



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

FROM THE OFFICE OF  
ASSEMBLY MEMBER

*Isaac G. Bryan*

## IN THE CAPITOL

### BRYAN'S BILLS

**We have introduced our bill package for the 2023 Legislative Session:**

[ACA 4](#) – Protect and Expand Voting Rights

[AB 274](#) – Protect CalFresh and CalWORKS for Students

[AB 60](#) – Restorative Justice for Victims

[AB 920](#) – Stop Discrimination Against the Houseless

[AB 1512](#) – Protect Survivor Benefits for Children

[AB 61](#) – Arraignment within 48 Hours

[AB 1248](#) – Independent Redistricting Commissions

[AB 954](#) – Reduce Barriers to Family Reunification

[AB 93](#) – End Coerced Consent Searches

[AB 819](#) – End Incarceration for Fare Evasion

[AB 825](#) – Safe Streets for Bicyclists

[AB 745](#) – Reentry Housing

[AB 364](#) – Street Furniture Equity

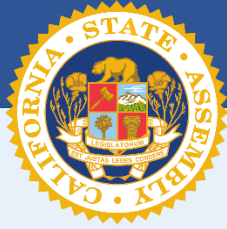
[AB 1324](#) – Eliminating Foster Care Debt

[AB 507](#) – Presidential Election Protection

[AB 1036](#) – Ending Surprise Ambulance Billing

## Upcoming Events

- 3/1 Career Center Orientation in Culver City ([register](#))  
Leimert Park Night Market ([more info](#))
- 3/3 LA Saves – Financial Savings Class @ the Jefferson Library Branch ([more info](#))
- 3/4 Black History Greens Festival ([more info](#))  
English Conversation Class with Laurie @ the Fairfax Library Branch ([more info](#))  
Special Needs Network Grand Opening in West Adams (see flyer below)
- 3/7 Growing & Caring for Heirloom Vegetables in this Area: Culver City ([more info](#))
- 3/10 Free In-Person Conservatorship Class @ the LA Law Library ([register](#))
- 3/12 Deadline to take the MOVE Culver City Survey ([survey](#))
- 3/14 St. Patrick's Day Craft for Kids @ the Jefferson Library Branch ([more info](#))
- 3/16 Landlord-Tenant Law & Evictions: Free Class ([register](#))
- 3/22 Hands Only CPR: Drop in Event ([more info](#))
- 3/27 Cesar Chavez Day *observed* – County Holiday
- 3/30 Diversity Employment Day Career Fair ([RSVP](#), see flyer below)
- 3/31 Culver City and Los Angeles County Winter Shelters Close



## Intern with Assemblymember Bryan

One of the best ways to learn the inner workings of government and your community is through a State Assembly internship. Assemblymember Isaac Bryan is looking for bright, self-motivated, and energetic individuals who are interested in learning the dynamics of working in an Assembly district office.

### Description:

As an intern, you will provide support to staff with legislation, events, constituent services, and special projects. The office will work with applicants who are requesting to receive undergraduate or graduate credit. Internship terms will be determined based on availability and needs of the district office.

### Responsibilities:

- Engage with constituents via telephone or in-person
- Assist with data entry
- Respond to constituent requests
- Assist with constituent casework
- Work with staff on special projects and assignments
- Attend events
- Perform outreach to community leaders, constituents, and interest groups
- Other miscellaneous tasks, as required

### Desired Qualifications:

We are seeking candidates with a strong interest in public policy, community organizing, writing, political science, economics, communications, public relations or a similar area of study. Applicants with these areas of interest will find the State Assembly internship a rewarding and fulfilling experience.

### Desired Skills:

- Interest in local and State issues
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Strong organizational skills and ability to work with minimal supervision
- Critical thinking and creative problem solving
- Ability to manage multiple tasks and competing deadlines simultaneously
- Proficient in using Microsoft Word and Excel
- Assist in research and planning of upcoming events and projects
- Research issues in response to community inquiries
- Assist with office procedures, routine correspondence, telephone inquiries and special projects
- Fluency in a second language is beneficial

If you are interested, please send a cover letter and resume to [Shetarrah.Byfield@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Shetarrah.Byfield@asm.ca.gov)

# Los Angeles County COVID-19 UPDATE



## At-Home COVID-19 Tests Likely Still Good Despite What Their Expiration Dates

Many at-home COVID-19 tests remain effective for as much as up to one year after their original expiration dates. This has led to the Food and Drug Administration extending the expiration dates for many tests.

### Understanding home COVID test expiration dates

Home COVID test kits can continue to be used past the expiration date printed on the box.

- Stability testing has shown that home tests remain effective past the originally printed expiration dates.
- If you are using a test and there is no control line, the test has truly expired, and you should retest with a new kit.

[ph.lacounty.gov/covidselftest](https://ph.lacounty.gov/covidselftest)  
[covid19.lacounty.gov](https://covid19.lacounty.gov)

**CALIFORNIA  
PROTECTS  
YOUR RIGHT  
TO CHOOSE**

## Abortion Services Information



Make sure your friends and families know: In California and here in LA County, abortion remains safe and legal. For more information about abortion as a public health issue, see <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov>

Official website of the State of California



California abortion access

Visit [abortion.ca.gov](https://abortion.ca.gov) – a statewide, safe space to learn about your rights and find services.



Visit [LA County Abortion Safe Haven Project](#) to find a Resource Guide in your language.

# In the District



## Culver City Winter Shelter Information November 2022 - March 2023

### For adults 18+ seeking winter shelter:

Contact the Winter Shelter Hotline - 1 (800) 548-6047 OR Contact [2-1-1](tel:2131).

For more information, please see Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority winter shelter flyers in [English Winter Shelter Flyer](#)(PDF, 280KB) and [Spanish Winter Shelter Flyer](#)(PDF, 290KB)

### For families seeking shelter:

Contact [2-1-1](tel:2131)

## LAHSA WINTER SHELTERS OPEN UNTIL MARCH 31

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Winter Shelter Program will continue operating throughout L.A. County until March 31, 2023. Visit [Winter Shelter \(lahsa.org\)](https://www.lahsa.org) to learn how to access and obtain a list of shelters or call 1-800-548-6047 for more information.



## Take the Survey for the MOVE Culver City Mobility Lane Project!

Survey closes Sunday,  
March 12, 2023.

The Culver City Transportation Department would like the opinion of individuals in the community. Your feedback will provide information and data to understand how you get around Culver City.

For more information about the project, visit the [MOVE Culver City website](#).

Responses are confidential and will be collected by a third-party consultant. For any questions, please contact the [MOVE Culver City Team](#).

[MOVE Culver City Post-Implementation Survey](#)

**Please only ONE response per household.**





## 23RD ANNUAL IN PERSON CAREER FAIRS

# LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

# DIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT DAY CAREER FAIR & Roundtables

Easily register and get your Eventbrite ticket here.

**EVENT  
REGISTRATION**

Or register by email when you send your resume to: [Fasttrack@citycareerfair.com](mailto:Fasttrack@citycareerfair.com)

Our ongoing mission is to provide the most qualified candidates from the City, County and State's richly diverse communities. With the understanding that diversity is a good business strategy, the opportunities for employer and candidates are endless.

This diversity event is the most significant career fair presented today. Its outreach includes Multicultural, Veterans, Women, LGBTQ, Mature Workers and People with Disabilities. Each employer is actively committed to getting America back to work, diversity and equality in the workplace.

It is our wish that this day brings you closer to meeting your goals and objectives.

### VIRTUAL CAREER FAIR OPTIONS

HEALTH CARE & DIVERSITY  
PACIFIC NORTHWEST & VANCOUVER  
EDUCATION & DIVERSITY  
HIGH TECH & ENGINEERING  
LAW ENFORCEMENT & VETERANS

### IN PERSON

Thursday, March 30, 2023

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

SONESTA LOS ANGELES AIRPORT LAX  
5985 WEST CENTURY BLVD.  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90045

### Featured Industry Pavilions:

- Building Construction
- Veterans
- People with Disabilities
- Healthcare Nursing
- High Tech Engineering
- Top Secret - Security
- Banking
- Financial
- Education
- Non-Profit
- Law Enforcement
- Hospitality
- Travel
- Entertainment
- Small Business Opportunity
- Retail
- Marketing
- Government Agencies
- Management
- Advertisement Media
- Women's
- LGBTQ
- Sales
- Insurance
- Legal
- Bilingual

**TOP  
Employers  
Recruiting**

**CURRENT AND PAST EMPLOYERS INCLUDE:** UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, PENSKE, US BANK, CDG - A BOEING COMPANY, EAST LA VETERANS CENTER, INGLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT, NAPA VALLEY COLLEGE, PACIFIC WESTERN BANK, AMERICAN GUARD SERVICES, ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE, ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES, BANK OF CA, CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS & REHABILITATION, CALIFORNIA PRISON INDUSTRY AUTHORITY, CALTECH, CHRYSALIS NON-PROFIT, COUNTY OF VENTURA, CRANE AEROSPACE & ELEC., DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS, DEVRY UNIVERSITY, DIGNITY HEALTH, DISABILITY SERVICES, EAST WEST BANK, EDD, UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX, ENTRAVISION COMMUNICATION, FRASER FINANCIAL, HERBALIFE, INGLEWOOD ONE STOP, KABC-AM RADIO, KLOS-FM RADIO, KSWD 100.3 THE SOUND, LA HEALTH CARE PLAN, LIFETOUGH CHURCH DIRECTORIES & PORTRAITS, MANAGED CAREER SERVICES, MT. WILSON BROADCASTERS, PALISADES CHARTER, SANTA MONICA PD, SPANISH BROADCASTING SYSTEM, U.S. MARINES, UCLA, US CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, AND MORE!

## DIVERSITY UNITES US!

Helping employers to build workforces that reflect all communities served.  
We commend our local diversity partners and congratulate the over 10,000 hired candidates.

  
**City Career Fair**  
productions

 **DIVERSITY  
RECRUITERS  
NETWORK**

**Stay Informed!**  
**MORE DETAILS!**  
[info@citycareerfair.com](mailto:info@citycareerfair.com)  
[www.citycareerfair.com](http://www.citycareerfair.com)

**FREE and  
Open to the public.**

*Business attire and resumes required,  
even though it's virtual.  
Ages 18+ only.  
Please share with your  
Network & Friends.*

**AMERICA'S VERY BEST & LARGEST CAREER FAIR!**

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# Michelle and Barack Obama Sports Complex

Celes King III Aquatic Center  
5001 Obama Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90016



## Swimming LESSONS

One day that renders a long-lasting memory.

LEARN TO SWIM LEVELS

Preschool Aquatics | Water Confidence | Beginners | Advance Beginners | Intermediate | Swimmers

### **FREE GROUP LESSON FOR AGES 4-17 YRS OLD**

- First Come, First Serve!
- Swim Assessment Recommended
- 8 Lessons Total
- 25 mins Each
- 10 participants Each Level
- 5 Register Online ([laparks.org](https://laparks.org))
- 5 Register In-person

### **\$30 GROUP ADULT LESSON**

### **REGISTRATION:**

February 4th, 9 AM - 12 PM

March 4th, 9 AM - 12 PM

April 1st, 9 AM - 12 PM

April 29th, 9 AM - 12 PM

**CONTACT INFO:** 213-847- 3406

[CelesKing.pool@lacity.org](mailto:CelesKing.pool@lacity.org)





*Special Needs Network, Inc. announces the opening of our new offices in the historic West Adams District of Los Angeles and in Bakersfield, CA.*

Join us for breakfast and a tour of our West Adams offices as we kick off our new workforce development program!



## LOCATION

**F.A.M.E. RENAISSANCE BUILDING**  
1968 WEST ADAMS BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90018

CONTACT **SARA GOMEZ** FOR MORE DETAILS **323.943.0807** / **SARA@SNNLA.ORG**

*Leading The Way In Education, Advocacy, Public Policy And Health For Children / Adults With Autism, Learning And Developmental Disabilities.*



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[www.snnla.org](http://www.snnla.org)



# Resources

## IMPORTANT!

Getting #CalFresh?  
Emergency Allotments are ending. The amount of CalFresh you get will go down starting April 2023. Visit [CalFreshFood.org](https://CalFreshFood.org) for more information.



## END OF CALFRESH EMERGENCY ALLOTMENTS

Attention CalFresh customers! The temporary CalFresh Emergency Allotment benefits issued due to the COVID-19 pandemic are coming to an end. The last Emergency Allotment for February 2023 will be issued in March 2023. As of April 2023, you will no longer receive the additional CalFresh benefits. For questions regarding this change, please visit [CalFresh](https://CalFreshFood.org) and [EBT News and Updates \(lacounty.gov\)](https://EBTNewsandUpdates.lacounty.gov) or call 888-445-1955.



## FREE TAX PREPARATION

### PROGRAM STARTS: FEBRUARY 25, 2023

DPSS provides free tax preparation to qualified CalWORKs or CalFresh participants.

**Starting February 13, 2023**  
participants can make an  
**APPOINTMENT**  
by calling **866-488-VITA (8482)**.

For Tax Resources  
download the PUBLICATION 429  
at <https://bit.ly/DPSSPUB429>



## GET FREE TAX PREPARATION SERVICES

CalWORKs and CalFresh customers can now schedule appointments for FREE VITA tax preparation services by calling 866-488-VITA (8482). PLEASE NOTE that DPSS does NOT prepare taxes if you worked for UBER, LYFT, or any driving/delivery services, and does not provide transportation or childcare payments for these services. Anyone who does NOT receive CalWORKs and/or CalFresh, but has income below \$60,000, should call 1-800 906-9887 or download the DPSS PUB 429 brochure at [PUB 429 \(1/23\) - Claim Your 2022 State and Federal Credits \(ca.gov\)](https://PUB429(1/23)-ClaimYour2022StateandFederalCredits.ca.gov) for more tax prep resources.



## PROTECT YOUR BENEFITS FROM EBT CARD SCAMS

Stay a step ahead of thieves by checking the ATM card skimmer every time you use your card, reviewing your profile information and balances regularly, and changing your password often. View this video to learn more [Watch Out for EBT Scams! - YouTube](#).



## NEW IHSS CHAT FEATURE NOW AVAILABLE

DPSS customers can now ask questions and get answers with the IHSS chat feature. Chat online with IHSS Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Learn how to join the IHSS Helpline Community at [IHSS Helpline Community Chat Guide - YouTube](#).



## MORE HELP WITH ENERGY AND WATER BILLS THROUGH DWP & SCE

Need help paying your energy and water bills? There's up to \$5,000 tax free utility bill assistance available through the [Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program](#) (LIHEAP) and [Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program](#) (LIHWAP) per eligible households. There is no impact to other benefits and public charge determinations. Learn how to apply today at [Help Is On the Way 2022 \(ladwp.com\)](#).

## METROLINK'S NEW LOW-INCOME FARE DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Metrolink's new Low-Income Fare Program is available now offering Metrolink tickets for free transfers on participating transit agency services in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties. Tickets are only available for purchase from Metrolink ticket machines. Learn more at [Low-income Fare Discount Program \(metrolinktrains.com\)](https://metrolinktrains.com/low-income-fare-discount-program).



**THE METROLINK LOW-INCOME FARE DISCOUNT PROGRAM**

Our new low-income fare discount program offers a 50% discount on ANY Metrolink ticket or pass for riders with a valid California Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card.

**METROLINK**

Scan for more information or visit [metrolinktrains.com](https://metrolinktrains.com)

[dpss.lacounty.gov](https://dpss.lacounty.gov)

**dpss**



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

**Choose what works best for YOU:**

**In-person or Virtual Interviews!**

Visit our website at [cssd.lacounty.gov](https://cssd.lacounty.gov) and click on "appointments" to schedule your in-person or virtual interview!

[\(866\) 901-3212](tel:(866)901-3212)

[cssd.lacounty.gov](https://cssd.lacounty.gov)

## CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES OFFERING VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON APPOINTMENTS

The L.A. County Department of Child Support Services now offers both virtual and in-person appointments. Visit [Child Support Services – Los Angeles County \(lacounty.gov\)](https://lacounty.gov/child-support-services) and click on "appointments" at the top to select your office location and schedule an in-person or a virtual interview. For more information, call (866) 901-3212 or Live Chat at [Child Support Services – Los Angeles County \(lacounty.gov\)](https://lacounty.gov/child-support-services).





## SOCALGAS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SOCALGAS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**Investing in the next generation through education is one way SoCalGas is committed to creating a thriving community for us all.**

The SoCalGas Scholarship Program encourages students to pursue higher education and supports their academic endeavors. Our objective is to create a diverse pool of future scientists, mathematicians, technology experts, and engineers that can help address the complex issues our communities face today and tomorrow.

**2023 Scholarship Application is Open from February 6 - March 15**

### 4-Year University Program

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a high school senior with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.
- Live in the SoCalGas [service territory](#)
- Plan to attend a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited four-year college or university in the U.S. for the 2023/2024 academic year.
- Plan to enroll in an eligible major in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Finance, Accounting. *Medical-related fields are not eligible.*
- Demonstrate financial need.

### Community College or Trade School Program

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a high school senior or current college undergraduate with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.
- Live in the SoCalGas [service territory](#)
- Plan to attend a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year college or trade school in the U.S. for the 2023/2024 academic year.
- Plan to enroll in an eligible major in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Finance, Accounting, Business Administration, Plumbing, Electrical HVAC, or Welding. *Medical-related fields are not eligible.*
- Demonstrate financial need.

**\*SoCalGas or any other Sempra Energy company employees, elected officials and employee's children/grandchildren, and children of retired employees are not eligible to apply.**



## FREE LEGAL HELP

NLSLA provides free legal services to eligible low-income individuals in Los Angeles County

### We Can Help With:



#### HOUSING

- Landlord/tenant issues
- Evictions
- Subsidized housing & Section 8
- Mobile home issues



#### HEALTHCARE

- Denial of health coverage
- Denial of services
- Healthcare debt & billing issues



#### PUBLIC BENEFITS

- CalWORKs, CalFresh, General Relief, CAPI, RCA
- Social Security Benefits (Overpayments & Terminations)
- Benefits for Immigrants



#### CONSUMER & EMPLOYMENT

- Unemployment Benefits, State Disability Insurance, & Paid Family Leave
- Wage Claims
- Bankruptcy



#### FAMILY PROTECTION

- Family Law
  - Restraining Orders, Child Custody, Divorce
- Immigration
  - U Visa, VAWA, T Visa, Naturalization, Adjustment of Status



#### REENTRY

- Criminal Record Clearing
- Remove Barriers to Employment, Housing, & Professional Licenses
- Driver's License Suspensions & Traffic Ticket Debt

### APPLY FOR HELP



**General hotline:** 1-800-433-6251



**Health hotline:** 1-800-896-3202



**Website:** [nlsla.org](http://nlsla.org)



#### PACOIMA

13327 Van Nuys Blvd.  
Pacoima, CA 91331  
Fax: (833) 537-5529

#### GLENDALE

1104 E. Chevy Chase Dr.  
Glendale, CA 91205  
Fax: (833) 537-5529

#### EL MONTE

3629 Santa Anita Ave., #109  
El Monte, CA 91731  
Fax: (833) 537-5529

#### BOYLE HEIGHTS

1200 N. State St., #1014  
Los Angeles, CA 90033  
Fax: (833) 537-5529