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the **CITY OF LOS ANGELES** present the



2018 CONGRESS of NEIGHBORHOODS

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Valley Village Lake Balboa

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United Neighborhoods

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Coastal San Pedro

NoHo

Sun Valley Area

Thank you to Neighborhood Councils who voted after the printing deadline.

Welcome to the 2018 Congress of Neighborhoods

GREETINGS FROM CINDY CLEGHORN, NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CONGRESS CHAIR



Thank you for being part of the 2018 Congress of Neighborhoods! We at the Congress Planning Committee are honored to have so many wonderful civic leaders on board as attendees, speakers, and instructors.

Beginning with Charter Reform in 1999 and the implementation of the Neighborhood Council System, Neighborhood Councils have grown up and generated great success stories

across the city, working together with public officials and community stakeholders to improve our quality of life in our neighborhoods and the City. Some of our success includes:

- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
- Planning Pilot Program Early Notification of Planning & Land Use Applications
- Community Impact Statements
- Seat at the table – Five minutes to address City meetings and hearings
- Partner in the City budget process
- Established Regional and Citywide Alliances working together

This Congress would not be possible without support from our Neighborhood Councils. This support comes in many ways. Your Congress Planning Committee began planning in early January with a great team of dedicated volunteers taking on a great responsibility to make every detail of this event a success. Our EmpowerLA staff has been here to assist in every way possible and we truly appreciate their support. Thank you to the elected officials for your support and approval so that we are able to hold our event here at City Hall today. This is our 8th consecutive year and we are proud and honored to be here. We appreciate EmpowerLA and want to especially thank the Neighborhood Councils who funded the expenses for our Congress. This is your Congress.

Thank you for being here today, we hope you'll have an invigorating, eye-opening experience at your 2018 Congress of Neighborhoods!

*Cindy Cleghorn, Chair
Neighborhood Council Congress 2018*

GREETINGS FROM GRAYCE LIU, GENERAL MANAGER, DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT



It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2018 Congress of Neighborhoods. This day would not be possible without the outstanding work of the Congress of Neighborhoods Planning Committee, chaired by the always wonderful, Cindy Cleghorn, our EmpowerLA staff, especially Semee Park and Mary Kim, and the City electeds, departments and volunteers. HUGE thanks for their time and effort to bring you an amazing

day of educational workshops, networking opportunities and delicious food!

I also want to appreciate the Neighborhood Councils who contributed funds to the Congress and to all the board members, committee members and stakeholders who are here today to learn something useful to take back and apply. Neighborhood Councils are about community, and the impact we can make when we work in collaboration with one another. The difference between making a good or bad impact is having the right tools and knowledge so the information you learn today is important. Please share it with your Neighborhood Council members who could not be here. Your day at the Congress really is about our tagline: Empower Yourself, Empower Your Community, Empower LA.

Enjoy our beautiful City Hall and have a super Congress!

Grayce Liu



PURPOSE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS:

To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs.

— *Los Angeles City Charter, Article IX*

OPENING SESSION: Keynote Speaker



Honorable Janice Hahn

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Fourth District

Janice Hahn was elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in November 2016. She represents the 4th district which stretches from Marina del Rey through the beach cities, the Palos Verdes Peninsula, the Harbor Area, Long Beach, through the Gateway Cities and east to Diamond Bar.

In her short time on the Board, Supervisor Hahn has already established herself as a leader in the struggle to end the current homelessness crisis, a champion for communities plagued by pollution and health problems, and a dynamic new voice on the Metro Board of Directors.

Supervisor Janice Hahn inherited a passion for public service from her late father, Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who held public office in Los Angeles County for fifty years and who left behind an incredible legacy of service. Before being elected to the Board of Supervisors, Janice Hahn served for ten years on the Los Angeles City Council and for five and a half years in Congress. Supervisor Hahn was elected to the City Charter Commission. The very first Neighborhood Council was certified in her district, Wilmington.

While in Washington, she served on the House Homeland Security Committee, Committee on Small Business, and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. She earned nationwide recognition for founding the PORTS Caucus and recruited over 100 of her fellow House colleagues to advocate for ports issues and infrastructure. She has been a leader on efforts to rebuild our national freight infrastructure system, level the playing field for small business owners, and reducing gang violence in our communities. During her time in Congress, Hahn had a reputation for working to find common ground across the political aisle on behalf of the American people.

Neighborhood Council Alliances

ARCLA – Alliance of River Communities

HANC – Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

LANCC – Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition

SLAANC – South Los Angeles Area Neighborhood Councils

VANC – Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

WRAC – Westside Regional Alliance of Councils

DWP Committee – DWP Memorandum of Understanding

PlanCheckNC – Land Use & Planning Education

NC BUDGET ADVOCATES

NCSA – Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance

Hollywood Coalition

NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance

2018 Congress of Neighborhoods

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Planning the 2018 Congress of Neighborhoods began in January 2018 with a team of dedicated neighborhood council, city staff and stakeholder volunteers. We met monthly and then weekly after registration opened August 15.

Thank you to the LADWP, DONE, West LA Sawtelle NC for hosting our meeting locations so that we could engage the diversity of our City and bring the best workshop sessions to this year's Congress.

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Thank you to all who may not be included in the program.

2018 Congress of Neighborhoods Program

The different programs offered at this Congress have been designed by neighborhood council leaders to be practical how-to types of sessions. You will receive a broad overview for each subject to help increase your knowledge on how to take local action. Audio from all these sessions will be available on the NCCongressLA.com website. A link to this resource will be available on the EmpowerLA website at empowerla.org in the near future. If you would like to volunteer to plan the 2019 NC Congress events please contact NCCongress@gmail.com.

7:45 – 8:30 am **REGISTRATION, BREAKFAST, CITY DEPARTMENT EXHIBITS, NETWORKING**

City Hall Rotunda

8:30 – 9:10 am **OPENING SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / COLOR GUARD / FLAG SALUTE – City Council Chambers**

Cindy Cleghorn, Sunland-Tujunga NC, Chair NC Congress Planning Committee

INTRODUCTIONS

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners
Neighborhood Council Alliances
Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates
2018 NC Congress Planning Committee

CONTRIBUTORS to the 2018 NC CONGRESS

WELCOME: Grayce Liu, General Manager, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

INTRODUCTIONS: City Controller Ron Galperin; City Attorney Mike Feuer; City Council President Herb Wesson; City Councilmembers David Ryu, Paul Koretz, Mitch O'Farrell, City Departments and other dignitaries.

KEYNOTE: Honorable Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor, 4th District.

9:10 – 9:25 am **BREAK**

9:25 – 10:40 am **SESSION ONE**

PLANNING FOR HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES: BALANCING NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Room: City Council Chambers

Coordinators/Panelists: Fabiola Inzunza, Alan Como, & Matt Glesne

Los Angeles is making historic strides to address our housing challenges. The Department of City Planning has launched multiple efforts to address existing housing needs and leverage new opportunities while balancing neighborhood character. Starting with a background on the Housing Element of the General Plan, this workshop will provide an overview of existing and upcoming opportunities including new efforts to update Community Plans and develop new Transit Neighborhood Plans. In addition, housing preservation strategies and tools, as well as other housing programs will be covered.

THE MOTION FROM COUNCILMAN RYU TO REFORM THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SYSTEM

Room: 1020

Coordinator: Bob Gelfand

This is the first in a series of workshops about creating reform in Los Angeles government. Councilman Ryu heard from hundreds of neighborhood council members and then proposed a series of changes, including a process that might force your neighborhood council to change its way of allocating governing board seats. Come and discuss the proposals and provide your feedback to Councilman Ryu and his staff.

PLANNING SUCCESSFUL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EVENTS

Room: 1010

Coordinator: Leyla Campos

NC events can be a tremendous tool for engaging stakeholders, building healthy communities, and are a great outreach tool for Neighborhood Councils — when done right. Join staff from the City Clerk's Office and Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to review policies, timelines, required documents, and also have an opportunity to ask questions about best practices from staff and other attendees.

2019 NC ELECTIONS: WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE & HOW?

Room: 3rd Floor Public Works Room

Coordinator: Christopher Garcia

This workshop will provide stakeholders will provide information about the neighborhood council elections, including who can run, what takes place during the election cycle, when elections occur, where voting occurs, and how stakeholders can become involved as a candidate, voter, or volunteer. Bring your questions and ideas!

All workshops will be audio taped. Please complete evaluation forms for each workshop you attend.

PLEASE, name badge needed for all events and meal tickets for breakfast & lunch.

GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS

Room: 1060

Workshop Coordinators: Corrine Ho & Freddy Cupen-Ames

Panelists: Kristine Khachatryan, Nathaniel Vergow, La Tina Jackson, Christina Miller, Senior Lead Officer Monique Contreras & Dominic Choi

Join staff from HACLA, LAHSA, and the Mayor's Office to hear about programs intended to reduce homelessness in Los Angeles. Hear about incentive programs for landlords, the outreach teams at LAHSA, the Mayor's Bridge Housing Initiative, and more.

ROBERT'S RULES WHO? A FRESH LOOK AT PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Room: 4th Floor Media Room

Coordinator: Colette Amin & Raquel Beltrán

This hands-on workshop for folks both brand new and those looking for a refresher to Robert's Rules & parliamentary procedure is sure to leave attendees with a better understanding of council proceedings. Attendees of this session will be saying, "point of order," "the motion is carried," and "It is so moved" before you know it!

BOARD BASICS & BUILDING STRONG COMMITTEES

Room: 1070

Coordinators: Tony Wilkinson & Ivan Spiegel

Whether you are brand new to your NC or have some experience, it sometimes helps to get back to basics. In this session, long-time Board Members will share tried-and-true basic practices that keep NCs functional despite turnover (and help prevent it). Additionally, presenters will discuss committees and how they are utilized for vetting issues, engaging stakeholders, keeping Board Members accountable, and more. Don't miss out!

STUDENTS SPEAK OUT: THE LOCAL IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Room: 1050

Coordinator: Sonya Ribner

Join us for a student-organized panel that will address concrete measures that can be adopted on the community level to combat the effects of climate change. We will bring to light issues and potential solutions concerning local contributors to climate change such as poor air quality, methane and carbon dioxide emissions, electronic waste, and plastic pollution.

10:40 – 10:50 am BREAK

10:50 am – 12:05 pm SESSION 2

UTILIZING "SPECIFIC PLANS" TO DEVELOP & PRESERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

Room: City Council Chambers

Workshop Coordinator: Jay Ross

Presenters: Jay Ross & Martin Leitner

Join developer Jay Ross, of the West LA Sawtelle NC, and architect Martin Leitner, of Perkins+Will, for a presentation on the concept of the Specific Plan for individual neighborhoods. Come learn what other cities have done to raise the bar for neighborhood design and planning. This will be an unparalleled opportunity for Board Members and stakeholders to be introduced to real-world benchmarks NCs can use to evaluate if a project will improve your neighborhood.

PLANNING 101: PROJECT PLANNING

Room: 1010

Coordinator: Fabiola Inzunza, Steve M. Garcia, & Mindy Nguyen

The Department of City Planning will provide a presentation focused on the City's development review process. The presentation will include an overview of how the Department implements planning policies by receiving, processing, reviewing, and issuing recommendations and/or determinations to decision makers on various types of cases. The session will also include a tutorial on how to best access case information online.

NC FUNDING: THE DO'S AND DON'TS

Room: 1050

Coordinator: Leyla Campos

Neighborhood Councils have a responsibility to appropriately expend public funds. Participants in this session will learn about the rules and guidelines followed by Office of the City Clerk in managing funding requests. Attendees will also be taken through a live demonstration of the new NC Funding System Portal to guide Q&A.

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HOW TO RUN A GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTION

Room: 1020

Coordinator: Ivan Spiegel

This workshop is for Board Members, Election Committee Members, Outreach Officers, and other stakeholders assisting with their NC election. Join experienced Board members, staff from the City Clerk's Election Division, and staff from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to learn about best practices for making sure your NC election is best promoted, is executed with precision, and invites all stakeholders to participate!

HOMELESSNESS ROUNDTABLE: WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

Room: 3rd Floor Public Works Board Room

Workshop Coordinators: Corinne Ho & Freddy Cupen-Ames

Panelists: Don Larson, Founder & Coordinator of "Clean Streets, Clean Start"; Emily Kantrim, Program Coordinator for SafeParking LA; Marco Santana, Director of Engagement for LA Family Housing

The homelessness crisis is affecting every corner of Los Angeles, and communities, individuals, and organizations throughout our city are coming up with innovative solutions to make positive change. This space will be an opportunity to share successes, challenges, and brainstorm together with other folks committed to helping eliminate homelessness in Los Angeles, one step at a time.

MEDIATION & DISPUTE RESOLUTION: ESSENTIAL SKILLS FOR EVERY BOARD MEMBER

Room: 1060

Presenters: Hugo S. Rossiter, Shaphan Roberts, & Caroline Stauffer

Whether between Board members or stakeholders, conflict is part of the job. How you deal with the conflict is important to developing your identity as an individual and as a Board. When contentious issues, such as land-use or homelessness cause high tensions, are you prepared to maintain civility? This workshop will introduce Board Members to basic mediation skills to assist with maintaining everyone's sanity.

PRESIDENT'S & VP'S ROUNDTABLE

Room: 4th Floor Media Room

Coordinator: Kevin Davis

This is an open space for Presidents and Vice Presidents to ask questions of one another, share challenges, make suggestions, and otherwise support one another in leading the city's 98 neighborhood councils. We ask you to come ready to share, learn, and ask the tough questions.

LA SANITATION DEPT. PRESENTS: A CLEANER, GREENER LA

Room: 1070

Coordinator: Daniel Hackney & Mas Dojiri

The Los Angeles Department of Sanitation is one of the leading environmental agencies in the world. But don't take our word for it! In this informative overview, we will present of several key LASAN programs that impact your daily quality of life, such as Biodiversity, Clean Streets, Clean Up Green Up, One Water, RecycLA, Zero Waste, etc. Come ready to learn, ask questions, and join us at the forefront of environmental stewardship.

12:05 – 1:20 pm

LUNCH – City Hall Forecourt — Please have your lunch ticket.

1:20 – 2:35 pm

SESSION 3

GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS TO BENEFIT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Room: City Council Chambers

Coordinator(s)/Presenter(s)/Panelists: Stephanie Spicer, Donna Arrechea, Rocio Gandara, Deisy Gonzalez
Many city, county, regional, and other government programs exist that can help Neighborhood Councils with community improvement projects, accessing city services, and more! This session will provide attendees with an introduction to a variety of topics including a behind-the-scenes look at MyLA311, upcoming jobs available from the Census Bureau, Emergency Preparedness programs, DWP programs, and more!

GIVING REAL POWER TO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS: WHAT WOULD IT BE?

Room: 1010

Coordinator: Bob Gelfand

This is the second in a series of workshops about reforming the system. We all know that neighborhood councils have been limited to an advisory role, and even then, our advice is often ignored. What if we had the power and authority to veto land use actions taken by the City Council? What if we had the power and authority to veto appointments to city commissions? Bring your thoughts and opinions and let's get into it!

SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES & THE LEGAL ISSUES FOR NCS

Room: 1060

Presenter: Carmen Hawkins

Carmen Hawkins is a Deputy City Attorney with the Neighborhood Council Advice Division with over 30 years of experience, and she is responsible for addressing the legal concerns from half of the 98 neighborhood councils in the City. This session is an opportunity for both Carmen to share the most common issues she faces in her offices (so your NC won't have to) as well as for you to have an opportunity to ask questions of one of the NC system's most valuable resources.

OUTREACH & SOCIAL MEDIA 101

Room: 3rd Floor Public Works Board Room

Coordinator/Presenter: Ann-Marie Holman

A major component of Neighborhood Council operations is outreach, and there are a ton of strategies and tools for engaging stakeholders in your boundaries - residents, businesses, organizations, etc - to engage. This workshop will cover topics such as creating flyers and banners, filling Board vacancies, and significant time will be spent on the sometimes-scary (but actually very helpful) tool that is social media.

A DIALOGUE ABOUT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING: HOW CAN YOUR NC ENGAGE?

Room: 1050

Workshop Coordinators: Corinne Ho & Freddy Cupen-Ames

Moderators: Sandra Trutt & Lex Roman

Panelists: Ann English & Dora Gallo

Do you have questions about supportive housing projects being proposed in your neighborhood? Permanent supportive housing and other measures to curtail homeless populations can be divisive issues, and this workshop will provide a space for attendees to voice concerns or share positive experiences.

DEALING WITH THE DIFFICULT: RISING ABOVE THE FRAY!

Room: 1020

Presenter: Vivienne A. Swanigan

We all have that person that comes to mind when reading this workshop title. In this session, you will learn techniques for handling difficult communications, situations, or interactions with skill and confidence. The workshop will cover approaches or responses that can be used both to stop or respond to personal attacks, and to promote an appreciation for opposing viewpoints. Scenarios will be utilized in an interactive format to address a variety of situations in different contexts which might arise in NC interactions.

SECRETARY'S ROUNDTABLE: ADMIN ISSUES FOR NCS

Room: 4th Floor Media Room

Workshop Coordinator: Dave Brown

Moderator: Sarah Ramsawack

Presenters: David Levine & Wendy L. Moore

An organized Secretary can take a Neighborhood Council from being in exhaustive efforts to being an administrative force of nature, and we want you to learn how! Come share tips and tricks to being organized, consistent and reliable in your operations, while saving valuable time. Topics to include attendance, public requests for information, tracking votes, and employing temporary staff. Bring your questions and an open mind!

OIL WELLS & GAS STORAGE OR FEWER GOOD JOBS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS: A REAL DILEMMA OR A FALSE DICHOTOMY?

Room: 1070

Workshop Coordinator: Lisa Hart

Presenters: Lisa Hart, Bhavna Shamasunder, Mijin Cha, & Dave Quast

Asthma? Nosebleeds? From Wilmington to Porter Ranch, people in Los Angeles have suffered health impacts of gas storage facilities, oil wells, and gas wells in their neighborhoods. How do we balance our needs for energy & jobs with our health and the environment? Are there trade-offs, or can we have it all? How can Neighborhood Councils help in the transition to a green economy? We will talk to experts with different perspectives about impacts and possible actions.

2:35 – 2:45 pm

BREAK

GOOD DEVELOPMENT OR NIMBYISM? A LAND USE PANEL**Room:** City Council Chambers**Workshop Coordinator:** Cindy Cleghorn**Presenters:** Jill Stewart, Barbara Broide, Dick Platkin & Brad Kane

Land use issues are sometimes the most hotly contested items in which Neighborhood Councils engage, especially given the current affordable housing crisis in L.A. and the desire to improve our empty storefronts. This panel will discuss how NCs can be more effective, focusing on how to cope with transit-oriented laws and policies that land neighborhoods with bus service or light rail in the middle of this debate.

CITY GOVERNMENT REFORM: REPLACING DICTATORIAL CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES**Room:** 1020**Coordinator:** Bob Gelfand

We don't always think about the fact that our City Council representatives make decisions for their districts unilaterally, a process that would not be allowed in almost any other city. Can we replace our system of fiefdoms, and would it help? If so, how would we do it? One possible way would be to increase the number of City Council representatives in each district. Let's discuss your ideas for what our city could be.

CANNABIS IN OUR COMMUNITY**Room:** 1060**Panelists:** Cat Packer, Vito Ceccia, Alex Freedman

In March of 2017, Measure M, authorizing the licensing and regulation of cannabis businesses, was passed by over 80% of voters, but what does that mean for our neighborhoods? Join the newest City Department, the Department of Cannabis Regulation, along with LAPD and the City Attorney's Office, in a discussion about what neighborhoods can expect as the City implements its new cannabis laws and regulations. Please bring your questions, concerns, and an open mind!

OUTREACH 102: TOWNHALLS, ENGAGING SCHOOLS, AND MORE**Room:** 1010**Coordinator/Presenter:** Lydia Grant

So maybe you know how to put on an event or you have a decent amount of turnout at your General Board Meetings, but you'd like to take your Outreach to the next level? You're in the right place! In this breakout session, participants will be introduced to additional outreach strategies, including partnering with local schools, utilizing townhalls, non-profit partnerships, and more. Come ready to learn and to share!

THE INSIDE SCOOP: AFFECTING LEGISLATION & THE CIS LIFECYCLE**Room:** 1070**Coordinators:** Lydia Grant & Seme Park**Presenter:** Terrence Gomes

Neighborhood Councils are empowered to affect City legislation by passing a Community Impact Statement (CIS), which is added to the Council File, but to what effect does your CIS make a difference? Are you aware that NCs are also allocated time to speak on agenda items before council? There's a lot to know, and we're bringing in some folks who have worked on Council Staffs to share the behind-the-scenes knowledge of how to make your NC voice most well-heard.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT & PRACTICAL POLITICS: BUILDING CONSENSUS**Room:** 1050**Coordinator/Presenter:** Wayne Neal

Neighborhood Council leaders will greatly benefit from attending this break-out session where we will give space for folks to address some of the challenges in getting teams to work together, as well as develop strategies for potentially overcoming those challenges. Where do we draw the line between healthy debate and harmful mudslinging? When is it time to call a recess or a table an issue? All this and more in this session on building consensus.

ENGAGING YOUNG LEADERS: A YOUTH PANEL**Room:** 4th Floor Media Room**Coordinators:** Seme Park & Jasmine Elbarbary

Every day, young people contribute to our city in new and exciting ways, and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment has been encouraging some of those youth through the EmpowerLA Civic Youth program. A panel of these participants will be present in this workshop to answer whatever questions you may have, as well as share their experience as youth leaders. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to engage with these key stakeholders!

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PRESENTATION & ROUNDTABLE

Room: 3rd Floor Public Works Board Room

Presenters: Dave Brown, Conrad Starr, & Patrick Botz-Forbes

Now more than ever, it is important that our communities be ready for emergency situations, whether they be fires, earthquakes, active shooters, etc. This workshop will include short presentations on some of the Emergency Preparedness programs available to NCs, especially RYLAN (Ready Your LA Neighborhood), as well as time for folks to share what they are doing in their communities to make their homes and workplaces safer for everyone.

4:05 – 4:30 pm

CLOSING SESSION

City Council Chambers

Grayce Liu, General Manager, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

4:30 pm

CONGRESS CONCLUDES

This schedule is subject to change due to meeting room capacity limits. Please plan to get to your workshop early to be sure you have a seat. Check signs for latest updates. PLEASE, name badge needed for all events.

THANK YOU to all who participated in the 2018 Congress.

We look forward to seeing you at the 2019 Congress.

TO VOLUNTEER:

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THANK YOU to all speakers for your participation and presentations.

THANK YOU to the many volunteers and Empower LA for providing photos. To those whose photos and bios arrived after our deadline, we will include them on the nccongressla.com website.

Save the Date

Saturday, September 28, 2019

2019 Congress of Neighborhoods

2018 Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods

Meet Your Speakers, Panelists, and Coordinators



Colette Amin

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council, Congress Planning Committee, JADV, CASFAA

I am eager to live my life to the fullest and to offer something of importance to the lives of others. My volunteerism nourishes my soul!

“One of my favorite things about LA is that the city ethnically and culturally diverse; people who live here come from more than 180 countries and speak 140 languages. Los Angeles is a place for dreamers and entrepreneurs, the modern American frontier



Donna Arrechea

311 Director

City of Los Angeles 311 Contact Center

City of Los Angeles 3-1-1 team for the past 5 years where focus has been on improving and expanding 311 services as well as updating technology used in the contact center.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the diversity - lots of things to do, great dining, a very dynamic community and City.



Raquel Beltrán

Associate Director

Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs, CA State Los Angeles



Patrick Botz-Forbes

Battalion 2 Coordinator

Community Emergency Response Team

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Organizing self-sufficient disaster response teams in each community in Northeast LA. the creation of the CERT Program in 1986.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the creation of the CERT Program in 1986.



Barbara Broide

Barbara Broide is a long-time resident of the West Los Angeles area active in civic affairs and is currently President of the Westwood South of Santa Monica Blvd. Homeowners Association (WSSM) (www.westwoodsouth.org) and an elected Board member of the Westside Neighborhood Council where she chairs the Land Use Committee. As a member of the PlanCheck NC Steering Committee she helps to plan programs of interest to land use/planning volunteers across the City. She is an active board member and officer of the Coalition to Ban Billboard Blight the organization leading efforts in LA for a strong, balanced and enforceable Sign Ordinance.



Dave Brown

Secretary & Emergency Preparedness & Public Safety Chair

North Hills West Neighborhood Council

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A diverse background including Amateur Radio, CERT, PADI, SoCalPrep, and a multitude of certifications & endorsements provide a unique perspective to promote and present Emergency Preparedness for our community as a full time volunteer.

“One of my favorite things about LA is that I no longer need to read a Thomas Guide!



Melvin Cañas
 NC Funding Program Supervisor
 Office of the LA City Clerk
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 The adventure continues...

“One of my favorite things about LA is the Metro Gold Line.



Vito Ceccia
 LA Police Department
 Graduate USC School of Public Administration and Urban Planning. Los Angeles Police Officer for 23 years and assigned to 32056@lapd.online Gang and Narcotics Division for the last 13 years.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the outdoor activities, from hiking to the beaches and the concerts at Pershing Square.



Mijin Cha
 Assistant Professor
 Occidental College
 I am an Assistant Professor in the Urban and Environmental Policy Department at Occidental College and my research focuses on just transition—how to transition workers and communities into a low-carbon future.

“One of my favorite things about LA is that I can still be a New Yorker at heart :)



Dominic Choi
 Department Homeless Coordinator
 Los Angeles Police Department
 Serving the City of Los Angeles for 23 years.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the diversity in people, cultures, backgrounds and especially the food!



Cindy Cleghorn
 Chair, NC Congress
 Chair, PlanCheckNC
 @CindyCleghorn
 Proud to work with leaders of the Neighborhood Councils across the City of Los Angeles

“My favorite thing is to work with dedicated leaders from all areas of the City of Los Angeles. Their passion is amazing.



Nalleli Cobo
 Member
 STAND LA
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 Environmental activist in South LA

“One of my favorite things about LA is the diverse food!



Alan Como
 City Planner
 LA Department of City Planning
 Alan Como, AICP, is a City Planner with the Los Angeles Department of City Planning, responsible for supervising staff assigned to work on various current projects in West Adams, South and Southeast Los Angeles, and the Harbor.

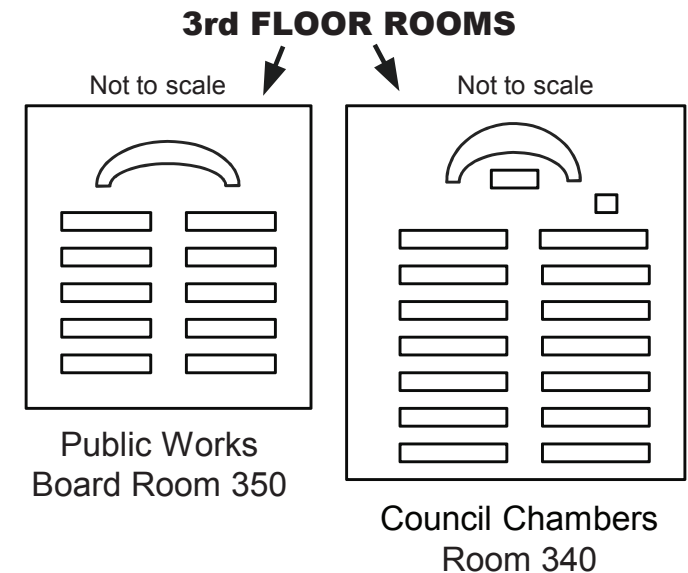
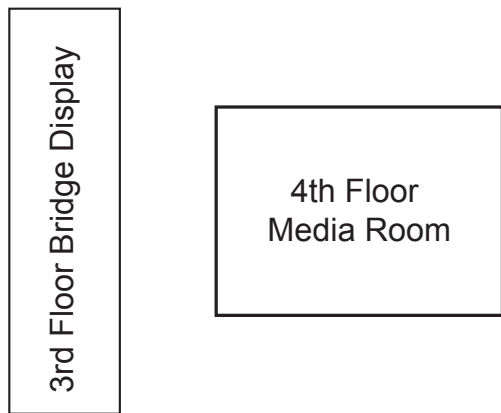
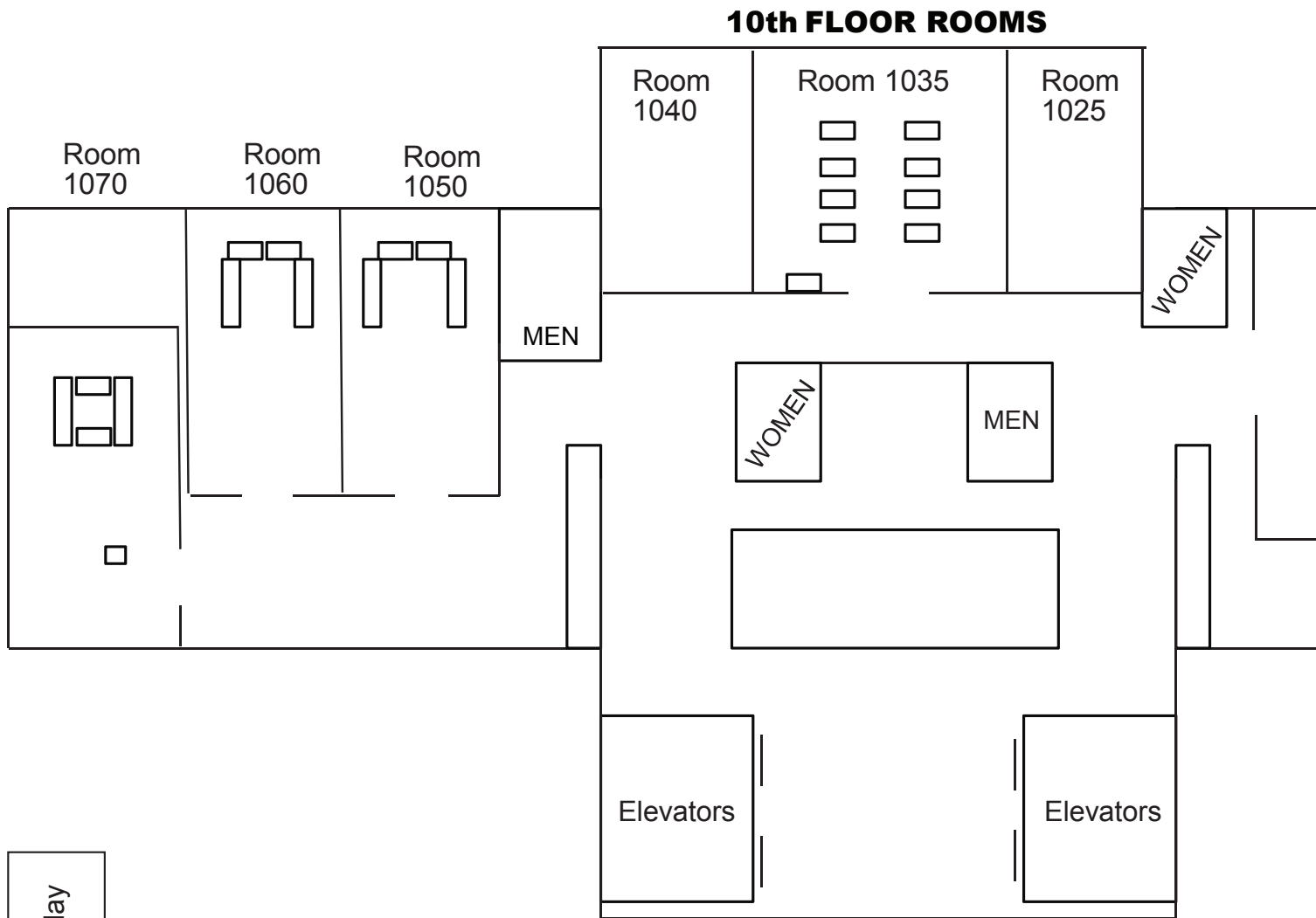
“Two of my favorite things about LA are the diverse neighborhood character and architecture.



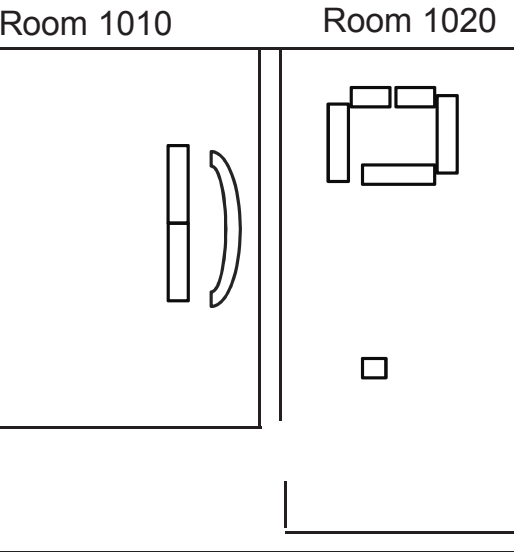
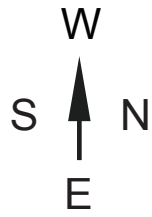
Freddy Cupen-Ames
 Homeless Workshop Coordinator
 North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council
 @cupenames
 Los Angeles native, Freddy Cupen-Ames received his B.A. in Philosophy from Loyola Marymount University (LMU) and his Master of Public Administration with a Graduate Certificate in City/County Management from the University of Southern California (USC) Sol Price School of Public Policy.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the Griffith Park Observatory, iconic LA!

Map to Workshop Sessions



Please Note the Media Room is on the 4th Floor.
 Please look for signs directing you to the various workshop sessions.
 Check signs for latest updates.
 Name badges needed for all events and lunch.
 Volunteers will be available to direct you to meeting rooms on the 3rd, 4th and 10th floors.
 And be sure to visit the Exhibit Tables in the Rotunda and Hallways — over 35 tables this year!



EMPOWER LA™

Department of
NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT

PURPOSE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS:

To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs.

— Los Angeles City Charter, Article IX

Meal tickets required
Breakfast = Yellow
Lunch = Red
Pick up at Registration

*This schedule is subject to change due to meeting room capacity limits.
Please plan to get to your session early to be sure you have a seat.
Check signs for latest updates.
PLEASE, name badge needed for all events.
All workshops will be audio recorded.*

WORKSHOP SESSION	ROOM
REGISTRATION / BREAKFAST / EXHIBITS / NETWORKING • 7:45 am - 8:30 am	City Hall Rotunda
OPENING SESSION • 8:30 am - 9:10 am	City Council Chambers
BREAK • 9:10 am - 9:25 am	
SESSION 1 • 9:25 am - 10:40 am	
Planning for Housing in Los Angeles: Balancing Needs and Opportunities	City Council Chambers
The Motion from Councilman Ryu to Reform the Neighborhood Council System	1020
Planning Successful Neighborhood Council Events	1010
2019 NC Elections: Who, What, When, Where & How?	3rd Floor Public Works Board Room
Government Programs to Combat Homelessness	1060
Robert Rules Who? A Fresh Look at Parliamentary Procedure	4th Floor Media Room
Board Basics & Building Strong Committees	1070
Students Speak Out: The Local Impact of Climate Change	1050
BREAK • 10:40 am - 10:50 am	
SESSION 2 • 10:50 am - 12:05 pm	
Utilizing "Specific Plans" to Develop & Preserve Your Community	City Council Chambers
Planning 101: Project Planning	1010
NC Funding: The Do's and Don'ts	1050
How to Run a Great Neighborhood Council Election	1020
Homelessness Roundtable: What's Happening in Your Neighborhood?	3rd Fl Public Works Board Rm
Mediation & Dispute Resolution: Essential Skills for Every Board Member	1060
President's & VP's Roundtable	4th Floor Media Room
LA Sanitation Dept. Presents: a Cleaner, Greener LA	1070
LUNCH • 12:10 pm - 1:10 pm	
SESSION 3 • 1:20 pm - 2:35 pm	
Government Programs to Benefit Your Neighborhood	City Council Chambers
Giving Real Power to Neighborhood Councils: What Would It Be?	1010
Social Media Updates & the Legal Issues for NCs	1060
Outreach & Social Media 101	3rd Floor Public Works Board Room
A Dialogue About Supportive Housing: How Can Your NC Engage?	1050
Dealing with the Difficult: Rising Above the Fray!	1020
Secretary's Roundtable: Admin Issues for NCs	4th Floor Media Room
Oil Wells & Gas Storage or Fewer Good Jobs in Our Neighborhoods	1070
BREAK • 2:35 pm - 2:45 pm	
SESSION 4 • 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm	
Good Development or Nimbysism? A Land Use Panel	City Council Chambers
City Government Reform: Replacing Dictatorial City Council Representatives	1020
Cannabis in Our Community	1060
Outreach 102: Townhalls, Engaging Schools, and More	1010
The Inside Scoop: Affecting Legislation & the Cls Lifecycle	1070
Leadership Development & Practical Politics: Building Consensus	1050
Engaging Young Leaders: A Youth Panel	4th Floor Media Room
Emergency Preparedness Presentation & Roundtable	3rd Floor Public Works Board Room
CLOSING SESSION • 4:05 pm - 4:30 pm	
Closing Speaker: Grayce Liu	City Council Chambers
CONGRESS CONCLUDES	



Kevin J Davis

President
Foothill Trails District NC
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Long-time member and current president of the Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the Hansen Dam Recreation Area and working hard to preserve one of the few open air communities within the City of Los Angeles.



Mas Dojiri

Assistant Director
LA Sanitation Department
Oversees five Technical Services Divisions within Sanitation, as well as Biodiversity Project, Risk Management, LA River Watershed Monitoring Program, and closure and clean-up of Exide Technologies.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the diversity.



Jasmine Elbarbary

Neighborhood Council Advocate
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Jasmine is responsible for empowering and engaging youth in the NC System.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the diversity.



Maia Ferdman

Human Relations Advocate
Housing + Community Investment Department; Human Relations Commission
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Maia Ferdman believes in the power of identity to bind together communities, and the power of communities to effect positive change. In her role as Human Relations Advocate for the City of Los Angeles Human Relations Commission, Maia pursues intergroup peace-building through community engagement, dialogue, and policy change.

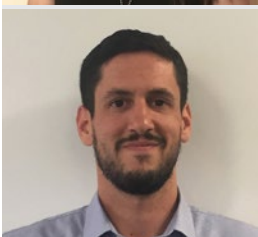
“Some of my favorite things about LA are the hundreds of languages, religions, cultures, foods, and landscapes. The constant sense of exploration and the discovery that comes with crossing borders and freeways. And of course, those smoggy sunsets.



Jane Arakawa Fowler

Intern
Food and Water Watch
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I am a resident and victim of the Aliso Canyon blowout. I am fighting oil and gas operations around the city as a community activist and intern for Food and Water Watch.

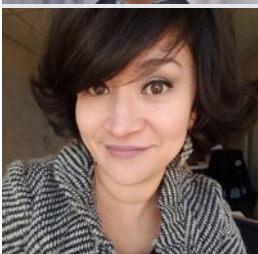
“Some of my favorite things about LA are the mountains, ocean and the canyons.



Alexander Freedman

Deputy City Attorney
LA City Attorney’s Office
Alex serves as one of the in-house counsel to the Department of Cannabis Regulation.

“One of my favorite things about LA is being able to work for the City!



Rocio Gandara

Deputy Director, Census 2020 Initiative
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As Deputy Director for the Census 2020 Initiative, Rocio is responsible for helping plan, develop, and execute an outreach plan for the City to ensure all Angelenos are counted on Census Day.

“One of my favorite things about LA is all the great outdoor events in the summer.



Christopher Garcia

NC Elections Project Manager
Office of the LA City Clerk
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Proud member of the City Clerk's NC Election Team.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the City's diversity & it's passionate citizens.



Steve M Garcia

Planning Assistant
LA Department of City Planning
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L.A. area native with experience in local government.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the contrast and compatibility of the natural and built environments.



Matt Glesne

City Planner
LA Department of City Planning
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Matt leads the City Planning Department's Housing Policy Unit, which is responsible for developing and implementing the City's Housing Element.

“One of my favorite things about LA is that there's always more to explore!



Terrence A Gomes

President
Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition
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You talk, I listen, we work the problem together.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the traffic. It allows me to finish two audio books a week!



Deisy Gonzalez

Emergency Preparedness Project Coordinator
LA Department on Disability
Deisy has been with the City of Los Angeles for two years and has been involved in citywide emergency preparedness projects and emergency response events. Previously, Deisy worked with the Emergency Management Department and Culver City Fire Department.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the Bradbury Building skylit atrium.



Lydia Grant

Board Member/Education Committee Chair
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
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Lydia Grant has 25 years experience as a Education Parent Advocate, 10 years as a Neighborhood Council Board Member, and 3 years as former BONC Commissioner.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the wonderful people. I see each person and each location as threads in the fabric of our communities.



Daniel Hackney

Environmental Affairs Officer
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Mr. Hackney heads the Clean Up Green Up program and is LASAN's Liaison to Neighborhood Councils.

“One of my favorite things about LA is when the Dodgers win and they play, “I love LA!” because we all do love LA!



Janice Hahn

Janice Hahn was elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in November 2016. Janice Hahn served for ten years on the Los Angeles City Council and saw the birth of the Neighborhood Council system. She also served for five and a half years in Congress.



Lisa Hart

Steering Board Member
Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance
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I am an organizational and community development consultant who is very worried about climate change and our environment.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the weather and the sense of possibility.



Carmen D Hawkins

Deputy City Attorney
LA City Attorney’s Office
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30 plus years City of Los Angeles Public Servant & Deputy City Attorney with the Neighborhood Council Advice Division

“One of my favorite things about LA is the geographical diversity of Los Angeles, from the beach to the mountains and everything in between.



Cynthia Hernandez

Community Resource Specialist - Valley Bureau
LA City Attorney’s Office
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Find creative solutions to assist the neighborhood prosecutors with the problems that impact our neighborhoods.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the beautiful landmarks.



Ashley Yvette Hernandez

Youth Organizer
Communities for a Better Environment - Wilmington
@WilmasYej @CBEcal @Aleyvette
Ashley Hernandez is young Latina organizing for Environmental Justice in her childhood neighborhood of Wilmington, CA

“One of my favorite things about LA is the community that we have in our frontline neighborhoods. The people involved in many aspects of our movement contributing and making LA a better place.



Corinne Ho

Former President
Canoga Park NC
I like to inform, develop and build communities by engaging stakeholders in the civic process and monitor city delivery services.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the fact that there are almost 100 Neighborhood Councils in the City and they are a great vehicle for civic engagement.



Ann-Marie Holman

Design, Social Media & Education
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Ann-Marie Holman is an educator, graphic designer, and social media specialist for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, who formerly chaired the Echo Park Neighborhood Council’s Planning & Land Use Committee.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are classic restaurants like Apple Pan, the Pantry, and the Pacific Dining Car.



La Tina Monique Jackson

Service Area Chief for the San Fernando & Santa Clarita Valleys
LA County Department of Mental Health
Licensed Clinical Social Worker working with persons with severe mental illness for 20+ yrs including: outpatient, inpatient, emergency response, forensic and field services; she also serves as adjunct faculty in the School of Social Work at CSUN.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the Grand Central Market, hiking in Temescal Canyon, and my dog Graham Cracker!



Brad Kane

Board President of Pico Neighborhood Council
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I was born and raised in Los Angeles, and graduated from both UCLA and Hastings College of the Law. Professionally, I am a lawyer. My practice focuses on helping people, especially in the areas of employment law and landlord tenant disputes. In 1999, I moved to South Carthay. In 2007, I was elected President of the South Carthay Neighborhood Association and continue in that role. I joined the PICO Neighborhood Council to help protect and preserve our beautiful neighborhood, and was elected President of the PICO NC in 2015.

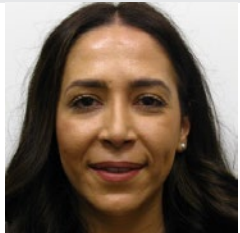
“I love learning about our wonderful neighborhood and strive to empower our board members and stakeholders in their efforts to preserve and improve it.



Emily Uyeda Kantrim

Program Coordinator
Safe Parking LA
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Fourth generation Angeleno

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the diversity of perspectives and the food!



Kristine Khachatryan

Special Programs Coordinator
Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles
Kristine Khachatryan comes to us from the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles as the Special Programs Coordinator who has successfully housed over 600 homeless individuals and families through the Homeless Incentive Program.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the outdoor concerts at the Hollywood Bowl!



Don L. Larson

President & CEO
Clean Streets Clean Starts/NBF
Clean Streets Clean Starts.org
Don Larson is a community care taker.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the personal inspiration from working with the homeless.



Martin Leitner

Urban Designer
Perkins+Will, Inc.
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Enhancing neighborhoods through transformative urban design.

“One of my favorite things about LA is people watching at Cafe Dulce in Little Tokyo.



David Levin

Neighborhood Councils Services Provider
Approved Services
Mr. Levin is a Minutes Writer, Administrative Assistant and Office Manager for NCs and other organizations.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the people of many backgrounds effectively & enjoyably communicating.



Grayce Liu

General Manager, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
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General Manager for the City of Los Angeles Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, which supports Los Angeles' 98 Neighborhood Councils in meeting their mission to increase civic participation and making government more responsive to local needs.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the weather, the diversity of our residents, the history of our neighborhoods and communities that make up this great city, and our willingness to support the arts and nonprofit organizations working to improve the quality of life for all Angelenos.”



John Maceri

The People Concern
Chief Executive Officer
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John Maceri is the Chief Executive Officer of The People Concern (formed in 2016 in a merger of two social service organizations, OPCC and Lamp Community) and had served as the Executive Director of OPCC since 1999.



Christina Miller

Senior Project Manager, Homeless Strategies
Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti
Christina joins the Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti after 10 years of working in homeless and housing services in the San Fernando Valley and on the Westside.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the mountains, the beaches, and Grand Central Market.”



Wendy L. Moore

Principal
Moore Business Results
wmoore@moorebusinessresults.com
An expert and marketing and information organization, Wendy Moore has been working with Neighborhood Councils for 14 years restructuring website content to improve user experience, planning communications strategies, giving voice to NC successes and maintaining contact with stakeholders via websites, eblasts, social media and news articles.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are working with NC Board Members across the city to make a difference in their communities and discovering through photography new things in the city I was born in: Watts Towers, The Great Wall of Crenshaw, La Fayette Square, Vermont Knolls, Sixth Street Via”



Mindy Nguyen

City Planner
LA Department of City Planning
Mindy Nguyen is a City Planner with the Los Angeles Department of City Planning, Central Project Planning Division, and oversees case processing of current development projects within the Hollywood Community Plan area.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the proximity to mountains, water & desert (and the sunsets).”



Cat Packer

Executive Director
Department of Cannabis Regulation
Cannabis@lacity.org
Cat Packer is the first Executive Director and General Manager of the City's Department of Cannabis Regulation which is responsible for licensing and regulating commercial cannabis activity.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the exciting possibilities for the future of our city.”



Seme Park

Director of Neighborhood Council Operations
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
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Happy to help our NCs, let's collaborate!

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the diversity in people, food and culture. Hollywood Farmers' Market is a great place for inspiration!”



Reina Pereira

Solid Resources Manager
LA Department of Sanitation
Currently part of the recycLA team and formerly headed up the Zero Waste Program.

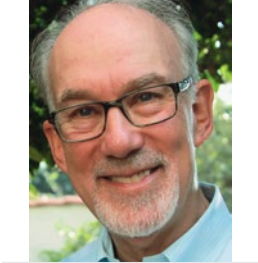
“Some of my favorite things about LA is the beautiful hiking trails, coastline, and cultural diversity.”



Daniel A. Perez

Del Rey NC, Central Hollywood NC, Congress Planning Committee
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Daniel is a LGBTQ, 23-year-old activist with a passion for elevating marginalized communities, civic service, and improving communities.

“One of my favorite things about LA is enjoying a Dodger Dog while watching Friday Night Fireworks after a win!”



Dick Platkin

Dick Platkin is a retired city planner with 30 plus years of experience working in the public sector (Seattle and Los Angeles), as well as the private and nonprofit sectors. Since retiring from the LA City Planning Department, he has taught planning classes at USC and CSUN, consulted to many community groups in Los Angeles, and joined the board of the Beverly Wilshire Homes Association. He also writes a regular column on planning issues in Los Angeles for City Watch LA.



Dave Quast

California Director
Energy In Depth
@davequast @EIDCalif
In addition to educating the public about oil and gas development in California, I am an adjunct professor at the University of Southern California and I serve in a variety of volunteer capacities with Planned Parenthood of Pasadena and the San Gabriel Valley.

“One of my favorite things about LA is enjoying the benefits of living in a world city (like NYC, where I used to live) while enjoying L.A.'s incredible weather and natural beauty. My triplets would say, simply: In-n-Out.”



Sarah M. Ramsawack

Congress Planning Committee
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Most appreciative of my nine years as a Board Member of the NHNENC, and participant in serving the system of Neighborhood Councils.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the opportunities to network and participate in the progress of the democratic exercise.”



Reeyan V. Raynes

Senior Administrative Intern
Office of Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, Council District 3
A former boardmember of the West Hills NC, current Intern with Councilmember Blumenfield's Office, and 2nd year undergraduate architecture student at Sci-Arc, Reeyan is an admirer of all things related to civic engagement and neighborhood advocacy in Los Angeles.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the food, culture, diversity, and nature surrounding the city.”



Shaphan Roberts

Director, Dispute Resolution Program
LA City Attorney's Office
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Shaphan Roberts is the Director of the LA City Attorney's Dispute Resolution Program which includes the Community and Police Unification Program (CPU), Mediator Training as well as the Community Mediation Program.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the weather, the diversity and the culture. I also love the beach and Pink's Hotdogs.



David Rockello

Rampart Village Neighborhood Council
Rampart Village NC President & Artist; I'm Grateful to serve on the Congress Planning Committee again this year.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are City Hall, the Italian Hall, & working with the Filipino & Bangladesh Communities here in LA.



Velinda Rockello

Vice President
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Rampart Village Neighborhood Council
I got into the NC System before I became a Citizen of the US: I've been on more then one NC & am now serving as Vice President in the RVNC.

“One of my favorite things about LA is all the Homeless in LA; they are decent human beings & we need to show them more compassion!



Jay Ross

Board Member
West LA Sawtelle NC
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L.A. resident since 1988, work in affordable housing/ real estate development

“One of my favorite things about LA is the smart people.



Hugo S. Rossitter

Deputy City Attorney
LA City Attorney's Office
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40 years of resolving conflicts and preventing harm

“One of my favorite things about LA is being a Westsider; I love the area.



Marco Santana

Director of Engagement
LA Family Housing
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Marco Santana oversees LA Family Housing's Engagement team which focuses on screening in Families and Adults experiencing homelessness for services and to support them on their search for permanent housing.

“One of my favorite things about LA is being an LA Native! Born and raised in the San Fernando Valley. I'm a Valley Boy!



Bhavna Shamasunder

Associate Professor
Urban and Environmental Policy, Occidental College
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I teach and conduct research on environmental health and justice, most often in partnership with communities most affected by environmental pollution. My current projects include neighborhood oil drilling in Los Angeles and the disparate impacts to women of color from unregulated chemicals in beauty products.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are outside evenings, my walk to work, & fierce activists.



Dylan Sittig

Community Liaison
LA Department of City Planning; Downtown Neighborhood Council
@planning4LA
Dylan Sittig is a Community Liaison at the Department of City Planning. In his role as a Community Liaison, he is a direct link between the Department and the community.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the excitement of downtown.



Stephanie Spicer

LA Department of Water and Power
Community Affairs Manager
@ladwp
As the only City Department with a Memorandum of Understanding formalizing our communication and partnership with Neighborhood Councils, LADWP has a Community Affairs team that serves as the Department’s liaison group to Neighborhood Councils, Alliances, Homeowners Associations and other community groups.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the variety of perspectives, backgrounds, experiences and food!



Ivan Spiegel

Parliamentarian/Election Chair
Venice Neighborhood Council
parliamentarian@venicenc.org
Ivan has worked as an Independent Election Administrator for numerous Neighborhood Councils and as the Election Chair in Venice he has consistently had some of the largest turnouts in the NC system.

“One of my favorite things about LA is that the city has become an international culinary hotspot, and I miss Jonathan Gold terribly.



Conrad Starr

Renters Alternate / Resilience Co-Liaison
Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
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An international event manager and marketer, Conrad has spent the past two years learning all about community empowerment through participation in his neighborhood association, his neighborhood council, his Community-Police Advisory Board, and his Community Emergency Response Team—Battalion 18.

“One of my favorite things about LA is riding my bike to TJ’s, City Hall, Torrance Beach, Rhonda, Runyon, you name it!



Caroline Stauffer

Caroline Stauffer is an Administrative Coordinator for the Los Angeles City Attorney Dispute Resolution Program’s (DRP) Community Police Unification (CPU) Program, a cornerstone of the City Attorney Community Justice Initiative where community members and police officers are brought together to mediate complaints against the Los Angeles Police Department. Ms. Stauffer is a senior trainer in the DRP training cadre and has designed several of its training modules.

“Some of my favorite things about LA are the diversity in culture, food and history. There is always a special event to appreciate the things we value in life!



Jill Stewart

Executive Director, Coalition to Preserve LA
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Jill Stewart is executive director of the Coalition to Preserve LA, a citywide movement of several thousand concerned residents who believe in open government, people-oriented planning, equitable housing and environmental stewardship of Los Angeles through advocacy and empowering the communities.



Vivienne A. Swanigan

Managing Assistant City Attorney, Labor Relations Division
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Vivienne Swanigan, a 32 year veteran of the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, holds a B.S. in Criminal Justice and a Juris Doctor degree from UCLA School of Law, has extensive expertise in employment law, human resources, and workplace violence, and has trained hundreds of City employees and volunteers in dealing with difficult people, workplace violence prevention, and EEO issues.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the fact that you can relax in the middle of the City, someplace like the Hollywood Bowl or Griffith Park, yet still be surrounded by the vibrancy, diversity, and amenities of a world class City!



Sandra Trutt

Chair, Homeless Action Committee
League of Women Voters of Los Angeles
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I have been an active member of the League for over 15 years.

“One of my favorite things about LA is the weather!



Tony Wilkinson

President
North Hills East Neighborhood Council
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Founding member and Land Use Chair, Panorama City NC, Chair of NC-DWP MOU Oversight Committee, First 5 LA Best Start Panorama City & Neighbors (tobacco tax money for kids 0-5), Democratic Socialists of America LA Chapter, former Community Liaison for an LA City elected official, retired business economist, marketing manager, and IT manager (land title insurance).

Speakers and Bios received after printing deadline will be available on the NCCongressLA.com website.

In Memoriam

The Neighborhood Council Congress 2018 recognizes the passing of Neighborhood Council leaders who have made a significant contribution to the Neighborhood Council system and their communities.

Marguerite Davis (Mid City aka MINC founder)

Ed Rock (Sunland-Tujunga)

Janet Cunningham (Silver Lake)

Eddie Lockhart (EC Southeast)

Rusty Millar (Silver Lake)



VIP catering company is family owned and operated. We serve corporate events, weddings, and social events throughout Southern California.

Whether you're planning a continental breakfast for ten, or are in need of a taco truck, or even a 5-star sit down dinner for 3,000, we bring over generational years of passionate experience to exceed your expectations at every level.

Gabriel Vasquez is the founder and leader of VIP Catering Company. He creates unique flavor combinations. He loves making simple moments with food. From the local markets of Southern California to the neighborhood shops. Gabriel is constantly searching for pure ingredients, flavorful seasonings and inspiring trends. Nothing makes him happier than working with his team to translate these treasures into delicious and distinctive foods for every event and occasion. His penchant for cooking began at a young age and his dedication and natural talent behind the stove has fueled his desire to constantly dream up new recipes and create his own whimsical food culture.

As a young boy, Gabriel helped his Mother, Olga willingly and faithfully by loading and unloading her business vehicles, and developing strength, character, strategy, and vision that helped him maximize his dream. To one day having a big food company, to have love and passion to work with delicious food and have a good income to help hundreds of people in orphanages and in need.

In 2009 the dream was realized and VIP Catering Company was established. Today, it is expanding and reaching new levels and heights and serving with passion delicious and quality food and helping hundreds of orphanages and people in need.



Breakfast

FULL BREAKFAST BUFFET:

- Scrambled Eggs (gluten-free) • Eggs with Chorizo • Huevos "a La Mexicana" (gluten-free) • Corn Tortillas • Country Potatoes (gluten-free) • Sausage Links (gluten-free) • Bacon (gluten-free) • Mini Pancakes • Pasteries
- Fresh Sliced Fruit (Cantaloupe, Watermelon, Pineapple, Strawberries, Seedless Grapes)
- Maple Syrup, Yogurt, Butter, Jelly & Cream Cheese
- Drinks: Coffee (Regular & Decaf), Orange Juice, Apple Juice, Cranberry Juice, (Creamer, Sugar, half & half)

Lunch

MEXICAN CUISINE:

- Grilled Chicken Fajitas • Chicken Enchiladas • Cheese Enchiladas • Refried Beans • Spanish Rice • Corn Tortilla Chips
- Green Salsa • Red Salsa • Pico de Gallo (Chopped Tomatoes, Onions and Cilantro)

AMERICAN CUISINE:

- Cordon Bleu Stuffed Chicken (Stuffed with Mozzarella Cheese, Sundried Tomatoes, Spinach and Topped with Rich Champagne Red Sauce) • Stuffed Meat Loaf (with 3 seasonal Bell Peppers & Mushrooms. Topped off with Traditional American Meatloaf Sauce) • Creamy Mashed Potatoes • Grilled Brussel Sprouts & Baby Carrots

VEGETARIAN CUISINE

- Vegetarian Fajitas (Grilled Portobello Mushrooms, 3 Seasonal Bell Peppers, Red Onions, Tomatoes, Fresh Cilantro)
- Healthy Southwest Pasta Salad (Black Beans, Fresh Corn, Diced Tomatoes, Cilantro, Avocado, Diced Green Onions)
- Fresh Garbanzo Beans • Pico de Gallo (Chopped Tomatoes, Onions and Cilantro)

SALADS:

- Traditional Garden Salad (Served with Ranch or Italian Vinaigrette Dressing)

BREAD:

- Sourdough Dinner Rolls and Butter

DESSERT:

- Freshly Baked Brownies • Chocolate Chip Cookies • Oatmeal Rasin Cookies

BEVERAGES:

- Coffee (Regular & Decaf) • Fresh Brewed Iced Tea • Fresh Brewed Hibiscus Iced Tea • Lemonade • Horchata

- Coffee, Tea and Water will be available until 2:00 pm -

Yellow Ticket = Breakfast

Red Ticket = Lunch

RESOURCE FAIR

INFORMATION / EXHIBIT TABLES

City Clerk Community Outreach	L.A. County Assessor
Bureau of Engineering - Sidewalk Repair Program	Prop 68 and Measure A Funding for Parks
Bureau of Sanitation	Miry's List
Bureau of Street Lighting	FilmLA
Bureau of Street Services	Food Forward
Department of City Planning	SenseLA
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment	PACE Business Sources - Central West/Mid City
Department of Water & Power (DWP)	Safe Parking
LAPD Central Traffic Division	Neighborhood Housing Services of Los Angeles County
Department of Building and Safety	MOA Wellness Center
Office of Community Beautification	CicLAvia
Los Angeles World Airports	Southern California Preparedness Foundation
311 Call Center	Korean Culture Center
City Attorney	Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)
City Attorney Victims Services	Vision of Health Rocket Rules
City Controller	NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ALLIANCES
City Ethics Commission	NC Sustainability Alliance
Emergency Management Department	Alliance for River Communities
LA Public Library	PlanCheckNC
Department of Cannabis Regulation	
Department of Transportation Transit	

The above list as of 9/12/18. Any omissions are unintentional.

The NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS of the CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Arieta

3rd Tuesday
Osborne Neighborhood Church
13501 Osborne Street
Arieta, CA 91331

Arroyo Seco

4th Monday
Ramona Hall
4580 Figueroa
L.A., CA 90065

Atwater Village

2nd Thursday
Christ's Church of Griffith Park
3852 Edenhurst Ave.
L.A., CA 90039

Bel Air-Beverly Crest

4th Wednesday
American Jewish University
15600 Mulholland Dr., Rm 223
L.A., CA 90077

Boyle Heights

4th Wednesday
Boyle Heights City Hall
Community Room
2130 East First Street
Los Angeles, CA 90033

CANNDU

4th Thursday
Los Angeles Ascot Public Library
120 West Florence Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90003

Canoga Park

4th Wednesday
Canoga Park Community Center
7248 Owensmouth Ave.
Canoga Park, CA 91303

Central Alameda

1st Saturday
Vernon Branch Library
4504 S. Central Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90011

Central Hollywood

4th Monday
Hollywood Neighborhood City Hall
6501 Fountain Ave.
Hollywood, CA 90028

Central San Pedro

2nd Tuesday
Port of Los Angeles High School
250 W. 5th Street
San Pedro, CA 90731

Chatsworth

1st Wednesday
Lawrence Middle School
10100 Variel Ave.
Chatsworth, CA 91311

Coastal San Pedro

3rd Monday
Cabrillo Marina Community Bldg.
Cabrillo plaza Berth 28
San Pedro, CA 90731

Del Rey

2nd Thursday
Del Rey Square
11976 Culver Boulevard
Del Rey, CA 90066

Downtown Los Angeles

2nd Tuesday
Los Angeles Theatre
615 S. Broadway
L.A., CA 90012

Eagle Rock

1st Tuesday
Eagle Rock City Hall
2035 Colorado Blvd.
L.A., CA 90041

East Hollywood

3rd Monday
Armenian Youth Center
1559 N. Kenmore Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90027

Echo Park

4th Tuesday
www.echoparknc.com/

Elysian Valley/Riverside

2nd Wednesday
Dorris Place Elementary School
2225 Dorris Place
Los Angeles, CA 90031

Empowerment Congress

Central Area
4th Monday
Western Avenue Elementary School
1724 W. 53rd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90062

Empowerment Congress

North Area
1st Thursday
www.nandc.org

Empowerment Congress

Southeast Area
4th Tuesday
Constituent Service Center
8475 S. Vermont Ave.
L.A., CA 90044

Empowerment Congress

Southwest Area
3rd Monday
Constituent Service Center
8475 S. Vermont Ave.
L.A., CA 90044

Empowerment Congress

West Area
Community Town Hall Meeting:
1st Saturday
Board Meeting: 3rd Monday
Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza
Community Room (near Sears)
3650 W Martin Luther King Jr Blvd,
Los Angeles, CA 90008

Encino

4th Wednesday
Encino Community Center
4935 Balboa Blvd.
Encino, CA 91316

Foothills Trails District

3rd Thursday
Lake View Terrace Recreation Center
11075 Foothill Blvd.
Lake View Terrace, CA 91342

Glassell Park

3rd Tuesday
Glassell Park Community Center
3750 Verdugo Rd.
L.A., CA 90065

Granada Hills North

1st Tuesday
Saint Euphrasia Parish Hall
11766 Shoshone Ave
Granada Hills, CA 91344

Granada Hills South

1st Thursday
Granada Hills Charter High School,
Rawley Hall
10535 Zelzah Ave.
Granada Hills, CA 91344

Greater Cypress Park

2nd Tuesday
Cypress Park Recreation Center
2630 Pepper Ave,
Los Angeles, CA 90065

Greater Toluca Lake

3rd Tuesday
Toluca Lake Elementary School
Auditorium
4840 Cahuenga Blvd.
North Hollywood, CA 91601

Greater Valley Glen

1st Monday
Valley College Cafeteria/Conf. Rm.
5800 Fulton Ave.
Valley Glen, CA 91401

Greater Wilshire

2nd Wednesday
Wilshire Ebell Theatre
743 S. Lucerne Blvd.
L.A., CA 90005

Harbor City

3rd Wednesday
Harbor City/Harbor Gateway Library
24000 Western Ave.
Harbor City, CA 90710

Harbor Gateway North

2nd Tuesday
4th Tuesday every 3rd month
(January, April, July, and October)
General Membership Meeting, 7 pm
135th St. Elementary School
801 W. 135th St.
Gardena, CA 90247

Harbor Gateway South

2nd Thursday
Halldale Ave. School Auditorium
21514 Halldale Ave.
Torrance, CA 90501

Hermon

The Second Thursday of Odd
Numbered Months
The Hermon Fellowship Centre
5800 Monterey Road, Los Angeles
(unless otherwise noted)

Historic Cultural

2nd Tuesday
Locations rotate between:
Hellman Quon/Pico House,
The Chinatown Public Library, The
Japanese American Cultural and
Community Center, as announced.

Historic Highland Park

1st Thursday
Highland Park Senior Center
6152 N. Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90042

Hollywood Hills West

Varies
Women's Club of Hollywood
1749 N. La Brea Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90046

Hollywood Studio District

2nd Monday
5500 Hollywood Blvd: 1st Floor –
Gallery Space Corner of
Hollywood and Western Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90028

Hollywood United

3rd Monday (except for Jan./Feb.
when it is held on the fourth)
Fire Station 82 Annex, Second Floor
1800 N. Bronson Ave.
Los Angeles, CA, 90028

LA-32

1st Wednesday
El Sereno Senior Center
4818 Klamath Place
L.A., CA 90032

Lake Balboa

1st Wednesday
Gault Street Elementary School
17000 Gault Street
Lake Balboa CA 91406

Lincoln Heights

3rd Thursday
Lincoln Heights Senior Citizens Center
2324 Workman St.
Los Angeles, CA 90031

Los Feliz

3rd Tuesday
Founders Metropolitan
Community Church
4607 Prospect Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90027

MacArthur Park

1st and 4th Monday
The Seven Maples Community Room
2618 W. 7th Street
L.A., CA 90057

Mar Vista

2nd Tuesday
Mar Vista Recreation Ctr. Auditorium
11430 Woodbine St.
Mar Vista, CA 90066

Mid City

2nd Monday
LAPD Wilshire Division –
Community Room
4849 Venice Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90019-5664

Mid City West

2nd Tuesday
National Council of Jewish Women
543 N. Fairfax Ave.
L.A., CA 90036

Mission Hills

1st Monday
Mission Community Police Station –
Falco Room
11121 Sepulveda Blvd.
Mission Hills, CA 91345

NoHo

2nd Monday
East Valley High School
5525 Vineland Avenue
North Hollywood, CA 91601

North Hills East

1st Monday
Penny Lane's Rainbow Room
15725 Parthenia Street
North Hills, CA 91343

North Hills West

3rd Thursday
New Horizon Center
15725 Parthenia Street
North Hills, CA 91343

North Hollywood North East

3rd Thursday
LA Fire Station 89
7063 Laurel Canyon
North Hollywood, CA 91605

North Hollywood West

4th Wednesday
Saticoy School
7850 Ethel Ave,
North Hollywood, CA 91605

North Westwood

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Northridge East

3rd Wednesday
Northridge Woman's Club
18401 Lassen Street
Northridge, CA 91325

Northridge South

4th Thursday (3rd Nov & Dec)
Northridge Middle School
17960 Chase Street
Northridge, CA 91325

Northridge West

2nd Tuesday
Northridge Christian Church
18901 Chatsworth St.
Northridge, CA 91326

Northwest San Pedro

2nd Monday
Peck Park Auditorium
560 N. Western Ave.
San Pedro, CA 90732

Olympic Park

1st Monday
Union
4067 W. Pico Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90019

Pacoima

3rd Wednesday
Pacoima City Hall
13520 Van Nuys Blvd.
Pacoima 91331

Palms

1st Wednesday
Iman Cultural Center
3376 Motor Ave.
Palms, CA 90034

Panorama City

4th Thursday (3rd in Nov & Dec)
Mission Community Hospital
Medical Office, 2nd Floor
14860 Roscoe Blvd.
Panorama City, CA 91402

Park Mesa Heights

2nd Saturday
YES Academy
3140 Hyde Park Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA. 90043

Pico Union

1st Monday
Kolping House – Auditorium
1225 S. Union Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90015

P.I.C.O.

2nd Wednesday
Claude Pepper Senior Citizen Center
1762 S. La Cienega Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90035

Porter Ranch

2nd Wednesday
Porter Ranch Community School
Multipurpose Room
12450 Mason Avenue
Porter Ranch 91326

Rampart Village

3rd Tuesday
St. Anne's
155 N. Occidental Blvd. #236
L.A., CA 90026

Reseda

1st Monday 3rd Monday
Reseda Neighborhood Council
Community Space
18118 Sherman Way,
Reseda CA 91335

Sherman Oaks

2nd Monday
Sherman Oaks Elementary School
14755 Greenleaf St.
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

Silver Lake

1st Wednesday
Ivanhoe Elementary School
Auditorium
2828 Herkimer Street
L.A., CA 90039

South Central

3rd Tuesday
All People Community Center
822 E 20th St,
Los Angeles, CA 90011

South Robertson

3rd Thursday
Simon Wiesenthal Center
1399 S. Roxbury Dr.
L.A., CA 90035

Studio City

3rd Wednesday
BLDG. 8 MPR-3
4024 Radford Ave
Studio City, CA 91604

Sun Valley Area

2nd Tuesday
Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center
10631 Vinedale St.
Sun Valley, CA 91352

Sunland-Tujunga

2nd Wednesday
North Valley City Hall
7747 Foothill Blvd
Tujunga, CA 91042

Sylmar

4th Thursday
Sylmar High School Spartan Hall
13050 Borden Ave.
Sylmar, CA 91342

Tarzana

4th Tuesday
Tarzana Elementary School
Auditorium
5726 Topeka Dr.
Tarzana, CA 91356

United Neighborhoods

1st Thursday
Council District 10 Field Office
1819 S. Western Ave.
L.A., CA 90006

Valley Village

4th Wednesday
Faith Presbyterian Church –
Social Hall
5000 Colfax Avenue
Valley Village, CA 91607

Van Nuys

2nd Wednesday
Marvin Braude Constituent Center
6262 Van Nuys Blvd.
Van Nuys, CA 91401

Venice

3rd Tuesday
Westminster Elementary Auditorium
1010 Abbott Kinney Blvd.
Venice, CA 90291

Voices of 90037

2nd Tuesday
Vermont Square Library
1201 W 48th St.
Los Angeles, CA 90037

Watts

2nd Tuesday
St. John's United Methodist Church
1715 Santa Ana Blvd. North,
L.A., CA 90002

West Adams

3rd Monday
Vineyard Recreation Center
2942 Vineyard Avenue
L.A. CA 90016

Westchester/Playa

1st Tuesday
Westchester Municipal Bldg.
Council Community Room
7166 W. Manchester Ave.
Westchester, CA 90045

West Hills

1st Thursday
de Toledo High School
22622 Vanowen Street
West Hills, California 91307

West Los Angeles Sawtelle

4th Wednesday
Felicia Mahood Center
11338 Santa Monica Blvd.
L.A., CA. 90025

Westlake North

2nd Thursday
Central City Neighborhood Partners
(CCNP)
501 S. Bixel Street
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Westlake South

4th Wednesday
MacArthur Park Community Room
2230 W 6th Street (3rd Floor)
Los Angeles, CA 90057

Westside

2nd Thursday
Westside Pavilion
10800 W. Pico Blvd., Room A
L.A., CA 90064

Westwood

2nd Wednesday
Westwood Presbyterian Church
10822 Wilshire Boulevard,
Hoffman Hall
Los Angeles, CA 90024

Wilmington

4th Wednesday
Phineas Banning High School
1527 Lakme Ave.
Wilmington, CA 90744

Wilshire Center-Koreatown

2nd Monday
Pio Pico Library
694 S. Oxford Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90005

Winnetka

2nd Tuesday
Winnetka Convention Center
(Next to Canoga Bowl)
20122 Vanowen Street
Winnetka, CA 91306

Woodland Hills-Warner Center

2nd Wednesday
American Legion Hall
5320 Fallbrook Ave
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Zapata-King

3rd Wednesday
Avalon Carver Community
Recreation Center
4920 South Avalon Blvd.

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