

**ENVIRONMENT**



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Julie Darrell, the owner of BYO Long Beach, holds a freshly refilled reusable bottle of hand soap at Rooted in Bixby Knolls on Oct. 4, 2021.

## Bring Your Own Month returns to Long Beach this October

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This October, Long Beach shoppers are invited to combat the scariest monster of all — single-use plastic waste.

The third annual Bring Your Own (BYO) Month encourages residents to bring their own reusable items such as cups, straws, bags and containers into participating stores to reduce the use of disposable plastics. BYO Month is meant to encourage residents to embrace simple, sustainable habits that over time make a big impact.

As an incentive, the Long Beach Reuses Coalition has created a stamp card that residents can fill up every time they bring their own reusables into a participating store or restaurant. The stamp card can be downloaded online or picked up at a participating business.

Ways to earn a stamp by reusing include:

- Bringing personal, reusable to-go containers when dining out
- Using a reusable cup, mug or water bottle when dining out
- Bringing a reusable straw
- Bringing your own set of utensils when dining out
- Bringing a reusable bag when shopping

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**HOUSING**

## Long Beach receives first chunk of Measure A funds for homelessness prevention

The \$24 million comes from residents' tax dollars, and will be used to build affordable housing, prevent evictions and provide homelessness services.



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The remains of a tent and other items await removal from under the Ocean Avenue bridge that crosses the LA River in Long Beach on Nov. 18, 2021.

Samantha Diaz  
Managing Editor

Nearly one year after voters approved sales tax Measure A, Long Beach received its first chunk of funding towards homelessness prevention Tuesday night. Almost \$24 million, distributed by Los Angeles County, will help Long Beach fund its right to counsel program, provide rental assistance, approve affordable housing production and continue to run its homeless shelters.

The County previously relied on Measure H funds for its homelessness services: a voter-approved 25-cent sales tax approved in 2017 that was set to end in 2027. In November 2024, voters chose to double this sales tax in an attempt to further combat the regional homelessness crisis.

Long Beach's most recent Point in Time Count revealed a 6.5% increase in people experiencing homelessness in the city. More than half of the people interviewed said they became homeless due to eviction, financial hardship or unemployment.

"We know that homelessness and the housing crisis are regional challenges. No city alone can solve the challenge," said Mayor Rex Richardson. "Regional challenges need regional solutions."

Local organizations like LiBRE (Long Beach Residents Empowered) and the Community Land Trust have been waiting on these increased funds to purchase land for affordable housing and to provide right to counsel and settlement assistance in order to prevent evictions.

Now that Long Beach has accepted the \$24 million in grant funds, City departments will begin allocating it to organizations and programs, most of which has already been spoken for in the 2026 budget.

Unlike Measure H, the sales tax imposed through Measure A has no end date, so Los Angeles County and cities like Long Beach will continue receiving these funds indefinitely. Since this is the first year of allocation, City staff said they expect changes over the next few years to regulations regarding the division of the county-wide revenue.

The \$24 million from Measure A went into three different pots:

- \$10.7 million for homelessness prevention and affordable housing production
- Roughly \$8 million for Long Beach's Continuum of Care services
- Nearly \$5 million for the City's "Local Solutions Fund"

### Homelessness Prevention and Affordable Housing - \$10.7 Million

This portion of Measure A funds is distributed by the recently-established Los Angeles County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency (LCAHSA). LCAHSA was created in 2022 as a regional housing financing body with the goal to boost housing production across the county and

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## JOBS



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The Long Beach Urban Planning and Design Internship Program is open to students ages 18 to 30 who are actively enrolled in a community college or university program in urban planning, architecture or related fields.

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Applications are open for the second iteration of the Long Beach Urban Planning and Design Internship Program, inviting eligible college students to apply online through Oct. 2.

This paid internship gives participants hands-on experience in urban planning, architecture and civic engagement. The program is overseen by the Economic Development Department's Workforce Innovation Network Youth Career Services Center alongside the Long Beach Community Design Center and Civic Confidence LLC.

"We are continuing to empower our young people across a diverse range of professional fields," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "Building on the success of the inaugural cohort, this innovative program will cultivate the next generation of leaders in urban planning and design, leading to greater inclusivity in the workforce and more vibrant and sustainable communities."

Through an eight-month course, interns will partake in projects, workshops and mentorship opportunities with representatives from public, private and nonprofit sectors. Participants will be staffed at local sites like nonprofits, private firms or the City's Community Development Department and will earn \$22 per hour for a maximum of 500 hours.

Students ages 18 to 30 who are actively enrolled in a community

college or university program in urban planning, architecture or related fields are welcome to apply. Long Beach residents as well as applicants who are low-income or from underserved communities will receive priority. More details about eligibility requirements can be found on the program's webpage.



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A group of students talk with their masks on at California State University, Long Beach on August 24, 2020.

The inaugural class of the Long Beach Urban Planning and Design Internship Program featured 10 participants, with their work influencing City initiatives such as the Downtown Shoreline Vision Plan. Plus, two program graduates secured full-time jobs with the California Conservation Corps and Cordoba Corporation immediately upon completion of the internship.

To learn more about the Long Beach Urban Planning and Design Internship Program, contact Workforce Development Officer Eli Romero at 562-570-3762 or [Eli.Romero@longbeach.gov](mailto:Eli.Romero@longbeach.gov). For more information about youth employment services, visit [longbeach.gov/youthservices](http://longbeach.gov/youthservices).

## NEWS

## Out of funding, LB's Resource Line will sound final ring Sept. 30

The lack of funding is not due to federal funding cuts or an Executive Order, the City wrote in a public statement.

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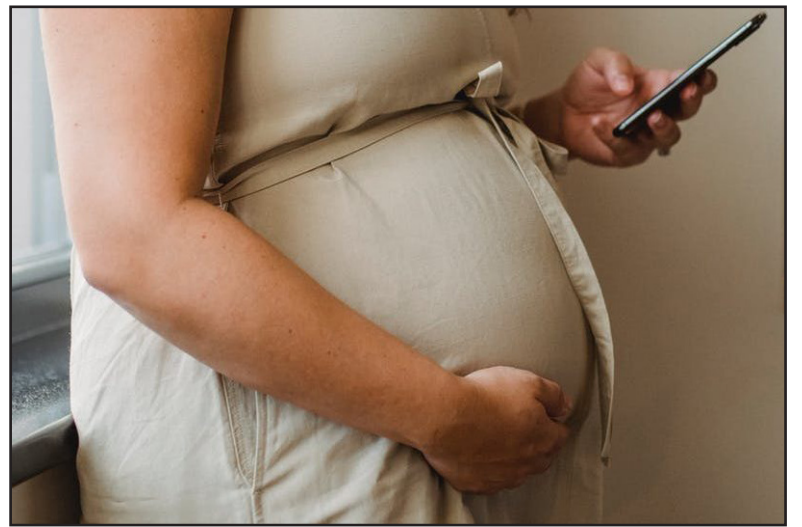
The Long Beach Resource Line, a health-focused phone line that connects residents to essential services, will close on Sept. 30 due to a lack of funding.

The resource line was launched in 2020 to provide critical information and connection to services during the COVID-19 pandemic. Initial funding came from the Long Beach Recovery Act, specifically allocated to help cities recover from the pandemic.

Since 2020, the line has received over 10,000 calls and has connected over 9,000 people to City resources. These resources included housing, food access, health care, mental health, legal aid, transportation and more. Residents would receive immediate connection and referrals to health and social service providers over the phone.

The sunset of the resource line was not caused by loss of federal funding associated with Executive Orders or policy shifts under the current Presidential Administration, according to a press release from the City. All funding for the resource line has been temporary, and that support ended this year.

This will not result in any City staff layoffs, according to the City's press release. Impacted staff were



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reassigned to other roles in the Health Department.

Due to the end of this program, Long Beach encourages residents to use alternative local resources:

• **2-1-1 LA:** A nonprofit organization that provides free, confidential information and referrals connecting people in Los Angeles County to essential health, social and community services. People can browse resources online at [211la.org](http://211la.org) or dial 2-1-1 to be connected to a Community Resource Advisor. Assistance is free, confidential and available

24 hours a day, seven days a week.

• **Unite Us Resource Referral Map:** A free, centralized online hub where residents can search for, connect with and access local health, housing, food and social service resources in Long Beach through the coordinated-care network powered by Unite Us.

The Health Department also encourages community members to visit [longbeach.gov/health](http://longbeach.gov/health) to learn more about available programs and services offered by the Health Department.

## EVENT

## Prep for disaster at the READY Long Beach Expo Oct. 12

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What should you do if and when disaster strikes? Find out at the READY Long Beach Community Preparedness Expo on Oct. 12.

This educational event will be led by the Long Beach Fire Department, Community Emergency Response Team and the Department of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Communications along with several other City of Long Beach departments, regional disaster response agencies and community partners.

"Emergencies can happen at any time, and READY Long Beach is a one-stop shop that helps ensure our community is better prepared for when they occur," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "This fun-filled, free event is an opportunity for our families and neighbors to come together and talk directly with experts, pick up resources and walk away with a plan they can put into action."

READY Long Beach will be open to the public and feature emergency response vehicles, information booths, emergency preparedness demonstrations, a kids' fun zone and emergency supplies available for purchase.

Through the expo, residents will learn the following:

• How to gather and store minimum supplies of food, water and



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Community members wave as a Carson Refinery Fire Department truck passes during the Daisy Lane Christmas Parade on Dec. 11, 2021.

other essential survival tools.

- How to increase preparedness.
- How to build a family evacuation and response plan.
- How to engage neighbors in disaster planning.
- How to recognize and minimize hazards in the spaces where you live, learn, work and gather.
- Where to access training and volunteer opportunities.

"READY Long Beach empowers our community with the knowledge and resources to respond confidently in emergencies. The Long Beach Fire Department is committed to this effort with every resident in building a safer, more prepared Long Beach," said Long Beach Fire Chief Dennis Buchanan in a public statement.

This marks the eighth year of READY Long Beach, which was launched in 2014. Going forward, the event will occur every two years,

after being held annually through 2023 following a three-year break during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Along with the annual Great ShakeOut earthquake drill on Thursday, Oct. 16, READY Long Beach is one of various emergency preparedness events happening in October.

Additional information about upcoming events will be announced at a later date.

READY Long Beach will take place Sunday, Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Stadium parking lot (5000 E. Lew Davis St.) at Long Beach City College.



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# AROUND TOWN

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

**L**ooking for ways to connect with the Long Beach community this week? Whether you want to volunteer, celebrate culture or simply spend time with your neighbors, here's what's happening around town.

Those looking to give a helping hand to their neighbors can help restore an urban farm that was recently vandalized Friday or Saturday morning, or help clear litter from the Zaferia Heights neighborhood Saturday.

Connect with neighbors over shared values at a community walk with the Black Neighborhood Tenant Council Saturday through downtown Long Beach, or participate in a walking, dancing, eating and drinking celebration and fundraiser for ÓRALE at Sala Coffee and Wine on Sunday.

Local creatives and art lovers can make new creations during a communal craft night at KUBO Friday night, take in a live theatrical performance from Long Beach's independent theater throughout the weekend, learn about surrealist screenwriting at PLACE Saturday afternoon, practice painting at Willow Springs Park Sunday afternoon, try their hand at printmaking Monday evening and more. Kids can enjoy a mix of story times and art workshops.

### 26 FRIDAY

#### FARM LOT 59 COMMUNITY REBUILD

9 a.m. to noon. Help Farm Lot 59 restore their space following vandalism on Friday and Saturday by painting, hanging a new sign and repairing the fence at 2714 California Ave. Free, but online registration is required.

### LIVE THEATER

8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Experience the Southern California premiere of the play "Predictor" at The Garage Theatre (251 E. Seventh St.). This performance is a fast-paced comedy by Jennifer Blackmer that tells the true story of Margaret "Meg" Crane, the inventor of the first home pregnancy test. This production runs Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays until Oct. 11, with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets are \$28 and can be purchased online or at the door.

### 27 SATURDAY

#### LONG BEACH COMMUNITY WALK

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Join the Black Neighborhood Tenant Council, a collaborative of Black Lives Matter and LiBRE, for an uplifting community walk through downtown Long Beach, beginning at Harvey Milk Promenade Park (185 E. Third St.). Black-owned businesses will be highlighted along the walk, as attendees learn about their stories and contributions to the city's culture. Learn more and RSVP online. Free.

#### COMMUNITY WELLNESS EVENT

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Celebrate health, connect with neighbors and explore resources that support middle school-aged youth at this event hosted by the City of Long Beach at MacArthur Park (1321 E. Anaheim St.). Attendees can visit information booths, network with community groups and take part in interactive activities. A Mobile Recess Play Zone will offer active play opportunities. Youth will be able to share ideas for improving park programs. Complimentary planting

kits will be available while supplies last. Free.

#### KHMER TOWN NIGHT MARKET

Noon to 7 p.m. Enjoy a variety of foods, drinks, clothing, liver performances, a jumper for kids, jewelry, art and music at F&M Bank Long Beach (3140 E. Anaheim St.) at this night market hosted by the United Cambodian Community. Free.

### 28 SUNDAY

#### LONG BEACH WALKING CLUB

11:30 a.m. The Long Beach Walking Club & Amigas y Mas Social is throwing a Hispanic Heritage Month walk, social and fundraiser beginning at Sala Coffee and Wine (3853 Atlantic Ave.). This event features a walk to Los Cerritos Park, followed by mat pilates or a sound bath, then a walk back to Sala to end with cafecito, food, music, dancing and community prize drawings. All proceeds from this event will go to ÓRALE to support immigrants. Tickets are \$12 on Eventbrite and additional donations are welcome.

#### PAINTING IN THE PARK

3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The annual Willow Springs Experiences is kicking off with this intuitive painting experience at Willow Springs Park (2745 Orange Ave.). To receive the list, RSVP at WSPEXperiences@gmail.com.

### 29 MONDAY

#### LOW-COST VACCINE CLINIC

10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Long Beach Animal Care Services (7700 E



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Community members can help Farm Lot 59 restore their space with painting, hanging a new sign and repairing the property's fence this Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. This event is free, but online registration is required.

Spring St.) will be offering discounted vaccines and microchips for pets. Cats must be brought in carriers and dogs must be leashed. Services are available on a first-come, first-served basis for the first 60 pets. Treatment prices vary.

#### PRINTMAKING MONDAYS

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. This beginner-friendly space invites all people to create what their heart desires, with all supplies provided by PLACE LB (2172 Pacific Ave.). This is a pay-what-you-can event, and no one will be turned away due to lack of funds, but there is a suggested donation of \$1-5.

### 30 TUESDAY

#### YO SABO GAME NIGHT

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Test your knowledge of the Spanish language and Latin American history during this lively round of YO Sabo, a Spanish-language trivia game, at the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.). Free.

#### BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD TENANT COUNCIL

6 p.m. This monthly meeting provides a space for Black renters and tenants, led in collaboration with Black Lives Matter Long Beach and LiBRE, to learn about local politics and your rights as a renter. This meeting will invite residents to reflect on their past campaigns and share feedback to guide their next focus. RSVP online to receive the location. Free.

### 01 WEDNESDAY

#### FRIDA-INSPIRED SELF-PORTRAITS

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. School-age chil-

dren, tweens and teens are invited to the Bay Shore Neighborhood Library (195 Bay Shore Ave.) to learn about Mexican artist Frida Kahlo and create a mixed-media self-portrait inspired by her work. No registration required. Free.

#### TEEN GAMING

4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Teens ages 13 to 18 are invited to the Teen Lounge at the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) to play video games, discover new favorites and connect with peers. A variety of games and consoles will be provided. Free.

### 02 THURSDAY

#### PAINT YOUR OWN CANTARITOS

3 p.m. to 4 p.m. During this workshop at the Bach Neighborhood Library (4055 N. Bellflower Blvd.) participants will paint their own cantarito, a traditional earthen ware cup originating from Mexico. All materials provided. Free.

#### ARTLAB

4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Kids ages 6 to 12 are invited to the Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) for a process-based art and exploration program. From October through January, ArtLAB will collaborate with the Long Beach Museum of Art for free, drop-in artmaking sessions. Free.

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Residents can also receive stamps for attending any of the nine events being held throughout the month, all focused on sustainability. BYO Month will kick off on Tuesday, Sept. 30 with a free screening of the documentary "The Story of Plastic" at the Aquarium of the Pacific. Along with the screening, residents will learn about the Long Beach Reuses Coalition and their mission and advocacy efforts. Free tickets can be reserved on Eventbrite.

Additional events throughout October include:

• **Moore Institute Microplastics Lab Tour - Monday, Oct. 6 from 5 to 7 p.m.** Enjoy a guided tour of one of only two labs in the world accredited to test microplastics in drinking water, at 148 N. Marina Drive.

• **Talking Trash with Dr. Win Couger: From Pollution to Prevention - Tuesday, Oct. 7 from 5 to 7 p.m.** Dr. Couger will share the lifecycle of plastics and the latest findings of the research lab at the Long Beach Sea Base (5875 E. Apian Way).

• **Restoration Friday - Oct. 10 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.** Help to restore the native habitat of Willow Springs Park (2745 Orange Ave.) by picking up litter, watering plants and pulling invasive species.

• **LB Fixit Clinic - Saturday, Oct. 11 from noon to 3 p.m.** Work with volunteer coaches and learn how to fix items such as clothing, small appliances, bicycles, toys, jewelry and more at Sports Basement (2100 N. Bellflower Blvd.).

• **Beach Cleanup - Saturday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to noon.** Help to beautify Junipero Beach (2100 E. Ocean Blvd.) by cleaning up litter. Tools like grabbers, buckets and gloves will be provided, but attendees can also bring their own.

• **Rainwater Harvesting Workshop - Saturday, Oct. 18 from 9 to 11 a.m.** Learn about the benefits of collecting rainwater for your garden and see reusable rainwater barrel options at 431 E. First St.

• **Reusable Bag Making - Sunday, Oct. 19 from 1 to 3 p.m.** Make your own reusable tote, grocery and produce bags at Sports Basement (2100 N. Bellflower Blvd.) with this sewing workshop.

• **4th Street Farmers Market - Thursdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 8 a.m. to noon.** Bring your reusable bags to the 4th Street Farmers Market at 2000 E. Fourth St.



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Kara Kraus looks through some of the dried grains against the wall of Ethikli in Downtown Long Beach on April 29, 2022. Ethikli is a packaging-free grocery store that sells all of its items in bulk and encourages customers to reuse their containers.

"Bring Your Own Month is a great opportunity for our community to come together to make a real impact," said Mayor Rex Rich-

ardson in a public statement. "By choosing reusable alternatives and supporting local businesses that are doing the same, we're taking meaningful steps toward a cleaner, more sustainable Long Beach."

This initiative is being run by the Department of Public Works and the Long Beach Reuses Coalition.

Nearly 20 local businesses are participating:

- The Art Theatre
- Alder & Sage
- Benevolent Booch
- Black Ring Coffee Roasters
- Bring Your Own Long Beach
- Cassidy's Corner Cafe LBX
- Coffee Parlor
- Colossus
- Confidential Coffee
- Ethikli Sustainable Market
- Fine Feather's Kombucha
- Good Time
- Green Wisdom
- Long Beach Community Compost
- Miss Priss Cupcakes & Such
- Sheldrake Coffee Roasting
- Steel Cup Cafe
- Tiptoe Sustainability
- Twice Baked Gluten Free Baking Company
- Wrigley Coffee

"We are excited to bring the community together this October with no-cost events that inspire action around waste reduction and reuse," said Eric Lopez, Director of Public Works, in a public statement. "Local businesses play a vital role in BYO Month and we're proud to spotlight those that make it easier for community members who choose sustainable options every day."

Follow @LBrecycles on Facebook, Instagram and X for updates, event announcements and business spotlights throughout BYO Month.

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Sanitation workers toss out trash and debris left at homeless encampments along the Los Angeles River near Drake Park in Long Beach on Dec. 12, 2023.

provide technical assistance for renter protections and affordable housing preservation.

LACAHS receives roughly one third of all Measure A revenue, and has to send 70% of those funds out to eligible cities. Mayor Richardson is chair of the agency.

**Continuum of Care - \$8.2 Million**

This portion of Measure A is being distributed by the Los Angeles Chief Executive Office, which receives 60% of the sales tax revenue. This money has to go towards "comprehensive homelessness services and local solutions." In Long Beach, this falls under the City's Continuum of Care services, or wrap-around services ranging from harm reduction and outreach to permanent housing placement and rental assistance.

The \$8.2 million for comprehensive homelessness services will be used for the following:

- \$406,445 - Continuum of Care planning
- \$879,686 - Homelessness prevention in the form of rental assistance
- \$597,156 - Services at the Multi-Service Center
- \$975,939 - Outreach efforts to reach people experiencing homelessness
- \$406,159 - City's navigation team, which helps people move into housing
- \$3.23 million - Towards running five of the city's shelters, consisting of 442 beds, as well as the inclement weather shelter and motel vouchers
- \$1.09 million - Providing 25 people with rapid, permanent rehousing services
- \$380,335 - Housing acquisition through working with landlords and property owners to accept subsidies and housing vouchers

**With the right to counsel and rental subsidies, the City estimates that over 700 households will be helped, according to staff reports.**

In June, LACAHS approved its annual budget, laying out allocations for three different uses:

- Production, Preservation and Ownership (PPO) - This includes new construction and "flexible construction of affordable housing"
- Renter protections and homelessness prevention (RPHP)
- Technical assistance (TA)

This plan includes the \$10.7 million going to Long Beach, as well as another \$232,326 specifically towards renter protections and homelessness prevention. Money from LACAHS can be used for affordable housing production, tenant right to counsel, rental assistance, youth financial support, shallow subsidies and the Long Beach Housing Promise.

"This really is going to be one of the biggest moves we have into housing and helping to keep people housed," said City Manager Tom Modica.

Following the three uses LACAHS laid out, Long Beach's chunk of funding can be broken down as follows:

- Production, Preservation and Ownership for new construction: \$4 million
- Production, Preservation and Ownership for flexible construction: \$1.2 million
- Renter protections and homelessness prevention: \$4.6 million (plus the grant match of \$232,236)
- Technical assistance: \$774,420



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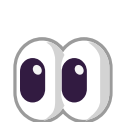
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**TST7837 Case No. 25NWCP00425 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 12720 NORWALK BLVD., ROOM 101, NORWALK, CA. 90650 PETITION OF: Miguel Joshua Fabian Jr by his mother Mariela Ysabel Castro Pairazaman for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Miguel Joshua Fabian Jr. by his mother Mariela Ysabel Castro Pairazaman has filed a petition with this court

for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Miguel Joshua Fabian Jr Proposed Name: Miguel Joshua Fabian Castro 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 24, 2025; Time: 8:30a.m., Dept. L, Room: 506. 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. September 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025 \_\_\_/ss/\_\_\_ Lee W. Tsao, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: August 27, 2025

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**TST7856/Order No: 2073 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/12/2025 at 2130 S VERMONT AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2024 CHEVROLET VIN: KL77LGE28RC218611 STATE: CA LIC: 9MHH938 at 9AM

**TST7855/Order No: 3349 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/8/2025 at 2330 S. LA BREA AVE LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2020 NISSAN VIN: 3N1CN8DVXLL912325 STATE: CA LIC: 8SWX625 at 9AM

**TST7859/Order No: 3940 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 11510 ALAMEDA STREET UNIT 1 LYNWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2004 FERRARI VIN: ZFFYT53A940136047 STATE: CA LIC: 7XIY338 at 9AM

**TST7860/Order No: 3955 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2024 QIPAI VIN: LXAPKSPZXR000145 STATE: CA LIC: DE71288 at 9AM

**TST7861/Order No: 3976 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 6832 CRENSHAW BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 KIA VIN: KNAG64J74S5379054 STATE: CA LIC: 9TTL593 at 9AM

**TST7862/Order No: 3977 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 6832 CRENSHAW BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2018 JAGUAR VIN: SADCJ2EV2JA270454 STATE: CA LIC: 8ZBT719 at 9AM

**TST7863/Order No: 3978 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2015 FORD VIN: 1FA6P0H77F5131497 STATE: CA LIC: 7LCP676 at 9AM

**TST7864/Order No: 3985 Auto Lien Sale**  
 On 10/14/2025 at 821 SOUTH MAPLE AVE MONTEBELLO, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2006 TOYOT VIN: 5TEJU62N16Z225251 STATE: CA LIC: 65983Y2 at 9AM

**CITY OF SIGNAL HILL**

**TST7858 NOTICE OF PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING AND DETERMINATION OF CEQA EXEMPTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, the Planning Commission of the City of Signal Hill, California, will conduct a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber located at City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, California, to consider the following:

**ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 25-02**

**A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE MAKING SPECIFIED CHANGES TO TITLE 20 (ZONING) OF THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL CODE TO GENERALLY CLARIFY REGULATIONS, UPDATE PROVISIONS TO CONFORM TO STATE LAW, REMOVE UNNECESSARY OR REDUNDANT REGULATIONS, AND MODERNIZE THE ZONING ORDINANCE; AND FINDING SAID ACTION EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are hereby invited and encouraged to attend the public hearing to present written information, express their opinions, or otherwise present evidence on the above matter.

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE and provide comments in one of the following ways:

- In-person: Council Chambers of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, California;
- You may submit comments prior to the meeting date by email to [cdoan@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:cdoan@cityofsignalhill.org) or by mail to the attention of Colleen T. Doan, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755. If received prior to the publication of the agenda on or before October 15, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., City staff will incorporate the comments into the staff report. Written comments received after October 15, 2025, but before 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, will be provided electronically to the Planning Commission and attached to the meeting minutes. Written comments will not be read into the record. You are encouraged to provide written comments in advance of the publication of the agenda as well as participating during the meeting, to ensure that the Planning Commission has ample time to consider your comments.

THIS ORDINANCE IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") (California Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.), because pursuant to State CEQA Regulation 15361(b)(3), this Ordinance is covered by the CEQA Categorical Common Sense Exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. It is therefore exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

IF YOU WISH TO LEGALLY challenge any action taken by the City on the above matter, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City prior to or at the public hearing.

THE FILE and associated documents for the proposed project will be made publicly available on the City's website at [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org). If you have difficulty in accessing the documents, please contact the Community Development Department at (562) 989-7340 or via email at [commdev@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:commdev@cityofsignalhill.org).

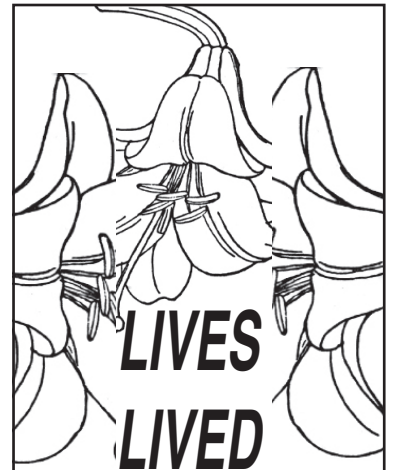
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 Posted in accordance with S.H.M.C. Section 1.08.010 on or before: September 26, 2025

**TST7853 / 2025 184232 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: ESTRELLA HOUSE CLEANING, 1901 FASHION AVE APT 1, LONG BEACH, CA. 90801. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ROGELIO ENCISO, 1901 FASHION AVE APT 1, LONG BEACH, CA. 90810. 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: ROGELIO ENCISO, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 09/2025. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Sep 04, 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: September 19, 26 & October 3, 10, 2025.

**TST7854 Case No. 25NNCP00711 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 300 E. OLIVE AVE., BURBANK, CALIFORNIA 91502 PETITION OF: Dolores Ronquiello Arias for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Dolores Ronquiello Arias has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Dolores Ronquiello Arias Proposed Name: Dolores Darlene Arias 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: November 7, 2025; Time: 9:00a.m.,



- Charles Renick 71
- Doul Ouk 103
- Robert Brock 62
- Dorothy Sailor 96
- Francisco Valencia Jr. 54
- Robert Silva 72
- Barbara Baker 89
- Jonathan Kert 78
- Gerald Visser 77
- Darryl McCullers 64
- Charles Mckeag 64
- Dorothy Popp 92
- Natalie Haerr 99

The families were assisted by McKenzie Mortuary. For more details on service dates and times, contact (562) 961-9301

**EYE ON CRIME**

**CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE**

**Wednesday, September 17**  
 7:39 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1900 block Junipero Ave.  
 10:21 a.m., Elder abuse, 2100 block E. 21st St.  
 3:09 p.m., Auto burglary, 2400 block Cherry Ave.

**Thursday, September 18**  
 7:40 a.m., Auto burglary, 700 block E. Spring St.  
 11:44 a.m., Identity theft, 2400 block Cherry Ave.  
 3:45 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (citation issued)

**Friday, September 19**  
 2:23 p.m., Battery, 3300 block Orange Ave.  
 11:31 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 3500 block E. PCH  
 9:42 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)

**Saturday, September 20**  
 5:32 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2200 block E. Willow St.  
 10:22 a.m., Auto burglary, 900 block Nevada St.  
 12:22 p.m., Burglary, 3100 block California Ave.

**Sunday, September 21**  
 12:07 a.m., Inflict corporal injury on Spouse, 900 block E. Spring St. (suspect arrested)  
 1:15 a.m., Injury traffic collision, E. 21st St./Cherry Ave.  
 6:36 p.m., Inflict corporal injury on Spouse, 3200 block Lemon Ave. (suspect arrested)

**Monday, September 22**  
 1:24 a.m., Stolen vehicle – recovered, 2400 block Cherry Ave.  
 12:14 p.m., Identity theft, 1000 block E. 32nd St.  
 12:51 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2100 block E. Hill St.  
 1:31 p.m., Burglary, 600 block E. 27th St.  
 2:28 p.m., Grand theft, 1600 block E. Willow St.

**Tuesday, September 23**  
 7:28 a.m., Fire, 2200 block Walnut Ave.  
 10:22 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 1200 block E. 33rd St.  
 2:17 p.m., Indecent exposure; resist Peace Officer, 1800 block E. Hill St. (suspect arrested)

**EVENT**

# A Greater Me: Expanding Support for Foster Youth from Long Beach to LA County

*A fundraiser on Oct. 11 in Signal Hill will support A Greater Me's next program for foster youth.*

**Community Entry**

*Signal Tribune*

A Greater Me (AGM), a Los Angeles County-based foster youth empowerment program, recently celebrated the graduation of its first class of young men ages 14–21. More than 20 participants completed pilot workshops on life skills, job readiness, vocational training and essential tools for adulthood.

Building on this success, AGM will launch a nine-week program beginning Jan. 3, 2026, serving at least 55 youth. Workshops will cover financial literacy, legal rights, health, and wellness, while offering career exposure in trades such as plumbing & barbering. Each cohort will receive free meals and clothing, with the program culminating in a graduation celebration.

A Greater Me aims to break the cycle of poverty, isolation, and disenfranchisement by equipping foster youth with the tools and confidence they need to thrive. Research

shows that **80% of foster youth in California experience mental health issues**, and one in four former foster youth report homelessness.

“Our goal is to bring awareness to youth at risk and make an impact in our communities. The correlation between foster care and crime is well-documented and is often referred to as the foster care-to-prison pipeline. Over half of foster children will have an encounter with the juvenile legal system by age 17. Insufficient access to resources and life-sustaining skills is hindering the growth and potential of this underserved community,” said Michael K. Jules, M.S.W., Children’s Social Worker III, who is spearheading the program..

To support AGM, a fundraiser will be held **Saturday, Oct. 11, from 4 to 8 p.m. at Jimmy E’s Bar + Grill in Signal Hill**. Organizers extend special thanks to Jimmy and his team for opening their space to the community for a

great cause. The evening will feature music by DJ Space Jam, networking opportunities, a raffle and an auction.

AGM project manager and Signal Hill resident **Aixa Moran** coordinated in-kind donations from local Long Beach & South Bay partners including GritCycle, SkinSpirit, The Now Massage, Radiance Sauna & Salt Lounge, The Wine Country, Shade Hotel, Blue Flame Cigar Lounge, and Local Kitchen Tavern, along with corporate sponsors Topgolf, Brook & Co, All World Décor, and GO3 Vodka.

“The movement has grown to include over 35 dedicated volunteers, each discovering that empowerment is a two-way street — as they support the youth, they too gain healing, purpose, and connection,” said Moran.

For more information on tickets, donations, or volunteering, contact: [info@agmprogram.org](mailto:info@agmprogram.org).



Courtesy of Community Entry

Over 20 young men ages 14-21 recently graduated from A Greater Me's inaugural class after completing pilot workshops on life skills, job readiness, vocational training and essential tools for adulthood. A Greater Me's next program will begin Jan. 3, 2026 and serve at least 55 youth.

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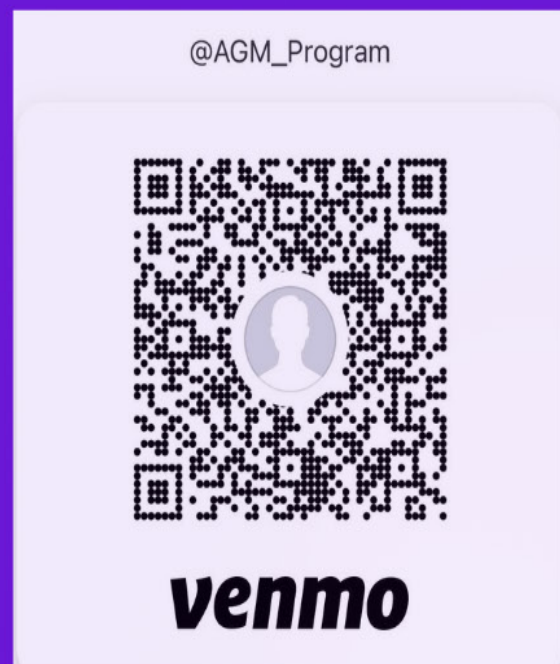
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