



# COUNTY-SPONSORED PROPOSALS

2021

## COUNTY-SPONSORED BUDGET PROPOSAL

**LAC + USC Restorative Care Village and General Hospital** – This proposal would provide \$500.0 million over multiple fiscal years for the County's reuse initiatives at the LAC + USC Medical Center Campus, with appropriations of \$70.0 million for the Restorative Care Village and \$70.0 million for the adaptive reuse of the General Hospital building in Fiscal Year 2021-22. The Restorative Care Village would care for the County's most vulnerable populations by providing a full continuum of services, including a respite and recovery center, housing, full-scope psychiatric facility, and supportive services. The adaptive reuse of the General Hospital would provide low-income housing and community services.

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**Medi-Cal Peer Support** – This proposal would provide \$4.7 million in FY 2021-22 to begin the implementation of the Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Program, as created by County co-sponsored SB 803 (Chapter 150, Statutes of 2020). This proposal is co-sponsored by the California Association of Mental Health Peer Run Organizations, County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California, and the Steinberg Institute.

## COUNTY-SPONSORED LEGISLATION

**AB 634 (Carrillo): Affordability Covenants on Housing** – This measure would allow local governments to extend the affordability term for future housing units created under both local and State housing programs beyond 55 years. This authority would result in longer term affordability on new housing developments and ensure that communities are able to increase and preserve their affordable housing stock for the long term.

**AB 712 (Calderon): Increase the Delegated Authority for Contract Change Orders** – This bill would increase the delegated authority to execute large-scale public works capital projects, county highways, county bridges, county waterworks, and Los Angeles County Flood Control District contract change orders by updating the maximum amounts established in 2010 and 2011 to 2021 dollars. Allowing higher change order authority thresholds would help counties to expedite project delivery for large capital and infrastructure projects and prevent significant delays and project cost increases.



**AB 1043 (L. Rivas): Define People At-Risk of Homelessness** – This proposal would add a definition of People At-Risk of Homelessness to State Housing Law as 15 percent of Area Median Income (AMI) or lower. This would allow local governments or the State to require that: 1) subsidized housing projects set aside units reserved for persons or families below 15 percent of the AMI; and 2) replacement units in a subsidized housing project be made available at affordable rent or affordable housing cost to persons or families at or below 15 percent AMI.

**AB 1203 (Burke): Assessment Appeals Board (AAB) Appointments** – This proposal would expand the list of potential candidates for AAB appointments by including those with equivalent professional real estate experience, and allow a county board of supervisors to reduce the three-year waiting requirement for individuals who have worked in an assessor's office before being appointed to an AAB to no less than one year.

**AB 1546 (Chau): City of Alhambra/Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) Elections** – This measure would create a special exception to permit the City of Alhambra and the AUSD to conduct a special election on any established election date as specified in Elections Code, thereby enabling the AUSD to proceed with its transition from at-large to by-trustee-area elections for members of the board of education consistent with the Elections and Education Code requirements.

**SB 796 (Bradford): Bruce's Beach** – This measure would remove statutory restrictions on the transference and use of Bruce's Beach to enable the County to transfer that land to the living descendants of its rightful owners, the late Charles and Willa Bruce.

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**AB 71 (Rivas): Bring California Home** — This measure would provide \$2.4 billion annually to enact a comprehensive, statewide homelessness strategy to achieve significant reductions in homelessness in California through prevention, interim housing, permanent housing, and services. This proposal would provide a critically needed dedicated, ongoing source of revenue to respond to long-term homelessness and the worsening housing crisis that we anticipate will grow to catastrophic proportions across the County and the State. The County is co-sponsoring this proposal as part of a coalition of homelessness advocates, local governments, nonprofits, affordable housing providers, and grassroots community organizations.

**AB 480 (Carrillo): Expand Certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPA) Authority to Take Action Against Facilities that Endanger Public Health and Safety** – This bill would expand CUPA



authority to take immediate action against hazardous material businesses that pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health and safety. This critical change will ensure that local entities, including Los Angeles County's Fire Department, have the authority to protect our community and constituents against hazardous threats. The County is co-sponsoring this proposal with California Association of Environmental Health Administrators (CAEHA).

**AB 988 (Bauer-Kahan): Miles Hall Lifeline Act** — This measure would establish the 988 Suicide and Prevention Crisis Hotline Center as an alternative to 911 to connect callers with trained counselors and dispatch mobile crisis support teams. This proposal is co-sponsored by the Steinberg Institute, Kennedy Forum, Contra Costa County, National Association of Mental Illness of Contra Costa County, and the Miles Hall Foundation.

**SB 317 (Stern): Good Time Work Credits and Diversion for Incompetent Defendants** – This proposal would: 1) allow a defendant, who spends pre-trial custody time in a State hospital or program, to be eligible for Good Time Work Credits; and 2) allow individuals charged with misdemeanors, who are found incompetent to stand trial, to be diverted into treatment programs or be referred for conservatorships. These statutory allowances would support the County's "Care First, Jail Last" mission, which is advancing justice, health, and social services programs aimed at further reducing incarceration. The County is co-sponsoring this proposal with the California Public Defenders Association.

**SB 461 (Cortese): Unfair Competition Law Enforcement** – This proposal would authorize civil actions under the Unfair Competition Law (UCL) to be filed by county counsels in counties with a city having a population greater than 750,000, which includes the counties of Los Angeles, Santa Clara, and San Diego. The County is co-sponsoring this measure with the County of Santa Clara.

### **COUNTY-SPONSORED RESOLUTION**

**Renaming the Christopher Columbus Transcontinental Highway** - This proposal would remove and replace the I-10 freeway's designation as the Christopher Columbus Transcontinental Highway, a critical step to removing false narratives and uplifting the region's true histories.

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