



Los Angeles County Legislative Update

March 10, 2023

Greetings,

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



COUNTY ADVOCACY ACTIONS

On March 3, 2023, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Tuesday, March 21st, at 9:30 a.m.

- **LOCAL LAND USE AUTHORITY ON WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES**

Send a five-signature letter to the Federal Communications Commission requesting that they, among other things, address transparency, regulations and oversight. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SENATE BILL (S.) 173 ETHAN'S LAW: SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS**

Support S. 173 (Blumenthal), which would create federal requirements for safe gun storage and establish strong penalties for any violations. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT FOR H.R. 1201 (NAPOLITANO) - INCREASING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT ACT**

Send a five-signature letter in strong support of H.R. 1201 (Napolitano), to Representative Grace Napolitano, and the Chairs and Ranking Members of the House Energy and Commerce Committee and Senate Finance Committee, with a copy to the Los Angeles County's Congressional Delegation, and advocate for the passage of this bill, or similar legislation that would repeal or ease the Medicaid Institutions for Mental Disease (IMD) Exclusion. Additionally, advocate that the State and Federal governments use all available authorities and flexibilities, including administrative actions, and regulatory actions or waivers to repeal or ease the Medicaid IMD Exclusion. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORTING LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE LANTERMAN-PETRIS-SHORT ACT**

Support legislative efforts like Senate Bill (SB) 43 (Eggman) and SB 232 (Niello), legislation which would expand the definition of “gravely disabled” to also include, a “condition that will result in substantial risk of serious harm to the physical or mental health of a person due to a mental health disorder or a substance use disorder,” and “serious harm” for purposes of these provisions to mean “significant deterioration, debilitation, or illness due to a person’s inability to carry out specified tasks, including among other things, attend to needed personal or medical care and attend to self-protection or personal safety.” Additionally, advocate for funding to support increased services including funding for the Office of the Public Guardian. More information on this motion can be found here.

STATE UPDATE - BUDGET



Following the release of Governor Gavin Newsom's Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 Proposed Budget, the Legislature is holding budget hearings to address critical issues prior to the June 15th budget adoption deadline. The County is advocating on the following proposals included in the Governor's Proposed Budget:

CHILD SUPPORT

- **LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY (LCSA) ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOCATION**

Support the proposed \$35.8 million funding augmentation to the LCSA Administrative Allocation and continue to advocate for full funding for the third year of the three-year phased-in augmentation related to the 2018 level-of-effort study.

PUBLIC HEALTH

- **OPIOID AND FENTANYL RESPONSE**

Support the proposal for youth- and fentanyl-focused investments, including \$93 million in Opioid Settlement Funds over four years beginning in FY 2023-24, and \$3.5 million ongoing Proposition 98 State General Fund.

- **DESIGNATED STATE HEALTH PROGRAM AND RATE INCREASES**

Support the Designated State Health Program and Rate Increases proposal, which includes a total savings of \$646.4 million (FY 2022-23 through FY 2026-27) from the anticipated federal reauthorization of Designated State Health Program funding to cover the costs of the Providing Access and Transforming Health (PATH) and CalAIM Justice Initiatives. It also includes \$22.7 million in FY 2023-24 and \$57.1 million ongoing for primary care and obstetric care provider increases.

- **PARTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE REDUCTIONS**

Oppose the proposed reductions of \$49.8 million over four years for public health workforce funding.

- **CLIMATE AND HEALTH RESILIENCE PLANNING**

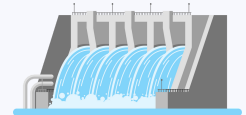
Oppose the proposed \$25 million reduction in climate and health resiliency planning grants.

- **REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES TITIS WAIVER**

Support the reproductive health services grant program proposal of \$200 million in FY 2024-25.

- **COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS PROGRAM**

Oppose the proposed funding delay of \$130 million in FY 2023-24 for the California 25x25 Initiative (Community Health Worker Initiative Grants).



WATER RESOURCES

- **DAM SAFETY AND FLOOD MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

Support the proposed Budget Trailer Bill Language that would, upon appropriation, establish the Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Local Assistance Grant Program in the State Department of Water Resources, and seek amendments to allow for additional one-time projects that provide both flood protection and water conservation.

Additional details regarding the State Budget pursuits listed above, are available [here](#).

Bill Spotlight

AB 875 (Gabriel) - Tracking Unlawful Detainer Data to Improve Eviction Prevention Services

The County of Los Angeles is proud to sponsor Assembly Bill (AB) 875 (Gabriel), which would direct trial courts to provide the Judicial Council with specified anonymous data on unlawful detainer (UD) cases and require total numbers for cases filed, as well as additional disaggregated data on case outcomes, by ZIP Code.



Currently, the 58 county superior courts report aggregated UD case outcomes to the Judicial Council of California; however reporting is inconsistent, and in a few instances, not made public. As such, little is known about how landlords and tenants fare at court statewide. AB 875 would help to address gaps and inconsistencies within eviction-related data across the State, show the full scope of the eviction landscape; and enhance the budgeting, planning, and implementation of eviction prevention and defense programs across the State.

More specific data about cases and the case outcomes will shed light on displacement trends in local communities. Improving and requiring access to UD data will help keep vulnerable people in their homes and help reduce inflows into homelessness. AB 875 has been referred to the Assembly Judiciary Committee.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SESSIONS CANNABIS EQUITY PROGRAM



LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF
**CANNABIS
MANAGEMENT**

The LA County Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) is looking for your help to determine what an equitable cannabis industry in LA County looks like. OCM, part of the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs, is hosting four in- person Community Feedback Sessions as it develops the County's future Cannabis Equity Program.

The sessions will give LA County residents, community organizations, and business owners an opportunity to learn more about the County's Cannabis Equity Assessment's findings and to provide input on the Cannabis Equity Program's eligibility criteria, as well as resources and services that should be offered to those who qualify for the program.

Join us to learn more about the County's new Cannabis Equity Assessment and provide feedback on our future Cannabis Equity Program.

[Eligibility Criteria](#) • [Equity Program Resources](#) • [Workforce Development](#)

MARCH 13, 2023 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

EAST LOS ANGELES LIBRARY

4837 EAST 3RD STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90022
1ST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

MARCH 18, 2023 • 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

QUARTZ HILL LIBRARY

5040 WEST AVENUE M-2
QUARTZ HILL, CA 93536
5TH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

MARCH 16, 2023 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

SOUTH WHITTIER LIBRARY

11543 COLIMA ROAD
WHITTIER, CA 90604
4TH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

MARCH 21, 2023 • 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

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150 E. ELSEGUNDO BLVD
LOS ANGELES, CA 90061
2ND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

MARCH 23, 2023 • 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

VIRTUAL SESSION

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ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Discovering what hazards and threats can affect your neighborhood and community is an important first step towards getting disaster ready. READY LA COUNTY has various resources to help you prepare for the various types of hazards and threats that can occur in LA County, starting with the four 4 Steps to Preparedness.

Receive emergency alerts by text, email and/or phone call if you are in an area within Los Angeles County that is being impacted by an emergency or disaster. ALERT LA COUNTY has accessibility features for people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs. Sign up HERE or download the ALERT LA COUNTY app on your smartphone.



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County's
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Priorities

Federal & State
Legislation of
Interest

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Affairs



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