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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



## Past and Ongoing Events

### Residents to Avoid Leaf Blowers for Wildfires

The Long Beach City Department of Health & Human Services recommends residents and landscaping businesses avoid using leaf blowers while the Los Angeles region is impacted by ongoing fires. The ash from wildfires can travel great distances before settling. Using leaf blowers could stir up the ash, which could impact air quality. As an alternative to leaf blowing, residents can hose down surfaces, use a shop vacuum or use a broom with softer bristles and dampen the ground before to minimize resuspending ash. Read the press release at this [link](#).



### Nature Center January Art Gallery

Until January 31st | Tues- Sun 8 am - 5 pm | 7550 E Spring St.

The newest art gallery at El Dorado Nature Center is now open. Visitors can view the gallery during the Nature Center's regular

operating hours Tuesday through Sunday, 8 am to 5 pm. For more information, please contact the Nature Center at (562) 570-1745.

This January, come see  
El Dorado Nature Center's featured artist



**BELINDA LE WELLS**  
January 5 - 31, 2025  
Reception Sun., Jan. 12th 10-12PM

**EL DORADO NATURE CENTER**  
7550 E. Spring Street  
Long Beach, CA 90815  
(562) 570-1745

**PARKING FEES**  
\$6 Weekdays, \$7 Fridays  
\$8 Weekends, \$9 Holidays

**HOURS**  
Tuesdays - Fridays 8AM to 5PM  
Mondays Closed

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## Upcoming Events

### Morning Bird Walk at El Dorado Nature Center

January 19th | 8 am | 7550 E Spring St.

Whether you're a new bird watcher or want to sharpen your skills, join volunteers and staff for a morning walk through the Nature Center. There is no sign-up fee, but pre-registration is required by calling (562) 570- 1745. Parking is \$8. For more information, please click [here](#).



### Upcoming LBACS Low-Cost Vaccine Clinics

January 20th & 24th | 10 am - 2:30 pm | 7700 E Spring St.

Long Beach Animal Care Services and Camp Clinics is hosting a low-cost vaccine clinic on Monday, January 20th and Friday, January 24th from 10 am to 2:30 pm. No appointment is necessary, but only the first 60 pets will be accepted. For a vaccine price list and important tips to expedite your visit, please visit this [link](#). Click [here](#) for future vaccine clinics at LBACS.

LBACS • CAMP CLINICS

**LOW-COST VACCINE CLINICS**

7700 East Spring Street, Long Beach, CA 90815



### Holiday Schedule for MLK Day

January 20th | Citywide

In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, January 20th, City of Long Beach facilities and services will adhere to the closure schedule associated with all Federal holidays. There will be no scheduled street sweeping or enforcement of street sweeping violations on Monday, Jan. 20. Street sweeping will resume its regular schedule on Tuesday, Jan. 21. Refuse and recycling will be collected as scheduled Monday, Jan. 20. For a full list of closures, please check this [link](#).



### Start of CSULB Spring Semester

January 21st | 1250 Bellflower Blvd. | Campus wide

Classes for CSULB's spring semester start on Tuesday, January 21st. Please be extra cautious when driving, walking or biking near the campus as traffic congestion increases over the next few weeks. Please be advised that parking will also be impacted, and be aware of the route changes.

## BE AWARE OF ROUTE CHANGES



## Filming in the Fourth

January 21st | 5 am - 12 am | Sound House Church - 1429 Clark Ave.

Filming will take place from 5 am to 12 am on Tuesday 1/21 in the Park Estates Neighborhood. The production will have an 80 person cast and crew. Base camp for the production team will be located at the Sound House Church, 1429 Clark Ave.



## Next on the City Council Agenda

January 21st | 5:00 pm | 411 W Ocean Blvd.

The City Council meeting will start at 5:00 pm in the Civic Chambers on the ground floor of City Hall, located at 411 W. Ocean Blvd. City council meetings are broadcast live online at: [LBTV3.com](http://LBTV3.com) and on Channel 3 for Charter cable subscribers and Channel 21 for FIOS subscribers. Comments can be submitted by email to: [CityClerk@longbeach.gov](mailto:CityClerk@longbeach.gov). Items on Tuesday's meeting agenda include:



- **C-3:** Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$2,000, offset by the Fourth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide support to the Long Beach Little League;
- **R-19:** Recommendation to receive and file a presentation from Long Beach Police Department on protocols the department employs when responding to cases of trespassing and occupying abandoned properties ("squatting"). (Citywide)
- **R-21:** Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to submit three grant applications with the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) for \$453,000 for the Drake Chavez Connection Project, \$4,000,000 for the Willow Springs Trailhead Project, and \$4,993,650 for the San Gabriel River Trail West Side Enhancement – Phase 2 Project; if awarded, accept grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$9,446,650; and execute all documents necessary to accept and expend the grant funds, including any subsequent amendments. (Districts 1, 3, 4, 5)

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

## 2025 City of Long Beach Homeless Count

January 23rd | 4:30 am | Citywide

The 2025 Long Beach Homeless Count will take place on January 23rd. This Point-in-Time (PIT) Count is a community wide effort to count and survey people experiencing homelessness in our community. It is vital for determining the scope of homelessness,

defining existing resources available, and identifying gaps. For more information on the count, please visit this [link](#). For questions, email [HomelessCount@longbeach.gov](mailto:HomelessCount@longbeach.gov)



**EVERYONE HOME  
LONG BEACH**

## Japanese Garden Reopens Next Friday

January 24th | Reserve a time slot at this [link](#)

The Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden at CSULB will reopen to the public next Friday, January 24th. You can make a reservation now on the Visitor Portal at this [link](#). Select “Book Your Free Visit” to make a reservation. Use this same [link](#) to book “Feed the Koi”.



## 4th Saturday El Dorado Regional Park Cleanup

January 25th | 9 - 10 am | 7550 E Spring St.

Join fellow park-lovers to clean up fishing lines and other debris from El Dorado Park and lakes. Wear sturdy shoes, bring water, wear a hat and sunscreen. All ages welcome. Youth under 18 must bring an adult. Meet at the parking lot on the left just past El Dorado Frontier in El Dorado Regional Park. Please pre-register by calling (562) 570-1745.



## FREE Household Hazardous Waste Event

January 25th | 9 am - 2 pm | 2755 California Ave.

The City of Long Beach hosts FREE Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) & Electronic Waste Collection Events every 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at EDCO Recycling & Transfer Center in Signal Hill. The next collection event is on Saturday, January 25th. Drop off your hazardous household items, old electronics, and used tires safely. Learn more [here](#). Reserve a spot for the event at this [link](#).

**Free HHW  
and E-Waste  
Event!**

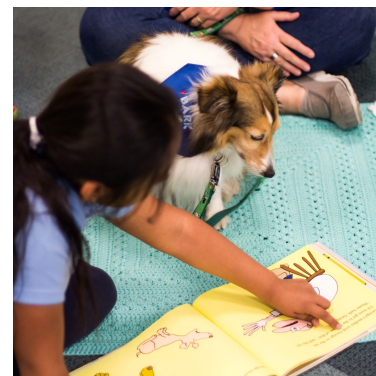


Saturday, January 25th  
9 am - 2 pm  
2755 California Ave,  
Signal Hill, 90755

## BARK @ Los Altos Library

January 25th | 11:30 am - 12:30 pm | 5614 E Britton Dr.

Come practice reading with calming, friendly, and nonjudgmental dogs on Saturday, January 25th at the Los Altos Library! No registration required, and all ages are welcome: Toddlers (1-3), Preschool (3-5), School-age, Teens and Tweens. For more information, email [Tamara.Hall@lbpl.org](mailto:Tamara.Hall@lbpl.org) or call (562) 570-1045.



## Run Like It's Recess 5k Run/Walk

January 26th | 9 am start | El Dorado Park - Area III

Our council office is a very proud sponsor of this special event. Newcomb Academy, a TK-8 public school in El Dorado Park Estates, is hosting their 14th annual "Run Like It's Recess 5K Run/Walk 1k/Toddler Dash" community event on Sunday, January 26. Their mission is to bring the community together to promote health and fitness. This family-friendly event is open to all ages and physical abilities. There will be food, music, activities and medals for all participants. The 5k is a timed event and awards will be presented to the top runners. This is also a stroller and wheelchair friendly event. Visit this [link](#) for more information and to register for the event.



## CD4 Community Meeting Postponed until 2/25

Moved from January 28th to February 25th | Los Altos Library

In an effort to boost attendance at the Community Budget Meeting (see item below), we are postponing our January CD4 Community Meeting for one month. Due to the importance of the budget process, residents are encouraged to attend the upcoming Community Budget Meeting on February 3rd at the Cornerstone Church in CD4.



## Save the Date: Feb 3 - Budget Meeting

February 3rd | 6 - 7:30 pm | Cornerstone Church, 1000 Studebaker Rd.

The City is kicking off the Fiscal Year 2026 (FY 26) Budget development process, preparing for the fiscal year starting October 2025 through September 2026. In early 2025, the City will host one virtual and five in-person citywide community meetings. One meeting will take place in Council District 4 on February 3rd from 6-7:30 pm at Cornerstone Church (1000 Studebaker Rd). Residents will have the opportunity to share their priorities on City services and engage with the City Manager, Financial Management staff, and other City departments. An online budget priority survey is available until February 4th. For more details, visit [longbeach.gov/FY26](http://longbeach.gov/FY26)



## And Finally...

### Supporting Our First Responders

It has been great to see the public outpouring of praise and support for our first responders as they have proudly assisted their regional partners during the recent emergency. To date, the Long Beach Fire Department has deployed 53 personnel and 10 fire engines to the Palisades and Eaton incidents. For some residents, it's the first time witnessing a major regional response and the incredible bravery of our firefighters as they are called to fight an absolute inferno. For me, it was a lesson learned at age five as my LBFD father was called back to work on his day off to fight the Hancock Oil Fire, and we did not see him again for three days.



As we continue to praise and support our first responders during this emergency, it's important to realize that it doesn't take a major regional incident for our public safety personnel to

demonstrate incredible acts of bravery. Such was the case on January 20, 1975 (Monday will be the 50th anniversary) when the crew from Fire Station 22, located at Atherton & Palo Verde, arrived on scene of a single-vehicle accident. A van with a wheelchair-bound driver had crashed into a SCE utility pole. High-voltage wires were down around the van, and gasoline was leaking under the vehicle. The wires were so highly energized that they were described as “dancing on the ground”. The van was still sitting on its rubber tires, so it did not provide a ground for an electrical current. The crew acted without hesitation, and the driver was removed to safety.

We ask a lot of our first responders on a daily basis, and they respond by risking their own lives to save the lives of strangers. In my opinion, we owe them as much support as we can possibly provide. We also need to realize the critical role each individual first responder, and the equipment they use, plays in maintaining the safety of our community. Please consider this as we embark upon a series of Community Budget Meetings. CD4’s meeting will take place at the Cornerstone Church on February 3rd at 6 pm. The location is 1000 Studebaker Road... just three blocks north of where the crew from Engine 22 made their historic rescue.

*Photo of LBFD Engine 19 on PCH in Malibu by Jill Connelly/Bloomberg*

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