

The Exchange

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Resources for local small businesses, nonprofits, and community groups.

NEW THIS MONTH



LOS ANGELES REGION Small Business SUMMIT

Join the County of Los Angeles, City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles Mayor's Office for a **free in-person** Small Business Summit on May 3rd from 9am to 2pm at the Los Angeles Trade Technical College.

Visit bit.ly/SBSummitLA.

Presented by the County and City of Los Angeles

department of economic opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SCAN QR CODE



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

More help is on the way!

LA County's Economic Opportunity Grant (EOG) Program will award **\$54 million** across **6,800 grants** for microbusinesses, small businesses, and non-profits.

PHASE ONE: Microbusinesses

Grants of \$2,500, funded by the State, will be available to microbusinesses with \$50,000 or less annual gross revenue in LA County

Apply Today



grants.lacounty.gov

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2

Marketing Fundamentals: Basic Training for Veteran-owned Businesses. [Register](#)

MAY 3

LA Region Small Business Summit. [Register](#)

MAY 8

Protecting Intellectual Property LA County Free Webinar. [Register](#)

MAY 9

Intro to Government Contracting. SBA Webinar. [Register](#)

MAY 15

Deadline to apply for Culver City Commissions, Boards, and Committees. [Apply](#)

MAY 17

Employment Law for Small Business Presentation and Free One-on-One legal consults. LA County & Public Counsel. [Register](#)

EPA WEBINARS

Intro to the Environmental Justice Index (EJI). Zoom workshops throughout the month of May. [Register](#)

Modernizing LA County's Public Workforce



The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) is excited to announce the release of the Los Angeles County America's Job Centers of California (AJCC) Modernization Request for Proposals (AJCC Modernization RFP).

This RFP seeks non-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, public agencies, social enterprises, public or private higher education institutions and/or similar organizations to administer services as an AJCC through the implementation of key modernization strategies and north star principles. [Visit here](#) to learn more!

Now Accepting Applications for Commissions, Boards, and Committees



GET INVOLVED!

Apply Now
through
May 15th at
5:00PM

The City Clerk's Office is currently accepting applications to fill upcoming vacancies for Culver City Commissions, Boards, and Committees.

Thirty-one (31) openings are available on the following bodies (*Denotes the 20 positions with incumbents, ^ denotes specific Youth position):

- **Advisory Committee on Housing and Homelessness** (2 Positions – Seat 5*, Seat 7)
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee** (3 Positions – 1 Resident Disability Representative*, 1 Resident 1*, 1 Resident 2)
- **Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles County West Vector and Vector-Borne Disease Control District** (1 Position*)
- **Civil Service Commission** (3 Positions – Seat 1*, Seat 4*, and Seat 5*)
- **Cultural Affairs Commission** (1 Position – Seat 4*)
- **Disability Advisory Committee** (4 Positions – Seat 3*, Seat 7, Seat 8*, and Seat 9*)
- **Equity and Human Relations Advisory Committee** (6 Positions – Seat 1*, Seat 3*, Seat 5*, Seat 7*, Youth Rep Seat 1^, and Labor Representative Seat 1)
- **Fiesta La Ballona Committee** (3 Positions – Seat 2, Seat 4, and Seat 5)
- **Landlord-Tenant Mediation Board** (3 Positions – Tenant Seat 4, Landlord Seat 4*, and Member-at-Large Seat 4*)
- **LAX Area Advisory Committee** (3 Positions*)
- **Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Commission** (1 Position – Seat 2)
- **Planning Commission** (1 Position – Seat 1)

Applications will be accepted by the City Clerk's Office through Monday, May 15, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

[Submit an Application Online](#)

Applications will be accepted online, by mail, or electronically via email to city_clerk@culvercity.org.

IMPORTANT DATES IF YOU APPLY:

June 5 Meet & Greet and CBC Interviews

June 13 Appointments for these openings are to be considered at the Regular City Council Meeting

June 29 Appointed Members must attend an Ethics/Brown Act (AB1234) Training

PERMANENT OUTDOOR DINING PROGRAM LISTENING SESSIONS



WE WILL TALK ABOUT:

- Community Feedback
- Program Overview
- Existing Regulations
- Resources

Los Angeles County wants to hear your input about the **Permanent Outdoor Dining Program**

Join us on any of the following dates:

April 13, 2023 – 9:00 am
April 20, 2023 – 3:00 pm
May 2, 2023 – 3:00 pm

Register at:

<https://bit.ly/LACoOutdoorDining>

NEW!



The new Foster and Probation Youth Benefits Eligibility Finder Is LIVE!

The Office of Child Protection (OCP) and its partners have launched a new electronic Benefits Eligibility Finder, which allows foster and probation youth in our County—and their families, caregivers, and social workers—to search a large online database of public benefits for which they may be eligible, depending on their age and circumstances. View the eligibility finder [here](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

UPCOMING DEADLINES

LA County Economic Opportunity Grants Program

Small businesses, micro businesses, and non-profits in LA county may qualify for financial relief through our Economic Opportunity Grants (EOG) program. EOG offers \$54+ million in grant awards, technical assistance, and other County services to help businesses recover, stabilize, and grow! Grants will be available over multiple rounds starting in January 2023. [Sign up today](#) for additional information and next steps!

The Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Grant Program

NEW!

The [PROTECT Program](#) aims to fund projects that improve the resilience of surface transportation systems, such as highways, public transportation, ports, and intercity passenger rail, in response to the climate crisis. The program, administered by the U.S. Department of Administration (USDOT), has a funding allocation of up to \$848 million for the fiscal years 2022 and 2023 available for:

- Planning Grants
- Resilience Improvement Grants
- Community Resilience and Evacuation Route Grants
- At-Risk Coastal Infrastructure Grants

Applications are due August 18, 2023. Register for an upcoming webinar on [May 8th](#) or [May 11th](#).

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

Build Back Better with LA County Contracting Opportunities

With resources from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), LA County is working to partner with community service providers and businesses that can help our communities recover. To learn about current solicitations and contracting opportunities, [visit here](#).

Thriving Communities Program | US Department of Transportation

This fall the DOT and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be issuing Notices of Funding Opportunities for organizations interested in providing technical and capacity building assistance. It is expected that states, local governments, nonprofits, and philanthropic entities will be eligible. [Learn more](#).

California Financing Coordinating Committee

The California Financing Coordinating Committee (CFCC) combines the resources of four State and two Federal funding agencies to provide a one-stop shop for available grants, loans and bond financing for infrastructure projects. Visit <https://www.cfcc.ca.gov/> to explore funding opportunities.

Become a City Vendor – Culver City

The City of Culver City welcomes the opportunity to foster business relationships with high-quality suppliers and service providers at the best value for our city. The Purchasing Division is responsible for the procurement of equipment, goods and services for all City departments, divisions and offices. To register: [Become a City Vendor - City of Culver City](#)

Procurement Division of The Department of General Services (DGS)

The Certification and Outreach Branch supports the State of California's small business (SB) and disabled veteran business enterprise (DVBE) firms through outreach, education, advocacy and certification services. This branch processes certification applications, addresses certification inquiries, conducts outreach to businesses, and

supports buyers throughout the state to work with SBs and DVBEs. Call 800-559-5529 or visit [Procurement Division \(ca.gov\)](#) to learn more.

Cal eProcure

The Cal eProcure system is the State of California's home for state procurement and certification programs. Through this system business owners can learn how to sell to the State, search bid opportunities, get certified as a Small Business (SB) or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBE), and find training and resources. [Visit Cal eProcure](#)

Small Business (SB) / Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Advocate Directory

The State of California agencies, boards, departments, and panels that have SB/DVBE Advocates can be found in the SB/DVBE Advocate Directory. The directory can help you find and connect with the advocate for the agency you would like to work with to learn more about their department's procurement needs and future contracting opportunities. ***Some agencies have chosen to have a SB/DVBE First Policy.* [Click here](#) to learn more about that designation. [Find Your SB/DVBE Advocate](#)

Division of Procurement and Contracts (DPAC) at the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Caltrans commits to an overall Small Business contracting goal of 25 percent and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise goal of 5 percent. Businesses interested in contracting opportunities with Caltrans can contact the Division of Procurement and Contracts for more information and visit the Department of General Services Cal eProcure program to obtain business certification. Call 916-227-6000 or visit [Procurement and Contracts \(DPAC\) | Caltrans](#).

TOOLS & SERVICES

Small Business Guidance

CalOSBA Small Business Centers

CA Office of the Small Business Advocate

Small business technical assistance centers in over 30 languages. No-cost one-on-one consulting and low-cost training services and programs. [More Info](#)

Free Legal Support for Small Business

LA County WDACS

Free legal aid and rent relief to small business owners affected by COVID-19. [Visit here](#) or call 1-866-375-9511 to learn more & determine eligibility.

Learn How to Contract with LA County

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)

Interested businesses can [visit here](#) to sign up for a tailored assessment by a Small Business Counselor.

Start a Business in Culver City

Information on the requirements to do business in Culver City. Connect with the Business Resource Center. [More Info](#)

DIR Small Business Portal

CA Dep. of Industrial Relations

Guidance on workplace laws. [Visit](#)

Sidewalk & Park Vendor Permit Program

Free workshops, webinars, and business counseling. [More Info](#)

Tax Services

Apply for Tax Exempt Status

CA Franchise Tax Board

Tools and guidance for charities and nonprofits seeking tax exemptions. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA City Office of Finance

Services, forms, tax education, and FAQs. [Visit](#)

Taxpayers' Rights Advocate

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

Assistance with rights violations in the audit or collection of taxes or fees. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA County Treasurer and Tax Collector

Pay property tax and apply for a business license. [Visit](#)

Tax Guide for Nonprofit Organizations

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

[Visit](#)

Helpful Tools

Charity Registration & Guidelines

Office of the Attorney General

Register a charity, submit annual disclosures, learn best practices, and review charitable giving laws. [Visit](#)

Let's Volunteer LA

A directory launched by Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti in partnership with Inspiring Services. Nonprofits in LA County can post their information and locals can find places they to volunteer. [Lets Volunteer LA](#)

EDD Employer Services Online

Payroll services, eWOTC, and SIDES E-Response. [Employer Services Online \(ca.gov\)](#)

Parklet Permits

Parklets are permanent installations to expand outdoor restaurant dining, create a customer waiting area, display art, or plant a garden. Culver City [Parklets - Culver City](#)
LA City [Parklets | \(lacity.org\)](#)

FOR MORE INFO & SERVICES



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