

IMMIGRATION



LB passes new immigration policies, but advocates say they're 'not sufficient' to protect residents

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Hundreds of Long Beach residents march towards Bixby Annex Park on June 8, 2025 to protest the ongoing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids happening throughout Southern California.

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At around 11 p.m. Tuesday night, Long Beach immigration advocates urged the city council to strengthen their policies to protect the immigrant community. What the council passed, they say, falls short of what the community needs, as federal agents continue to terrorize and detain immigrants across the country.

"To be sincere, based on our previous conversations, I was hoping that what came to council today included stronger language and real protections that actually benefit the immigrant community right now," Executive Director of ÓRALE (Organizing Rooted in Abolition, Liberation and Empowerment) Gaby Hernandez said to the city council.

Hernandez was joined by other members of the nonprofit ÓRALE, which has been on the frontlines of documenting the ongoing Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids in the region and helping families through legal representation and basic needs assistance. Though over 20 people signed up to speak about Mayor Rex Richardson's proposed immigration policies, most of them left by the time the item began, six hours into the city council meeting.

The mayor's policies focus on strengthening the current Long Beach Values Act, which the City introduced in 2018 during President Donald Trump's first term. In January, Long Beach updated these policies, and local orgs made it clear: they needed stronger protections. Many of the policies immigrant rights groups asked for in January were echoed Tuesday night.

Long Beach has roughly 50,000 immigrant residents, according to the most recent U.S. Census. A *New York Times* article from Aug. 11 estimates that over 60,000 people are currently in ICE detention centers, with hundreds of people being taken per day.

Immigration rights groups such as ÓRALE, the United Cambodian Community and the Filipino Migrant Center for months have been asking the City to allocate \$2.2 million to the Long Beach Justice Fund. This fund provides free legal representation to people facing deportation, which organizers stress is more important than ever.

In 2025 alone, the Justice Fund has represented 36 people seeking legal status, 16 residents who were facing deportation, and five people in appellate cases. Since 2019, the Justice Fund has helped 89 people who were facing deportation.

What New Policies Did The City Pass?

City council passed policies deemed the Defending Our Values Act, which did not include the \$2.2 million for the Justice Fund that has been continually requested. Instead, the policies allocate \$600,000 to the

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2026 BUDGET

Following the money: Long Beach Fire Dept.'s \$200 million

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Fire stations, ambulances, lifeguard towers and over 400 City workers — the Long Beach Fire Department presented its 2026 proposed budget Tuesday night to the city council. The roughly \$200 million set aside for the Fire Department would make up 5.4% of the City's \$3.6 billion budget for next year.

The Fire Department's budget saw a 4.7% increase compared to its 2025 budget, and the department says its seen increases in emergency medical calls and emergency transportations, but with more workers hired primarily through youth-training programs, they've improved on-scene arrivals (arriving within six minutes and 20 seconds of a call).

The Long Beach Fire Department consists of 18 fire stations throughout the city, along with four within the Port of Long Beach and one at the airport. They manage 10 fire engines, 10 ambulances, five basic life support ambulances, 90 ambulance operators and 26 marine safety staff. The department includes 22 lifeguard towers, eight lifeguard facilities, six fire and lifeguard rescue boats and 175 seasonal lifeguards.



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Firefighters from the LA County Fire Department convene after putting out a fire caused by chlorine in a U-Haul truck near Costco in Signal Hill on July 16, 2021.

Main Takeaway: (Still) Not Enough Paramedic Units

Fire Chief Dennis Buchanan emphasized an issue the department has been facing for years: they need more paramedic units. Emergency medical calls make up 78% of the Fire Department's call volume, according to Buchanan, and 10 paramedic units are responding to an average of 178 calls per day.

Rescue ambulances respond to a number of scenarios that a firetruck unit cannot assist in, such as a heart attack or cardiac arrest, a seizure, a severe allergic reaction, blood loss and more.

In March, Buchanan told the city council that "at minimum," Long Beach needs 11 paramedic units, running 24-hour shifts to keep up with the call volume. The proposed budget does not increase the number of rescue ambulance units, and the department was only able to keep their most recent addition running by increasing ambulance fees.

By increasing its ambulance transportation fees by roughly 30%, which will be passed onto residents who need the service, the department was able to allocate \$1.33 million to fund the Rescue 2 Peak Load Unit for next year for 12 hours a day, seven days a week.

Chief Buchanan said that in order to operate the Rescue 2 Unit 24 hours a day, the department would need an additional \$600,000. According to

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City staff reports, the national average for a city is 21,000 residents per ambulance rescue unit. Long Beach is at 55,000 residents per rescue unit.

In March, over 50 firefighters came to a city council meeting to advocate for the need of Unit 2, with most workers emphasizing that even with the additional unit, they're still understaffed and overwhelmed. The City said it would explore three options to keep the unit going: Measure A funds, the City's general fund, or the Fire Department's revenue.

The roughly \$200 million set aside for the Fire Department would make up 5.4% of the City's \$3.6 billion budget for next year.

To decrease response times for medical emergencies throughout the city, the Fire Department deployed the Paramedic Assessment Unit (PAU) Fire Engine model pilot program, which expands the ranks of those who can serve as paramedics in an ambulance to include fire captains with active paramedic certifications.

Buchanan said this did help decrease response times, but it didn't help their issue of transportation related cases, since it doesn't add any ambulances to their fleet. The department will have a full report on the PAU pilot in the next few weeks.

Crunching the Numbers

The Long Beach Fire Department's roughly \$200 million proposed budget is broken down into these categories:

- \$76.48 million for salaries and wages
 - \$66.33 million for employee benefits, including \$24 million for overtime
 - \$11.87 million for materials, supplies and services
 - \$19.76 million for interfund transfers
 - \$63,488 in capital purchases
- Specific proposals the Fire Department is requesting include:
- \$633,802 in one-time funds for fire station 19 and 22 facility improvements for the dormitories.
 - \$500,000 in structural funds to fund critical patient care equipment like hydraulic patient stretch-

ers, stair chairs and CPR devices.

- \$400,000 in one-time funds to cover overtime to send firefighters to a mandated nine-month paramedic school to obtain their State Paramedic license, from Measure A.

- \$360,000 in one-time funding for background checks, onboarding costs and ambulance operator training academies, from Measure A.

- \$330,000 in one-time funds to extend the lease at the temporary fire state 9 for six months, from October 2025 to March 2026, from Measure A. The City is building a permanent fire station 9 in the meantime.

- \$100,000 in one-time funds to support inclusive hiring and retention practices with a focus on gender and underrepresented groups.

- \$50,661 in structural funds for utility maintenance at the training center.

The department saw revenue increases of \$2.49 million from ambulance transport services driven by a rise in call volume, reimbursement from the California Department of Health, and \$1.9 million by raising its ambulance fees.



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A cardboard lectern is erected in front of Long Beach City Hall before the People's Budget Long Beach rally starts on Aug. 2, 2022.

Chief Buchanan said the department is facing possible federal funding cuts that support specialty response equipment and training. They will also be impacted by federal funding cuts to Medicaid and Medicare, specifically in preventative healthcare, substance abuse and behavioral health treatment, which could increase emergency 911 services throughout the city.

Chief Buchanan said the department's vacancy rate is at 3%, in large part thanks to youth pathway programs that focus on partnerships with local high schools and colleges. In 2024, the Fire Department responded to 84,000 calls for service, roughly 230 calls a day.

HEALTH

LB Health Dept. reports local flea-borne typhus outbreak with 20 cases this year

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The Long Beach Health Department has announced an above average number of reported flea-borne typhus cases thus far in 2025, along with a series of preventive measures for residents to prevent infection.

Typhus is a bacterial disease spread to people via infected fleas often carried by rats, opossums, community cats and other animals, though it is not spread from person-to-person. It is considered to be always present in parts of Los Angeles and Orange Counties, though cases have been reported in other areas of California as well. Symptoms include high fever, headache, chills, body aches/pain and rash and it is treatable with antibiotics.

As of July 31, 20 cases have been reported in Long Beach, with 75% of the infections leading to hospitalization, though all individuals have since recovered. At this point in 2024 there had been 12 reported typhus cases. On average, 20 cases get reported annually citywide, meaning Long Beach is currently on pace to surpass its record of 28 typhus cases in a single year, set in 2021.

According to the California Department of Public Health, there were 70 confirmed cases of human flea-borne typhus in California in 2024, almost more than double the number of confirmed cases in 2023 (36). Since 2016, the highest number of confirmed typhus cases in the state came in 2018 when there were 99 confirmed cases.



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As of July 31, 2025, Long Beach Health and Human Services has reported 20 cases of flea-borne typhus. The city annually reports 20 cases on average, and this year's total is on pace to surpass the City's 2021 record of 28 cases.

Typhus can occur year round, but cases are primarily reported during summer and fall. To prevent typhus infection, the Health Department recommends Long Beach residents do the following:

- Keep pets indoors and treat them regularly for flea control medication.
- Avoid feeding or interacting with wild animals (such as rats, opossums or cats).
- Clear overgrown vegetation and clutter around homes.
- Cover trash bins and remove outdoor food sources.
- Seal openings and crawl spaces under homes.
- Report dead animals to Long Beach Animal Care Services at 562-570-7387.

Residents who think they may

have typhus are advised to talk with a local healthcare provider about testing and treatment.

The Health Department continues to monitor the typhus threat through disease surveillance, case investigation and collaboration with local healthcare providers. The Department's Vector Control Program is working to mitigate the spread by supplying assessments and education to affected areas and community education efforts have been undertaken to apprise residents of potential risks and protection tips.

To learn more, visit longbeach.gov/typhus or contact lbepi@longbeach.gov. Residents can also follow the Health Department on Facebook, X and Instagram for local updates.

HEALTH

Receive opioid awareness training through free health education workshops

Staff Report

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As part of its comprehensive approach on opioid awareness, the Long Beach Health Department is hosting a series of free educational workshops with a focus on harm reduction and public safety training.

The Department's Harm Reduction Program will host free workshops from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Main Health Facility (2525 Grand Ave.) on the following Saturdays: Aug. 16, Sept. 13 and Oct. 11.

The curriculum for each workshop will be the same, with each event offering a comprehensive look of the opioid crisis in Long Beach, an introduction to harm reduction principles and guidance on how to administer Narcan and use fentanyl test strips.

Attendees will be granted access to free Narcan, fentanyl test strips and educational items, and can receive additional resources through Health Department staff. Those who are interested in attending are encouraged to register online, though it is not required to attend.

Harm reduction principles offer a more preventative way to address drug use by reducing negative consequences while analyzing the risks associated with drug use through

Opioid-Related Overdose Deaths in Long Beach (2018-2022)					
Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
# of Deaths	35	34	84	113	111

Courtesy of the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services
From 2018 to 2022, 377 opioid-related overdose deaths occurred in Long Beach, with an annual high of 113 deaths in 2021 and a 217% increase in opioid-related deaths occurring from 2018 to 2022. The rate of opioid-related overdose deaths was the highest in 2021 at 22.6 deaths per 100,000 population.

education, resources and practical tools.

The workshops and harm reduction materials are funded through California Opioid Settlements, which provides financial support for cities and counties to address the opioid crisis.

In March, the City began its Youth Opioid Awareness Campaign to empower local youth (ages 14-24) to explore multimedia story-

telling workshops centered on opioid awareness education through October. The following month, the City released its inaugural Opioid Overdose Report, a statistical deep dive into opioid-related overdoses and deaths in Long Beach from 2018 to 2022.

To learn more about the Harm Reduction Program and to explore upcoming events, visit longbeach.gov/harmreduction.

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Those looking to sample the local cuisine can explore a range of tasting events, from the Museum of Latin American Art's Tequila & Tunes event Friday to Bevs, Bites & Beats, a downtown culinary party planned for Saturday evening. Vendors selling food, art, and handcrafted items can be found at the 714 Market at 2ND & PCH Saturday afternoon as well as the monthly Long Beach Antique Market Sunday morning at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

Film fans can enjoy outdoor screenings of "Wicked" and "Captain America: Brave New World" in Long Beach parks, while fans of the horror and Halloween genre can find tricks and treats at the three-day Midsummer Scream convention. As for live music, there will be free concerts Saturday at Long Beach Airport and the Bandshell at Recreation Park.

15 FRIDAY

TEQUILA & TUNES

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Enjoy curated tequila tastings, karaoke sessions, DJ sets and the chance to win opportunity drawings at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.). This 21+ event will begin with a guided walkthrough of the exhibitions in the museum's gallery. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online.

MIDSUMMER SCREAM

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Start spooky season early during this three-day Halloween and horror convention at the Long Beach Convention Center (300 E. Ocean Blvd.). Attendees can shop horror-themed vendors,

see live entertainment, peruse Halloween attractions and walk through haunting displays. Special guests appearing throughout the weekend include actors David Dastmalchian, Cassandra Peterson, Henry Winkler and Lind Blair, along with legendary director John Carpenter. The convention will continue Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$40 and can be purchased online.

16 SATURDAY

SUMMER FEST AT 4TH & TERMINO

11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visitors to E. Fourth St. and Termino Avenue in Belmont Heights are invited to this neighborhood block party. Explore various wellness vendors, small business pop-ups, discounted items, art shows, music from DJ Tuan Diggz, live portraits, aura photos and a photobooth. There will also be food from Bik-Lun, Lemongrass Khmer Grill and Fred's Breads. Free.

714 MARKET

Noon to 6 p.m. Shop local makers and artisans, attend character meet and greets, partake in a scavenger hunt and much more at 2ND & PCH (6400 E. Pacific Coast Hwy.). This pop-up market will also feature a live butterfly garden, a beekeeper, face painting and pet portraits. Free.

BEVS, BITES & BEATS

4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Downtown Long Beach Alliance and KCRW are teaming up for the final Taste of Downtown event of the summer. Attendees can sample bites, sip beer, wine and cocktails and hear tunes from Manuel the Band and KCRW DJs Jeremy Sole and DJ

Nobody in front of the ferris wheel at The Pike (21 W. Shoreline Drive). Tasting tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite in various packs, starting at \$7.18. Admission is Free.

17 SUNDAY

FUNDRAISER YARD SALE

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Help raise money for Amjad, a citizen of Gaza who lost his leg while attempting to get aid for his family, during this community fundraiser at 2371 Pine Ave. The goal of this yard sale is to raise \$1,000 to go towards Amjad's medical expenses. Those who cannot attend the event can still help out by donating to his GoFundMe. Free.

LONG BEACH KITE FESTIVAL

1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pacific Kite Club will host its annual all-ages kite festival at Granada Beach (5100 Ocean Blvd.). Inspired by the kite-flying Shakrain Festival of Dhaka, Bangladesh, this event will include kite giveaways, kite-flying workshops, string-cutting challenges and Bangladeshi musical performances. There will also be face painting, a DJ and food and clothing vendors. Free.

18 MONDAY

FISCAL YEAR 2026 COMMUNITY BUDGET MEETING

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Residents are invited to share their budget priorities and contribute to the City's annual fiscal budget process during this community meeting at Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). RSVP on the City's online events calendar. Free.



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Get in the spooky spirit this weekend during the three-day Midsummer Scream convention, haunting the halls of the Long Beach Convention Center Friday through Sunday. Tickets start at \$40 and can be purchased online.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. The public is invited to an outdoor screening of the movie "Captain America: Brave New World" at Ramona Park (3301 E. 65th St.). Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair, blanket and picnic food and enjoy free popcorn. Recreational activities will begin at 6 p.m. with the movie starting at dusk. Free.

19 TUESDAY

BACK-TO-SCHOOL CRAFT NIGHT

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Local kids can enjoy a meal and design a personalized pencil case and a backpack charm during a workshop led by Daisy Made at Dilly's Sandwiches (4144 N. Viking Way). Meal choices include a turkey sandwich, ham & cheese sandwich, PB&J, grilled cheese or hot dog plus a bag of chips and a lemonade. Admission is \$20 per child and must be paid online.

DANCE DOWNTOWN REVOLUTION

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Learn some new dance moves during this community movement session at Promenade Square Park (124 The Promenade N.). This event is open to dancers of all ages, abilities and skill levels. Free.

20 WEDNESDAY

ROMANCE, FOOD AND FLIRTY FUN IN FICTION

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The Long Beach Public Library will host an online conversation with author Casey McQuiston to discuss her new culinary-themed romance "The Pair-

ing." Her previous works include "One Last Stop," "Red, White & Royal Blue," "I Kissed Shara Wheeler." Register for this event to attend live or receive a recording. Free.

YOGA

8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Local instructor Liza Gesuden will lead a trauma-informed restorative yoga class at KUBO Long Beach (3976 Atlantic Ave.). Donation-based registration starts at \$10, but nobody will be turned away due to lack of funds. All donations will go to KUBO's Long Beach Gives fundraiser.

21 THURSDAY

MENDING WORKSHOP

3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Radical Sewing Club will conduct a free mending workshop at Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E. Hill St.). Bring in garments in need of repair or work on provided samples while learning to repair, embroider and upcycle clothing. Basic mending materials and supplies will be provided. Space is limited so online registration is required. Free.

PALETAS & PRINT

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enjoy a sweet treat and bring a shirt, tote bag or other garment to Place LB (2172 Pacific Ave.) to screen print a "Free Palestine" design. Limited canvas materials will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Free.

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Three main distinctions stand out between what the city council passed on Tuesday night, and what immigration advocates are calling for:

WHAT THE CITY PASSED	WHAT ADVOCATES WANT
Residents can use an online portal to report City employees for not upholding policies in the LBVA. The portal will be managed by the Office of Equity, and employees can be warned, demoted or dismissed if found guilty.	Residents want the power of “Private Right to Action,” giving individuals and organizations the power to sue for violations of the LBVA, rather than relying on the City to internally handle disputes. This would ensure investigations and enforcement are not only handled by one office.
The LBVA follows Senate Bill 54 (California Values Act), in that it allows for the cooperation between local government and ICE if the individual in question has a previous felony or misdemeanor.	A policy that eliminates carveouts in Senate Bill 54, so that all immigrants are protected under the LBVA, regardless of past convictions.
Third party vendors will be disqualified from future contracts with the City if they’re found to be in violation of the LBVA.	For the City to examine all its current contracts to ensure vendors are protecting residents’ data, and end current contracts if they are not. These vendors would also be disqualified from future contracts with the City.

Justice Fund, focus on protecting city-owned facilities, and allow the City to sue for loss of revenue caused by raids and more.

City-owned buildings will now have signage identifying them as non-public areas. Federal law enforcement will not be able to enter these areas without a valid warrant. The City will also post banners on some city-owned buildings to “serve as a visible declaration of our values” in hopes to build trust between immigrants and city government, said Equity Officer Alannah Grant.

Employees will receive training via pre-recorded modules on what to do if federal agents show up at city-owned buildings. Residents will be able to report employees for violating these policies through an online portal managed by the City, and employees can face demotions or dismissals as a result.

Long Beach will also create a “Safe Place” business certification for businesses that receive Know Your Rights training.

City’s Response to Resident Demands

Long Beach Deputy City Attorney Nicholas Masero provided explanations as to why Long Beach cannot implement the recommendations from residents.

Private Right to Action: Masero said that granting residents private right to action would bring about the “risk of new, expensive, and meritless litigation that would be difficult and slow to extract ourselves from and divert resources towards those efforts.” He also said that by allowing any person or organization to sue the City, these lawsuits would be “created based on a perception that a city program, policy or action is not sufficiently aligned with the LBVA, even if that is not the case or if the action, policy, or program is required by state

or federal law.”

SB 54 Carveouts: Masero said that the LBVA “maximizes” the City’s rights, and the carveouts are “extremely narrow, and relate only to certain violent criminals, felons and where federal law requires.” He added that removing these carveouts would subject the City to legal challenges and scrutiny, “which

“The Long Beach Values Act is a powerful policy that can truly provide concrete protections, but the policy as it stands it’s not enough.”

- Maribel Cruz,
Associate Director
of ÓRALE

it might not survive.”

Ending Contracts that Violate the LBVA: Long Beach cannot dictate the terms of “many contracts, particularly those that relate to cybersecurity,” Masero said. The City also can’t dictate contact terms when it’s with multinational corporations, which the City uses for word processing and productivity software, when “piggybacking” contracts off other jurisdictions which is a frequent practice, where they have “sole source agreement” or are seeking highly specialized goods and services like with firetrucks.

He said that creating new terms would “create a lot of uncertainty” and may deter vendors from working with Long Beach.

“It is not enough for you to tell us you support immigrants, if you want us to truly believe this, you need to serve immigrant families in these most unstable, violent times by true action which is what we’re asking for in these three demands,” said Maria Lopez, an organizer with the Long Beach Tenants Union.

ÓRALE wrote on its social media pages Wednesday, “While the council didn’t include our demands, we want our community to know that this is not the end! We will continue to return to advocate for what our community needs to be safe.”



Courtesy of DeAndre Jackson @DJJmedia
A community attorney with ÓRALE (Organizing Rooted in Abolition, Liberation and Empowerment) speaks about the need for a \$2.2 million allocation into the Long Beach Justice Fund as part of the City’s 2026 budget at the “Our Budget, Our Future” town hall on June 5, 2025.



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A woman holds a sign advocating for the rights of trans people, women, the abolishment of Immigration and Customs and Enforcement (ICE) and for the freedom of Palestine, during a rally in Long Beach on June 8, 2025.



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A woman holds a sign reading “Stop the ICE kidnappings,” opposing the Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids happening throughout Southern California at a rally in Long Beach on June 8, 2025.

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The following person is doing business as: BUILDER BOY, 1868 PACIFIC AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: BUILDER BOY INC., 1868 PACIFIC AVE., LONG BEACH, CA. 90806. 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: JEREME JAMES, PRESIDENT. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 01/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/2025. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025.

TST7807 / 2025 157038 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: ME GUSTA BAKESHOP, 6750 CHERRY AVE, LONG BEACH, CA. 90805. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: MARIA ADRIANA L DE EXIGA, 6536 SAN VICENTE ST, PARAMOUNT, CA. 90723. 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: MARIA ADRIANA L DE EXIGA, OWNER. 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 Jul 31, 2025. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025.

TST7808 / 2025 157036 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. HUMBLE HANDS HAIR CARE STUDIOS, 2. HUMBLE HANDS HAIR CARE, 2041 ROSECRANS AVENUE SUITE 170, EL SEGUNDO, CA. 90245. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SHONDA JACKSON, 4856 WEST 117TH STREET #6, HAWTHORNE, CA. 90250. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: an Individual. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: SHONDA JACKSON, OWNER. The registrant

TST7819/Order No: 3698
Auto Lien Sale

On 8/31/2025 at 1051 WEST EL SEGUNDO BOULEVARD GARDENA, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 FORD VIN: 3FMTK1SSXMMMA34635 STATE: NV LIC: at 9AM

has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 07/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Jul 31, 2025. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025.

TST7809 / 2025 157033 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: LA GOTERIA WATER & SNACKS, 14131 DOWNEY AVE, PARAMOUNT, CA. 90723. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: DELGO LLC, 1431 DOWNEY AVE, PARAMOUNT, CA. 90723. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: JESUS A PORTILLA DE LA TORRE, 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 Jul 31, 2025. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025.

TST7811 / 2025 157234 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: 1. AFE SPORTS, 2. ATHLETIC FIELD ENGINEERING, 2683 LINE AVE., SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ASPHALT FABRIC AND ENGINEERING, INC., 2683 LIME AVE., SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. 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 E. COULTER, 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 8/1/2025. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025.

TST7798

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice SecureSpace Self Storage Signal Hill located at 3177 California Avenue Signal Hill CA 90755 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storage-treasures.com on 8/27/2025 at 4:30 PM. Sylvia Garcia. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. Pub. The Signal Tribune: August 8, 15, 2025

TST7813 Case No. 25AVCP00206 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 42011 4TH STREET, WEST, LANCASTER, CA. 93234 PETITION OF: FNU Mandeep Kumar for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: FNU Mandeep Kumar has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: 1. FNU Mandeep Kumar 2. No Name Given, Mandeep Kumar 2. Mandeep Kumar 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: September 15, 2025; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. A14, Room: . 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

EYE ON CRIME

CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE

Wednesday, August 6

6:55 a.m., Auto burglary, E. 33rd St. east of Cerritos Ave.
4:05 p.m., Intoxicated person, 3200 block E. PCH (suspect arrested)

Thursday, August 7

7:28 a.m., Elder abuse, 2600 block Wall St.
3:10 p.m., Elder abuse, 2000 block Alamitos Ave.

Friday, August 8

3:36 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)
10:53 p.m., DUI, E. 32nd St./Orange Ave. (suspect arrested)

Saturday, August 9

2:10 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2000 block Freeman Ave.
10:29 a.m., Identity theft, 2700 block Walnut Ave.
2:08 p.m., Grand theft, 2200 block E. Willow St.
5:52 p.m., Assault with a deadly weapon, 2500 block Cherry Ave.

Sunday, August 10

8:44 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 3300 block Brayton Ave.
11:45 a.m., Grand theft, 3200 block E. PCH
9:13 p.m., Injury hit and run, Cherry Ave./E. 19th St.

Monday, August 11

6:51 a.m., Burglary, 700 block E. Willow St.
6:53 a.m., Intoxicated person, 2900 block E. 19th St.
11:10 a.m., Auto burglary, 1800 block Junipero Ave.
2:05 p.m., Robbery, 2200 block Temple Ave.
4:26 p.m., Grand theft, 2000 block Orizaba Ave.
6:28 p.m., Injury traffic collision, Walnut Ave./E. Spring St.

Tuesday, August 12

3:16 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Orange Ave. east of E. Hill St.
6:05 a.m., Burglary, 3300 block Orange Ave.
10:23 a.m., Grand theft, 1800 block Temple Ave.
11:27 a.m., Robbery, 700 block e. Spring St.
12:05 p.m., Customer dispute, 3500 block E. PCH
6:59 p.m., Burglary, 2400 block E. 21st St.
11:30 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Junipero Ave.

LSPD reporting area is too extensive to report here, but you can go to their website: 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.

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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025 ___/ss/___ Denise McLAUGHLIN-BENNETT, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: August 4, 2025

TST7814 Case No. 25VECP00285 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NORTHWEST DISTRICT – EAST BLDG., 6230 SYLMAR AVENUE, VAN NUYS, CA. 91401 PETITION OF: Susanita Phillips for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Susanita Phillips has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Susanita Phillips Proposed Name: Susanita Noriega Salaverry 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: September 16, 2025; Time: 9:00a.m., Dept. W, Room: 610. 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 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025 ___/ss/___ Shirley K. Watkins, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: May 19, 2025

TST7817 Case No. 25CMCP00143 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: Cherry Vi Anicianno AKA Candace Susanne Keys for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Cherry Vi Anicianno AKA Candace Susanne Keys has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing

names as follows: Present Name: Cherry Vi Anicianno AKA Candace Susanne Keys Proposed Name: Candace Susanne Keys 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 7, 2025; 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. August 15, 22, 29 & September 5, 2025 ___/ss/___ Elizabeth L. Bradley, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: June 24, 2025

TST7818 / 2025 162119 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as: LONG BEACH GROCERY OUTLET VA, 6436 E. SPRING STREET, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: MORECARR INC, 6436 E. SPRING STREET, LONG BEACH, CA. 90815. 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: VERONICA CARRILLO, CEO. The registrant has 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 8/7/2025. 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 15, 22, 29, & September 5, 2025.

PUBLIC FEEDBACK



Port of LB seeks public feedback on proposed energy storage system

Richard H. Grant | Signal Tribune

Local residents are invited to provide input on a proposed project at the Port of Long Beach that would feature a 70-megawatt battery energy storage system.

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The Port of Long Beach is inviting community members to weigh in on a proposal for a new battery energy storage system (BESS) that would be built on a nearly 3-acre section of the Long Beach Power Plant site.

The project, proposed by Lighthouse Pier S LLC, includes a 70-megawatt battery energy storage system (BESS) that would occupy roughly 2.9 acres at 2665 Pier S Lane. The facility would increase energy capacity, and is being proposed in response to the California Public Utilities Commission's mandate to stabilize California's electric grid as the state increases its reliance on renewable energy.

The first meeting took place on Wednesday, Aug. 6, at the Port's Administrative Building (415 W. Ocean Blvd., 1st Floor Multipurpose Room). A virtual session will follow on Wednesday, Aug. 20, at 2 p.m. Community members can join the online meeting via WebEx using access code 2487 711 3303 or

by calling 408-418-9388 with the password 1234.

The proposed energy storage site would include about 100 fire-rated metal containers holding lithium-ion batteries, along with supporting infrastructure such as electrical equipment, fiber-optic cabling, cooling and monitoring systems and more. The development would also involve upgrading the adjacent Long Beach Bus Substation, removing three existing buildings, and demolishing parts of old saltwater intake pipes.

Comments collected during the meetings will help shape the environmental impact report for the project. The public is encouraged to review the Notice of Preparation and meeting details at www.polb.com/ceqa.

Written feedback will be accepted until 4 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 29. Comments can be emailed to piersbess@polb.com or mailed to Renee Moilanen, Director of Environmental Planning, Port of Long Beach, 415 W. Ocean Blvd., 7th Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802.

FAMILY RESOURCE

Parent Workshop series will connect kids to developmental and intervention services

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

The Long Beach Health Department and Long Beach Public Library (LBPL) have organized a new slate of educational events for the City's Parent Informational Workshop series.

Through these workshops, early childhood experts will lead discussions geared towards parents and caregivers of young children ranging from infancy to 8 years old. Topics such as early childhood mental health, special education and early start intervention will be explored, with the goal of connecting families with developmental concerns about their child to local services.

"We're excited to offer families more opportunities to learn, connect and grow together through our Parent Informational Workshop series," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "These workshops are part of the City's continued commitment to supporting Long Beach's young residents and their futures."



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The upcoming Parent Informational Workshops will be held at several Long Beach Public Libraries, including the Burnett branch (pictured above).



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3-year-old Kengo opens a Paw Patrol book while sitting in the Billie Jean King Main Library in Long Beach on May 13, 2022.

The upcoming schedule for the Parent Informational Workshop series is as follows:

Guiding Positive Behaviors

Date: Aug. 16 at 2 p.m.

Location: Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.)

Understanding Social Interactions & Behaviors

Date: Sept. 10 at noon

Location: Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E. Hill St.)

Harbor Regional Center – Assessment process and available services

Date: Sept. 13 at 11 a.m.

Location: Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.)

Supporting Healthy Social & Emotional Development

Date: Oct. 3 at 11 a.m.

Location: Brewitt Neighborhood Library (4036 E. Anaheim St.)

These workshops are part of LB-

PL's Dive into Learning initiative, which focuses on early education for children ages 0 to 5 with programming that emphasizes the importance of reading, school readiness and parent education. No registration is required to attend.

The Parent Informational Workshop series is funded by Dive into Learning along with an Early Childhood Mental Health grant received from the California Department of Health Care Services as part of the statewide Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative.

"At the Long Beach Public Library, we believe learning begins long before a child starts school and that parents and caregivers are a child's first and most important teachers," said Cathy De Leon, Director of Long Beach Public Library, in a public statement.

CONSTRUCTION

Long Beach hopes to develop newly opened land in North LB

Staff Report

Signal Tribune

On Wednesday, July 30, the Long Beach Economic Development Department, joined by a group of City officials and local businesses, held a demolition ceremony for the City-owned commercial properties located at 5641-5649 Atlantic Ave.

This removal of two commercial buildings and one undeveloped parcel is meant to advance future development and investment in North Long Beach.

"The ongoing transformation of the Atlantic Avenue corridor marks an exciting step toward the further revitalization of the Uptown community," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "By positioning the area for new development, we're opening the door to fresh energy and modern investment, providing expanded opportunities and benefits to the residents and visitors of North Long Beach."

As the City looks to spark long-term economic activity and transformative growth in North Long Beach, prospective developers are invited to submit an interest form and peruse the available City-owned properties on the Surplus Land webpage.

The demolition project is esti-

ated to be complete by the end of August.



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

City officials and representatives from Vincor Construction, Inc. commemorate the demolition of the commercial properties located at 5641-5649 Atlantic Ave. on Wednesday, July 30, 2025.

"This isn't just about momentum—it's about a promise kept to the people of North Long Beach," said Eighth District Councilmember Tunua Thrash-Ntuk in a public statement. "By clearing this site, we are opening the door for tangible investment—for new local jobs, for the shops and services our families can walk to, and for a community that is safer and cleaner for our kids. Every step like this brings our vision for a thriving North Long Beach one step closer to reality."

To learn more about the opportunities offered by the Economic Development Department's Real Estate Development Bureau, visit longbeach.gov/realestate.

AROUND TOWN

A WEEKLY LIST OF EVENTS IN LONG BEACH AND SIGNAL HILL



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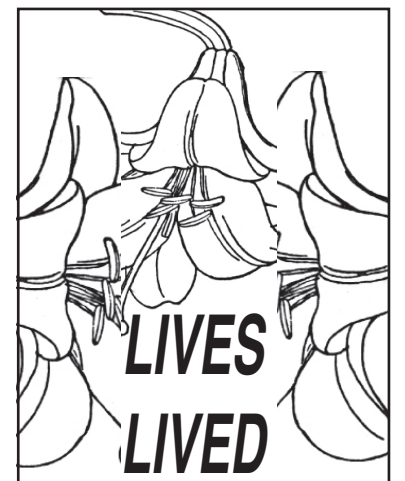
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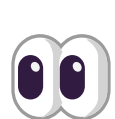
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