



Los Angeles County

Legislative Update

September 16, 2022

Greetings,

Below is an update on Federal and State legislative items of interest to the County of Los Angeles.



COUNTY ADVOCACY POSITIONS

- FUNDING TO COMBAT COVID-19 AND MONKEYPOX

Send a five-signature letter to President Biden, Senate Majority Leader Schumer, Senate Minority Leader McConnell, House Speaker Pelosi and House Minority Leader McCarthy, with a copy to the Senate and House Appropriations Committee Chairs and Ranking Members, and the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation, urging them to work with urgency and expediency to pass a Continuing Resolution that provides \$22.4 billion in additional COVID-19 relief funding, as well as \$3.9 billion to combat the Monkeypox outbreak. More details regarding this motion can be found [here](#).

- ESTABLISHING A COUNTYWIDE RV ENCAMPMENT PILOT PROGRAM

Secure State and Federal dollars for the 36-month RV encampment pilot program by advocating through the annual State and Federal budget processes and applying for existing State and Federal grant opportunities created to support such programs including the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's 2022 Special Notice of Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness, which is being coordinated locally by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, as well as Congress' Congressionally Directed Spending Requests. More details regarding this new policy are available [here](#).

- **ENHANCING GUN REGULATION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

Advocate in support of Federal and State Legislation that would prohibit persons who are on the United States Federal Bureau of Investigations' No Fly List from purchasing or possessing a firearm. More details regarding this motion can be found [here](#).

- **USE OF MODIFIED HYDROFLUORIC ACID AT REFINERIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY**

Send a five-signature letter to the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Michael S. Regan and send a copy to President Biden, urging the proposed Risk Management Program regulations to be strengthened to prevent a catastrophic Modified Hydrofluoric Acid and/or Hydrofluoric Acid (MHF/HF) release; specifically, that the US EPA require a third-party review of industry-conducted Safer Technologies and Alternatives Analysis, and require conversion from MHF/HF to safer alternative technologies with all due haste. More details regarding this new policy are available [here](#).

- **EMERGENCY MOBILITY OPTIONS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY**

Advocate in support of Federal and State funding and appropriations requests for congestion relief and climate resiliency projects along The Old Road. More details regarding this new policy are available [here](#).

STATE ADVOCACY

In addition, the County is advocating on the following proposals:

- **SUPPORT SB 774 (HERTZBERG) - EMOTIONAL SUPPORT DOGS**

This bill would modify AB 468 from 2021 to exempt individuals who are verified to be homeless from the requirement of needing to have a 30-day existing relationship with a health care practitioner before being able to obtain a certification for an emotional support dog. Additional details available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SB 1076 (ARCHULETA) - LEAD-BASED PAINT**

This bill would require the California Department of Public Health to review and amend its regulations governing lead-related construction work, including training and certification for workers and accreditation for trainers in lead-safe work practices to comply with existing state regulations and with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Lead Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule. More details regarding this motion can be found [here](#).



2022 GREATER LOS ANGELES HOMELESS COUNT RESULTS

Last week the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), a joint powers authority of the city and county of Los Angeles, released the results of the 2022 Homeless Count. The results of the point-in-time count, conducted over three nights in February, estimated that 69,144 people were experiencing homelessness in LA County at that time, a 4.1% rise from 2020, and 41,980 people were experiencing homelessness in the City of LA, up 1.7% from 2020. (A count was not conducted in 2021 due to the COVID pandemic.)

To view the press release, slide deck, presentation or data summaries, click [here](#).

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