anaphylaxis: a life-threatening allergic reaction to dairy that causes airways to narrow, blood pressure to quickly drop and can send a body into shock.

But after nearly a decade of

working with the Food Allergy Institute, Long Beach's innovative clinical care and research center, 11-year-old Vivek can happily enjoy ice cream, chocolate, birthday parties and road trips with ease, and without limits.

The Peterson family is one of many whose lives were changed through the Food Allergy Institute's (FAI) Tolerance Induction Program.

The FAI recently published the results of its first-of-its-kind trial, where 214 youth ages 1 to 21 were

exposed to small doses of dairy from different mammals for over a year. By following a detailed plan specific to each participant, every person who went through the study can now safely consume unlimited amounts of dairy, more than a year after the study completed, according to the institute.

The study also refers to the fact that it is unknown how many of the children enrolled in the study would have naturally outgrown their milk allergies. According to

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Courtesy of Food Allergy Institute

The Food Allergy Institute (FAI) has reported immense success in treating serious milk allergies in youth ages 1 to 21, including milk anaphylaxis. One of the company's success stories from its Tolerance Induction Program is 11-year-old Vivek Peterson, who has overcome his deadly milk allergy through FAI's treatment.

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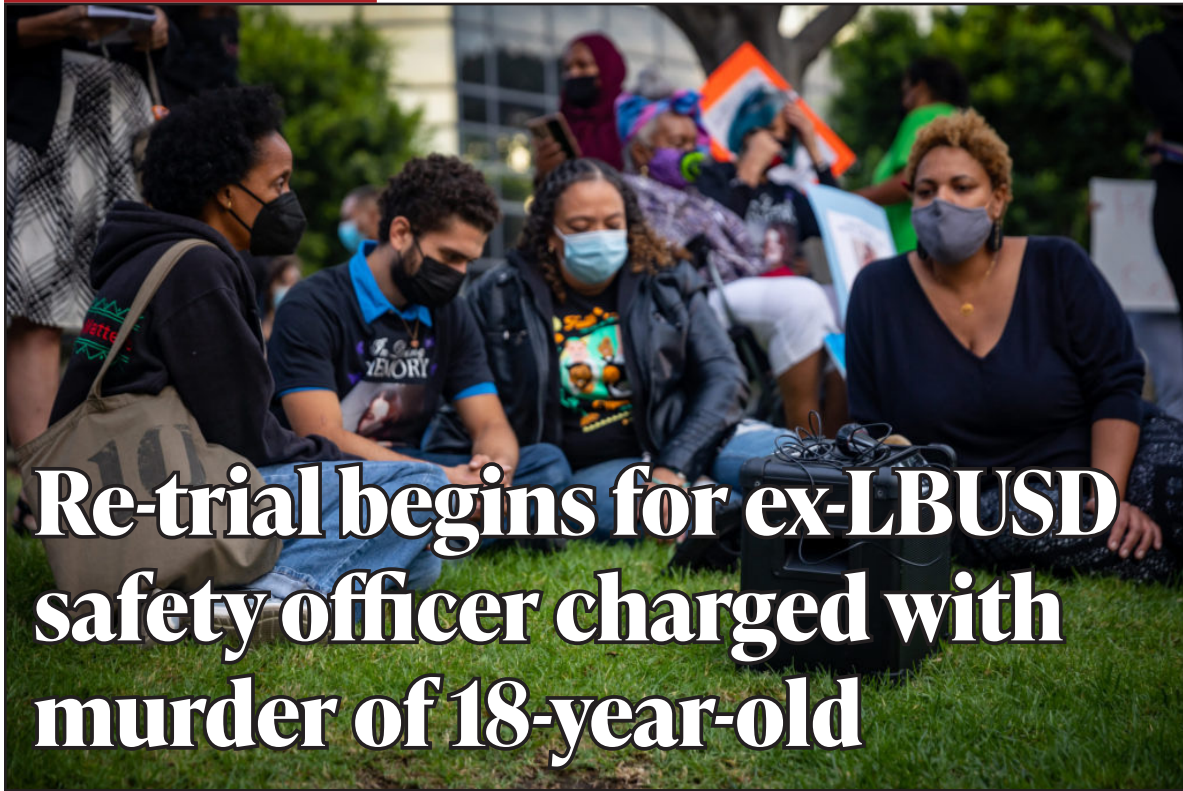
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TRIAL



# Re-trial begins for ex-LBUSD safety officer charged with murder of 18-year-old

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A family member of Mona Rodriguez, an 18-year old mother shot by an LBUSD school safety officer in Sept. 2021, and several Black Lives Matter supporters listen to a speaker broadcasting a LBUSD Board of Education meeting on Oct. 6, 2021.

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A second trial is ramping up for the case of a former Long Beach school safety officer who fatally shot an 18-year-old in 2021.

A jury declared a deadlock in the first trial of Eddie Francisco Gonzalez, who is charged with the murder of Manuela "Mona" Rodriguez.

The jurors were split 7-5 in the first trial in April; with seven jurors convicting Gonzalez of second-degree murder and five convicting him of voluntary manslaughter while acquitting him of the murder charges. Gonzalez has been free on bond while he waits for his second trial to begin. The pretrial took place on Aug. 13.

Gonzalez shot Rodriguez — a mother of an infant at the time — while she sat in the front passenger seat of a car her boyfriend was driving. The pair were driving with Rodriguez's boyfriend's younger brother in the backseat in a parking lot near the intersection of Spring Street and Palos Verdes Avenue, about a block from Millikan High School.

Rodriguez had gotten into a fight with a minor near the highschool, then got into the car to leave the area. The defendant's attorney argued that his client acted in self-defense out of fear he was going to be run over by the car in which the

woman was a passenger, according to *City News Service*.

Rodriguez was shot in the head and died of her gunshot wounds days later in the hospital. The Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD) fired Gonzalez about a week after the shooting, and Gonzalez was charged with murder about a month later.



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Oscar Rodriguez and another family member talk to protesters outside of LBUSD headquarters during a Board of Education meeting on Oct. 6, 2021.

Research center The Violence Project studied the effect of having armed officers on school campuses during shootings and found no "significant reduction" in injuries in cases where an armed guard was on campus. The center found that schools with an armed guard ended with three times as many people killed during shootings.

LBUSD still employs armed School Safety Officers through the 2024-25 school year, according to an LBUSD spokesperson.

The district said the officers are not stationed on campuses, but are "available to respond to school sites when necessary or upon the request of a school or administrative personnel."

Rodriguez's family announced in 2021 that they reached a \$13 million settlement of their lawsuit against the school district in connection with Rodriguez's death.

The lawsuit alleged that Gonzalez did not pass probation when he tried to be hired by the Los Alamitos and Sierra Madre police departments, but he was still hired by the LBUSD, which compounded matters by negligently training him.



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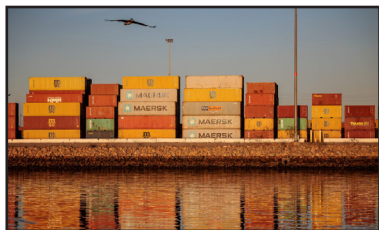
# Record-breaking amount of cargo passed through the Port of Long Beach in July

**City News Service**  
*Southern California Local News*

Cargo volume surged to historic levels at the Port of Long Beach in July, representing the third-busiest month in the port's 113 years, as retailers stocked up on goods in preparation for peak shipping season, officials announced Aug. 14.

Dockworkers and terminal operators moved 882,376 twenty-foot equivalent units in July, an increase of 52.6% compared to the same time last year, which also surpassed the previous record set in July 2022 by 12.4%. Imports increased by 60.5% to 435,081 TEUs, exports grew by 16.3% to 104,834 TEUs and empty containers moved

through the facility by 57.8% to 342,462 TEUs.



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Reflections from cargo containers are seen on the water during sunrise at the Port of Long Beach on Aug. 13, 2022.

"We're in a strong position heading into the peak shipping season as consumers purchase back-to-school supplies and shippers move goods ahead of potential tariff in-

creases," Port of Long Beach CEO Mario Cordero said in a statement. "We have plenty of capacity across our terminals and cargo continues to move efficiently and sustainably at this premier gateway for trans-Pacific trade."

The port has moved 5,174,002 TEUs during the first seven months of 2024, up 20% from the same period last year.

"Our waterfront workforce continues to move trade through the port at a record-setting pace," Long Beach Harbor Commission President Bonnie Lowenthal said in a statement. "Our strong partnerships with labor and industry continue to help us meet the evolving needs of our customers."

# EYE ON CRIME

## CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

### Wednesday, August 7

12:09 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 900 block E. 33rd St.  
3:27 p.m., Battery, 2400 block Palm Dr.  
5:15 p.m., Grand theft, 900 block E. 33rd St.  
11:21 p.m., Auto burglary, 2200 block E. Willow St.

### Thursday, August 8

12:04 p.m., Auto burglary, Obispo Ave./E. PCH  
3:48 p.m., Grand theft, 3000 block California Ave.  
6:11 p.m., Battery on spouse, 3200 block Cerritos Ave. (suspect arrested)

### Friday, August 9

11:03 a.m., Petty theft; felony warrant, 2400 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)  
1:55 p.m., Petty theft; possessing paraphernalia, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)  
5:51 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Burnett St./Orange Ave.  
7:58 p.m., Grand theft, 1900 block Raymond Ave.

### Saturday, August 10

5:13 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. Willow St./Orange Ave.  
5:56 p.m., Indecent exposure, 3300 block E. PCH  
6:05 p.m., Burglary, 3200 block E. PCH  
1:11 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. 33rd St./California Ave.  
10:40 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 2600 block Lime Ave.

### Sunday, August 11

1:33 a.m., Burglary; false ID to Police Officer, 2300 block E. 19th St. (suspect arrested)  
9:38 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 2300 block Vista Ridge Lane  
7:05 p.m., Petty theft; False ID; possession of switchblade, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)

### Monday, August 12

8:15 p.m., Battery, 3300 block Falcon Ave.  
9:20 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)

### Tuesday, August 13

2:27 a.m., Burglary; assault with deadly weapon, 2700 block Panorama Dr. (suspect arrested)  
12:32 p.m., Injury traffic collision, 900 block E. Willow St.  
10:32 p.m., DUI, 3000 block California Ave. (suspect arrested)

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

**W**hile the return of school creeps around the corner, we've gathered a list of events to help families and friends soak up the concerts, movies and summer-centric outdoor gatherings.

Many organizations are winding down their concerts and movies in the park, but residents can still catch a show at LBCC Friday night and an acoustic performance at the Recreation Park bandshell Saturday night. Families can watch flicks like "Jumanji," "A League of Their Own," "Guardians of the Galaxy III" and "Elemental" at parks throughout the week.

Other activities include a pup-human yoga outing on Saturday, an antique market on Sunday and a group run on Tuesday.

### 16 FRIDAY

#### COMMUNITY SUMMER CONCERT

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The public is invited to a concert by local band Knight Ryder at Long Beach City College (4901 East Carson St.). District 5 Councilmember Megan Kerr and LBCC board Vice President Virginia Baxter will be there to meet local residents. Free.

#### MOVIES & MOONLIGHT

6 p.m. The shopping complex 2nd & PCH (at the corner of Second Street and Pacific Coast Highway) invites the public to an outdoor screening of the 1995 film "Jumanji." Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees are also encouraged to bring their own blankets and lawn chairs. Friendly, leashed dogs are welcome. Free.

### 17 SATURDAY

#### ASANAS & DOGS

8 a.m. to noon. Humans are invited to practice asanas alongside their pooches at Signal Hill Park (2175 Cherry Ave.). All dogs must be on a leash. Leashes can be a maximum of six feet long. Attendees should bring a yoga mat with them. All skill levels are welcome. Free.

#### IMMIGRATION CLINIC

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this workshop at Long Beach City College (1305 E Pacific Coast Highway), people will receive legal advice relating to immigration. This event is appropriate for those looking to fix their immigration status, those who have a deportation order, or anyone who has a family member in a detention center. This event is sponsored by the Long Beach Justice Fund. Free.

#### KHMER STORYTIME

11 a.m. to noon. Parents and caregivers are invited to bring children to the Signal Hill Public Library (1800 E Hill St.) to enjoy Khmer stories, music and movements led by local business Khemara Kids. This event is appropriate for kids of all ages, but especially aimed at children between 1 and 5 years old. Free.

#### WORLD HONEY BEE DAY

11 a.m. The shopping complex 2nd & PCH (at the corner of Second Street and Pacific Coast Highway) will be hosting an event honoring the honey bee. The family-friendly event will include a Q&A with a beekeeper, a bee-themed bubble party, crafts, face painting and more. Free.

#### SUMMER CONCERT

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Local acoustic band the Salty Suites will be performing Americana, folk and bluegrass songs for the public at the Recreation Park Bandshell (4900 E Seventh St.). Free.

### 18 SUNDAY

#### LONG BEACH ANTIQUE MARKET

6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. A wide variety of unique vintage items will be available at the weekly Long Beach Antique Market (4901 E Conant St.), including artwork, furniture, toys, games, clothing and more. Over 800 vendors will be present. General admission costs \$10.

#### FAMILY ART MAKING

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Families are invited to create art together at the Long Beach Museum of Art (2300 E Ocean Blvd.). The art projects will be based on the work of Keith Haring, and will be appropriate for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Free.

### 19 MONDAY

#### COMMUNITY BUDGET MEETING

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to participate in the creation of the city's next annual budget at Billie Jean King Library (200 W Broadway). Participants are encouraged to give feedback on how the City should use its funds. Free.

#### MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of



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The Long Beach Running Club is hosting a group run on Tuesday, August 20. This free weekly run reoccurs every Tuesday along the beach, beginning at 3300 E. Ocean Blvd. and is open to runners of all skill levels.

the animated movie "Elemental" at Somerset Park (1500 E Carson St.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. They are also encouraged to wear crazy hair-does. The movie will begin at dusk. Free.

### 20 TUESDAY

#### GROUP RUN

7 p.m. The Long Beach Running Club hosts a weekly run along the beach. All skill levels are welcome. Attendees will meet at 3300 E Ocean Blvd. Free.

#### MOONLIGHT MOVIES ON THE BEACH

7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Watch a screening of "A League of Their Own" at Granada Beach (5000 E. Ocean Blvd). The event will feature pre-show entertainment from local bands. This screening is part of the summer-long Moonlight Movies at the Beach series. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs to sit on. Food trucks will be present. The movie screenings are family-friendly and pet-friendly. Free.

### 21 WEDNESDAY

#### QUEEN MARY MOVIE NIGHT

6 p.m. The public is invited to a screening of the movie "Wakanda Forever" at the Queen Mary (1126 Queens Hwy.). Admission is free, but registration is required. To register for this event, visit queenmary.com. Couples can also purchase the date package online for \$79, which includes reserved couch seating, assorted small snacks, drink service and a bottle of champagne.

#### MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the animated movie "Elemental" at Scherer Park (4600 Long Beach Blvd.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. They are also encouraged to wear crazy hair-does. The movie will begin at dusk. Free.

### 22 THURSDAY

#### RETRO GAME DAY

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Teens are invited to play a variety of retro video games at Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E Anaheim St.). Free.

#### MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the movie "Ghostbusters Frozen Empire" at Orizaba Park (1435 Orizaba Ave.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food. The movie will begin at dusk. Free.

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## WILLOW SPRINGS

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the Friends and Willow Springs Park executive board wrote to the City again advocating for investments into Willow Springs.

Long Beach once again made plans to invest in Willow Springs Park in 2013, when former Councilmember James Johnson advocated for making it an “open nature park.” The park received a bump of recognition in 2017 with the formation of the Willow Springs Wetlands Restoration Project. The project resulted in 11 acres of the land being restored into wetlands, inviting a slew of biodiversity in the middle of its urban environment.

The Friends of Willow Springs Park have been maintaining the land for years, and groups like the Long Beach Beekeepers, Farm Lot 59, the Conservation Corps and Long Beach Community Compost have been using and caring for areas of the park as well.

The City included Willow Springs Park in a 2021 list of green spaces to designate as park space, but it was ultimately pulled due to “boundary

issues.”

Councilwoman Megan Kerr said that investment in Willow Springs Park has been a top priority since before she took office, and they began making plans for its designation again in December 2022.

“There really is a commitment on behalf of the City to restore this to be an incredible open space that is really different from what others consider when they think of parks with green lawns and soccer fields,” Kerr said. “This really is an opportunity to encounter Long Beach as it was.”

Kerr told the *Signal Tribune* that the City hasn’t decided on specifically how to use the \$1 million for Willow Springs, but said “creating immediate access” for people is a top priority. As of now, the park has limited accessible trails and signage and lacks ADA accessible options.

Multiple groups called for the City to invest in trailhead improvements, which would increase access and safety along the most popular

trail. Others called for bathroom facilities, bike trails along the outside of the park and more signage.

“All 48 acres is going to take a significant investment over many years, so we’re looking to have a long term comprehensive plan,” Kerr said.



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An Office of Sustainability sign warns park-goers of the presence of bees at Willow Springs Park on Sept. 28, 2021.

### The Friends of Willow Springs Park identified these items as the top priorities for the park:

1) Accessible Portable Toilet with Service near Orange Avenue parking lot

2) Signage:

- External (for more visibility and awareness of park):

- o Current Willow Springs Park sign on Orange Avenue needs an addition of the words “Nature Preserve”

- o Willow Springs Park “Nature Preserve” signs on Spring St and California Ave

- Internal:

- o Add more wayfinding and accessibility signs

- o Move current “Stay on Trail / Sensitive Habitat” closer to trails (seems walkers think there are trails beyond the signage)

- o Current “Stay on Trail” signs should be changed to “Avoid Area Sensitive Habitat”

- o Add “Keep Dogs on Leash to Protect Wildlife” signs

- o Plant label signage need to be remade (faded) in more durable materials

- o History signs around Longview Point should be replaced and require better protection, due to frequent vandalism.

- o There needs to be a plan to protect and replace interpretive signs due to wear.

- 3) Two to three low-cost small wetlands (water capture features) throughout the park

- 4) More native plants

- 5) More trails

- 6) Create permanent openings within the fence adjoining the Sunnyside and LB Municipal Cemeteries and the park to allow safer pedestrian and bicycle access

- 7) Bicycle parking with secure bike racks

- 8) Renew the park’s granite map due to decomposition

- Add an interpretive sign and perhaps an observation platform to view / photograph the ground map

- 9) Dog poop bag stations that include trash cans and/or add more trash cans strategically placed along the main loop trail. It’s important to have trash cans in addition to the bag stations, to avoid the trail being littered with the used bags that don’t biodegrade.

## ALLERGY RESEARCH

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the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, 80% of children who are allergic to milk eventually outgrow their allergy by the time they’re 16. The average age of study participants was 5.6 years old, and the median age is 8.7 years old.

The institute has self-reported an overall 99% success rate for its work on peanut and tree nut allergies, as well as soy, sesame, egg, casein (milk protein), milk, fish, shellfish and wheat.



Courtesy of Food Allergy Institute  
Vivek Peterson poses for a photo in front of the Food Allergy Institute.

Like Vivek, every person in this recent study was diagnosed with milk anaphylaxis and faced potentially fatal consequences if they came into contact with cow’s milk. Vivek’s milk allergies made a simple outing to the park an acutely stressful environment, and birthday parties were a meticulously planned effort of curated meals, if attended at all.

FAI has several peer-reviewed studies on allergies to plant proteins, but its most recent study marks its first peer-reviewed published work on milk anaphylaxis.

The study was published in the scientific journal *JACI: Global*, which was created two years ago by

the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology, for the purpose of publishing research in its “early-stage” or “in more formative stages,” compared to the “well-developed” studies published in its two more well-known journals: *JACI*, and *JACI: In Practice*.

It’s a severely under-researched topic, said founder and allergist Dr. Inderpal Randhawa, as there’s been less than 40 published studies on milk anaphylaxis in the past 50 years.

“To take that perspective and then to all of a sudden have a very large study with hundreds of patients, who reached a year post of remission, that’s a drastic shift from anything else that’s previously existed,” Randhawa said. “Not only is it difficult to actually avoid milk, because the risk of reactions are very high, but the testing and the ability to try and even treat it is really off the table. No one globally has been able to find a real solution for that.”

### Led by Decades of Data, Helped by AI

Located in Long Beach, FAI has been researching and treating food allergies since 2015, led by Randhawa, who began his career in immunology, internal medicine and transplants. He recalls seeing children come into the emergency room with severe anaphylaxis episodes as “something that bothered me and stayed with me.”

When he decided to make the shift into allergy research, it was those kids and families he wanted to help.

In 2005, before the FAI was formally founded, Randhawa and his team of doctors and researchers focused solely on gathering data. Their goal was to get the “maximum amount of data” from the immune systems of people with allergies as well as the protein of plants and animals.

Five years and millions of data points later, the team built a machine learning model to process all of their data. They went from entering each number into Excel sheets and searching for patterns to creating their Cybernetics Food Anaphylaxis Panel.



Courtesy of Food Allergy Institute  
Dr. Inderpal Randhawa, allergist and founder of the Food Allergy Institute.

The machine combines applied mathematics, other machine learning models and diagnostic evaluations based on the millions of biological data points they collected. It’s been the core of their Tolerance Induction Program for about a decade: creating curated plans for patients to slowly consume the products they’re allergic to.

These personalized plans are what sets the FAI apart from private clinics using the oral immunotherapy (OIT) method, which uses the consumption of diluted, uncooked cow’s milk. This method has been used in clinical trials since the early 2000s, with long-term results still varying among patients.

The American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology states that the OIT method is showing a 60-80% “desensitization” rate, referring to “the improvement in food challenge” outcomes after therapy.

Both OIT and Randhawa’s TIP rely on ongoing exposure to the allergen once the therapy is complete.

“What sets us apart is the unlimited intake patients can consume,” Randhawa said.

With recent strides in Artificial Intelligence technology — and the collection of biological data from over 16,000 patients — the FAI has been able to make another leap in efficiency. What used to take the

FAI hours for each patient can now be done in seconds from a blood sample.

“By understanding all the protein biology across these different animal classes, and understanding the biology of the immune system of anaphylactic children, that allowed us to build the data sets necessary to create the AI,” Randhawa said. “AI can only be generated from excellent data, and that’s what we’ve been procuring here over the last two decades, and that ultimately led to the treatment process itself.”

Plans generated by these machines can tell the FAI how many doses and at what levels a patient will need, and predict with a 90% accuracy exactly how long it will take a patient to finish the program and reach remission.

### Camel’s Milk, Sheep’s Yogurt and Other Allergy Adventures

Priti Peterson admits she was nervous when she first heard about the FAI from a friend in 2015.

“The pediatrician said, ‘It’s not really proven, it’s a lot of work, we don’t really buy into this.’ An allergist said, ‘It’s like the Wild West, nobody is regulating this.’ So everyone was really discouraging but my friend told me to just try it,” Priti said.

From 2015 to 2020, Vivek underwent the Tolerance Induction Program to treat his allergies to tree nuts, sesame and eggs. He started the dairy program in 2020 with his first step: camel’s milk.

It was an ingredient Priti never envisioned herself purchasing, but they were able to find some at their local Mother’s Market. First they mixed drops of it into a pancake mixture, then slowly added more each week.

Soon Vivek was able to move on to sheep’s milk, then sheep’s yogurt, then eventually cow’s milk.

Since different mammal’s milk has similar protein makeup, patients in TIP consume a number of various animal milks before trying cow’s milk in order to prepare their immune system.

“It’s such a rigorous system,” Priti said. “It was on a schedule, they would give us precise measurements, you have to dose it out. On a daily basis we would have to give him a certain amount, and then the next week it would be a little more, then a little more.”

Vivek also had to return to the

institute at certain checkpoints. Under the supervision of the clinic, he would be given large amounts of whatever product he was microdosing, and if his body reacted normally he was allowed to move on to the next stage.

Throughout the year-long study published in *JACI: Global*, patients were given 56,443 food challenges and there were six incidents where someone had to be given epinephrine. Priti said the clinic had doctors on call at all times of the day for the family to call.



Courtesy of Food Allergy Institute  
Vivek Peterson plays with a tablet device during a check-up at the Food Allergy Institute.

Vivek is now in full remission from his dairy allergy, and making steady progress on his peanut allergy.

The family had plans to celebrate Vivek’s accomplishment with a pizza party at Chuck E. Cheese, but in the midst of closures due to the COVID-19 pandemic, they had to settle for a more intimate celebration: a bowl of M&Ms and ice cream via Instacart.

Vivek has annual check-ins with the FAI for his dairy remission, and he’s at the stage where he has to consume yogurt and milk twice a week to stay in remission. The family just concluded their first international trip to London, something that Priti said seemed inconceivable before, as the family would avoid traveling due to Vivek’s allergies.

Given the amount of work that went into the program, the *Signal Tribune* asked Priti if it was worth it.

“By the time you make it to the finish line there’s no doubt ... We couldn’t live before,” she said.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: AUDI LONG BEACH, 2998 CHERRY AVENUE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: FJ LB A ACQUISITION, LLC, 7300 WEST SAHARA AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NV. 89117. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: FLETCHER JONES III, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 10/2022. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/23/2024. 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: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

**TST7377 / 2024 158939  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: RED DOOR LIVING, 2699 E. 28TH STREET SUITE 409, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: DORIAN BOLICK, 6224 RIVIERA CIRCLE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: DORIAN BOLICK, OWNER. The registrant has not begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 08/2004. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/29/2024. 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: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

**TST7380 / 2024 160368  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. BLKBRD EVENTS, 2. BLKBRD CONSULTING, 3. BLKBRD MUSIC GROUP, 4. LONG BEACH CITY LIFESTYLE, 4508 ATLANTIC AVE STE 117, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: BLKBRD MEDIA, LLC, 438 N. CRYSTAL CT. APT. A, LONG BEACH, CA. 90802. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: ATIRA RODRIGUEZ, CEO. 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 7/30/2024. 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: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

**TST7381  
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER  
ESTATE OF: THELMA M. FLEMING  
CASE NO. 24STPB07414**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of THELMA M. FLEMING. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by KARLEEN A. ROSS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that KARLEEN A. ROSS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. 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. 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 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. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 08/28/24 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a 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 within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first 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. 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 CHINA M. ROBINSON, ESQ. - SBN 255562 LAW OFFICES OF CHINA M. ROBINSON 552 E CARSON ST, STE 104-144 CARSON CA 90745 Telephone (323) 828-9072 8/9, 8/16, 8/23/24 CNS-3839969# THE SIGNAL TRIBUNE

**TST7382  
Case No. 24STPB08727  
NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DONNA  
JEANNE CLARA DEBELLIS**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of DONNA JEANNE CLARA DEBELLIS 2, A Petition for Probate has been filed by KENDAL DEBELLIS AND ALINA DEBELLIS in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles. 3. The Petition for Probate requests that KENDAL DEBELLIS AND ALINA DEBELLIS 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. September 6, 2024 Time: 8:30 AM Dept. 67 b. Stanley Mosk 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 PETITION-**

**ER: BRUCE A. PENCE III P.O. BOX 6570  
LOS OSOS, CA. 93412 Phone: 805-214-8292** Pub. Signal Tribune, August 9, 16, 23, 2024

**TST7383 Case No. 24CMCP00111  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT, 200 W. COMPTON BLVD., COMPTON, CA. 90220 PETITION OF: Quiroz de Arguelles, Maria Elena for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Quiroz de Arguelles, Maria Elena has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing her name as follows: Present Name: Quiroz de Arguelles, Maria Elena Proposed Name: Maria Elena Arguelles 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: October 15, 2024; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. E, Room: 1004. 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. August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Virginia Keeny, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: August 6, 2024

**TST7384 / 2024 164011  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. SANCUS TAX 2. SANCUSTAX 3, SANCUS ACCOUNTING, 4. SANCUS TAX AND ACCOUNTING, 5. SANCUS TAX & ACCOUNTING, 6. Sancus Tax Resolution, 7. SANCUS TAX RELIEF, 8. NOBLE PACIFIC TAX GROUP, 4401 ATLANTIC AVE SUITE 200, LONG BEACH, CA. 90807. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SANCUS TAS INC., 4401 ATLANTIC AVE SUITE 200, 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: DOUGLAS DICK, 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 8/5/2024. 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: August 16, 23, 30 & September 6, 2024

**TST7385 / 2024 162502  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: TESSA ANIMAL RESCUE, 3559 RUTGERS AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90808. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: LOIS KAREN PAIRE, 3559 RUTGERS AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90808. State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: LOIS KAREN PAIRE, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 6/2019. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Aug 1, 2024. 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: August 16, 23, 30 & September 6, 2024

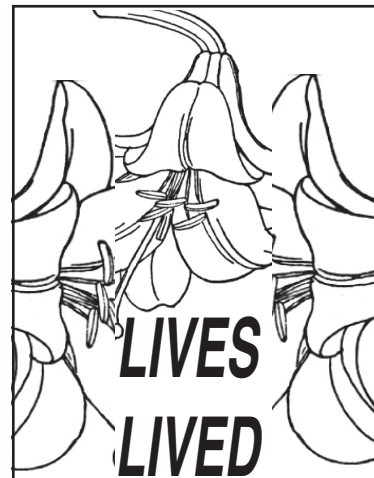
**TST7393 Case No. 24LBCP00253  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR  
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN COURTHOUSE, 275 MAGNOLIA AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Rene Chanquin for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Rene Chanquin has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing his name as follows: Present Name: Rene Chanquin Proposed Name: Rene Reyes-Chanquin

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: Sept. 26, 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. August 16, 23, 30 & September 6, 2024 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Michael P. Vincencia, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: August 12., 2024

**TST7394 / 2024 170285  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: PARADISE FRESH PRODUCE, 1306 LAWRENCE ST, FONTANA, CA. 90021. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: VILLELA LLC, 17079 LA TIERRA CIR, FONTANA, CA. 92337. State of Incorporation/Organization: CA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: HUAN E SALAS-VILLELA, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 07/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Aug 13, 2024. 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: August 16, 23, 30, & September 6, 2024



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TST7391/Order No: 18505  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 1201 E COMPTON BLVD COMPTON, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 TOYOTA VIN: 5TFRZ5CN7JX063218 STATE: CA LIC: 17722L2 at 8AM

TST7390/Order No: 18452  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 6832 CRENSHAW BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2022 KIA VIN: KNDJ23AU7N7836579 STATE: CA LIC: 9BPP205 at 8AM

TST7387/Order No: 18036  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 6832 CRENSHAW BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 MERCEDES-B VIN: 4JGED6EB7KA140157 STATE: CA LIC: 9JUM915 at 8AM

TST7392/Order No: 18614  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 3229 E IMPERIAL HWY INGLEWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2019 HONDA VIN: 1HGCV1F31KA095513 STATE: CA LIC: 8LJW026 at 8AM

TST7389/Order No: 18449  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 9611 MAGNOLIA AVE B RIVERSIDE, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 JEEP VIN: 1C6HJTFG3ML593290 STATE: CA LIC: 87639R3 at 8 AM

TST7388/Order No: 18066  
Auto Lien Sale

On 08/28/2024 at 1865 E 65TH ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2017 HYUNDAI VIN: 5NPD74LF0HH189669 STATE: AZ LIC: CTX7905 at 8 AM

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**COMMUNITY INPUT**

# Long Beach residents are invited to give feedback on new senior center

**Staff Report**

*Signal Tribune*

The Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) is asking residents for input on the relocation plans for the Long Beach Senior Center. Residents can contribute to the conversation through an online survey and at a community meeting on Sept. 12.



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Bette Barden (right) and her daughter Nancy Faye (left) laugh together during a combined birthday celebration for the centenarian residents of the Bixby Knolls Towers retirement community on Jan. 26, 2022.

The Center will be moving to 125 Elm Ave., with the new facility taking up the ground floor of the existing building. The new Long Beach Senior Center will have services such as social and recreation programs, health-focused activities, meals and nutrition, plus community and cultural support initiatives.

The address is the site of a former

Southern California Edison service center, approved for purchase by Long Beach City Council in Oct. 2022 for \$21 million. The renovation plans for the five-story building included a new senior center, crime analysis lab and office space for city workers.

According to City Manager Tom Modica, the move to the new Long Beach Senior Center will cost the City less than renovating the current Center. City staff estimated that the building purchase would cost another \$23.3 million in renovations to prepare the facility for full use, and \$150,000 in transaction costs.

At the Sept. 12 community meeting, PRM staff will lead a presentation about the project and residents in attendance can directly give their feedback to department staff and the project consultant.

The survey will be available online through Sept. 30 and can be taken in English, Spanish, Khmer and Tagalog. Residents without regular access to a computer or smartphone can take the survey in the computer lab of any open Long Beach Public Library location.

The community meeting for the Long Beach Senior Center will be held on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 6 p.m. at the current Long Beach Senior Center, located at 1150 E. Fourth St. The survey will be available to complete at the meeting.

**LAWSUIT**



# Former employee accuses Long Beach Petco location of disability discrimination

Courtesy of Sora Shimazaki on Pexels.com

Krystyn Moody is suing Petco Health and Wellness Co. Inc. for wrongful termination. Moody formerly worked as a sales associate at the Unleashed by Petco store on Spring Street in Long Beach.

**City News Service**

*Southern California Local News*

A woman with asthma is suing Petco Health and Wellness Co. Inc., alleging she was wrongfully fired in 2023 because of her condition by a manager who said she did not think asthma is a disability.

Krystyn Moody's Los Angeles Superior Court lawsuit alleges disability discrimination, failure to accommodate and engage in the interactive process, retaliation, failure to prevent discrimination and retaliation and intentional infliction of emotional distress. Moody seeks unspecified compensatory and punitive damages.

A representative for the retail pet store chain did not immediately reply to a request for comment on the suit brought Thursday.

Moody was hired as a sales associate at the Unleashed by Petco store on Spring Street in Long Beach in January 2023 with a long-time background in animal care, according to the suit. The manager of the store at the time told Moody the plaintiff would likely take over her job if she left, the suit states.

The manager indeed left two weeks later, but another person was brought in to take her job, so the plaintiff informed the incoming manager that she has severe and

chronic asthma and also provided a doctor's note as support information, the suit states.

Moody carried an inhaler and kept an oxygen tank in her car in case the inhaler was insufficient, the suit states.

But at least three times, the new manager told Moody that asthma is not a disability, according to the suit, which further states that the manager at least once disallowed the plaintiff from going to her car to access the oxygen tank, endangering Moody's life.

Moody was hospitalized in March 2023 for three days because of her asthma and the manager "appeared annoyed" when the plaintiff called, asking how long before she returned, the suit states. When Moody returned to work, she refused the manager's demand that she take a leave of absence, according to the suit.

A month later, Moody also refused the manager's demand she resign, the suit states.

"Plaintiff was shocked as (the manager) asked her to sign a form that she was resigning due to her asthma," the suit states.

Moody was subsequently fired, according to the suit, which further states that the plaintiff has experienced emotional distress and lost earnings since losing her job.



## Pet of the week: Marilyn

The Olympic games may be a fond memory, but Long Beach Animal Care Services' gold medal winners—and every pet in the shelter is one—are waiting for the real prize: a forever home with loving, understanding humans. Marilyn is one such animal deserving of the grand prize. She was brought to the shelter with her "brother," Mayfield, when a resident spotted them running loose on the street. The volunteers find Marilyn to be a fun, good girl, full of energy. Throw a ball, and she'll run back with it faster than Noah Lyles! Like any serious athlete, she enjoys drinking water from a hose afterward. Speed the process to adopt or foster Marilyn, her brother Mayfield, or any of our other pets by emailing [PetAdopt@longbeach.gov](mailto:PetAdopt@longbeach.gov) or [petfoster@longbeach.gov](mailto:petfoster@longbeach.gov). You can also call (562) 570-4925. Our shelter hours are Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 7700 E. Spring St. at the entrance to El Dorado Park (no parking fee for shelter visitors. Ask for ID#A719434 (ID#A719434 for Mayfield).

**RECREATION**

# After-school programs return to parks across Long Beach

**Staff Report**

*Signal Tribune*

The City of Long Beach's Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) is set to provide after-school programs for children ages 5 to 12 this fall. These programs will run weekdays from Aug. 26 to Dec. 20, offering a range of activities at various parks across the city.

The program is designed as a free drop-in service, meaning participants can come and go freely. Children who attend will receive homework help and be able to participate in entertaining and educational activities. Parents are required to register their children for the program, and can do so at their preferred park during the program's designated hours of operation.

The after-school programs will take place at the following parks and times:

**Monday through Friday, 2:30 to 5 p.m.**

- College Estates Park, 808 Stevely Ave.
- MacArthur Park, 1321 E. Anaheim St.
- Pan American Park, 5157 E. Centralia St.
- Veterans Park, 101 E. 28th St.
- Whaley Park, 5620 E. Atherton St.

**Monday through Friday, 3 to 6 p.m.**

- Bixby Park, 130 Cherry Ave.



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A young boy watches as another child jumps off the head of a model Tyrannosaurus into the sand pit during the grand reopening of the Recreation Park Playground on June 14, 2022.

- Cesar E. Chavez Park, 401 Golden Ave.
- Coolidge Park, 352 E. Neece St.
- Drake Park, 951 Maine Ave.
- El Dorado Park West, 2800 N. Studebaker Rd.
- Houghton Park, 6301 Myrtle Ave.
- Martin Luther King Jr. Park, 1950 Lemon Ave.
- McBride Park, 1550 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
- Orizaba Park, 1435 Orizaba Ave.
- Ramona Park, 3301 E. 65th St.
- Seaside Park, 14th Street at Chestnut Ave.
- Silverado Park, 1545 W. 31st St.
- Scherer Park, 4600 Long Beach Blvd.
- Somerset Park, 1500 E. Carson St.
- Stearns Champions Park, 4520 E. 23rd St.
- Wardlow Park, 3457 Stanbridge Ave.

**PETS**

# This low-cost clinic event aims to help every bunny in Long Beach

**Staff Report**

*Signal Tribune*

Local rabbits and their owners can hop over to Bun Chia Burrow in Long Beach to receive a wellness check and a low-cost vaccine on Aug. 31.

Bun Chia Burrow is a pet boarding, bonding and mobile grooming facility that caters to rabbits and other small pets in Long Beach, Los Angeles and Orange County. This year will mark the second annual vaccine clinic hosted by the business to protect Long Beach bunnies against the Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus (RHDV-2).

The RHDV-2 virus is fatal for rabbits, and has been spreading through the United States since 2020, according to RHDV-2 vaccine manufacturer Medgen. Bun Chia Burrow has reported six rabbit deaths due to the virus in the last year.

The Aug. 31 clinic will offer wellness exams for \$15 and a RHDV-2 vaccine for \$35, which Bun Chia Burrow states is only to cover the cost of the vaccine. Rabbits can

receive their first-time vaccine or booster updates for the virus.

This clinic is eligible for Nationwide pet insurance reimbursement or coverage. Residents are asked to RSVP to the clinic and make an appointment by emailing [info@bun-chiaborrow.com](mailto:info@bun-chiaborrow.com). The first 10 rabbits to make an appointment will receive a free nail trimming.



Courtesy of Pexels.com

Local rabbit owners can get their pets checked out at Bun Chia Burrow on Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. by making an appointment for their clinic.

Bun Chia Burrow's rabbit clinic will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Aug. 31. The address for the clinic will be emailed to residents who make an appointment one week prior to the event.

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**AUG. 30TH** | THE JOKERS | 7 - 10 P.M.

**AUG. 31ST** | PHOENYX & CO. | 7 - 10 P.M.



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