

The Exchange

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



NEW THIS MONTH

SIDEWALK VENDING REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES



The Los Angeles County Sidewalk Vending Program is here to support and advance permitted sidewalk vending within unincorporated areas. This program provides a pathway for micro-entrepreneurs and small businesses into a newly legalized open-air economy, offering economic opportunities for vendors, as well as conditions for better public health, safety, and well-being for all vendors, brick-and-mortar businesses, and communities.

Per the [Sidewalk Vending Ordinance](#), all sidewalk vendors – both stationary and roaming – are required to register with Los Angeles County's Department of Economic Opportunity for a Sidewalk Vending Registration Certificate (SVRC). The SVRC applications are now live to the public. To learn more about the program, sign up for 1-on-1 assistance, and register to attend upcoming informational workshops, click [here](#).

Department of Arts & Culture

Grants Season is Here!

If you're a nonprofit organization looking to support your arts programming, the following grants are now accepting applications.

For additional information, click [here](#)



Applications Open:

August 27, 2024 - Organizational Grant Program (OGP) & Community Impact Arts Grant (CIAG)

September 10, 2024 - Arts Internship Program

LA County
**ARTS &
CULTURE**

Upcoming Events

SEP 15

Deadline to apply for Legacy Business Recovery Grant. [Apply](#)

SEP 16

Intro to Cybersecurity. SBA Webinar. [Register](#)

SEP 17

Sales & Use Tax for Nonprofit Orgs. CDFA Webinar. [Register](#)

SEP 18

Organizational Grant Program (OGP) Application Workshop. LA County Arts Virtual Event. [Register](#)

SEP 19

Cal-HBCU Transfer Grant Webinar. [Register](#)

School District Arts Coordinator Network Convenings. LA County Arts Education Collective . Virtual Meeting. [Register](#)

SEP 30

Deadline to complete LA County Rent Registry for Landlords. [Complete Registration](#)

Join LA County's Office of Small Business team every 3rd Thursday of the month for training, updates on programs, resources, etc. [Register](#)

Webinar: Cal-HBCU Transfer Grant

Join us for a webinar to learn about this new grant!

SEPTEMBER 19, 10-11AM

Learn about our **new** Cal-HBCU Transfer Grant that awards eligible students that transfer to Historically Black Colleges & Universities **up to \$5,000!**

Register online at
castudentaid.org/4ds5LA0!



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Culver City Proposes Restrictions to Reduce Plastics and Trash Pollutants in Ballona Creek

The City of Culver City is exploring proposals to enhance current plastic restrictions and ban common trash pollutants found during Ballona Creek cleanups. In addition, the City is considering banning the usage of astroturf. The proposed bans include:

- Sale and Usage of Single-use Plastic Beverage Bottles
- Sale and Usage of Single-use Plastic Carry Out Bags
- Sale and Usage of Balloons
- Citywide Outdoor Smoking
- Usage of Astroturf



Your Input Matters

To ensure these proposed restrictions are fair and effective, the City is conducting targeted outreach to residents, businesses and commercial entities that may be affected by these bans. We aim to understand residential consumer behaviors and the potential financial implications and hardships these measures could cause to businesses and the City. We also want to gauge the community interest with the positive impacts to our community if these restrictions are enacted.

Please click on the survey link to submit your feedback on these proposed bans. The data we collect will help us shape a cleaner, more sustainable Culver City. The survey will be limited to one response per user.

[Take Online Survey](#)



The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery



\$750,000 Available for Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program

CalRecycle is pleased to announce that the Tire-Derived Aggregate is open for applications.

Grant applications are due December 5, 2024.

[Grant Webpage](#)

MOBILE IMMIGRATION SERVICES PROGRAM

Funding Opportunity



This grant program aims to make direct investments to provide mobile legal support and case management services to at-risk groups. [Learn more at cnmsocal.org](https://cnmsocal.org).

Register your property by Sep. 30th to avoid late fees!

RENT REGISTRY 101: STEP-BY-STEP WORKSHOP FOR LANDLORDS

Need help registering your rental property with the LA County Rent Registry?

DCBA's Rent Stabilization Program is hosting a series of free workshops for landlords with rental properties in unincorporated LA County to walk you through the registration process.

MORE INFO/RSVP

Reserve your spot now - space is limited!
bit.ly/RentRegistryLandlordWorkshops

Learn more at
rent.lacounty.gov



LOS ANGELES COUNTY
CONSUMER &
BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Request for Applications

Up to \$3.3 billion is available to expand behavioral health infrastructure across CA

Apply: bit.ly/BHCIP-RFA



The application deadline is December 13, 2024.

ATTENTION RETAILERS: ARE YOU READY FOR EBT CHIP TAP CARDS?

NEW EBT Chip Tap cards with enhanced security features are COMING SOON!

That means UPGRADING your ATM/POS payment devices **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to accept Chip EMV/Tap transactions and to keep redeeming EBT cash and food benefits through your networks.

Get the facts at
www.fns.usda.gov/snap/ebt/modernization
and GET READY.



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department of economic
opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

dpss.lacounty.gov



\$3 Million Available for Beverage Container Recycling Grant Program

CalRecycle is pleased to announce that the Beverage Container Recycling Grant Program is open for applications.

Grant applications are due September 24, 2024.

[Grant Webpage](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

Upcoming Deadlines

Legacy Business Recovery Grant

This grant program offers financial assistance to qualified legacy businesses (in operation 20+ years) affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Businesses may be eligible to receive grants for up to \$20,000 for operating expenses such as payroll, lease payments, insurance and inventory. Application deadline is September 15, 2024. [Apply Now](#)

Implementing Nutrition Security Screening in Clinical Settings

This funding opportunity will provide two clinical partners with \$25,000 to design and implement a nutrition and food insecurity screening and referral system. Funded sites will partner with the Center for Nutrition & Health Impact (CNHI). This initiative is being led by CNHI with support from the American Heart Association (AHA). Applications due by September 20, 2024. [Learn More](#)

Mobile Immigration Services Program

The Mobile Legal & Case Management Services for Unhoused Immigrants Grant Program ("Mobile Immigration Services Program") aims to make direct investments in community organizations to provide mobile legal support and case management services to newcomers and long-term immigrants in the emergency shelter and transitional housing system and other immigrants at risk of homelessness throughout Los Angeles County. CNM will administer the implementation of this grant program. Applications due September 23, 2024. [Learn More](#)

Beverage Container Recycling Grant Program

CalRecycle is issuing up to \$1,500,000 annually in the form of grants for beverage container recycling and litter reduction programs to promote increased recycling of beverage containers throughout California. Applications due September 24, 2024. [Learn More](#)

2024 CalAgPlate Grant Program

The California Department of Food and Agriculture provides grant funds that promote agricultural education and leadership activities for students at K-12, post-secondary, and adult education levels. Grant proposals due September 25, 2024. [Learn More](#)

Reconnecting Communities Grant Pilot Program

This initiative offers grants for capital construction and community planning projects aimed at improving access to essential services, fostering equitable development, and addressing local transportation challenges. Applications due September 30, 2024. [Learn more](#)

HFFI's Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund

The HFFI FARE Fund could assist a variety of organizations, business models, and capital needs of ventures that process, distribute, aggregate, market, and sell healthy, fresh, and affordable foods to underserved communities and markets. Funding Inquiry Forms must be received by October 14, 2024. [Learn More](#)

2025 California Nutrition Incentive Program (CNIP)

CDFA is seeking project proposals from qualified entities to distribute nutrition incentives to CalFresh shoppers using their benefits to purchase California-grown fresh fruits and vegetables at authorized Certified Farmers' Markets, farm stands, and small business. Applications due October 11, 2024. [Learn More](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd

Upcoming Deadlines Cont'd

EPA Community Change Grants

Approximately \$2 billion dollars in Inflation Reduction Act funds have been announced in environmental and climate justice activities to benefit disadvantaged communities through projects that reduce pollution, increase community climate resilience, and build community capacity to address environmental and climate justice challenges. Deadline to apply is November 21, 2024. [Learn More](#)



Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program

CalRecycle administers a program to provide opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products. The Tire-Derived Aggregate (TDA) Grant Program (Program) provides assistance for solving a variety of engineering challenges. TDA, which is produced from shredded tires, is lightweight, free-draining, and a less expensive alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates. Applications due December 5, 2024. [Learn More](#)



DHCS Behavioral Health Infrastructure Grants

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) announced the release of the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Bond Act of 2024 to construct, acquire and rehabilitate real estate assets or to invest in mobile crisis infrastructure to expand the community continuum of behavioral health treatment resources. The application deadline is December 13, 2024. [Learn More](#)

Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project

Get in on base vehicle price breaks from \$20,000 to \$240,000, depending on the vehicle you purchase. Whether you operate one vehicle or hundreds, HVIP dealers are ready to work with you. Individual owner-operators, small businesses, corporate leaders, school districts, and municipal fleets are all eligible. The medium and heavy-duty vehicle market is transforming. HVIP's streamlined approach means you see the discount immediately at the point of sale. In most cases, no scrappage and first come, first served. [Learn More](#)

California Cultural and Historical Endowment Museum Grant

California Cultural and Historical Endowment's Museum Grant Program is intended to solicit proposals for program projects, small capital projects, or a combination of program and capital projects that assist and enhance museums that are deeply rooted in, and reflective of, previously underserved communities and have been severely affected by COVID-19. [Learn More](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd

Ongoing Opportunities

LA County Economic Opportunity Grants Program

Microbusinesses (under \$50,000 in revenue) in LA county may qualify for financial relief through the Economic Opportunity Grants (EOG) program. [Sign up today](#) for additional information and next steps!

U.S. DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

The [DOT Navigator](#) is a resource to help communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services.

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

Become a City Vendor – Culver City

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](#)

Procurement Division of The Department of General Services (DGS)

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 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](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd

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. Interested businesses can call 916-227-6000 or visit [Procurement and Contracts \(DPAC\) | Caltrans](#).

Sony Corporation of America Grants

Sony Corporation of America and its operating companies offer funding to programs that support education and creative, artistic, technical, and scientific skills that are necessary for tomorrow's workforce. The company welcomes requests for support throughout the year. [Learn More](#)

TOOLS & SERVICES

Small Business Services

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](#)

L.A. Business Portal

Los Angeles County
Info and tools to plan, start, and manage a business. [Visit](#)

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.

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

Online Taxpayer Services

LA City Office of Finance
Services, forms, tax education, and FAQs. [Visit](#)

Tax Guide for Nonprofit Organizations

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration
[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](#)

Helpful Tools

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 | \(lacity.org\)](#)

EDD Employer Services Online

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

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](#)

LA Law Library

Self-help resources, legal research, free consultations, classes, & events. Free and low-cost. Main library located Downtown. [lalawlibrary.org/](#)

DIR Small Business Portal

CA Dep. of Industrial Relations
Guidance on workplace laws. [Visit](#)

California Grants Portal

CA State Library
One destination to find all grants and loans offered on a competitive or first-come basis by California state agencies. [Visit](#)

Free Training & Educational Resources

Technical Assistance Program (TAP)

PG&E and Community Partners

Free online classes for small businesses on a variety of topics including supply chains, crisis messaging, cybersecurity, and more. [More Info](#)

Start a Business in Culver City

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

Strategic Partnership Program (SPP)

Clark Construction and Community Partners

Free executive education program for minority-, women-, and veteran-owned firms working in construction, engineering, and architecture. [More Info](#)

Sidewalk & Park Vendor Permit Program

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

Charity Registration & Guidelines

Office of the Attorney General

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

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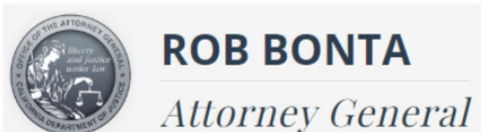
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