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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

### Unanimous Council Support for Rescue 2

There was a remarkable display of solidarity amongst Long Beach firefighters at the March 4th City Council meeting. Over 70 members of LB Firefighters Local 372 stood in support of the restoration of Fire Rescue 2 that had been taken out of service due to budget cuts. Many members spoke and delivered compelling arguments on the critical importance of restoring Rescue 2. City Council agreed and voted unanimously to find funding for the restoration.





## CSULB Gospel Music Concert

Last Saturday, the inaugural CSULB Community Gospel Choir Concert took place at Bethany Church in CD4. This concert celebrated the powerful and uplifting traditions of gospel music, bringing together the voices of CSULB and Long Beach communities for a morning of unity, and melodies. The concert showcased members from the CSULB choral groups, students, faculty, alums, and staff. 23 churches in the Long Beach Ministers Alliance also had members join the choir of this special event. Go Beach!



## HOPE Latina History Day Event

Last Friday, the CD4 staff attended HOPE's 34th Annual Latina History Day conference in Los Angeles. This event paid tribute to all the historical contributions Latinas have made in business, politics and society as a whole. We closed Tuesday's City Council meeting to honor this celebration. Congratulations to HOPE on achieving 34 years of this celebratory day!



## Pete the Cat Visits Los Altos Library

Friday night, a capacity crowd attended a special "Reading is the Cat's Pajamas" event at the Los Altos Neighborhood Library. Children enjoyed the storytime event, crafts, a movie, reading with B.A.R.K. dogs and a meet & greet with Pete the Cat. Even the Councilman got a photo op with Pete (a milestone he can now check off his bucket list). Special thanks to Danae Alexander, Eric Cardoso and all the other library staff for making this event so special!



## Celebrating the 52nd Annual Pow Wow

Last weekend, we celebrated the 52nd Annual CSULB Pow

Wow. According to American Indian Studies Program Director, Craig Stone, CSULB's Pow Wow is the largest gathering of American Indians in Los Angeles and Orange County. Established by American Indian students in 1969, it is the largest and oldest continuously running student-sponsored event on campus. You can read more about this year's celebration at this [link](#).



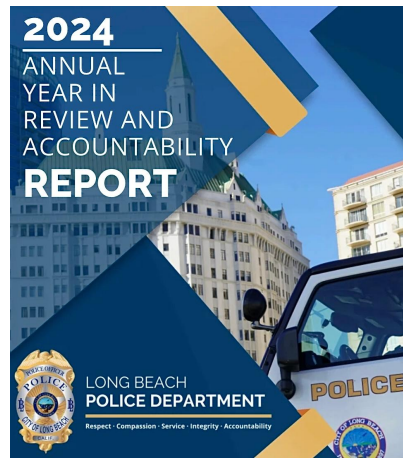
## LBPOA “Richard A. Rose” Awards

On Monday, I attended the Long Beach Police Officers Association annual awards event at The Grand in CD4. Congratulations to Richard A. Rose Award recipient, Detective Hector Cardiel, and Police Excellence Award recipient, Sergeant Randall Beach, on outstanding dedication and service to our community. The special guest speaker was LA District Attorney Nathan Hochman. Doing a great job as Master of Ceremonies was CD4's Bruce DD MacRae. Thanks to LBPOA staff for a great job in organizing the event.



## LBPD Annual Year in Review Report

On March 12th, we received a memo from LBPD Chief Wally Hebeish announcing the release of the third annual Year in Review and Accountability Report (YIRA). The 2024 YIRA showcases the contributions LBPD employees have made to address crime, enhance public safety and their commitment to accountability. This year's YIRA introduces a new format, transitioning from a PDF document to a “flipbook” style publication. This enhancement improves the report's visual appeal, accessibility, and overall user experience. You can view the report at this [link](#).



## LGB Introduces Online Flight Planning Tool

Long Beach Airport (LGB) is now offering the FlyMyAirport search tool, an online feature that allows passengers to easily search for and find nonstop and connecting flights to and from LGB. The search tool is now available on [lgb.org](#) and on the airline destinations webpage. This new tool will simplify the flight planning process by making it easier for travelers to explore LGB's extensive travel options and more. Read the full press release at this [link](#).



## El Dorado Park East Road Repave Project

Thru April 4th | M-F 7 am - 5 pm | El Dorado Park - Area II

Please be advised that there are road closures in El Dorado East Regional Park for repaving projects. From March 3rd to April 4th, portions of Area II will be closed off intermittently for repaving projects Monday- Friday. Area III will be closed for

repeating on the yellow marked areas in the attached map. For details on the improvement project, visit this [link](#).



## CSULB VITA Tax Preparation Program

Thru April 9th | Various times | Computer Lab, Room 243 COB

The CSULB VITA site is available to qualifying taxpayers with an income level of \$67,000 or less. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing for federal and state tax returns. They can inform taxpayers about special tax credits for which they may qualify such as Earned Income Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit, and Credit for the Elderly or the Disabled. Don't put off your taxes! CSULB VITA refunded over 1 million in taxpayer dollars last tax season. Services are in-person, Mon-Thurs 10 am to 8 pm and Fri 9 am to 3 pm. Please call (562) 277-1146 for more details.

**VITA CSULB**  
**FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION & ITIN APPLICATIONS**

**Let's See What We Do?**

- The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is an IRS program that provides free income tax preparation to low-income, students, elderly, non-residents, and limited English proficiency individuals.
- Our CSU Long Beach VITA site is available to taxpayers with an income of \$67,000 or less. Our site has refunded over \$1,200,000 in taxpayer dollars last tax season.

**Where to find us?**  
 College of Business  
 Room 243  
 1250 N Bellflower Blvd,  
 Long Beach, CA 90840

**We offer Face-to-Face, Drop-Offs, Walk-ins, and Zoom**

**Necessary items**

- Photo ID:**
  - Government-issued photo ID for you and your spouse (e.g., driver's license or passport).
- Social Security or ITIN Documents:**
  - Original Social Security card or ITIN documents for all family members. (physical copy)
- Income Forms:**
  - All W-2 forms from employers.
  - 1099 forms for other income.
  - 1088 forms for mortgage interest or educational expenses.
- Additional Income and Expenses:**
  - Information on any other income or deductible expenses.
  - 1098-T Form for tuition fees, if applicable.
- Daycare Expenses:**
  - Information from your daycare provider: address, phone number, and ID number (Social Security Number or Employer Identification Number).
- Direct Deposit:**
  - Bank account and routing number for direct deposit refund.
- Previous Tax Return:**
  - Last year's tax return (helpful but not required).
- For ITIN Applications:**
  - SSN Application Letter (if applicable).
  - Passport (required for ITIN application).
  - If no passport: USCIS photo ID, U.S. visa, or U.S. driver's license with supporting documents.

**HOURS OF OPERATION**  
 January 27, 2025 - April 09, 2025  
 Monday - Thursday: 10:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
 Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.  
 Closed on Monday, March 31 - Sunday, April 6  
 ITIN Applications: Mondays Only  
 Zoom Appointments Only: Mon - Weds from 12 PM - 4 PM

**GET IN TOUCH!**  
 Contact Anne Guzman, VITA Coordinator, at [vita.csulb@gmail.com](mailto:vita.csulb@gmail.com) or call us at (562) 277-1146

## Veterans Banner Program Nominations Open

Nominations due by March 31st

The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) is accepting nominations for the second year of the Long Beach Veterans Banner Program. This year, up to 60 veteran nominees will be selected for the program. The Health Department's Office of Veterans Support, in collaboration with the Long Beach Veterans Commission, will oversee the selection of banners to be displayed at various locations throughout Long Beach for one year, beginning in summer 2025. Any veteran, living or deceased, can be nominated for the program now through March 31st at this [link](#). For more information and to view the nominee criteria, please click [here](#).



## Upcoming Events

### Cars & Clippers 2025 Fundraiser Tomorrow!

March 15th | 9 am - 12 pm | POA Park - 7390 Carson Blvd.

Join the Long Beach Fire Department tomorrow, March 15th for a free family-friendly event in support of pediatric cancer research. Cars & Clippers 2025 is a fundraiser event in partnership with St. Baldrick's Foundation. The event will feature a classic car show, bounce houses, live music, and the chance to cheer on those volunteering to have their heads shaved to support kids with cancer. Visit this [link](#) to find additional information and register for the event.

*St. Baldrick's Foundation Presents:*  
**Cars & Clippers 2025**  
 SATURDAY - MARCH 15 - 9AM to 12PM  
*LB. Police Officer Association Park*  
 7390 Carson Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90808

**23RD ANNUAL**  **FREE EVENT**

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FAMILY FUN, CLASSIC CARS, AND BRAVING THE SHAVE TO CONQUER KIDS' CANCER!

- CLIP FOR A CAUSE
- CLASSIC CAR SHOWCASE
- BOUNCE HOUSE & PETTING ZOO
- TACOS, GAMES, MUSIC & MORE!

SAVE YOUR SPOT   St. Baldrick's FOUNDATION  CONQUER KIDS' CANCER

## Chick-fil-A Cow Visiting the Traffic Circle

March 15th | 12 - 2 pm | 4401 E Pacific Coast Hwy.

Join Chick-fil-A at the Traffic Circle tomorrow from 12-2 pm for a fun day of taking photos with the Chick-fil-A cow! Kids of all ages are welcome to attend this event! The Traffic Circle Chick-fil-A is located at 4401 E Pacific Coast Hwy.



## Filming in the Fourth

March 15th | 3 - 5 pm | El Dorado Park East, Area III

Filming will take place from 3 to 5 pm tomorrow, March 15th at El Dorado Regional Park, Area III. Production will have an eight member cast and crew. Production has been advised to not interfere with/impede park programming, construction zones, permits to gather, and/or Maintenance operations at any time.



## Pet Supplies Plus Scales and Tails Party

March 16th | 1 - 3 pm | 2086 N Bellflower Blvd.

Stop by Pet Supplies Plus on Sunday, March 16th from 1-3 pm to learn about reptiles from pet experts! Plus, get tips on how to create the ideal reptile habitat. At this event, attendees will be able to interact with live reptiles, find deals on reptile supplies, and win prizes. All pets are welcome, but must be leashed or in a carrier. For more information on this event, please click [here](#).



## OLLI Registration for Spring 2025 Classes

Registration opens March 17th | Classes start April 1st

Long Beach State's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) hosts non-credit courses for persons 50 years of age or older. Classes will be held from April 1st to May 24th. Explore the variety of classes in their brochure [here](#). Registration will open on Monday, March 17th. Visit this [link](#) for additional information. For assistance, call the OLLI support line (562) 985-2398.



## LBFD Training Center: Live Burn Schedule

March 17th, 18th, 20th, & 21st | 7 am – 9 am | 2249 Argonne Ave.

The Long Beach Fire Training Center will be conducting live fire trainings on these dates/times that are subject to change:

- Monday (3/17) between 7:00 am – 9:00 am
- Tuesday (3/18) between 7:00 am – 9:00 am
- Thursday (3/20) between 7:00 am – 9:00 am
- Friday (3/21) between 7:00 am – 9:00 am

Live fire training is essential in the development of firefighters and teaches skills needed to perform lifesaving and property-saving operations in the City of Long Beach. Thank you for your continued support of the Long Beach Fire Department!



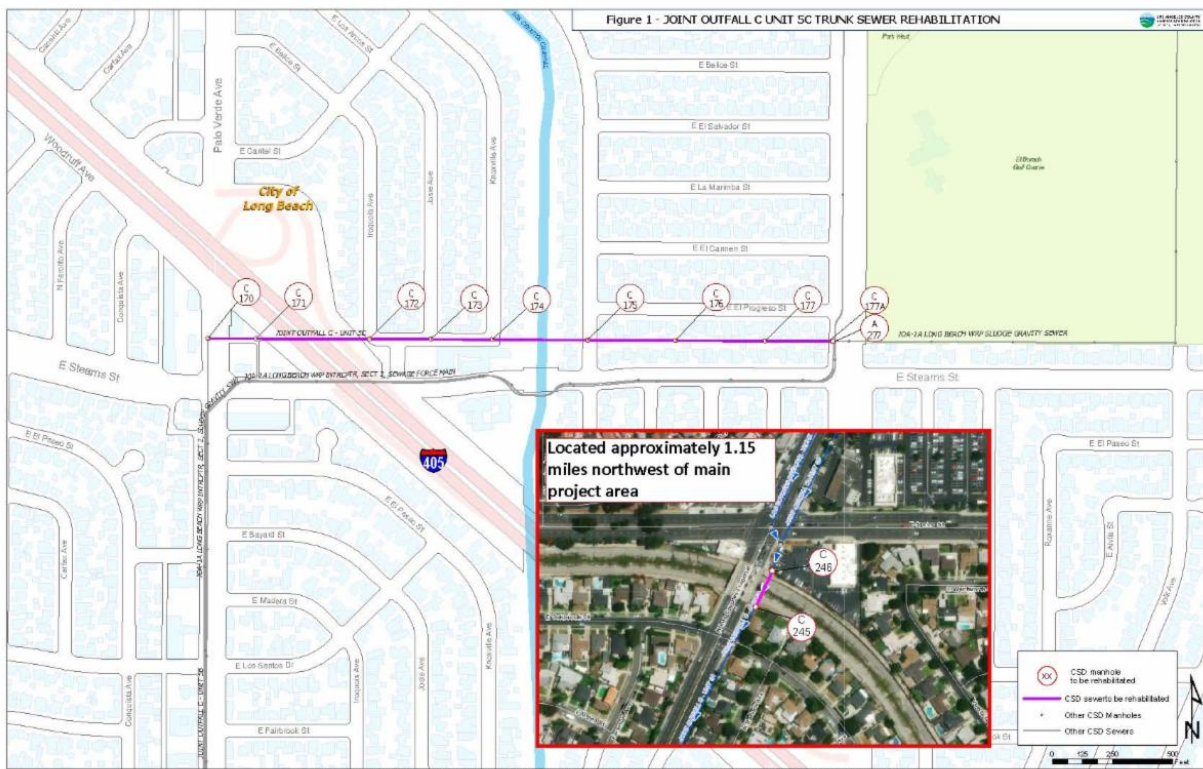
## LACSD Sewer Project Community Meeting

March 17th | 6:30 pm | [Virtual Meeting](#)



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
SANITATION DISTRICTS**  
*Converting Waste Into Resources*

The Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts and Insituform Technologies, LLC are hosting a community meeting about an upcoming project to rehabilitate 2,593 feet of a 24-inch diameter sewer pipe near Studebaker Road and Stearns Street and near Palo Verde Avenue north of Stearns Street. A community meeting is required before the start of work. Community members are invited to attend a virtual meeting on Monday, March 17th at 6:30 pm. Visit this [link](#) to attend the meeting. Teams Meeting ID: 262 201 320 384 and Passcode: Fv6qj64g



## Next on the City Council Agenda

March 18th | 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 at 411 W. Ocean Blvd. City Council meetings are broadcasted 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). The agenda can be found [here](#). To view agendas for all upcoming city meetings, click [here](#).



## Upcoming Tree Trimming Work at Stearns

March 19th | Stearns Champions Park - 4520 E 23rd St.

Parks, Recreation and Marine has notified our office that a contractor is scheduled to trim trees at Stearns Park on Wednesday, March 19th. Prior to any work being done, a nesting survey will be completed to ensure the safety of local wildlife. See the attached map outlining the affected areas.



## And Finally...

### Unanimous Council Support for Fire Engine 17

While working on the Rescue 2 item for this week's newsletter, a "4 years ago today" memory popped up on my Facebook feed. It was the attached photos of Engine 17 in October 1971 and October 2019, 68 years apart. We had run the photos in the March 12, 2021 newsletter to announce the unanimous vote from City Council for ongoing support for the restoration of E17. It was the perfect reminder that as we support restoration of LBFD resources, it is also important to plan for the ongoing funding to maintain these critical resources for the future.



Engine 17's crew from the 1951 photo are (L to R): unknown, Firefighter Don Supernaw, Engineer Jack Lane and Captain Walt Nettlehorst. From the 2019 photo are (L to R): Firefighter/Paramedic Kevin Keleher, Firefighter Wayne Chaney, Engineer Ernesto Torres and Captain John Daniels. Here's to the LBFD crew members from Station 17 who have been protecting East Long Beach aboard the "Eastside Express" since 1951.



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