



Los Angeles County Legislative Update

August 11, 2023

Greetings,

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



COUNTY ADVOCACY ACTIONS

On August 8, 2023, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

The next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors will be held on **Tuesday, September 12th, at 9:30 a.m.**

- SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH FOR LATINO RESIDENTS**

Send a letter to Representative Grace Napolitano and Senator Alex Padilla, with a copy to the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation, in support of H.R. 4884 (Napolitano), the Mental Health for Latinos Act. Additional details regarding this motion can be found here.



- SUPPORT H.R. 4974 (CARDENAS) - THE LOCAL 9-8-8 RESPONSE ACT OF 2023**

Advocate in support of H.R. 4974 (Cardenas), the Local 988 Response Act of 2023, or similar legislation, and send a letter of support to Representative Cárdenas. Additionally, send a letter to the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation encouraging them to co-sponsor the bill. Additional details can be found here.



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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

FEDERAL

- SUPPORT SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION (S.J.RES.) 39 (GILLIBRAND) - RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT**

Support S.J.Res. 39 (Gillibrand) and similar measures that affirm the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). Specifically, this resolution would validate the ratification of the ERA and instruct the Archivist of the United States to publish the amendment as the 28th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution without delay. Additional details regarding this pursuit can be found here.



STATE

• SUPPORT SENATE BILL (SB) 508 (LAIRD) - CANNABIS: LICENSES: CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Support SB 508, legislation that would remove the requirement that the California Department of Cannabis Control must verify an applicant's compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) prior to the issuance of an annual license, provided the local jurisdiction assumes the role of lead agency for CEQA compliance. Additional details regarding this pursuit can be found [here](#).

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

DID YOU KNOW?

Even low levels of lead may affect a child's growth, learning, and behavior.

FREE BLOOD LEAD TESTING EVENT IN LA COUNTY

Exide Technical Advisory Group Meeting
Blood Lead Testing Event
Wednesday, August 16th, 2023 4:30pm - 7:30pm
2555 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA 90040

CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING
PREVENTION PROGRAM



LEAD IS A POISON,
TEST YOUR CHILDREN
1-800-LA-4-LEAD

department
of economic
opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Resources for Workers and Businesses Impacted by the Entertainment Strikes



Alongside writers and actors, the shutdown of television and film productions have adversely impacted many crew members and small, local businesses from florists to caterers to dry cleaners that work within the entertainment industry.

The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and the LA County Film Office hosted a webinar for workers and businesses impacted by the WGA and SAG-AFTRA strike featuring resources and technical assistance offered by various County departments and partners.

[Webinar Video](#) [Webinar Presentation and Resource Guide](#)

Stay Connected: @EconOppLA on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram or visit opportunity.lacounty.gov for the latest information.

DELETE THE DIVIDE: DIGITAL ASSISTANTS

Delete The Divide and LA County Library are now offering FREE computer assistance and digital training to community members and small businesses. Digital Assistants are ready to assist you in-person with tech support and accessing online resources, as well as providing:

- Onsite support for [Affordable Connectivity Program](#) (ACP) enrollment
- Digital literacy training
- Other basic computer assistance

MORE INFO



GVROs

Gun Violence Restraining Orders



Find the Right Tool for
the Right Situation

LA County Department of Public Health has launched a new website with information on **Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVRO)**, who can

file for them, a list of legal aid organizations that can assist, and data about gun violence restraining order filings in LA County.

Approved by the State of California in 2016, a GVRO allows family members, household members, some employers, colleagues, teachers, and law enforcement – to take action to prevent a person, who poses a significant risk of harming themselves or others from having or purchasing a gun, ammunition, or magazine for a specified length of time, between 21 days and five years.

SHOPLOCAL LA COUNTY - RESOURCES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES



Shop Local LA is a County-wide campaign led by the Los Angeles County Department of Economic Opportunity focused on helping local businesses modernize and compete in a digital world, while encouraging communities

to reinvest in local entrepreneurship and businesses, especially those in underserved communities. Through Shop Local, DEO connects small businesses to digital upskilling and resources including social media support, digital marketing, and more! Visit shoplocal.la to get started today.

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE - 2023 ANNUAL REPORT OURCOUNTY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

The [Draft 2023 OurCounty Annual Report](#) is now available for review and public comment. In it, you'll find updates on the progress made in 2022-2023 and the recommended priorities for 2023-2024. We would love to [get your feedback](#) by August 25, 2023 on the Draft Report and future priorities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - DRAFT COUNTY WATER PLAN

By building on existing local and regional planning efforts, the County Water Plan targets the enhancement of water infrastructure, healthy watersheds, and water resource optimization through actionable targets and strategies. The public is encouraged to visit lacountywaterplan.org to review the published draft and provide feedback on the strategies during the 30-day public comment period.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS RESOURCES

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Priorities](#)

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Interest](#)

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