

# IN THE CAPITOL BRYAN'S BILLS

California's legislature is on recess until January 1, 2025 but there's still work to do. Our team is meeting with advocates, community leaders, and experts as we craft our next bill package.

We want to hear from you too. Keep an eye on your mailbox in the coming weeks for a survey from our office on the issues that most impact our community.

### IN THE DISTRICT

WHAT WF DID

- ✓ Talked innovation at the <u>WLAC Climate</u>
  <u>Action Palooza</u>
- √ Spent the day with community at <u>Taste of Soul</u>
- ✓ Stood in solidarity with <u>CVS workers</u> & <u>UC</u>
  <u>workers</u>
- √ Talked about systems of care at <u>Together We</u>
  <u>Thrive with JCOD</u>
- √ Toured SNN's new <u>Center for Autism</u>

### **Upcoming Events**

November is Native American Heritage, Family Literacy, & Alzheimer's Awareness Month

11/1 Día de Muertos

11/11 Veterans Day - County Holiday

11/20 Culver City State of the City Address with Mayor McMorrin (RSVP)

Adult 101: Gratitude for Mental Health @ Culver City Library (more info)

Career Center Orientation - CalJOBS Workshop (register)

Toddler Mommy Meet Up & DPSS Services by CinnaMoms (more info)

Celebrating Diversity at the Intersection of Art & Racial Justice (register)

11/22 Free Vaccine Clinic: Flu & COVID @ Culver City Library (<u>register</u>) & Marina del Rey Library <u>(register</u>)

11/24 Info Session - Dental/Orthodontic Assistance Program @ WLAC (learn more)

11/23 Virtual Program for New Parents: Learn About LA County Library Programs & Services (register)

11/28 Thanksgiving - County Holiday

11/29 County Holiday

# **Important Notices**

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTION - NO MATTER WHO IS PRESIDENT.

Everyone in the U.S., including undocumented immigrants, has fundamental rights under the Constitution, no matter who the president is. The National Immigration Law Center has developed a resource factsheet that guides you on how to assert these rights. For information, click the link below.

Todas las personas en los EE. UU., incluidos los inmigrantes indocumentados, tienen derechos fundamentales bajo la Constitución, sin importar quién sea el presidente. El National Immigration Law Center ha desarrollado una hoja informativa que te guía sobre cómo ejercer estos derechos. Para más información, haz clic en el botón de abajo.

Click to Learn Your Rights

### **WINTER SHELTER**

### **NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> TO MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**

Overnight shelter, meals, showers, and case management services

LAHSA's Winter Shelter Program (WSP) is now open throughout LA County from November 1 - March 31! The Winter Shelter Program is held annually to protect people experiencing homelessness during Los Angeles's colder months.

Winter Shelters are located all across the County, and will be operating 24 hours a day. For more information about the Winter Shelter Program, visit <a href="http://lahsa.org/winter-shelter">http://lahsa.org/winter-shelter</a> or call 211.

### **NEWS RELEASE**



313 North Figueroa Street, Room 806 | Los Angeles, CA 90012 | (213) 288-8144 | media@ph.lacounty.go

#### Updated Free COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines Now Available in Los Angeles County

Free vaccines available for uninsured and underinsured at many sites across the County

Free vaccines are available to uninsured and underinsured adults at many health care providers and health centers through the California <u>COVID-19 Bridge Access Program</u> and, while supplies last, through the <u>Public Health clinics</u>, <u>multi-service</u> <u>vaccination sites</u>, and mobile teams

Children who have Medi-CAL, are uninsured or underinsured, or American Indian or Alaska Native, can receive the newly updated COVID vaccine for free through the Vaccines for Children program. A list of these providers can also be found at bit.ly/VaccineForChildrenSites.



# **HELP FAMILIES CLAIM REFUNDS**

# JOIN THE EFFORT TO FIGHT POVERTY

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistant program is recruiting volunteers for the upcoming tax season. Learn a new skill while helping others. Free training is available.



### What is the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance?

The VITA program is an IRS-sponsored program that helps low-income families file basic tax returns with the help from trained and certified volunteers.

### How do I get Involved?

No experience is required and free training is available.

- · Sign-up online at freetaxorepla.org.
- · Attend an Information Session & ask questions.
- · Free training resources are available on the web.
- Access to free tax software and certification tests.
- Not all volunteers prepare taxes. Many volunteer positions are available.



#### INFO SESSIONS & TRAINING

First time volunteers should expect to train about 10-15 hours. All tests and tax software are provided for free.



#### **Get Certified**

All volunteers complete two short and simple tests: Standards of Conduct & Intake and Interviewing. Tax preparers may complete Basic or Advance level taxes. All tests are open book and support is available.



#### Let's Serve

Volunteering is easy. Visit freetaxprepla.org to select a date, time, location to reserve your spot. Don't wait - sign-up to volunteer early!

#### **GET IN TOUCH**

freetaxes@kvccla.org

freetaxprepla.org

(213) 365-7400 ext. 5204

# In the District













# ART & RACIAL JUSTICE



**Guillermo Alvarez** 



Eric "King Cre 8" Walker



**Brittney Price** 

WEDNESDAY, NOV 20 3:30 - 5:00 PM BALDWIN HILLS CRENSHAW MALL
THE BRIDGE

3650 West Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90008

Join us for a hands-on art activity, in partnership with LA Commons, as we explore the power of arts and culture in advancing racial justice.

Guided by talented artists Eric "King Cre 8" Walker, Guillermo Alvarez, and Brittney Price. This free event is open to all.

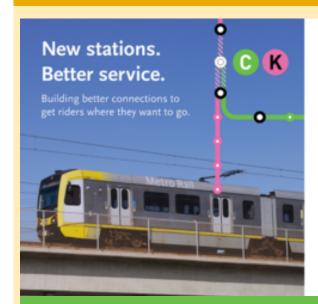
Come express yourself and connect with others.

All are welcomed - Registration required due to limited space

RSVP REQUIRED: bit.ly/RJLE-Nov-20



## In the District





On November 3, 2024, the new LAX/Metro Transit Center station opened at <u>Aviation/Century</u> providing faster, transfer-free rides between Expo/Crenshaw and Redondo Beach. The new center will also offer convenient and affordable access to Los Angeles World Airport.

For more information, visit <u>metro.net/cklines</u> or call 323-466-3876.



### Resources



Apply by Dec. 8th, 2024!

The Capital Fellows Programs are nationally recognized public policy fellowships which offer unique experiences in policy-making and development in each branch of California's state government.

Capital Fellows spend 10-11 months as paid, full time employees.

### **Learn More and Apply**

### Los Angeles County Community Action Board



### Join the CAB!

The Los Angeles County Community Action Board (CAB) invites you to join and represent the low-income and private sectors of your community. The CAB is a mandated advisory board under federal law that participates in the development of program priorities and advises on the implementation of various poverty programs funded with the County's CSBG allocation.

The CAB meets in-person every third Thursday of the month 1:00-2:30 PM. Individuals serve on the CAB on a volunteer basis and must be willing to attend monthly meetings without compensation.

Join the CAB & Make a Difference in YOUR Community! And Power Up your Resume.

Interested in joining the CAB, please contact:
Hugo Giron at (562) 908-6327, hugogiron@dpss.lacounty.gov
Laura Kotelyan at (562) 908-5838, laurakotelyan@dpss.lacounty.gov

For more information about the CAB & qualifications, please visit the CAB website at

https://dpss.lacounty.gov/en/community/csbg/cab.html

dpss.lacounty.gov







### **Become a Fellow**

# The California Climate Action Corps Fellowship

places a statewide force of emerging leaders with tribal



communities, nonprofits, public agencies and educational institutions to mobilize communities through volunteer engagement, climate action and education service projects. Fellows receive training, earn certifications, and build professional skills over an 11-month term, from September through August. Fellow projects focus on urban greening, organic waste and edible food recovery and wildfire resiliency.

#### **Benefits**

- Up to \$33,600 Living Allowance (before taxes).
- Combined \$10,000 <u>Segal</u>
   <u>Education Award</u> and California for All Education Award.
- Forbearance on existing qualifying student loans and payment of interest accrued during service.
- Health Insurance.
- Childcare assistance for qualifying Fellows, paid to an eligible provider of their choice.
- SNAP (Food Stamps) for those eligible.

Submit an Interest Form



### **NEW RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTION PROGRAM**

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health recently announced the launch of the <u>Rental Housing Habitability Program (RHHP)</u>. Starting in November, inspections will begin to all rental housing properties with two or more rental housing units, and tenant-occupied single-family homes in unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. RHHP aims to ensure rental units meet habitability standards, support property values, and provide safe living conditions.

The County's <u>Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA)</u> can support residents with information on tenant protections, rent registry, mediation, and rent stabilization, among other services.

# SoCalGas.

Cooler weather is here, and we SoCalGas has some tips and tools to help you conserve energy and save money.

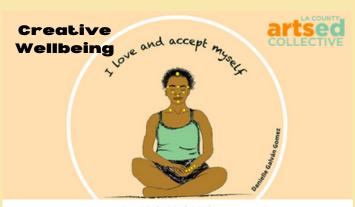
#### **Energy-Savings Tips for Customers:**

- Manage Your Heating Systems: Heating is often the largest energy expense
  for customers. When away from your home or business, adjust your thermostat
  by five to eight degrees, if health permits, to help save energy.
- Optimize Appliance Usage: Ensure your dryer runs efficiently by checking the
  ductwork for obstructions and cleaning the lint filter before every load. Dry full
  loads of laundry but avoid overloading or over-drying. Upgrading to energyefficient models can result in up to 20% savings.
- Install Energy-Saving Showerheads and Other Fixtures: By using less
  water, less natural gas will be used for heating. Consider installing fixtures such
  as low flow faucet aerators and tub spouts.
- 4. Test for Duct Air Leakage and Seal Leaks: Leaky ducts can lead to 10%-30% higher heating and cooling costs. Check for leaks in ductwork to help reduce energy expenses. Seal any leaks around windows and doors to retain heat and ensure proper insulation to reduce heating needs.
- Replace Furnace Filter(s): Replace your furnace filter(s) monthly during heating season or as often as the manufacturer recommends.

# SoCalGas offers programs and tools designed to help customers track, manage and save on their energy use and bills:

- The free <u>My Energy Profile</u> survey offers a energy analysis with personalized tips and info.
- SoCalGas Text Notices: Sign up to be notified when a 20% or more increase in the monthly natural gas commodity cost affecting part of your bill--from December 2024 through March 2025.
- Energy Savings Assistance Program
   provides no-cost energy-saving home
   improvements for income-qualified
   renters and homeowners.
- <u>CARE</u> is a statewide assistance program that provides a 20% discount on natural gas bills for qualifying low-income households.

For a limited time, through Nov. 30, 2024, residential and multifamily customers can get 50% more in rebates to purchase an eligible, qualifying energy-efficient appliance. No extra steps are needed; a customer's increased rebate will be automatically calculated. Eligibility requirements apply; see participating rebate programs' conditions for details.



Artwork by Danielle Galván Gomez.

#### **SELF & COMMUNITY CARE SESSIONS**

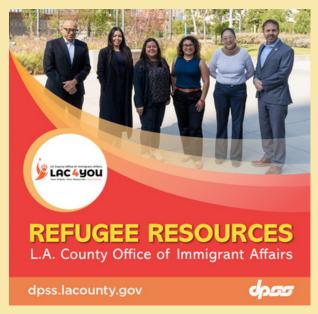
Wednesdays | 11AM - 12PM

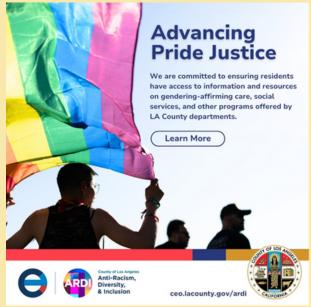
This self-and community-care series is a virtual space for all adults supporting young people in Los Angeles County to:

- take a break
- · explore creativity
- relieve stress
- · connect to your joy and purpose
- build community
- · support your own healing and wellbeing

LEARN MORE









### IN-PERSON: Cleaning Your Criminal Record: Where You Begin

Friday, November 22: : 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

A criminal record can prevent a person from accessing employment, housing, and other important opportunities — even if it involves a minor offense or something that happened long ago. Fortunately, many California state court criminal convictions can be cleaned from your record. Although "expungement" is not available in this state, California law does provide many of the same benefits through reduction and dismissal of old or minor convictions. In this class, learn what types of convictions are eligible, the process involved for different types of records, and resources available to help.

Reserve Your Spot



# Are you a California resident without access to health coverage?

You may qualify for the Community Health Care Program (CHCP). With CHCP, you'll receive high-quality health care and pay **no monthly premiums**, **no copays**, and **no out-of-pocket costs** for most care at Kaiser Permanente.

#### Do I qualify?

- You must be a California resident living in a Kaiser Permanente service area. You don't need to be a U.S. citizen to qualify.
- Your household income must be no more than 300% of the federal poverty level (for example, up to \$45,180 for a single person or \$93,600 for a family of 4 in 2024).
- You must not have access to other health coverage — including Medi-Cal, Medicare, a job-based health plan, or coverage through Covered California.

#### High-quality care at your fingertips



Choose your doctor - and change at any time



Virtual care with kp.org or the Kaiser Permanente app\*



Access self-care programs and resources online

### Need help with your application? visit or call:

Maternal and Child Health Access 1111 W. 6th St., 4th Fl., Ste. 400 Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213)749-4261

#### **Rising Communities**

4335 W. Adams Blvd Ste. 200 Los Angeles, CA 90018 (323) 295-9372

#### **Venice Family Clinic**

604 Rose Ave. Venice, CA 90291 (310) 664-7509

**Westside Family Health Center** 3861 Sepulveda Blvd

Culver City, CA 90230 (310) 450-4773 x 253

\*Please call the above organizations to set up an appointment\*



You can apply November 1 through January 31. Scan the QR code to get started. Or call **1-800-464-4000** (TTY **711**), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (closed major holidays).

Learn more at kp.org/chcp



<sup>\*</sup>To use the Kaiser Permanente app, you must be a member registered on kp.org.

All plans are offered and underwritten by Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc., One Kaiser Plaza, Oakland, CA 94612.



CalKIDS is a State of California program that offers up to \$1,500 in free money for eligible low-income public school students to save for college and career training.

Visit CalKIDS.org and review the CalKIDS Program Facts to check your eligibility.

Families may also call (888) 445-2377 for help with additional questions



Provide feedback on policies and programs that impact youth in L.A. County!

### TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

WIN is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that provides bilingual (English/Spanish) mental health therapy, intensive case management, community events, education and resources to families with young children (prenatal to five) facing adversity.

Our care provides families with positive experiences and support to heal together, build resilience, and prevent the transmission of intergenerational trauma.



### **OUR SERVICE AREAS**



### **GET IN TOUCH**



5601 W. Slauson Ave. Suite 220 Culver City, CA 90230

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# TURNAROUND ARTS: CALIFORNIA CELEBRATING A DECADE OF CREATIVITY & OPPORTUNITY

# OPEN CALL FOR NEW PARTNER SCHOOLS

Founded in 2014 by renowned architect Frank Gehry and arts education advocate Malissa Shriver, Turnaround Arts: California is a nonprofit organization that helps California's public schools integrate the arts into the classroom and beyond.

### WHAT WE OFFER

- · 1:1 principal leadership coaching
- Small group coaching for Arts Leadership Team
- · Professional development workshops and series
- · Direct financial grants for arts programs
- Membership in the greater Turnaround Arts Network of 650+ fellow educators

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- · Public elementary or middle schools
- Schools with 75% or greater student population who qualify for free or reduced price lunch

### DOES THIS DESCRIBE YOU?



Do you believe the arts are key to the creation of thriving schools?



Do you and your team model a growth mindset?



Do you lead with a sense of urgency and commitment to equity?



Are you seeking new ways to use the arts in teaching, learning, culture, climate, and family engagement?

### **FREE WEBINARS**

Join us for an optional webinar to learn more about the partnership program and application process.



Wednesday, November 20th from 4:00 - 5:00 PM PT



Monday, January 6th from 4:00 - 5:00 PM PT

For more details & to register, visit: https://tinyurl.com/TACAInfoWebinar



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