



# Los Angeles County Legislative Update

November 4, 2022

#### Greetings,

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



### COUNTY ADVOCACY POSITIONS

On October 18, 2022 and November 1, 2022, the Board of Supervisors took action on the following measures:

#### SUPPORTING WOMEN AND GIRLS IN IRAN

Send a five-signature letter to President Joseph R. Biden and U.S. Secretary of State Anthony to: proclaim Los Angeles County's support of women's rights in Iran and for Iranians protesting for women's rights and freedom abroad and here in the United States; commend the BidenAdministration's actions including sanctions on Iran's morality police and senior securityand government officials; and express the County's opposition of the

## VETDAYLA 2022 OPEN HOUSE

The Los Angeles County Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (MVA) will host VetDayLA, a day of information, food and fun for veterans, reserves, national guard, and caregivers. In honor of Native American Heritage Month, MVA will honor the many Native Americans who have served in the US Armed Forces.

Saturday, November 5, 2022 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bob Hope Patriotic Hall 1816 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, 90015

State-imposed internet restrictions and call for lifting the restrictions to restore and expand internet access in Iran. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### <u>REAFFIRMING SET ROTATION FOR CHAIR PRO TEM OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</u>

Supervisor Janice Hahn was nominated and approved to serve as the Chair of the Board, effective 12:00 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2022. Additionally, the next Supervisor for the Third Supervisorial District was approved to serve as the Chair Pro Tem. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### SUPPORT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE CALI LAKE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE RESORT

Send a five-signature letter to Governor Gavin Newsom and the California Department of Housing and Community Development to request that the State establish a different "draw down" timeline for the Cali Lake RV resort, which would enable the County to develop the aforementioned homeless and housing options; and to inquire about any surplus RVs less than 10 years old to utilize as replacements for individuals residing in RVs older than 10 years... More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here.</u>

#### <u>SUPPORTING RESIDENTS WITH STUDENT LOAN DEBT RELIEF</u>

Send a letter to President Biden and the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) Secretary Cardona commending the Administration on its three-part plan delivering on the President's promise to cancel student debt for low- to middle-income borrowers; and supporting the U.S. DOE's proposals to institute a new income-driven repayment plan for student loans, fix the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program, increase the maximum Pell Grant, and make community college free. Additionally, commend Governor Newsom, Senate President Pro Tem Toni Atkins and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon for their commitment, and support legislation, if needed, to ensure that the student debt loan relief recovered by Californians is not taxed. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### <u>SUPPORTING CHANGES TO THE FEDERAL E-RATE PROGRAM TO ACCELERATE DIGITAL EQUITY</u>

Advocate for changes and/or waivers to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) cost allocation rules for the Federal Universal Services Schools and Libraries (E-Rate) Program that would enable schools and libraries to serve as neighborhood hubs for community broadband networks using E-Rate-eligible services. Additionally, send a five-signature letter to FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel, and Commissioners Geoffrey Starks, Brendan, and Nathan Simington, with a copy to the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, urging them to consider an order to allow sharing of E-Rate funded networks and services with surrounding, off-campus communities as an eligible use. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### <u>ASSISTING HEAT VULNERABLE TENANTS AND WORKERS IN HIGH-RISK WORKPLACES </u>

Send a five-signature letter to Cal/OSHA Chief Jeff Killip, with a copy to Senate President Pro Tem Atkins and Assembly Speaker Rendon, in support of establishing Statewide safe maximum indoor temperature threshold standards for residential units and workplace settings, and requiring covered employers to develop and implement a comprehensive workplace excessive heat prevention plan to protect covered employees from excessive heat that may lead to heat-related injuries and illnesses. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### SUPPORTING VETERANS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

The Board voted to recognize November 11, 2022, as "Veterans Day" in Los Angeles County and reaffirmed the County's continued support of our nation's veterans and service members. Additionally, they adopted a resolution declaring the County's participation in the National Association of Counties' Operation Green Light public awareness campaign from November 7 through November 13, 2022. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### <u>SUPPORT FOR PROPOSITION 1: CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM</u>

Proclaim support for Proposition 1: Constitutional Right to Reproductive Freedom, which would amend the California Constitution to specify that the State cannot deny or interfere with a person's reproductive freedom, extending to their fundamental right to an abortion and contraception. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### • <u>"NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" AND ADOPTING THE COUNTYWIDE LAND</u> <u>ACKNOWLEDGMENT</u>

The Board voted to proclaim November 2022 as "Native American Heritage Month" throughout Los Angeles County and adopt language to be used as a formal Land Acknowledgment for the County. More details regarding this motion can be found <u>here</u>.

#### FEDERAL ADVOCACY

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

<u>SUPPORT H.R. 2193 (CHU) / S. 1068 (BROWN) - ASUNCION VALDIVIA HEAT ILLNESS AND FATALITY PREVENTION ACT</u>

This measure would require the Department of Labor to promulgate an occupational safety or health standard on prevention of exposure to excessive heat. More details regarding the County's position can be found <u>here</u>.

#### <u>SUPPORT H.R. 8876 (DAVIS) - THE JACKIE WALORSKI MATERNAL AND CHILD HOME VISITING</u> <u>REAUTHORIZATION ACT</u>

This measure would reauthorize the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program and increase federal investment over five years. More details regarding the County's position can be found <u>here</u>.

# **RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK**

The <u>Veteran Peer Access Network (VPAN</u>), led by veterans for veterans, connects County departments, non-profits, the VA and LA. City Programs. VPAN serves all Veterans and MilVet family members, regardless of time-in-service, discharge status or disability rating.

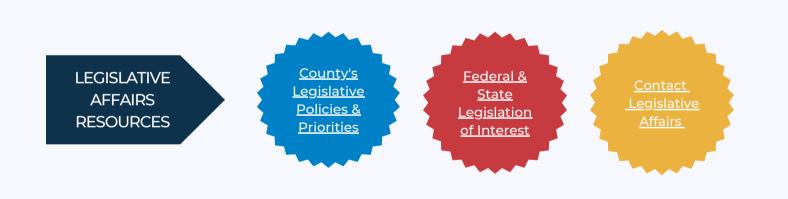


To connect with VPAN, please call the Veteran Support Line at (800) 854-7771, \*3 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m., 7 days a week), visit one of the <u>Rally Points throughout LA. County</u> or email veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov.



- COVID-19 The Points of Dispensing (PODs) Site Services document has been updated. Please share this resource for COVID vaccination, test kits, test-to-treat, mental health, Nurse Family Partnership, and food pick-up services. Location, days, and hours for the sites offering these services are listed. <u>English Spanish</u>
- Fight the Flu The best way to prevent seasonal flu is to get vaccinated each year. For more information on where to get vaccinated, or for resources/toolkits to share with your constituents, click <u>here</u>.
- Monkeypox For the latest information on monkeypox including general information, testing, treatment, and vaccines, call (833) 540-0473, or click <u>here</u>.

Public Health Vaccine Homepage



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