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To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *P.H.W.*

From: Kelly Colopy, Director of Health & Human Services *MSC for K Colopy*

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

**Subject: Multi-Service Center Grand Opening Celebration**

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Mayor Robert Garcia, Councilwoman Lena Gonzalez, and the Department of Health and Human Services are pleased to invite the City Council, the Board of Harbor Commissioners, and Supervisor Don Knabe to the Grand Re-Opening Celebration of the Multi-Service Center (MSC) on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The event festivities will take place at 1301 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Beach. There will be guest speakers, tours of the MSC facility, and opportunities to learn more about this vital community resource.

The MSC building, owned by the Port of Long Beach, recently underwent an exciting transformation funded by Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe. Key features of the MSC modernization project include a redesigned floor plan, a new lobby, an expanded medical clinic and additional interview rooms. The overall design incorporates safety features throughout the center and provides amenities for both staff and program participants.

Since its opening in October of 1999, the MSC has developed into a critical resource for those who are at-risk or experiencing homelessness in Long Beach. The MSC represents a collaborative approach among the City and multiple public and private agencies co-located there to provide comprehensive services to homeless individuals and families. The MSC serves as the central intake and assessment center for the Long Beach Continuum of Care, promoting connectivity to available resources within the City, providing regional linkages and responding to community stakeholders in an effort to address homelessness effectively.

We look forward to having you join us in our celebration.

For more information regarding the Grand Re-Opening, or to RSVP, please contact the Homeless Services Division at 570-4001.

cc: Board of Harbor Commissioners  
Department Heads