

MAY 16, 2025

## LATEST NEWS

## COUNTY ADVOCACY- RELATED ACTIONS

At the May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup> meetings, the Board of Supervisors took the following legislative-related actions:



- **SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 851 (MCKINNOR): COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES: UNSOLICITED OFFERS**

The Board directed the Chief Executive Office – Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations (CEO-LAIR) branch to advocate in support of [AB 851](#), legislation which would prohibit a buyer from making an unsolicited offer to purchase residential property located in certain ZIP Codes in the County. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT FOR WILDFIRE RELIEF LEGISLATION: AB 239, AB 493, AB 597, AB 797, AND AB 1032 (HARABEDIAN)**

The Board directed CEO-LAIR to support Assemblymember Harabedian's Wildfire Relief Package, a robust endeavor to address some of the most prominent challenges fire-impacted communities face. The Wildfire Relief Package is composed of [AB 238](#), [AB 239](#), [AB 493](#), [AB 597](#), [AB 797](#), [AB 1032](#), and [AB 1161](#). Los Angeles County had previously supported [AB 238](#) and [AB 1161](#). The remaining bills in the package identify a critical community need and offer substantive protections in response. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT FOR AB 27 AND AB 28 (SCHIAVO): CHIQUITA CANYON ELEVATED TEMPERATURE LANDFILL EVENT: EXCLUSIONS; AND SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS: SUBSURFACE TEMPERATURES**

The Board directed CEO-LAIR to support [AB 27](#), legislation which would provide much needed financial relief for residents who have been burdened by the Chiquita Canyon Landfill odor incident, and [AB 28](#), legislation which would increase operator accountability and reporting requirements, and empower local enforcement agencies to take clear steps to address landfill gas and odor issues. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT FOR AB 476 (GONZALEZ) IF AMENDED: PREVENT COPPER AND NONFERROUS METAL THEFT**

The Board directed CEO-LAIR to support, if amended, [AB 476](#), legislation which would require junk dealers and recyclers to, among other things, maintain written transaction records, create a licensure system for the sellers, and impose up to \$500 per year in licensing fees, with enforcement mechanisms to suspend, revoke, or deny licensure if in violation of Federal or State law. The County will support the bill if it is amended to address issues related to the provision of an automatic credit for constituents who experience lapses in service and a process to provide fee waivers to sellers who may be unable to pay the \$500 licensing fee. Additional details on the read-in motion can be found [here](#).



Upcoming Board of Supervisors' meeting dates and agendas can be found [here](#).

## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

The County is also advocating on the following legislation:

### **STATE**

- **SUPPORT AB 49 (MURATSUCHI): SCHOOLSITES: IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT**

AB 49 would prohibit school officials and employees of a local educational agency from allowing an agency conducting immigration enforcement to enter a schoolsite for any purpose without providing valid identification and a valid judicial warrant, a court order, or exigent circumstances necessitating immediate action, and would limit access to facilities where pupils are not present. This bill would help safeguard students from immigration enforcement activities on schoolsites. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 93 (PAPAN): WATER RESOURCES: DEMANDS: DATA CENTERS**

AB 93 would require data center operators or owners to estimate a data center's expected water usage when applying for a business license or permit and to self-certify an annual water usage report when applying for license or permit renewals. This bill could help meet the OurCounty Sustainability Plan and LA County Water Plan goals by bringing transparency to data center water usage within the region and providing tools to ensure water use compliance. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **CHANGE OF COUNTY POSITION, FROM SUPPORT TO NEUTRAL, FOR AB 246 (BRYAN): SOCIAL SECURITY TENANT PROTECTION ACT OF 2025**

AB 246, related to residential rent increased, was recently gut and amended and now would prohibit eviction for non-payment of rent during a declared disruption of social security payments. Since the scope of the bill no longer aligns with the February 4, 2025, Board-adopted motion, the County will remove its support and take a neutral position on the bill. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 337 (BENNETT): GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION FUND: GRANT PROGRAM: EDIBLE FOOD**

AB 337 would expand CalRecycle's Local Assistance Grant Program to include as eligible projects the recovery of edible foods, associated transportation, associated technology, and the expansion of facilities. This bill could help reduce greenhouse gas emission from landfills and help the County meet State-mandated organic waste reduction targets. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **OPPOSE AB 348 (KRELL): FULL-SERVICE PARTNERSHIPS**

AB 348 would establish specific criteria that would make a person with a serious mental illness presumptively eligible for a full-service partnership program. This bill would limit both the County's and the State's flexibility and ability to deliver services in the best interest of clients. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **OPPOSE AB 793 (SCHULTZ) UNLESS AMENDED: POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS: DESIGNATION AND DISPOSITION: BURDEN OF PROOF**

AB 793 would require a city or county program for the control of potentially dangerous or vicious dogs to comply with certain requirements, including raising the burden of proof to clear and convincing evidence for hearings and appeals, and prohibiting a dog from being declared potentially dangerous or vicious if any injury or damage is sustained by a person who was provoking the dog. This bill would remove local control in key aspects of the administrative regulation of dogs and could result in additional costs and litigation. The County will oppose AB 793 unless amended to limit the bill's provisions to the burden of proof to find a dog is vicious. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 1357 (RODRIGUEZ): GUARANTEED INCOME PAYMENTS: CONSIDERATION AS INCOME OR RESOURCES**

AB 1357 would exempt guaranteed income payments received by an individual from being considered as income or resources for purposes of determining eligibility for benefits under any means-tested program. This bill would safeguard recipients' full access to support services while also ensuring that their participation in guaranteed income programs does not create unintended barriers. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **CHANGE OF COUNTY POSITION, FROM OPPOSE TO NEUTRAL, FOR SB 16 (BLAKESPEAR): HOMELESS HOUSING, ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM: HOUSING ELEMENT: INTEGRATED PLAN FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND OUTCOMES**

SB 16, related to the seventh round of the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program, was recently amended to remove all provisions of concern to the County, including the requirement for participating counties to fund 50 percent of all city-operated interim housing operating costs and new reporting requirements for the Behavioral Health Services Act Integrated Plan. The County will remove its opposition and take a neutral position. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SB 436 (WAHAB): UNLAWFUL DETAINER: NOTICE TO TERMINATE TENANCY**

SB 436 would extend the period for a pay rent or quit notice from the current three days to at least 14 days. This bill would help protect against residential displacement by providing tenants with additional time to secure the funds or rental assistance to prevent eviction. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).



- **SUPPORT SB 761 (PEREZ): CALFRESH STUDENT ELIGIBILITY**

SB 761 would require the California Student Aid Commission to amend the Cal Grant application to identify college students who may be eligible for CalFresh and would require the Department of Social Services to conduct direct outreach to potentially eligible college students. Additionally, this bill would permit any campus-based program of study at a public institution of higher learning to be considered a local education program that increases employability for the purposes of qualifying for CalFresh. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SB 823 (STERN) IF AMENDED: CARE ACT**

SB 823 would expand eligibility criteria for an individual to qualify for the CARE Act process to include a diagnosis of bipolar I disorder. This bill would likely result in more clients being connected to County mental health services and the CARE Act process. The County will support this bill if amended to restrict the eligibility expansion to clients with a diagnosis of bipolar I disorder with psychotic features. Additional details regarding this position are available [here](#).



Los Angeles County Administrative  
Offices will be closed on  
**Monday, May 26, 2025,**  
in observance of Memorial Day.

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KNOW?**

## MAY IS NATIONAL MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH

May is dedicated to honoring past and present active-duty members of the United States Armed Forces, along with their families, for their commendable service and sacrifice.

Visit the [Military & Veterans Affairs website](#) for resources and services for veterans. Let's celebrate their bravery and commitment together.



## DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY RESOURCES

### Los Angeles Regional Small Business Legal Aid Program Expanding

- The Los Angeles County Department of Economic Opportunity, in partnership with the City of Los Angeles Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), Bet Tzedek Legal Services, and Public Counsel, is expanding access to free legal support for small businesses through the Los Angeles Regional Small Business Legal Aid Program.
- The Legal Aid Program offers no-cost educational legal workshops and Academies, 1:1 counseling, and referrals for pro bono representation with expert legal organizations for eligible small business owners across the LA region on a range of topics, from landlord and tenant questions and contracts to small business setup and employment law.

### New Financial Assistance Programs:

- The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce has launched a Small Business Recovery Fund for both the Eaton Fire and Palisades Fire areas.
- The Los Angeles County Development Authority Altadena Disaster Relief Small Business Loan Program is here to help fire-impacted Altadena businesses.

### Additional Resources: • [LA County Recovers](#) • [Department of Mental Health](#)

- [Disaster Recovery Center Information](#)
- [Video: Public Health Town Hall](#)
- [Resilient Rebuild Resource Guide Now Available](#)

### One Stop Permit Centers:

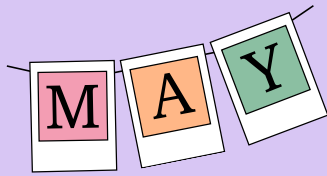
- [LA County - Eaton/Palisades](#)
- [City of Malibu](#)
- [City of Los Angeles](#)
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## JUSTICE, CARE AND OPPORTUNITIES DEPARTMENT (JCOD) AND WEST COAST CUSTOMS TRAINING ACADEMY CELEBRATE FIRST GRADUATING CLASS

JCOD, in partnership with the West Coast Customs Academy, celebrated the first graduating class from its custom automotive training program, created specifically for people impacted by the justice and foster care systems. During the 12-week program, graduates gained hands-on experience in automotive disciplines such as metal fabrication, wrap and tint, upholstery, and electronics. Each student earned a training certificate in automotive customization and restoration.

All the graduates are enrolled in a JCOD program such as Reentry Intensive Case Management Services, Youth Overcoming, Providing Opportunities for Women in Reentry and other supportive services. Cohort 2 is set to begin this summer. To learn more or apply, click [here](#).



## SO MUCH TO LEARN AND CELEBRATE

- **Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month** - The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors proclaimed May 2025 as Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month. Home to the largest AAPI population of any U.S. county, Los Angeles County is shaped by nearly 1.5 million residents with roots in East, Southeast, and South Asia, as well as the Pacific Islands. Communities including Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Indian, Samoan, and Tongan are central to our region's identity.
- **Older Americans Month** - This year's theme, Flip the Script on Aging, invites us to challenge harmful stereotypes and reminds us that each person gets to define what aging means for them. Explore the resources offered by the [LA County's Department of Aging and Disabilities](#) (including free food programs) and ways to help protect our seniors. Additionally, the County's Department of Consumer and Business Affairs has a [resource guide](#) for LA County Older Adults.
- **Mental Health Awareness Month** - Every May, Los Angeles County puts special focus on the importance of caring for your mental health by celebrating with events in every corner of the County. There are fantastic programs and gatherings for every interest and age. Whether you want to engage with self-expression, community connection, or family fun, there's something for everyone! Check out some of the featured events [listed here](#) and find an event near you.



Open until May 26th.

## THE LA COUNTY FAIR IS BACK!

This year the LA County Fair is ready to ignite the creative spirit of visitors with its theme, "Art Unleashed." From home arts to culinary masterpieces, visual wonders to captivating performances, the Fair promises an unforgettable celebration of artistic expression.

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