



TRANSPORTATION

# Want to hop on the Blue Highway?

*Mayor Rex Richardson hopes Long Beach will be a prime location in a coastal ferry program from Malibu to Long Beach and cities in between.*



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Lights from the Aquarium of the Pacific illuminate the water in Rainbow Harbor on July 23, 2022. The proposed Blue Highway route would allow people to ferry from Long Beach to several cities along the SoCal coastline.

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

As soon as this summer, residents may be able to travel from Long Beach to various coastal cities by way of water.

On Tuesday night, Long Beach City Council took the first steps towards a partnership with the Pier-to-Pier Coastal Ferry Program, which can embark on its first trips over the Pacific coastline as soon as June.

Mayor Rex Richardson directed the City Manager to work with the Departments of Public Works and Parks, Recreation and Marine in order to make Long Beach a prime destination for the Pier-to-Pier program. This move is made with the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in mind, to give visitors and locals more transportation options between cities like San Pedro, Marina Del Rey and Santa Monica.

“Long Beach should have a major part of this discussion, particularly now as we think of putting systems in place between now and 2028 that can remain in place for the people who live here well beyond the Olympics,” Richardson said.

Direction from the mayor also requests city departments to work with Los Angeles County and LA Metro, and to explore public investment opportunities for infrastructure improvements, passenger amenities and docks.

Pier-to-Pier already offers ferries from Malibu to Santa Monica and Marina Del Rey. They have operated using a New York ferry operator, but will be partnered with Long Beach’s Harbor Cruises soon. Harbor Cruises has operated out of Long Beach shores for over 30 years, providing cruises in Los Angeles, Newport, San Pedro and Long Beach.

Patricia Keeney-Maichoss, chair of the Los Angeles Pier-to-Pier initiative, spoke at the city council meeting

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HEALTH



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A man smokes a cigarette while waiting for the A Line train at the Los Angeles Metro Pico Station on Nov. 2, 2019.

## Long Beach will explore buffer zones between smoke shops and schools

*The City hopes to reduce the exposure of vaping to young students and protect seniors with respiratory illnesses.*

Samantha Diaz

Managing Editor

What’s an effective way to prevent a kid from vaping and smoking? Reduce their exposure. That’s the thought process behind Long Beach City Council’s consideration of a buffer zone between smoke shops and youth spaces.

City staff will report back to the city council within four months on the possibilities of amending the city’s zoning codes so that smoke and tobacco shops can’t be within a certain distance of schools, daycares, playgrounds, libraries, parks, rec centers and any space considered youth-oriented. These buffer zones would also apply to senior spaces like senior centers, nursing homes and convalescent homes.

“Exposure and access to tobacco products can be a key factor in whether or not a child or high school-aged student picks up unhealthy habits of smoking and vaping,” said Councilmember Megan Kerr, who brought the item forward with Councilmembers Tunua Thrash-Ntuk and Joni Ricks-Oddie. “Not only does proximity make the products easy to obtain, but the regular visibility normalizes and promotes the use of such products as commonplace in their everyday lives.”

According to the Los Angeles Department of Public Health, one in 10 high school students have tried vaping at least once. Cities such as Covina, La Puente, El Cajon and Orange have buffer zones between smoke shops and schools ranging from 300 to 1,000 feet. There are currently no state regulations on the matter.

Long Beach municipal code currently zones smoke and tobacco shops as “general merchandise.” In order to implement a buffer zone, these shops would need a sub-category. The change would be modeled after the city’s regulations around cannabis shops, as they are not allowed to operate within 600 feet of schools, daycares, libraries or playgrounds.

City staff will also explore what regulations are possible for smoke shops already existing near these sensitive areas. The City may have to

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**But before we start it, we need your help to shape it.** What kind of information do you want to know in order to feel informed and prepared for the week? Nonprofit meet-ups? City Council previews? Commission meetings? Volunteer opportunities? Grocery distributions? We shape our coverage based on what our readers tell us, so if there's something *you* want to know, let *us* know!

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**EYE ON CRIME**

**CRIMES REPORTED BY THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE**

**Wednesday, April 1**

- 7:53 a.m., Fire, Skyline Dr/Ohio Ave.
- 11:20 a.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 2700 block St. Louis Ave.
- 2:41 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 700 block E Spring St.
- 8:16 p.m., Petty theft; probation violation, 2400 block Cherry Ave. (suspect arrested)

**Thursday, April 2**

- 10:54 a.m., Identity theft, 1200 block E. Hill St.
- 8:14 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Loma Ave.

**Friday, April 3**

- 1:01 p.m., Grand theft, 3500 block E. PCH
- 2:36 p.m., Injury traffic collision, E. PCH/Orizaba
- 4:05 p.m., Grand theft – motor vehicle, 600 block Patterson St.
- 6:32 p.m., Identity theft, 2700 block Walnut Ave.
- 7:44 p.m., Suspicious person; felony warrant; misdemeanor warrant, 1499 block E. Willow St. (suspect arrested)

**Saturday, April 4**

- 9:13 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./W. Willow St.
- 11:47 a.m., Injury traffic collision, Cherry Ave./Town Ctr. E.
- 2:11 p.m., Grand theft, 2200 block E. Willow St.

**Sunday, April 5**

- 8:20 p.m., Grand theft, 2600 block E. 19th St.
- 9:15 p.m., Felony spousal abuse, 2800 block Temple Ave.

**Monday, April 6**

- 5:54 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (suspect arrested)
- 9:16 p.m., Misc disturbance, 1599 block E. Hill St. (suspect arrested)

**Tuesday, April 7**

- 2:29 p.m., Petty theft, 900 block E. 33rd St. (citation issued)

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## YOUTH RESOURCES

# Free preschool coming to West LB's Admiral Kidd Park

Opening in September, the preschool will be run by Un Mundo de Amigos and serve 37 children ages 2-5.

**Samantha Diaz**  
Managing Editor

West Long Beach families will soon be able to access free preschool for their children at Admiral Kidd Park's West Facilities Center.

The center is currently being renovated by the City of Long Beach and is expected to open in September. This no-cost preschool opportunity will enhance the City's efforts to increase early childhood education access to families in West Long Beach and is funded for a minimum of 10 years.

Once open, it will be run by Un Mundo de Amigos and will serve 37 children ages 2 to 5 with full and partial-day dual-immersion programming in English and Spanish. Services will be provided at no cost to families, funded by the California Child Care and Development Fund and California State Preschool Program.

"Every child in Long Beach deserves access to high-quality early learning opportunities," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "By bringing multiple supportive services together in one convenient location, we are expanding access to early education in West Long Beach while strengthening long-term support for children and families."

Families will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, according to the Long Beach Health Department. Additional details on the selection process can be found using the State's Subsidized programs webpage.

The preschool renovation will be overseen by Un Mundo de Amigos Preschool. The \$1.8 million project is funded by the Long Beach Recovery Act, with additional support from Measure A and contributions from Un Mundo de Amigos Preschool. Additional grant funding is from W.M. Keck Foundation, The Rudolph J. and Daphne A. Munzer Foundation.

The program is also in line with Long Beach's Westside Promise, a 10-year investment plan to address current and historic challenges facing West Long Beach. Renovations to the facility will include a new sprinkler system, upgrades to early childhood education learning spaces with new learning materials and room dividers, and replacement of existing play yard with a new play structure.

"This project reflects the dedication and collaboration of many partners who share a commitment to children and families in Long Beach," said Founder and President of Un Mundo de Amigos Laurie Petersen in a public statement.



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The new preschool at Admiral Kidd Park will provide partial-day dual-immersion programming in English and Spanish and fully free of charge.

"The improvements to this space will have a lasting impact, creating a safe, welcoming environment where young children can learn, grow and feel supported."

West Long Beach has a significant shortage of licensed childcare, with existing providers able to serve less than 30% of local demand, according to the City of Long Beach. The new preschool will help fill this gap by expanding access to early learning and care for families in the area. The facility will be co-located with existing services, including a TCC (The Children's Clinic) Family

Health clinic and a Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) office, supporting children's health and development while helping parents pursue employment and education opportunities.

"I'm proud to see another initiative bringing vital resources and opportunities to the children of West Long Beach," said Vice Mayor and Seventh District Councilmember Roberto Uranga in a public statement. "Investments like this directly support our Westside Promise and help ensure our youngest residents have safe, supportive spaces

where they can learn and grow."

The renovation project was approved by the Long Beach City Council on Sept. 10, 2024. Since then, the City has completed site evaluations, permitting and design planning.

"By investing in early childhood education alongside health and nutrition services, we are creating a supportive environment that addresses the holistic needs of children and families," said Health and Human Services Director Alison King in a public statement. "This remodel represents a meaningful step toward improving long-term health, educational outcomes and economic stability in West Long Beach."

The program aligns with the City's Early Childhood Strategic Plan and commitment to racial equity by prioritizing support for communities most impacted by racism, poverty and trauma.

Families seeking additional free preschool options before the new preschool opens can visit the Long Beach Early Learning Hub at [TheHubLB.org](http://TheHubLB.org), which connects residents to early childhood education opportunities across the city and will include future enrollment information for Un Mundo de Amigos Preschool.

## CULTURE

## Cambodia Town Grand Entrance design revealed

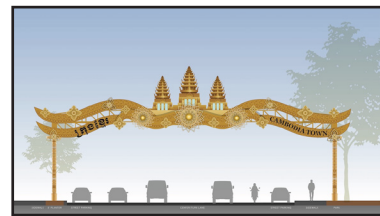
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Cambodia Town will soon boast a golden greeting to residents and visitors, as the City of Long Beach unveiled designs for the Cambodia Town Grand Entrance on April 4.

The signature landmark was revealed at the annual Cambodia Town Parade and Culture Festival. It will be located on Anaheim Street to welcome people into the largest Cambodian community in the United States.

"Cambodia Town is an integral cultural heartbeat of Council District 6, and this project is a meaningful step toward honoring the Cambodian community's heritage and identity," said Sixth District Councilmember Dr. Suely Saro in a public statement. "By working together with residents, we're building a gateway that reflects the pride, resilience and vibrancy of this neighborhood."

Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in 2027, pending full funding and completion of the bid and award process. While a majority of the funding has been secured, the Cambodia Town Advisory Group is launching a fundraising campaign for additional funding to support a perforated screen to encase the gateway sign.



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

The Cambodia Town Golden Entrance will welcome people in the country's largest Cambodian community.

The Cambodia Town Grand Entrance design was presented and informed by community feedback, through surveys, votes and in-person responses at last year's Cambo-

dia Town Parade and Culture Festival. This project is part of Long Beach's Elevate '28 plan, an initiative to improve and enhance public areas, streets and cultural centers ahead of the 2028 Olympic Games.

"After a meaningful process with the community, we are proud to unveil the Cambodia Town Gateway—a landmark that reflects the pride, history, and cultural richness of Long Beach's Cambodian community," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "Cambodia Town is a cornerstone of our city, and this gateway stands as a powerful tribute to a community whose resilience and contributions have helped shape who we are. As we continue investing in neighborhoods through Elevate '28, this grand entrance will welcome residents and visitors for generations to come."

To learn more about the Cambodia Town Grand Entrance, visit [lbcity.info/CTGrandEntrance](http://lbcity.info/CTGrandEntrance).



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## IN PHOTOS

# United Wrestling Network celebrates Easter with sweat, screams and slams

Story & Photos by Samuel Chacko



During Sunday Night Slam at Thunder Studios there were nine fights on the card, including three title fights, heel and hero faceoffs and plenty of high-flying action on April 5, 2026.

Most people associate Easter Sunday with going to church, some wholesome egg hunting and family bonding, but wrestling fans in Long Beach celebrated with high-flying slams and a good old-fashioned power bomb.

Nine fights were on the card for Long Beach's Sunday Night Slam with three title fights and intriguing standouts such as Koto Hiro, the Crazy Chickens, Cha Cha Charlie and Jack Cartwheel, each boasting unique fighting styles.

The pre-show match between Koto Hiro and El Primohenio kicked off a high-energy evening with strong slams and punches. Koto Hiro, who sports a mask honoring the Lucha Libre tradition, showed his quick and shifty style in the beginning minutes of the fight, dodging El Primohenio's strong punches as he ducked and dodged from each side of the ring.

El Primohenio's strength proved itself an equalizer after he slammed Koto Hiro between his knees and violently elbowed him into the canvas. But after a failed moonsault and a double stomp on the ropes from Koto Hiro, he got the submission after going for the brainbuster.

One of the more intriguing matches was when the Crazy Chickens went into the ring, throwing goodies out to the audience as they did the chicken dance. However, the tag team Delirium came in to spoil the Chickens' party. Commanded by Carma, the duo rushed into the ring, throwing one of the Chickens out and with a snap of the

fingers, the Delirium duo slammed the lone Chicken to the ground and got the submission.

The title matchup between the New York tag team duo 5150 and Midnight Heat commenced for the UWN Tag Team Championship. 5150 took over from the start with quick knee strikes, choke slams and stomps.

Ricky Gibson from Midnight Heat tried going for the tag multiple times after the entourage of attacks, but the New York duo kept him away from his teammate, leaving devastating injuries. Limelight of 5150 screamed at Gibson, "Tap out Ricky," as he held him in the choke, but Gibson was able to finally get the tag in after the two 5150 teammates hit each other in their side of the corner.

Even with Eddie Pearl's surge of elbow strikes and leg kicks once tagged in, the momentum quickly switched after the 5150 crew came back to attack Gibson with a devastating kick to the back, ultimately securing the title.

The Sunday Slam card had its fair share of faces and heels. Fans heckled, screamed and taunted the heels throughout the night but with every scream, every boo and every expletive, each wrestler played to the crowd differently.

No fight showed that off more than the women's fight between Simone and Gypsy Mac. Simone used gray rule tactics such as hair-grabbing early in the fight, trapping Gypsy Mac into the corner. As Simone took control throughout the fight, a sneaky smile formed on

her face, reveling in ruining Gypsy Mac fans' nights.

Gypsy Mac played to the crowd, getting them to cheer as she landed her own leg strikes and jumped on the top rope to slam Simone hard onto the canvas. The momentum quickly shifted as Simone countered the hooks from Gypsy Mac with quick and powerful elbows and ended the fight with a devastating slam.

After getting the submission win, Simone went to showboat to the fans, giving them a thumbs-down and a broken-heart sign with a smug grin.

Easter night ended with two intriguing title fights with the champions being heels of their own.

Maximilien and Royce Isaacs were first up. The crowd quickly showed who they hated, showering Maximilien with Easter Eggs when he got into the cage.

Jordan Castle, who supported Maximilien just before his ring walk, was intensely watching the fight, shushing the crowd and giving Maximilien words of encouragement.

Isaacs took the fight to the champion early with slams and submission attempts, but after a low blow from Castle, the tide quickly shifted. Maximilien was able to sink the submission while the referee was reprimanding Castle, resulting in a submission.

The final title fight was equally controversial. Jordan Cruz and Fred Rosser ended the Sunday Night Slam with an intense slugfest, with Rosser dominating most of the fight. His punches and slams

continued to stun Cruz, including a sitout splash on the bottom side of the cage.

Cruz went back into the cage and took the fight back as he clawed at Rosser's eyes and struck him with a knee and head strike.



Sunday Night Slam began with a pre-show tag team match between The Wolf Zaddies and The Pumpline on April 5, 2026 at Thunder Studios.

Rosser showed his resilience with multiple hard slams onto the hard cage. He had Cruz on the literal ropes as he slapped him in the corner, but Cruz had one thing up his sleeve.

Throughout the fight, Cruz kept loosening the turnbuckle inside the wrestling ring. After Rosser had him in a body lock, Cruz walked into the corner and threw down the turnbuckle. The ref and Rosser were both focused on fixing it, but Cruz took advantage with a heavy kick and a roll-over submission.

With the boos rolling in after Cruz received his title, he winced in pain, grabbing his back.

United Wrestling Network's Sunday Night Slam showed that even though it's Easter Sunday, the heel always wins.



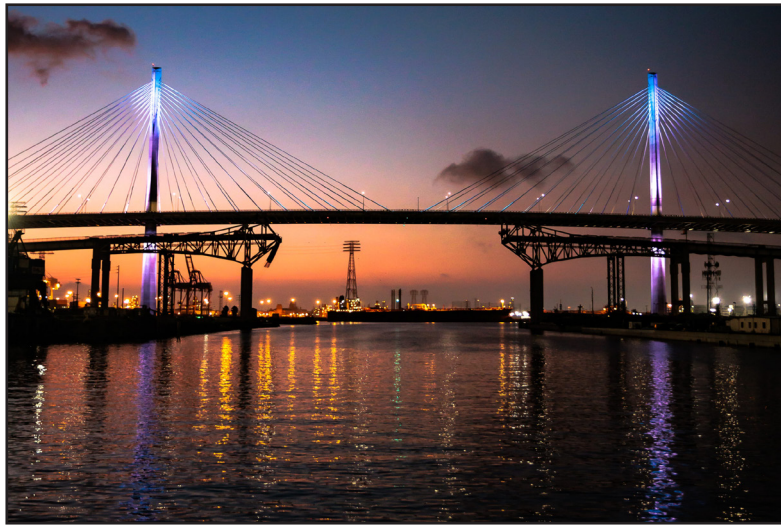
Simone taunts the crowd after a submission victory of Gypsy Mac with a thumbs down and a heart-break symbols with her hands during United Wrestling Network's Sunday Night Slam 2 on April 5, 2026 at Thunder Studios.

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about the program's founding and goals moving forward.

"Pier-to-pier really began with the idea that we're looking at this beautiful blue highway, but we're not using it," Keeney-Maichoss said.

The proposed route, deemed the Blue Highway, would be as follows: Malibu to Santa Monica, to Marina Del Rey, to Redondo Beach, to San Pedro to Long Beach. Once in Long Beach, residents will have the option of stopping at the Belmont Pier or Rainbow Harbor and have access to the AquaBus, AquaLink, Passport Bus and Metro A Line. Each stop on the Blue Highway includes access to public transportation, either through the Metro or water transportation.



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*The lights on the Long Beach International Gateway Bridge change from blue to purple at the Port of Long Beach on July 23, 2022.*

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wait until the shop requests a permit renewal to implement any new buffer zones on an already existing business.

While the buffer zones around youth-oriented spaces are meant to prevent youth from getting into smoking, for senior spaces it's more of a health concern. According to the Allergy and Asthma Foundation of America, around 7% of seniors 65 and older have been diagnosed with asthma. Additionally, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, which includes bronchitis and emphysema, affects one in 10 seniors 75 and older.

Councilmember Thrash-Ntuk compared the rise of vaping to the prevalence of cigarette smoking in the 1900s.

"In the latter half of the 21st century it took significant and coordinated effort to reduce cigarette use and limit its impact on public health," she said. "Today we're facing a new generation of nicotine products and it is our responsibility to use those tools that are available at the municipal level to prevent history from repeating itself."

Councilmember Ricks-Oddie pointed out how smoke and tobacco shops, similar to liquor stores, are usually concentrated in low-

er-income neighborhoods.

"This issue is also about fairness. Tobacco retailers are not evenly distributed throughout the city," Ricks-Oddie said. "Research has shown these business types have a higher likelihood of being placed in lower-income communities and communities of color."

Councilmember Kristina Duggan requested an addition to the item that would prohibit the sale of nitrous oxide at tobacco retailers and smoke shops. Councilmember Kerr asked that City staff include in their report if the City is able to prohibit an already existing shop from selling certain items in this current buffer zone item.

Thrash-Ntuk brought up the Second Street late night safety plan, since back in November she requested that smoke shops and liquor stores be included in the City's analysis of the Belmont Shore area. She asked City staff to carry over many of the same analysis tools they used in the Belmont Shore report, which was published April 2. This would include a tobacco shop's hours of operation, level of cleanliness and loitering concerns.

The item was approved unanimously by the city council.

**Long Beach resident Dave Shukla asked that the city add an equity lens to the project since they are considering using public funds for it.**

*"My neighborhood in the east side, we get the tidelands dollars, we get the amenities. The rest of the city does not," he said.*

Eventually, Keeney-Maichoss said, they want Pier-to-Pier to transport goods and workers to remove daily workers from the surrounding freeways. The program has also made a pledge to use ferries that only use renewable fuel, therefore producing no carbon impact.

The ferry will seat up to 149 passengers, and will be able to travel from Marina Del Rey to Long Beach in less than one hour, and from Malibu to Santa Monica in less than 30 minutes. Volunteers from Cabrillo Marine Aquarium will be on board to educate passengers about marine life and sustainability as they travel.

Keeney-Maichoss said they are also working with the City of Los Angeles to add a stop at the Venice Pier.

Councilmember Kristina Duggan asked if the City could consider expanding the ferry to Alamitos Bay. She also flagged that the dock at Belmont Pier would need to be restored to be part of the program.

Long Beach resident Dave Shukla asked that the city add an equity lens to the project since they are considering using public funds for it. "My neighborhood in the east side, we get the tidelands dollars, we get the amenities. The rest of the city does not," he said.

He also questioned why tourists would want to visit California, or the United States as a whole, given President Donald Trump's recent actions of invading countries and starting a war with Iran.

"The best way for them [tourists] to show their displeasure with what we're doing around the world is to make LA suffer," Shukla said. "I don't want to see that. I don't want to see Long Beach suffer. I'd like to see all these events go off without a hitch. But what are we actually telling people? We can bomb your country, we can commit war crimes, we can threaten to do more, but we want you to come and bend the knee for our sports and our tourism. Why would they come?"

The hope is that residents will utilize the ferry for both daily travel and tourism, ultimately reducing traffic on the 405 freeway and along Pacific Coast Highway.

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# AROUND TOWN

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



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The Long Beach Grand Prix festivities begin this Thursday from 6-10:30 p.m. with Thunder Thursday, a free and family-friendly event at The Pike Outlets with live music, a race car display, motorcycles and more.

**G**et outside and celebrate the environment with an array of Earth Month celebrations across Long Beach. Nature lovers can gather Saturday for a picnic at Colorado Lagoon or embark on a tour of the Prisk Native Plant Garden. Additional environmental events include a composting workshop at Whaley Park Tuesday or crafts at the El Dorado Neighborhood Library Wednesday.

Those looking to break a sweat can take an hour-long, water-front group walk early Wednesday morning or a beginner-friendly salsa dance class at the Museum of Latin American Art Wednesday night.

Book lovers can celebrate their local librarians at a special documentary screening at the Art Theatre or attend a silent book club at Burnett Neighborhood Library, both Thursday night.

## 10 FRIDAY

### CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR EVENT & COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Families and community members are invited to celebrate Cambodian New Year at the California Recreation Center at McBride Park (1550 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.). The event will include a blessing ceremony from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., followed by live band music from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Attendees can enjoy cultural traditions, connect with local resources and celebrate with family and friends. Free.

### RECOGNIZING EARLY SIGNS OF AUTISM

Noon to 1 p.m. Adults are invited to a virtual workshop led by Barbara Caplan, Ph.D., to learn how to recognize early signs of autism. This session is designed for early childhood providers and caregivers. Register on the City's website. Free.

### RADIO SHOW

8 p.m. The beloved children's tale "Charlotte's Web" can be experienced through an auditory jour-

ney at the Long Beach Shakespeare Company's (4250 Atlantic Ave.) live radio show. This show runs through April 19, with online tickets starting at \$21.50.

## 11 SATURDAY

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The public is invited to Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) for this used book sale. The sale features a wide selection of fiction, biography and history books, mostly priced at \$1, along with specially priced art and autographed books. Every child will receive one complimentary book. Free to attend.

### WORLD CINEMA SERIES

12:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. The public is invited to Billie Jean King Main Library (200 W. Broadway) for a double-feature of international films. The 12:30 p.m. screening will be of the 2007 Jordanian drama "Captain Abu Raed," which tells the story of an airport janitor who inspires children with tales of adventure. The 2:45 p.m. screening will feature the 1987 Danish Academy Award-winning film "Babette's Feast," which tells the story of a French refugee serving a devout Danish village. Introductions and discussions will accompany the films. Seating is limited on a first-come, first-served basis. Free.

## 12 SUNDAY

### FARMERS MARKETPLACE OF LONG BEACH & LAKEWOOD

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The public is invited to a weekly farmers market located at 5000 E. Spring Street. Visitors can shop for fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods, roasted nuts, honey and other wares while enjoying live music. Free to attend.

### PICNIC FOR THE PLANET

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The public is invited to a community Earth Month celebration at Colorado Lagoon

(5059 E. Colorado St.). Attendees are invited to bring their own picnic and enjoy a day focused on environmental awareness. Activities include nature walks, cleanups, crafts and informational resources by local climate organizations. Free.

### THE PRISK NATIVE PLANT GARDEN OPEN HOUSE

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Prisk Native Plant Garden (2375 Fanwood Ave.). This special open house offers a rare opportunity to tour a schoolyard habitat that is usually closed to visitors, featuring California native plants and wildlife. Free, but donations are welcome.

## 13 MONDAY

### CSULB FARMERS MARKET

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The public is invited to the weekly farmers market at Cal State Long Beach (1250 Bellflower Blvd.) on Friendship Walk and Circle Quad. Hosted by Associated Students, Inc., the market will feature fresh produce, food, drinks and crafts from local vendors and farmers. The event is open to the public. Visitors are encouraged to bring reusable shopping bags. Paid parking is required. Free to attend.

### DISTRICT 3 AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC NIGHT

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The public is invited to a complimentary night at Aquarium of the Pacific (100 Aquarium Way) for residents of Long Beach's District 3. Space is limited and registration is required. Register on the aquarium's website. Parking is not included, but discounted parking with validation will be available at the Aquarium Garage, located at 99 Aquarium Way.

## 14 TUESDAY

### ADULT LITERACY CLASSES

1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Adults are invited to free literacy classes at Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.) to improve

reading and writing skills. The program covers a range of basic literacy topics in a supportive learning environment. Free.

### VIKING PREVIEW DAY

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Prospective Long Beach City College (LBCC) students and their families are invited to a preview day at LBCC's Liberal Arts Campus (4901 E. Carson St.). Attendees can enjoy free food and giveaways, learn about the school's academic offerings, meet professors and staff, and take a tour of the campus. Free.

### COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. LB Recycles is hosting a 3-part composting series at Whaley Park (5620 E. Atherton St.). This is the first session in the series and will cover what composting is. The next session will take place on May 12 and the third on June 9. Register online. Free.

## 15 WEDNESDAY

### EARTH DAY CRAFT AFTERNOON

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The public is invited to El Dorado Neighborhood Library (2900 Studebaker Road) for an Earth Day-themed storytime followed by a craft activity. This event is suitable for children ages 6 to 12. Free.

### MOLAA FOOD PANTRY

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. The public is invited to a community food distribution hosted at the Museum of Latin American Art (628 Alamitos Ave.) in partnership with local nonprofit Help Me Help You. This food pantry provides groceries to individuals and families. Both drive-through and walk-in options are available. No identification, income verification, registration or appointment is required. Free.

## 16 THURSDAY

### NAVIGATING THE CITY'S HIRING PROCESS WORKSHOP

8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Job seek-

ers are invited to a workshop at LBWIN Adult Career Services Center (4811 Airport Plaza Drive, Suite 120) to learn about employment opportunities with the City of Long Beach. Participants will gain insight into the city's hiring process, current and upcoming job openings and how to receive job notifications. An optional computer lab session will follow from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Registration through the City's online event calendar is required. Free and open to teens and adults.

### LIBRARIAN DAY CELEBRATION

5 p.m. In celebration of National Librarian Day, the Long Beach Library Foundation is hosting a screening of "The Librarians," a documentary that highlights the essential role librarians play defending the First Amendment, at the Art Theatre of Long Beach (2025 E. Fourth St.). Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased on the foundation's website. All proceeds go to Long Beach libraries.

### SILENT BOOK CLUB

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Adults are invited to the Burnett Neighborhood Library (560 E. Hill St.) for a calm, quiet reading hour. Participants can bring their own book or choose one upon arrival and enjoy reading alongside others in a welcoming space, with no assigned reading or pressure. Free.

### THUNDER THURSDAY

6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. The public is invited to Thunder Thursday at The Pike Outlets (95 S. Pine Ave.), a family-friendly event to kick-off Grand Prix weekend. Activities include a race car display, live music, cars, motorcycles and live entertainment. Free.

### IS THAT IT?

### NOPE!

VISIT US ONLINE AT [WWW.SIGTRIB.COM](http://WWW.SIGTRIB.COM) FOR MORE EVENTS.

**YOUTH RESOURCES**

# Voting begins for Long Beach's Youth Power Budget

## Youth ages 12-26 can vote on how to spend \$500,000 now through April 28.

**Staff Report**  
Signal Tribune

Voting began Wednesday for the third round of Long Beach's Youth Power Participatory Budgeting process, where youth ages 12-26 have the power to control the local disbursement of federal funds.

A total of \$500,000 in Measure US dollars will be spent on youth-serving programs taking place this summer. Each organization chosen will be given \$10,000 to \$50,000 for their program, offered free to Long Beach youth.

The Youth Power Budget is run by the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Youth Development.

"This program reflects our commitment to ensuring young people have a meaningful role in shaping Long Beach's future," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "Youth Power Participatory Budgeting creates opportunities for our young residents to share their voices, connect with their communities and make decisions that have a lasting impact."

Youth ages 12 to 26 who live, work or play in Long Beach are encouraged to share their voices by voting April 13-28 at one of the following sites during regular business hours:

**Parks, Recreation & Marine Teen Centers:**

- Admiral Kidd Park (2125 Santa Fe Ave.)
- Cesar Chavez Park (401 Golden Ave.)
- Houghton Park (6301 Myrtle Ave.)
- McBride Park (1550 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.)
- Silverado Park (1545 W. 31st St.)

**Public Libraries:**

- Billie Jean King Main Library



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Olivia Olivier tightens the fabric of their hot pink hand wraps while preparing for an hour-long workout session with Devotion Fitness at Bluff Park in Long Beach on Aug. 19, 2022.

(200 W. Broadway)

- Dana Neighborhood Library (3680 Atlantic Ave.)
- El Dorado Neighborhood Library (2900 Studebaker Road)
- Harte Neighborhood Library (1595 W. Willow St.)
- Mark Twain Neighborhood Library (1401 E. Anaheim St.)
- Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library (5870 Atlantic Ave.)

**Additional Locations:**

- Economic Development Department's Long Beach Workforce Innovation Network Youth Career Services Center (508 W. Willow St.)
- Ron Arias Health Equity Center (6335 Myrtle Ave.)
- Youth Movement and Education Center (2217 E Sixth St.)
- Long Beach Unified School District wellness centers in all high schools and middle schools

"We want every young person in Long Beach to know that their voice matters," said Health and Human Services Director Alison King in a public statement. "This voting phase is a chance to turn ideas into action, ensuring that Measure

US funds are used for the summer projects that matter most to our next generation of leaders."

The Health Department will also host a voter fair at the Long Beach Civic Center (411 W. Ocean Blvd.) from 4 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21. During this event, young people can talk to community organizations who have projects on the ballot and learn more about them before they cast their vote. Youth voters will also have the opportunity to learn about summer programs, connect to local resources and enjoy food, entertainment and other activities.

During last year's voting period, youth prioritized 11 programs through nearly 2,000 votes, focusing on community care, housing, health and wellness, planning for the future and transportation.

Funding for the Youth Power Budget is provided by Measure US and Racial Reconciliation Funding. The program is organized by the Health Department's Office of Youth Development, in partnership with The Nonprofit Partnership (TNP), the Invest in Youth Coalition anchored by Khmer Girls in Action, and California State University, Long Beach.



Courtesy of the City of Long Beach

Long Beach youth participate in the voting process during a recent Youth Participatory Power Budget.

To learn more about the Youth Power Budget process and find additional voting sites, visit [investinyouthlb.org](http://investinyouthlb.org).



Courtesy of Stan DeWitt

A music teacher shows a student how to use a cello during Long Beach Youth Chorus' Summer Arts Institute.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

# Recognize local vets through Long Beach's Veterans Banner Program

**Staff Report**  
Signal Tribune

The Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services is encouraging residents to submit nominations for the third annual Long Beach Veterans Banner Program.

In 2025, 65 veterans were honored through the program, with each receiving an individualized banner at locations throughout Long Beach. Up to 65 veterans will be chosen for this year's program class. The City's Office of Veterans Support, alongside the Long Beach Veterans Commission, will lead the selection of banners to be displayed city-wide for one year, beginning in the summer.

"The Veterans Banner Program offers a meaningful and visible way to honor and celebrate those who dutifully served our country," said Mayor Rex Richardson in a public statement. "The program celebrates the contributions of our veterans and highlights Long Beach's rich naval history."

The community is invited to nominate any living or deceased veterans who meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

- Born or raised in Long Beach
- Currently works or previously worked in Long Beach
- Currently resides or previously

resided in Long Beach

- Educated in Long Beach
- Formerly stationed or worked at the Long Beach Naval Station or Shipyard, Long Beach Naval Hospital, Long Beach Army or Veterans Affairs Long Beach

Nominations can be submitted through the Veterans Banner Program's online nomination form through Wednesday, April 15.

Applicants will be asked to complete the following:

- Identify which of the eligibility criteria the nominee meets.
- Provide information about the veteran nominee's military service, including service branch, dates of service, primary duties performed and highest rank attained as well as notable honors or awards, if applicable.

• Describe any connections the veteran nominee may have to Long Beach, such as involvement with local civic, community-based or veterans' organizations or other community involvement.

• Provide the veteran nominee's bio, which will be posted on the City's website.

• Provide a high-resolution photo if selected for the program.

All applications will be reviewed by the Long Beach Veterans Commission to verify eligibility and anonymized to lessen selection bias. The selected honorees will be



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Clark Poston, a World War II veteran, receives a personalized birthday card from California State Senator Bob Archuleta during a ceremony for the centenarian residents of Bixby Knolls Towers retirement community on Jan. 26, 2022. Poston served as a mailman aboard Naval ships during the war and is a Long Beach Polytechnical High School alumni.

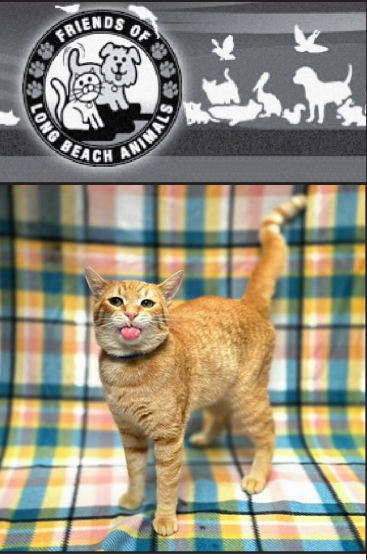
notified by May.

The 2026 iteration of the Veterans Banner Program was funded by a one-time monetary increase

as part of the City's Adopted Fiscal Year 2026 Budget, done in support of the Long Beach Veterans Commission's increased outreach and

education efforts.

To learn more about the Veterans Banner Program, visit [longbeach.gov/vetsbanner](http://longbeach.gov/vetsbanner).



**Pet of the week:  
Phillip**

Orange cats are special, and sometimes, they're actual comedians! That's Phillip, to a T. Phillip enjoys pulling faces at you to get your attention, and as soon as he gets it, he's up to his tricks. Volunteer Janet said that Phillip's a love and a half, but every time he suggests lap time to her, he tries to sneak past her lap to get to the floor. That's pretty smart for 6 months old! Why not take silly Phil home to see how much smarter he'll be in six more months? He'll probably be ordering anchovy pizza and helping your fourth-grader with math homework by then. To adopt or foster Phillip, email PetAdopt@longbeach.gov to speed the process, or call (562) 570-7387. Better yet, pay a personal visit to our shelter, 7700 E. Spring St., Long Beach (at entrance to El Dorado Park, no parking fee for shelter guests). Ask for ID#A757736.

**TST8071 / 2026 052784  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: COREVIEW STUDIO, 1136 SPAZIER AVEAPT 10, GLENDALE, CA. 91201-1337. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: SAMUEL F SMITH IV, 1136 SPAZIER AVE APT 10, GLENDALE, CA. 91201-1337). 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: SAMUEL F SMITH IV, OWNER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name in 03/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 3/9/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: March 20, 27, & April 3, 10, 2026

**TST8072 / 2026 047597  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: WERK LONG BEACH, 3428 PACIFIC-COAST HIGHWAY, LONG BEACH, CA. 90804. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: GET TO WORK HOSPITALITY LLC, 1957 SAINT LOUIS AVE., SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. 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: RYAN TOOMIRE, MANAGER. 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 3/3/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: March 20, 27, & April 3, 10, 2026

**TST8082 / 2026 055797  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: JC'S CORES, 11230 WRIGHT RD., LYNWOOD, CA. 90262. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ABIGAIL E CABRERA, 11347 LOUISE AVE UNIT 2, LYNWOOD, CA. 90262. 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: ABIGAIL E CABRERA, OWNER.

The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 03/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 12, 2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: March 20, 27, & April 3, 10, 2026

**TST8086 / 2026 064783  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. ALDAN AMERICAN, 2. ALDAN EAGLE SHOCK ABSORBER, 2675 TEMPLE AVE, SIGNAL HILL, CA. 90755. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: ALDAN EAGLE, LLC, 2675 TEMPLE AVE, SIGNAL HILL, C A. 90755. 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: APPREE SU, MANAGER. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 06/2024. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on 3/24/2026. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Pub. The Signal Tribune: March 27, & April 3, 10, 17, 2026

**TST8089 Case No. 26LBCP00104  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, South Judicial District, 275 Magnolia Ave., Long Beach, CA. 90802 PETITION OF: Joyce Katherine Martinez for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: 1. Petitioners: Joyce Katherine Martinez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present Name: Joyce Katherine Martinez Proposed Name: Joyce Katherine Tsakaonas 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be

granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: May 11, 2026; Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept. S25, Room 5600. 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. April 10, 17, 24 & May 1, 2026. //ss// Nicole M. Heeseman, Judge of the Superior Court Dated: March 30, 2026

**TST8090 / 2026 6070566  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: FC CONCRETE SOLUTIONS, 10232 MIGUEL AVE SOUTH GATE, CA. 90280. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: 2011C LLC, 10232 SAN MIGUEL AVE, SOUTH GATE, CA. 90280. 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: (PERSON SIGNING & TITLE). The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 03/2026. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 31, 2026. 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: April 10, 17, 24, & May 1, 2026

**TST8091 / 2026 065770  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: 1. MEZCALERIA JUQUILA RESTAURANT & BAR, 2. RESTAURANTE JUQUILA INC., 11619 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST LOS ANGELES, CA. 90025. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: RESTAURANTE JUQUILA INC., 11619 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST LOS ANGELES, CA. 90025. State of Incorporation/Organization: CALIFORNIA. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. Signed: FLORENTINO HERNANDEZ, CEO. The registrant has begun to use this fictitious business name. The registrant began using this fictitious business name in 05/1998. This statement was filed with the county clerk of Los Angeles County on Mar 24, 2026. 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: April 10, 17, 24, & May 1, 2026

**TST8092 / 2026 065768  
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT**

The following person is doing business as: JC & RE FOOD, 624 N ALAMEDA AVE APT 2, AZUSA, CA 91702. County: LOS ANGELES. Registrant: EMILIA HERNANDEZ, 624 N ALAMEDA AVE APT 2, AZUSA, CA. 91702. 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: EMILIA HERNANDEZ 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 Mar 24, 2026. 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: April 10, 17, 24, & May 1, 2026

**TST8084**

**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.storagetreasures.com on 4/22/2026 at 4:30 PM. Raymond Johnson; Roseangeline Perez; Omar Mendoza; Jean Marmion; Candice Arnwine; Shehonie Robins; Kesairea Nichols; Joselyn Vallecillo; Porsha Walker; April Lee; Stuart Loftin; Daniel Taylor; Masen Bovaird; Sandra Chavarin; Paula Perez; Luther Harris. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. Pub. The Signal Tribune: April 3, 10, 2026

**LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**TST8088  
NOTICE INVITING BIDS**

The Long Beach Unified School District will receive sealed bids for BID NO. 2526-015-RFP, MANAGED SECURITY SERVICE PROVIDER (MSSP). Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained electronically and submitted at: <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/23758/portal-home> on or before May 6, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. PST

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**LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**TST8087**

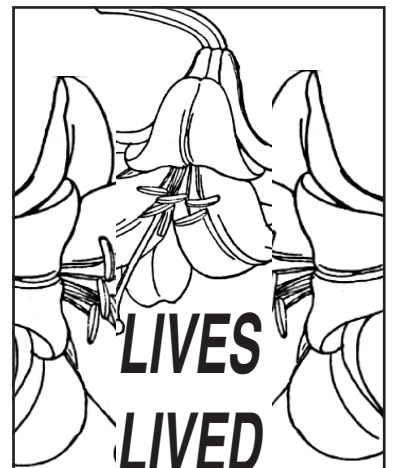
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVING AN INCREASE TO STATUTORY SCHOOL FACILITY FEES IMPOSED ON NEW RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE SECTION 17620 AND GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65995**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Education ("Board") of the Long Beach Unified School District ("School District") will hold a Public Hearing at its Regular Meeting to be held on April 15, 2026 to allow for public comment prior to consideration of its report titled "2026 Fee Justification Study" ("Fee Study"), and considering adopting a resolution of the Board of the School District to increase Statutory School Facility Fees Imposed on New Residential and Commercial/Industrial Construction pursuant to Education Code Section 17620 and Government Code Section 65995. The Fee Study justifies such increases, which is incorporated herein by this reference, and is on file at the School District's main office, located at 1515 Hughes Way, Long Beach, CA 90810, and the Facilities Development & Planning office located at 2425 Webster Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90810, and available for public review from April 3, 2026 through April 15, 2026.

The Public Hearing of the School District, to be held April 15, 2026, will begin at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as practicable, at the Community Room of the District Administration Center, located at 1515 Hughes Way, Long Beach, CA 90810. These matters will be considered at such time as this agenda item is considered by the Board of the School District.

Any questions regarding the Fee Study or the public hearing should be directed to the department of Facilities Development & Planning at (562) 997-7550 or at [BClements@lbschools.net](mailto:BClements@lbschools.net).

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

**TST8093/Order No: 5136  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/22/2026 at 821 WEST HYDE PARK BLVD INGLEWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2022 BMW VIN: WBAGV8C01NCJ65889 STATE: CA LIC: 9VFC329 at 9AM

**TST8094/Order No: 5137  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/22/2026 at 821 WEST HYDE PARK BLVD INGLEWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 MERCEDES-B VIN: W1KAF8HB6SR276100 STATE: CA LIC: 9WGR677 at 9AM

**TST8095/Order No: 5158  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/22/2026 at 15321 ATLANTIC AVE COMPTON, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 TOYOTA VIN: 3TMKB5FN0SM053283 STATE: CA LIC: 03879J4 at 9AM

**TST8096/Order No: 4588  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/28/2026 at 1856 E 65TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2025 NISSAN VIN: 3N1AB8CV4S354412 STATE: CA LIC: 9UOE269 at 9AM

**TST8097/Order No: 4643  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/28/2026 at 3085 EAST 4TH STREET LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2014 CADIL VIN: 1G6AB5RX6E0116695 STATE: CA LIC: 7CVE838 at 9AM

**TST8098/Order No: 4650  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/28/2026 at 7401 1/2 S MAIN ST LOS ANGELES, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2023 VOLVO TRUC VIN: 4V4NC9EH8PN330938 STATE: LIC: at 9AM

**TST8099/Order No: 5133  
Auto Lien Sale**

On 04/28/2026 at 3229 W IMPERIAL HWY INGLEWOOD, CA a Lien Sale will be held on a 2021 NISSAN VIN: 1N4BL4BV8MN391140 STATE: CA LIC: 9LBP635 at

**TST8100/Order No: 5162  
Auto Lien Sale**

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# Therapy horses, bubbles and firefighters: Miller hospital brings families together for Autism Acceptance Day



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Bubbles and excitement fill the air outside Miller Children's & Women's Hospital as the hospital celebrates Autism Acceptance Day on April 2, 2026.

**Samuel Chacko**  
Photojournalist

One-in-31. That is the likelihood of a child having autism, which has increased by about 300% over the past 20 years. Autism is a neurodevelopmental condition that affects communication, social interaction and behavior.

At Miller Children's & Women's Hospital on Thursday, April 2, it was a reason for celebration.

"[Autism] is everywhere ... some individuals with autism can get by in society but for the most part, it's very difficult. Those that have severe conditions or with severe autism really struggle," said Dr. Gary Feldman, the Medical Director for Miller's Stramski Child Development Center.

Miller had its yearly Autism Acceptance Day event, where children were surprised with mini therapy horses, local firefighters and physi-

cal activities incorporating bubbles and small keyboards.

Dr. Feldman said it's easy for individuals with autism to be marginalized because of their behaviors and social traits.

"We need to accept who they are and make them part of our society and include them," Dr. Feldman said.

Ten-year clinical psychologist for the Stramski Children's Developmental Center, Dr. Ioana Pal, said the event helps parents feel less alone and reassures them that they have a community they can depend on.

Marie Beausoleil, grandmother of Emmalee Beltran, who was recently diagnosed with autism at the Stramski Children's Developmental Center, said it's important to have events like this to publicize autism.

"We're all very proud so the more publicity that Miller's Children's Hospital gets, the better for everybody because people that maybe don't need their services but will later will understand that they're very welcoming and willing to help whatever walk of life you are in," Beausoleil said.

Beltran agreed with Beausoleil that it felt good to have the community support them.

Valentina Blue, the newest member of Mini Therapy Horses, and the brown and white spotted Liberty Belle surprised the children by showing off tricks such as playing the piano with their muzzle and jumping up in the air on command.



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Children meet with mini therapy horses, engage in interactive arts activities and play with loads of bubbles during Autism Acceptance Day at Miller Children's & Women's Hospital on April 2, 2026.

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