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GO FOURTH! FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Thank you for taking the time to read our weekly newsletter. Every Friday afternoon at 1:30 pm, we distribute this publication to provide updates on past and future events throughout our council district. Please encourage your neighbors to sign up for the Go Fourth! Friday newsletter by filling out the form at this [link](#).

- Councilman Daryl Supernaw



COVID-19 Updates

Long Beach Deviates from State Masking Policy

On Monday, Feb. 7, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced that effective Feb. 16, it will roll back policies that had been put into place during the Omicron surge, which is now on the wane in the state. The City is aligning with Los Angeles County by keeping current masking policies in place with a roadmap that allows for easing restrictions as soon as it is safer to do so. You can read the City's press release at this [link](#).



COVID-19 Updates and Information available at this [link](#)

FREE At-Home COVID-19 Tests

Limit 4 tests per household

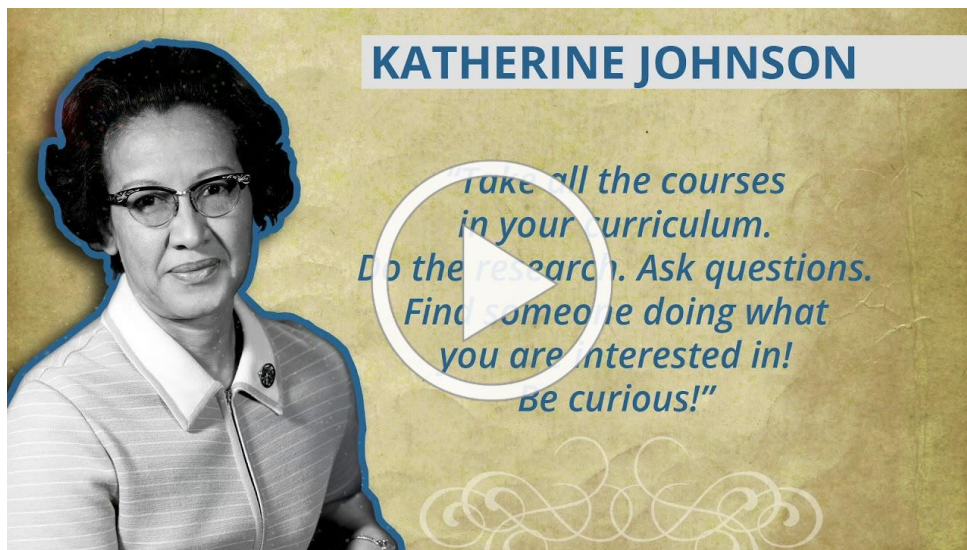
Every home in the U.S. is now eligible to order 4 free at-home rapid COVID-19 tests. Getting tested, along with vaccinations and masking, helps reduce the chance of spreading COVID-19 and its variants. For free



Past and Ongoing Events

Black History Month Celebrated by LBTV

February is Black History Month, and Long Beach Television is celebrating by featuring a special series of 45-second videos. The vignettes recognize African American men and women who made significant contributions in American and world history. The video below features Katherine Johnson, an American mathematician who was critical to the success of the first and subsequent U.S. crewed spaceflights.



FREE Tax Preparation from CSULB

Through April 9th | M-Th: 10am to 8pm; Fri: 9am to 3pm

The CSULB College of Business is offering FREE income tax preparation online now through April 9, 2022. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) IRS program provides virtual appointments to individuals who qualify as low-income (\$58,000 annually), students, the elderly, non-residents and limited English proficiency. The VITA IRS-certified tax preparers can assist you in preparing both federal and state tax returns. Schedule a virtual appointment or get more information on the CSU Long Beach VITA site at this [link](#).



PRM Spring Class Registration

Happening now | [Online](#) or In-Person at 2760 Studebaker Rd.

Registration for new recreation classes offered by Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine (PRM) began on February 7th. More than 300 classes in art, music, nature, fitness, special interest subjects, and adult sports leagues and aquatics programs will be offered starting in March. After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, a new issue of the Recreation Connection programs

catalog is now available to residents digitally on LBParks.org and printed copies at Long Beach park community centers and Long Beach Public Library branches. More information is available at this [link](#).



Upcoming Events

Absolute Best of Long Beach Awards

Nominations: Feb. 11-22 | District voting: March 1-10 | [Online](#)

The time has come to celebrate all things Long Beach including businesses, organizations and individuals. You, the people, nominate and vote for The Absolute Best of Long Beach! Nominations will be by council district, and five nominees from each district will be voted on. The nomination period runs from 2/11/22 to 2/22/22 with 45 categories for each district. The Best of each District Voting will run from 3/1/22 to 3/10/22. Get the nominations started today by going to the CD4 page at this [link](#).



Los Altos Family YMCA SignUpFest

February 12th | 11 am - 2 pm | 1720 Bellflower Blvd.

Adventure is here! SignUpFest, a day full of fun games and activities, takes place tomorrow! Get a preview of what's to come for Los Altos Family YMCA's Summer of Adventure Camp. Reserve a spot for the first ever SignUpFest at this [link](#).



FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event

February 12th | 9 am - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave.

After holiday closures in November and December, EDCO is back to two events per month on 2nd and 4th Saturdays! Drop off all your Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) items and e-waste at the FREE drop-off event from 9 am to 2 pm tomorrow. More info: http://bit.ly/HHW_LB.



Origami Day the CSULB EBM Japanese Garden

February 13th | Noon to 2 pm | CSULB Lot G4

For all you football fans who are also fans of origami, Sunday is your lucky day! You can enjoy the Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden, make some origami and still make it home in time for the Super Bowl. Complete the required RSVP by downloading the app on your phone's App Store or through the website at this [link](#). Your reservation is good for a group up to 6 people, and parking is free in Lot G4 (as in Go Fourth!). Questions can be directed to JGmembership@csulb.edu or (562) 985-8885.



New Recruit Fire Academy to Start

Feb. 14th - May 21st | M/T/Th/F, 6:30am - 5:30pm | 2249 Argonne Ave.



The Long Beach Fire Department Captain David Rosa Regional Training Center will be conducting training for the new Recruit Firefighters. This Recruit Fire Academy will be 14-weeks long and will be conducted from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays starting February 14, 2022 until May 21, 2022. Live fire burning may occur between February 28, 2022 to May 21, 2022. Notifications regarding the live fire burns will occur 24 hours prior to the scheduled burn. Thank you very much for your cooperation, and please feel free to contact the Training Center at (562) 570-3350 if you have any questions.

Next on the City Council Agenda

February 15th | 5:00 pm | Virtual

The City Council teleconference of the council meeting will begin at 5:00 pm. The civic chambers will be closed, but the public can use eComment to provide comments on agenda items. Comments can also be submitted by email

to: CityClerk@longbeach.gov. Items on Tuesday's council meeting agendas include:



- R8: Recommendation to receive and approve appointments and reappointments to Non-Charter Commissions.
- R10: Recommendation to respectfully request City Council approval of the 2022 Federal Legislative Agenda as recommended by the Federal Legislation Committee.
- R11: Recommendation to receive and file a report on the evaluation of the City of Long Beach Citizen Police Complaint Commission (CPCC); and Receive general direction from the City Council on the recommendations to begin the process for a Charter Amendment on a new CPCC structure and initiate the meet and confer process with employee labor organizations. (Citywide)
- R12: Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Lease No. 35432, and necessary documents, with MWN Community Hospital, LLC (Tenant), for modifications to various provisions of such Lease; and Adopt resolution finding that the Community Hospital and surrounding campus remains necessary for the City of Long Beach use as a general healthcare campus with related community-serving uses and authorizing the recordation of amended covenants so restricting use of the Subject Property. (District 3)
- R15: Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary documents including any necessary subsequent amendments, with the Helen Sanders Cat Protection and Welfare Society, of Boulder, CO, to partner with Long Beach Animal Care Services to take cats and kittens into its care directly from Long Beach Animal Care Services for the purpose of rehoming, providing spay/neuter education to adopters, and arranging for routine and other necessary medical care services to cats and kittens transferred into their care, for an annual contract amount not to exceed \$50,000, from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025, with two optional five-year renewals, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

The entire agenda can be found [here](#). To see the schedule and agenda for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).

Alzheimer's Community Forum Next Week

February 16th | 5:00 - 6:25 pm | Online

Next Wednesday, the Alzheimer's Association will be hosting a virtual presentation including an overview on Alzheimer's, dementia and memory loss. Please take the time to invite friends and family who have been affected by the disease. It will be a great opportunity to share your

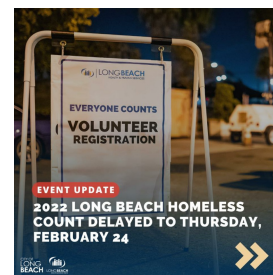
thoughts about how we can help people in our community. Register for the event by calling 800-272-3900. For additional information, please email Yael Wyte, MSW at: ywyte@alz.org



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Homeless Count Postponed Until February 24th February 24th | 5:00 am | The Grand, 4101 E. Willow St.

The 2022 Homeless Point in Time Count is being postponed until Thursday, February 24th. There are still volunteer slots left to fill! Your support is vital for determining the scope of homelessness, defining existing resources available and identifying gaps. Register [online](#) today!



POLB Summer High School Internships

Applications are now open for the Port of Long Beach Summer High School Internship Program. High School internships are available to current high school juniors and seniors who reside in Long Beach or attend a high school in the Long Beach Unified School District service area. The deadline to apply is Tuesday, March 1, 2022. More information is available [online](#)!



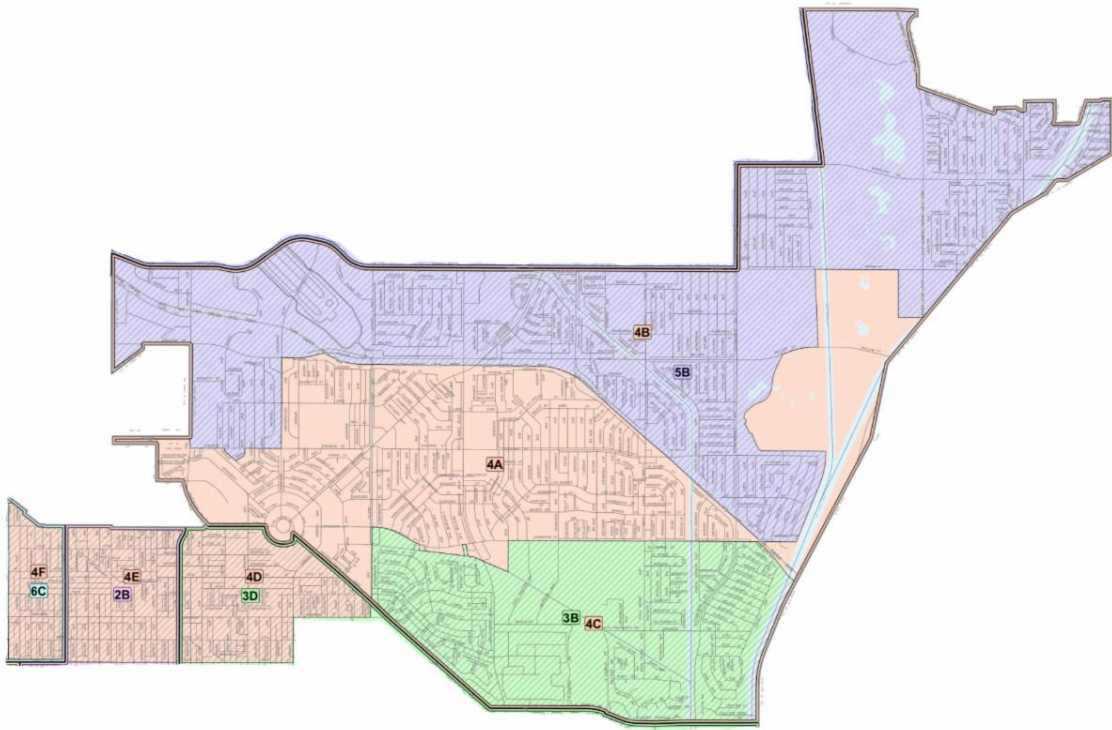
And Finally

Redistricting: Welcome 30,800 New Residents to CD4

Through the redistricting process, Council District 4 gained a total of 30,800 new residents from Council Districts 3 and 5. If that number seems a little high (even staggering), that is certainly the case when compared to other city council districts. CD4 is the only district that gained more residents than it retained... and by a 60/40 margin. As shown on the chart elbow, CD4 only retained 20,346 of its residents (39.8%). Compare that to CD9 that retained 99% of its residents.

	2011 (Former Districts)	2021 (Current Districts)	No Changes (Existing - Residents that never changed districts)	Total Residents Gained in Areas Added to the District (2021 - New Residents)	Total Residents Lost in Areas Removed from District (2021)
Council District 1	47,709	52,781	40,097	12,684	7,612
Council District 2	51,771	53,670	36,660	17,010	15,111
Council District 3	53,367	50,157	39,517	10,640	13,850
Council District 4	51,835	51,146	20,346	30,800	31,489
Council District 5	52,193	54,627	31,001	23,626	21,192
Council District 6	47,595	53,796	36,919	16,877	10,676
Council District 7	54,724	50,425	36,081	14,344	18,643
Council District 8	54,673	50,809	47,054	3,755	7,619
Council District 9	55,027	51,483	51,272	211	3,755

The map below shows the geographic areas of CD3 (green) and CD5 (purple) where CD4 (salmon) expanded. It also shows the area south of PCH where CD4 lost 31,489 residents. You can also click [here](#) to see a zoomable map of the entire city. To be clear, we are not complaining about the changes. The creation of an independent redistricting was the will of the voters and is now the law of the land. We would, however, like to see the City take the lead in getting important redistricting information to the residents.



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