



# Los Angeles County Legislative Update

March 24, 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 21, 2023, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on Tuesday, April 4th, at 9:30 a.m.

- **SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENT BIDEN'S EXECUTIVE ORDER ON REDUCING GUN VIOLENCE AND MAKING OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER**

Send a five-signature letter in support of President Biden's Executive Order on Reducing Gun Violence and Making Our Communities Safer, and support legislation that is consistent with the Executive Order. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **CONDEMNING THE HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AGAINST THE UYGHUR PEOPLE**

Send a five-signature letter to President Biden, Senators Alex Padilla and Dianne Feinstein, and other parties, as necessary, detailing the County's condemnation and asking for actions to curb the human rights violations. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **OPPOSITION TO H.R. 204 (ROUZER): DRUG TESTING FOR WELFARE RECIPIENTS ACT**

Oppose [H.R. 204 \(Rouzer\)](#), which would require the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and specified public housing programs, to subject individuals to substance-abuse screening and to deny benefits for individuals who test positive for a controlled substance. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL (SB) 50 (BRADFORD): VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT**

Advocate in support of SB 50, (Bradford), which would help limit racial profiling by prohibiting peace officers from initiating a motor vehicle or bicycle stop for a low-level infraction, unless there is a separate, independent safety-related basis to initiate the stop. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SPONSOR ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 67 (MURATSUCHI) - HOMELESS COURTS PILOT PROGRAM**

Sponsor AB 67 (Muratsuchi), which would create a Homeless Courts Pilot Program, and take the appropriate legislative advocacy actions to advance this effort. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 1538 (MURATSUCHI): CLEAN ENERGY RELIABILITY PROGRAM**

Advocate in support of AB 1538 (Muratsuchi), which would establish the Clean Energy Reliability Program, and send a five-signature letter in support of the bill to Assemblymember Muratsuchi. More information on this motion can be found [here](#).

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## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

In addition to the items listed above, the County is advocating on the following proposals:



- **SUPPORT AB 423 (MAIENSCHIN) - DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE: MISSING PERSONS**

Support AB 423 (Maienschein), which would create a State workgroup on wandering to study the issue of cognitively impaired persons. Additionally, the County will request that language be clarified to ensure that one of the members of the working group be a representative from the Los Angeles County Aging & Disabilities Department representing LA Found and Adult Protective Services. Additional information can be found [here](#).

## **STATE BUDGET**

The County is advocating on the following proposals included in the Governor's Proposed Budget:

### **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

- **COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE, RECOVERY & EMPOWERMENT (CARE) ACT**

Support the Governor's proposal for CARE Act funding and advocate for additional ongoing funding, including a funding augmentation for implementation of the program in acknowledgment of Los Angeles County's early implementation of the CARE Act program.

- **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BRIDGE HOUSING (BHBH) PROGRAM**

Oppose the Governor's proposal to delay \$250 million in funding for the BHBH Program.

- **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (BHCIP)**

Oppose the Governor's proposal to delay \$480.7 million in funding for the BHCIP Program.

## POSITIVE PARENTING AND FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

- **POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM (TRIPLE P) SERVICES**

Support the stakeholder State Budget proposal for a one-time reappropriation of \$20 million from existing State funds within the Children Youth Behavioral Health Initiative for the Triple P Positive Parenting Program.

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



In addition, the County is advocating on the following items proposed in State Budget Trailer Bill Language (TBL) and in Governor Gavin Newsom's FY 2023-24 January Proposed Budget:

## HEALTH SERVICES

- **NEWBORN HOSPITAL GATEWAY PROGRAM**

Proposed Budget TBL would mandate all qualified Medi-Cal providers participating in presumptive eligibility (PE) programs to report any births of Medi-Cal-eligible infants in their facilities, including hospitals and birthing centers, within 24 hours after birth through the Newborn Hospital Gateway. The County is advocating to amend this TBL to extend the reporting timeframe to 72 hours after birth or 24 hours after discharge.

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- **APPRENTICESHIP INNOVATION FUND REDUCTIONS**

Oppose the proposal to reduce the Apprenticeship Innovation Fund by \$40 million over two years, for non-traditional apprenticeship programs.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **SMALL BUSINESS COVID-19 RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM REDUCTIONS**

Oppose the proposal to reduce the Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program by \$92 million. The program provides COVID-19 relief grants available to eligible small businesses and non-profit organizations impacted by the pandemic.

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## LEARN MORE ABOUT TENANT PROTECTIONS IN L.A. COUNTY



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**SOME PROTECTIONS EXPIRE ON MARCH 31, 2023**

On March 31, 2023, certain protections in the County's COVID-19 Tenant Protection Resolution will expire. The following protections will be extended beyond March 31, 2023, for residential tenants and mobilehome space renters who utilized the County's non-payment of rent protections between July 1, 2022, and March 31, 2023:

- No-Fault evictions reasons, except for qualified Owner Move-in Evictions
- Anti-harassment and retaliation protections during the Resolution's protection periods

DCBA can help [tenants](#) and [landlords](#) understand the ins and outs of landlord/tenant laws and protections in Los Angeles County. Bookmark [this page](#) for the very latest information.



**FREE CONCERTS, MOVIES, PLAY AREAS, SPORTS CLINICS  
AND SO MUCH MORE IN L.A. COUNTY PARKS!**

[Parks After Dark](#) returns for the spring season with FREE activities at 34 LA County Parks. Bring your family and friends and explore all the art and culture activities we have to offer. Dust off your dancing shoes and join us for a night full of music and dance and a variety of free activities for the whole family!



## COVID-19 TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING PROGRAM - EXPIRING SOON!



The Temporary Outdoor Dining Program will expire on March 31st, 2023. Although there will be interim processes for outdoor dining on the public right-of-way and on private property, the County is developing a Permanent Outdoor Dining Program and would like to hear from you! Click [here](#) to take the survey or to join an upcoming listening session.



### Los Angeles County WHEN YOU NEED TO WEAR A MASK

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health has updated requirements and recommendations for masking for the general public in public indoor settings. The requirements and recommendations are outlined below and are effective on March 13, 2023. They are based on updates to the [California Department of Public Health's guidance on isolation and quarantine of the general public](#).

Please note that in workplace settings, employers must follow the [Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention – Non-Emergency Regulations](#).

<b>YOU* MUST wear a well-fitting mask:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In <b>healthcare settings</b>, including long-term care settings and adult/senior care facilities.</li> <li>If it is <b>required by the site, including some business, schools, and workplaces.</b></li> <li>If it is <b>required by Public Health for managing an outbreak</b>, including in workplaces and congregate settings.</li> <li>If you have <b>COVID-19 and must be around others until you end isolation</b>. This includes when you are at home. If you are eligible to end isolation, continue to wear a mask around others from Day 6 through Day 10. The exception is that if you have two sequential negative COVID-19 tests taken at least a day apart you do not need to wear a mask. Follow all the isolation instructions at <a href="#">cdph.ca.gov/covid19/isolation</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>NOTE:</b> In workplace settings, workers who test positive for COVID-19 must wear a well-fitting mask after they return to work through Day 10.
<b>It is STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that you wear a well-fitting mask:</b> (Unless required-see You must wear a mask above)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you are a <b>close contact</b> to someone with COVID-19 for 10 days from the last day that you were exposed. This is especially important when around those at higher risk for severe COVID-19 disease. Follow all the instructions for close contacts at <a href="#">cdph.ca.gov/covid19/isolation</a>.</li> <li>If you are <b>at risk for severe illness</b>, especially when you are in crowded or poorly ventilated places. Wear your <b>most protective mask, such as a respirator (N95, KN95, KF94).</b></li> <li><b>On all forms of public transit</b>, including trains, buses, shuttle buses, taxis, ride-shares, and medical transport.</li> <li><b>In all transportation hubs</b>, including airport and bus terminals, train and subway stations, seaports or other indoor port terminals, or any other indoor area that serves as a transportation hub.</li> </ul>
<b>INDIVIDUAL PREFERENCE whether you wear a mask:</b> (Unless required – see You must wear a mask above)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In <b>state and local correctional facilities and detention centers.</b></li> <li>In <b>homeless and emergency shelters.</b></li> <li>In <b>any other public settings.</b></li> </ul>

**No one can be prevented from wearing a mask to participate in an activity or enter a business.**

Note: When masks are required, you are allowed to take off your mask while you are:

- Actively eating or drinking.
- Alone in a separate room or space.
- Showering or swimming.
- Receiving medical, dental, cosmetic, personal hygiene or personal care services (like a facial or shave) that cannot be done without removing your mask.
- Receiving or providing a speech, occupational or language therapy session where temporary removal of the mask is necessary, as determined by the therapy provider.

\*There are some people who should not wear a mask, such as children younger than 2, people with certain medical conditions or disabilities, and people instructed by their medical provider not to wear a mask. See [Who should not wear a mask](#) and [Special considerations for persons with communication difficulties or certain disabilities](#).

Los Angeles County Department of Public Health  
[cdph.lacounty.gov/masks](#)



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