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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

# Welcome to the Board of Supervisors

*Supervisor Janice Hahn and Supervisor Kathryn Barger*



On December 5, Janice Hahn was sworn in as one of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' newest members. She replaces longtime Supervisor Don Knabe who retired after 20 years in the post. Hahn represents the 4th District, which spans 28 cities and unincorporated areas spanning from the Marina, the South Bay, Catalina Island, and Long Beach up the Gateway corridor and out east to Diamond Bar.

Hahn cut her political teeth in local government. From 2001 to 2011, she served as a member of the Los Angeles City Council where she fought for better treatment for local workers and implemented policies at our ports to combat air pollution and protect the health of local residents. Most recently, Janice Hahn served in the US Congress representing California's 44<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. She made a name for herself working across the aisle, creating the first Congressional PORTS Caucus, advocating for small business owners, and working to improve our nation's transportation system.

Supervisor Hahn comes from a family dedicated to public service. Her father, Kenneth Hahn, was a member of the L.A. County Board of Supervisors for 40 years and played a large role in shaping the County and the Board as an institution. He instilled in his daughter political courage and a commitment to public service.

Supervisor Hahn was born and raised in Los Angeles, lives in San Pedro, and is the mother of three children and has five grandchildren.



Supervisor Kathryn Barger was elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on November 8, 2016.

She proudly serves the residents of Los Angeles County's 5th Supervisorial District – the County's largest – spanning 2,800 square miles, which includes 22 cities and 70 unincorporated communities in the San Gabriel, San Fernando, Crescenta, Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys.

Dedicated to providing effective, responsive representation to the residents of Los Angeles County, Barger began her career in public service as a college student intern in the office of Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich and rose to become his Chief Deputy Supervisor in 2001, where she served until her election to the Board this past November.

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**Los Angeles County Museum of Art**

(323) 857-6010

[www.lacma.org](http://www.lacma.org)

January 21 through July 22 – Chinese Ceramics from LACMA at the Vincent Price Art Museum in East Los Angeles

**The Music Center**

(213) 972-7211

[www.themusiccenter.org](http://www.themusiccenter.org)

**Dorothy Chandler Pavilion**

February 17 through February 19 – Jessica Lang Dance

**Center Theatre Group**

(213) 628-2772

[www.centertheatregroup.org](http://www.centertheatregroup.org)

**Ahmanson Theatre**

Through January 15 – Amelie, A New Musical

February 21 through April 1 – Fun Home

**Kirk Douglas Theatre**

January 17 through January 29 – Adler & Gibb

February 26 through March 26 – Good Grief

**Mark Taper Forum**

January 31 through March 12 – Zoot Suit

**Grand Park**

(213) 972-8080

[www.grandparkla.org](http://www.grandparkla.org)

Every Tuesday through Thursday – Lunchtime! Food Trucks

Through May 31 – Lunchtime! Yoga Retreat

**Walt Disney Concert Hall**

(323) 850-2000

[www.laphil.com](http://www.laphil.com)

January 15 – Mehta & Shankar

January 17 – Green Umbrella: All-Reich

January 19 through January 21 – Gil Shaham Plays Prokofiev

January 22 – USC Thornton Symphony

January 24 – Itzhak Perlman

January 26 through January 28 – Dudamel & Ax

January 29 – Alan Cumming Sings Sappy Songs

January 31 – Chamber Music: Mozart & Brahms

February 1 – Lang Lang

February 2 through February 5 – Romeo and Juliet with Dudamel

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# Chairman's New Year Message

*Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas  
Second District*



We begin 2017 with a new Board and a renewed sense of hope.

The composition of this Board is truly unprecedented, representing the first female majority—an achievement that should be recognized and celebrated. It affirms the notion that the County of Los Angeles is a trailblazer for the nation and the world. I am pleased to be

surrounded by a tremendous and diverse group of women with a wealth of knowledge and experience that will undoubtedly elevate the level and quality of governance for the County of Los Angeles. I know this Board will vividly illustrate the merits of an inclusive and diverse governing body. It is incumbent upon us to practice intentional civility and remain stalwart in our efforts to respect the dignity and human rights of every County resident. Every year, the tasks before this Board are formidable. We focus on serving our most vulnerable residents—whether they come through our emergency rooms, jails, probation facilities, or our parks and libraries. Among them, some 47,000 individuals and families who are homeless on any given night. I consider this epidemic to be the defining moral and social issue of our time. We have a plan to address this crisis and restore dignity to those who have suffered for too long. As Chairman of the Board, my commitment to this body is to ensure that the daily operations of the County function in a seamless manner and to make sure that we continue to grow and become even more thoughtful and agile in the business of governing. Our collective priority must be to maintain and expand the public's trust and support for County government. I have the confidence in this Board and in our tremendous leadership team to do just that.



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During the course of her County career as Chief Policy Advisor on Health, Mental Health, Social Service and Children's issues, Barger provided leadership to deliver efficient and effective services and programs that have significantly improved the quality of life for foster children, seniors, veterans, the disabled and the mentally ill.

Committed to keeping our neighborhoods and communities safe, she has worked with State and federal leaders along with our County District Attorney's Office, Sheriff, and other law enforcement agencies to implement tough laws and vital public safety initiatives.

She is an advocate for the environment and efforts to preserve open space, enhance parks, trails, recreational programs and facilities; and strongly supports libraries and after-school programs to serve local communities.

With a strong sense of fiscal responsibility and prudence, Barger is dedicated to providing vital County services while protecting financial resources as a responsible steward of taxpayer dollars.

Barger was born and raised in the 5<sup>th</sup> District and comes from a family with deep roots in public service in Los Angeles County. She is married to a retired Sheriff's Deputy and lives in the San Gabriel Valley.

## Rideshare L.A. County!

*from Workplace Programs and Marketing*

Have you considered starting a carpool or vanpool but have concerns about how you would get home in case of an emergency? Do you already Rideshare but wonder how you would get home in case you have to work overtime? No need to worry; the County's Rideshare Program has the perfect solution. The Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH) Program pays the cost to get you home in case of an emergency or unplanned overtime. This is a free service to County employees that Rideshare designed to eliminate any concerns about Ridesharing. Contact your local Employee Transportation Coordinator (ETC) for more details. Take Pride and Share the Ride. For more information, or to find your local ETC, go to [www.rideshare.lacounty.gov](http://www.rideshare.lacounty.gov).



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Department of Human Resources  
County of Los Angeles

***Worried about money?***

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***Your BFF to the rescue!!!***



***Monthly at Noon  
Financial Wellness Webinars***

**Mark Your 2017 Calendars!**

🇺🇸 January 12	<b>New Year...New You!</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 February 16	<b>It's My Budget and I'm Sticking to It</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 March 9	<b>Beginner's Guide to Saving &amp; Financial Growth</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 April 19	<b>Getting and Keeping Good Credit</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 May 17	<b>Student Loan Repayment Strategies</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 June 21	<b>Relationships and Money</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 July 13	<b>Dealing with My Credit Cards</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 August 10	<b>I Want to Buy a House</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 September 14	<b>Dreaming of Retirement</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 October 4	<b>Ways to Grow Your Wealth</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 November 15	<b>Identity Theft: Prevention and Resolution</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>
🇺🇸 December 13	<b>Children and Money</b>	<a href="#">Register</a>

*Registration links are live now! Register today!*



## Meet Terri McDonald

### Chief Probation Officer

There's a new Chief at the helm of the Los Angeles County Probation Department, and she brings a fresh perspective on community corrections.

Terri McDonald was sworn-in as the County's first female Chief Probation Officer at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration on November 21, 2016, officiated by First District Supervisor Hilda Solis. More than 100 well-wishers attended the private ceremony, including all of the County Supervisors, Los Angeles County Sheriff Jim McDonnell, County Fire Chief Daryl Osby, and several Probation Department executives. Interim Chief Probation Officer Calvin Remington assisted in the ceremony.

McDonald began her working career in 1981 serving as a mental health worker and supervisor in a variety of mental health and drug treatment facilities. She began her correctional career in 1988 working as a correctional officer, with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). While working for the State prison system, McDonald served in a variety of facilities and assignments and promoted from correctional officer through various ranks and ultimately served as the Undersecretary of Operations, responsible for executive direction and oversight of the enormous state correction system, with executive oversight of an annual budget in excess of \$12 billion, 60,000 employees providing supervision and rehabilitative services to over 300,000 parolees, juveniles and inmates throughout California and in contract facilities across the nation.

Uniquely, within the last decade, McDonald had been responsible for executive oversight of the largest State parole, State prison, county jail and most recently county probation systems in the United States. In 2013, following an extensive career with CDCR, McDonald transitioned to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to lead reforms within the Los Angeles County Jail system. In Los Angeles, McDonald was responsible for envisioning and overseeing significant reforms

to virtually every aspect of the Los Angeles jail system – the largest jail system in the nation, with over 6,000 employees responsible for supervising and rehabilitating approximately 18,000 inmates. Recently, McDonald left her private consulting business to return to public service, serving as the Chief Probation Officer in Los Angeles County, the largest probation agency in the nation with an excess of 7,000 employees, supervising over 45,000 probationers, and 1,200 juveniles in the largest county in the United States.

“It is an extreme honor and privilege to lead the committed public servants of the Probation Department, thousands of employees who are committed to finding innovative means to improve rehabilitative services and restore lives while keeping our communities safe,” McDonald stated.

## DHR's Wellness Corner

Get ready for the most exciting Countywide Fitness Challenge yet. For 2017, our County-sponsored medical plans are giving you the opportunity to earn a FREE Fitbit. Simply make an appointment with your primary care physician (PCP) beginning January 2017, have your PCP complete your biometric screenings form for glucose, blood pressure, cholesterol, and body mass index (BMI), and take an online health risk assessment (HRA). The form for your physician to fill out your biometric screening results and the online HRA are both available by going to <http://employee.hr.lacounty.gov/benefits-2/> and clicking on your medical plan. Completing these easy tasks qualifies you to receive a \$75 credit toward the purchase of the Fitbit of your choice. An added plus is that Fitbit has deeply discounted the devices to give you more bang for your buck, and you will see that with the credit applied, many are FREE!

The Fitbit e-commerce store will be available sometime in mid-March to redeem your \$75 credit and get your new Fitbit, but don't wait to get the HRA and biometrics completed. You can get started any time after January 1. You want to be ready with your new Fitbit and join us as we once again travel virtually around the globe in Race Around the World in April 2017. Get ready for new destinations, healthy recipes, and optional itineraries to climb mountains and kayak rivers with your extra steps. More details will be available in early February, so stay tuned until then.

See page 11 for flyer.



# Happiness loves company.

## \$0 Initiation for January 2017 ONLY! County of Los Angeles Employees

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- Kids' Club\*
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Employee	Month to Month	<del>\$29.99</del> Initiation fee \$29.99 dues/monthly	<del>\$29.99</del> Initiation fee \$39.99 dues/monthly	<del>\$29.99</del> Initiation fee \$49.99 dues/monthly
Each Add On	Month to Month	\$0 Initiation fee \$28.99 dues/monthly	\$0 Initiation fee \$38.99 dues/monthly	\$0 Initiation fee \$48.99 dues/monthly

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## Share Your Heart Share Your Home

*Become a Foster/Adoptive Parent  
Dept. of Children and Family Services*



Photo: Marjorie Salvaterre

What better time than the New Year to consider adopting a child or children from foster care. At any given time, Los Angeles County has nearly 400 waiting children in need of an adoptive family. Through no fault of their own, these children cannot safely return to their birth families. Many of these wonderful waiting children are teenagers. People sometimes assume teens don't want to be adopted but this is not always the case. When reuniting with their birth family can no longer be an option, the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Specialized Matching and Coordinating team steps in to help find homes for our older kids, because every child deserves a loving and permanent home.

Meet the incredible, kind, and outgoing Crystal. One look at this amazing photograph and anyone can see that this young lady possesses not only outer beauty but an inner beauty that shines through in her sweet smile. Soon to be 17 years old, Crystal is clear that she does not want to age out of foster care without the love and support of an adoptive family. Mature and well-spoken, Crystal is a well-grounded young lady who can engage in a deep conversation, but can also be light-spirited and playful. She likes to be active and is a sports lover by nature and enjoys playing and watching any sport. Crystal's favorite subjects in school are math and science and her dream is to one day become a veterinarian so that she could be surrounded by animals all day long! She hopes to land an internship at a vet clinic soon so she can start working on her goal to become a vet. Although Crystal has been through a lot of grief and loss, her resiliency shines through and she remains hopeful of finding her forever family.

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# Everyone Loves a Parade

## *Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center*

In February 2013, Kaitlyn Dobrow woke up feeling sick and was eventually rushed to the hospital where she was diagnosed with bacterial meningitis. Following six months of intensive care and amputations involving her four limbs, Dobrow was seen at Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center for inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation. One of Dobrow's main goals was to be able to put on her own make-up despite the loss of both hands. Working with Rancho occupational therapists, Dobrow learned how to do this using special devices and a prosthetic arm. She is now a star on Instagram, You Tube, and other social media sites where she shares her make-up techniques and inspiring story with others. As a result, Dobrow was selected to be one of 12 riders on the Occupational Therapy Centennial Float for the 2017 Tournament of Roses® Parade. Riding alongside Dobrow was her outpatient occupational therapist, Lisa Deshaies. Deshaies has worked at Rancho for over 25 years, specializing in upper extremity orthopedic conditions including limb loss and prosthetic training.



The largest social ritual in the world, The Annual Tournament of Roses® Parade is viewed by over 75 million viewers around the world. The Occupational Therapy Centennial Float entitled "Celebrating a Century of Occupational Therapy" showcased the power of occupational therapy and the work occupational therapy does to help people engage in valued and meaningful activities despite limitations from illness, injury, or other conditions.

**READY FOR A SECOND CHANCE?**

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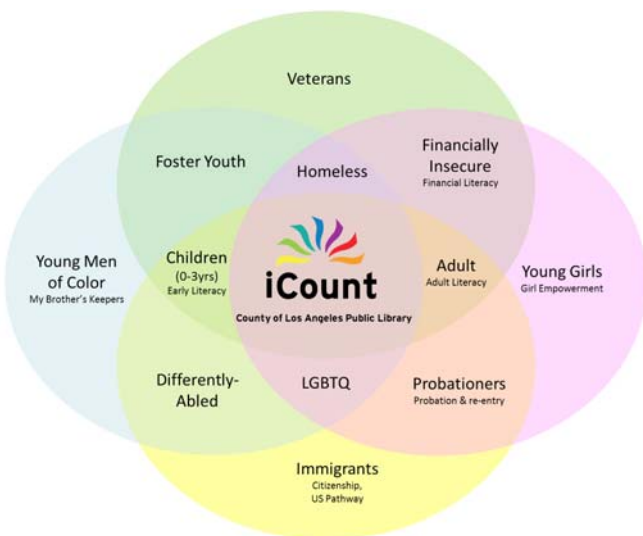
# Building Equity from the Ground Up

*L.A. County Public Library Featured on Library Journal*

Library Journal, the most trusted and respected publication in the library community, recently featured L.A. County Library on its efforts in equality and equity. The Editor heard about County Library’s works in this area shortly after its Staff Training Day on August 2016, and asked County Library to share its past experience and future plans. In the article recently published in the December ‘16 Issue of Library Journal, County Library provided information on creating a diverse workforce that reflects the diverse community it serves. Having a diverse workforce has a strong impact on how County Library serves its customers, it also serves as a way to influence and educate the local communities on diversity and equality.

The article also focuses on iCount, which is an initiative introduced by L.A. County Library that embodies the equity of services to library customers. iCount ensures County Library makes a conscious effort in designing services and programs that address the needs of the diverse community it serves, which include customers of different age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, socio-economic status, physical ability, nationality, legal status and more. County Library shared its training plans on creating a culture that embraces equity and equality, and the current programs and services that it offers to those that are underrepresented and face significant barriers to access public services.

To read the entire article, please click on the following link: <http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2016/12/managing-libraries/building-equity-from-the-ground-up-diversity-2016/>.



## WeTip WELFARE FRAUD 1 (800) 87-FRAUD



Arissa Palmer, Executive Director, Breastfeed LA, presents Mary Gilmore, County of LA, with the Employer Pinnacle of Success award.

## Pinnacle of Success *Breastfeed LA Honors County of Los Angeles*

The County of Los Angeles provides employees with many cutting edge programs including its worksite lactation accommodation program. The County recognizes the important role breastfeeding plays in protecting the health of mothers and their children, and has developed a robust policy aimed at encouraging new mothers returning to work to continue to nourish their children with breastmilk. Designated lactation rooms have been identified throughout the County and onsite lactation coordinators work with mothers to schedule a room and time to continue this important form of nourishment. In 2012, the lactation accommodation program earned the County the designation as a Mother-Baby Friendly Workplace.

The County has continued to promote this program with onsite trainings for supervisors and managers, brochures and posters for distribution at all worksite locations, lactation site inspections and guidance, and a website dedicated to this important topic: <http://employee.hr.lacounty.gov/lactation-accommodation-program-2/>. We are proud to announce that on November 29, 2016, the County of Los Angeles was honored with Breastfeed LA’s “Pinnacle of Success” award as an employer of choice for providing a best practices lactation accommodation program to its employees.

# Patient Care Center

*Now Open*

The grand opening of the Patient Access Center (PAC) at Olive View-UCLA Medical Center was a great success, with workforce and leadership members in attendance. The PAC is a multidisciplinary unit that has been created as a “one-stop shop” for patients that processes appointments (scheduling/rescheduling/cancelling), pre-financial clearance, and resource program eligibility.



By streamlining reporting and implementing standard practices for the PAC, the Department of Health Services hopes to bring greater transparency and accountability to the process through which our patients access care within our health system. This will allow for better incorporation of managed care principles into our operational workflows, greater coordination with primary and specialty care, and an overall enhanced patient experience. By moving functions under one unit and expanding the roles and abilities of staff within the unit to resolve patient issues.

The PAC Unit will provide:

- **Greater efficiency in workflow and use of staff** by reducing the number of staff and steps it takes to resolve patient issues.
- **A standardized DHS-wide approach** through integration with other county facilities to achieve a simplified scheduling and registration process.
- **Improved patient experience** by creating a streamlined and efficient workflow, where patients are not routinely redirected to other areas to help resolve issues.
- **Increased staff satisfaction** due to the emphasis on communication, collaboration and cross-training.

The PAC will be staffed using existing Appointment Center, Message Center, and Patient Financial Services personnel. If you have any questions, please contact Rosa Schwartz, Unit Manager, at (818) 898-8858.



## WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK

Help us improve the *County DIGEST!*

Whether at your computer or on your smart phone, take our short survey & let your voice be heard.

<http://go.usa.gov/x8m6W>

Survey ends February 10, 2017



## COUNTYWIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE 2017

### GET READY FOR THE 2017 CHALLENGE "I'll take you on!"

*"I am particularly pleased that the LA County Department of Human Resources Wellness Program, in collaboration with my office and other partners, is launching this new and innovative worksite wellness effort with Fitbit and CaféWell."*

**-Mark Ridley-Thomas,**  
Chairman of the Board, Los Angeles County Supervisor, Second District



### Coming Soon! Spring 2017 New Wellness Campaign

#### Welcome to the World of Fitbit!

The County of LA is working to provide you with a **\$75 credit** to purchase the Fitbit of your choice at rock bottom prices - some are even **FREE!**

#### You can get started January 1st by:

- Completing your online health assessment
- Scheduling an appointment for your biometric screenings

Don't miss this incredible opportunity!  
Stay tuned for details in early 2017!



## Jessica Lang Dance - Mixed Repertoire

*February 17-19, 2017*

This February, The Music Center showcases an example of the transformation of classical ballet language into the artfully crafted, distinctive contemporary work of Jessica Lang Dance presented by Gloria Kaufman Presents Dance at The Music Center. One of the few major female choreographers in the United States, Jessica Lang creates dance for the 21st century that demonstrates an unrivaled echelon of creativity.

The program highlights two new works by Lang created in 2015: Thousand Yard Stare, which sheds light on the theme of war and those who have been affected by it; the West Coast premiere of Tesseract of Time; Droplet, an intimate excerpt from i.n.k.; and Lang's iconic gem, The Calling. The Music Center is offering all County employees a special 20% discount to the Jessica Lang Dance performances. Visit [musiccenter.org/Jessica](http://musiccenter.org/Jessica) and use the code 31913 when purchasing tickets.

# Retirees

*Congratulations to the following employees who are joining the ranks of the retired after their many years of service to the County of Los Angeles:*

## 45+ Years

**HEALTH SERVICES:** Barbara A. Collier, Shelah Mayberry-May, Lenell Webb  
**INTERNAL SERVICES:** Juanita Kirkwood  
**PROBATION:** Thomas J. Jeanneret  
**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Shirley A. Singleton  
**PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Linda Colbert  
**SHERIFF:**  
**SUPERIOR COURT:** Lori L. Harris

## 40+ Years

**CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES:** Cheryl F. Butts  
**COUNTY COUNSEL:** Carol J. Slosson  
**HEALTH SERVICES:** Arthur Bernal, Lydia M. Cabico, Olivia A. Johnson, Sharon J. Richard  
**INTERNAL SERVICES:** Susan L. Davis  
**MENTAL HEALTH:** Ida C. Munoz  
**PROBATION:** Robert Lopez, Sandra T. Torres  
**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Karen L. Ellis  
**PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Sandra Gonzalez  
**SHERIFF:**

## 35+ Years

**CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES:** Barbara Barabino  
**COUNTY COUNSEL:** Teresa Leonard  
**DISTRICT ATTORNEY:** Loren Naiman  
**HEALTH SERVICES:** Margie L. Boyd, Theresa Davis, Mabel E. Gonzalez, Sam H. Riolo  
**INTERNAL SERVICES:** Diane McDuffy  
**PROBATION:** Candis E. Taylor  
**PUBLIC DEFENDER:** Mara D. Link  
**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Anita T. Scott  
**PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Sandra E. Bonds, Margaret D. Magana, Kim L. Saavedra, Bobbie A. Summers, Libnos M. Tadeja  
**PUBLIC WORKS:** Jennie Teng  
**SHERIFF:** Yvette L. Johnson, Gerhard A. Ogurek, Jr., Donna J. West  
**SUPERIOR COURT:** Veronica Santillan  
**TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR:** Michael K. Greaves, Ida M. Robertson

## 30+ Years

**ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL:** John N. Embery  
**ASSESSOR:** Pamela M. Harris  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** Erlinda M. Reyes  
**CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES:** Barbara Dallis, Nadine M. Henry  
**HEALTH SERVICES:** Petra Ajodha, Snowdie L. Bankhead, Tess S. Hartman, Clifford Ibana, Dawn Luong, Elizabeth S. Magsino, Kevin J. Roscoe, Benildo O. Tan  
**LACERA:** Carol K. Nakamoto-Zitter  
**PARKS & RECREATION:** Vince Lane  
**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Mary E. Maldonado, Shari L. Weary  
**PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Penny J. Brooks  
**PUBLIC WORKS:** Romeo L. Aceituno  
**SHERIFF:** Gregg A. Brenton, Diana L. Dobbins, Linda D. Fink, Dorothy L. Howard, Carla D. Lawson, Michael A. Payne, John R. Price  
**SUPERIOR COURT:** Vivian Berdin Roma, Dianne M. Burfield, Terri L. Johnson, Teresa C. Luna

## 25+ Years

**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS & MEASURES:** Albert D. Habacon  
**CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES:** Mary R. Arnold, Oliver J. Gass, Darin P. Lalla, Luis A. Soria  
**HEALTH SERVICES:** Conswelo Alsup, Vivian Bell, Hee Sook Y. Choe, Sue A. Hensley, Deborah E. Johnson, Soon J. Lee, Maria A. Leiva, Severino G. Paras, Lisa P. Sage, Cory Taylor

**INTERNAL SERVICES:** Ilpyo Chun  
**MENTAL HEALTH:** Rosemarie H. Cayuela  
**PROBATION:** Gina-Marie Masolini-Vargas, Gregory W. Miller, Charles K. Yao  
**PUBLIC HEALTH:** John S. Dao  
**PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES:** Onnick O. Adjamian, Jerry Booker, Clara Corona, Guadalupe Cortez, Vinh V. Dinh, Dzung H. Nguyen, Vinh D. Nguyen, Ellen M. Rhoten  
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Kids race down the sledding hill during the Snow Wonder festival.

## Snow Wonder Festival and Holiday Boat Parade

More than 4,000 people gathered in Marina del Rey on Saturday, December 10, to ring in the holidays with its Snow Wonder festival and the annual Holiday Boat Parade.

The day started at noon with Snow Wonder, a free public holiday celebration at Burton Chace Park. Now in its second year, the event is known for the 60 tons of real snow it brings in for snowball fights and sledding, a treat for many Southern Californians.

The festival also featured food trucks, a carousel, a snowboarding simulator, a winter-themed arts and crafts table, and a DJ playing family-friendly Top 40 hits.

As Snow Wonder wound down, families found prime viewing spots around the marina for the 54th annual Holiday Boat Parade.

About 50 vessels participated in the parade, which began in 1962 when a group of boaters decorated their vessels with Christmas lights and paraded around the main channel of the almost-finished harbor. The "Best Overall" award went to the Ellis Island II for its "Feliz Navidad" entry.



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**Los Angeles has the highest street homeless population in the nation.** Every day we see them – men, women and children with no place to call home. But we don't have to accept homelessness as an unsolvable problem. With your help we can end homelessness.

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) is the lead agency responsible for coordinating the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count – an on-the-ground census of our homeless neighbors in need of support. With the assistance of over 6,000 volunteers, we will conduct the largest Homeless Count in the nation between January 24-26, 2017 to determine the number and scope of individuals and families residing on the streets, in shelters and other institutions serving the homeless across Los Angeles. Data from the Count will allow us to target resources to those most in need and raise awareness of an epidemic impacting more than 47,000 people in our midst.

We are actively seeking an alliance to help eradicate homelessness and support the thousands of volunteers who lend their valuable time, talents and resources to this effort. Partnering with the Homeless Count is a meaningful way to give back to the communities in which you operate. It connects you with your constituents, members, and customers engaged in this vital issue, while garnering recognition in Homeless Count online and offline promotions.

**There are many types of potential partnerships to support the 2017 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count, including:**

- **Volunteer!** Signing up a team of employees to volunteer for the Homeless Count. You can sign up at [www.theycountwillyou.org](http://www.theycountwillyou.org)
- **Donate!** Providing in-kind donations or store credits for food and beverages for volunteers at deployment sites during the Homeless Count or for prizes/giveaways for Super Volunteers.
- **Spread the word!** Sharing information about the Homeless Count and calling for volunteers through your advertising, outreach or other communications channels (e.g. newsletters, social media channels, online forums).
- **Advertise!** Hanging posters/sharing tiers in your business, non-profit, community venue or house of worship.
- **Host a training!** Inviting a Homeless Count representative to speak at a community event or business forum – to shine a light on the issue of homelessness in Los Angeles and engage volunteers.

LAHSA is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Los Angeles to address the problems and solutions around homelessness on a regional level. LAHSA is a tax-exempt political subdivision of the State of California.

We are excited to explore how we can mutually benefit in serving our community and helping to stem the tide of homelessness among the many at-risk men, women and children among us. Your generosity will provide the resources necessary for a successful campaign.



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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#### **Q How does counting homeless persons help to reduce and end homelessness?**

**A** We need to know the size and scope of homelessness throughout Los Angeles County. In order to make a difference in the lives of our homeless residents, we need to know who they are and where they reside; the count is the first step to our goal of helping homeless persons find permanent housing. The data gathered from the count allows us to assess how and where homeless persons can best be served.

#### **Q I've never done this before. How will I know how to count homeless people?**

**A** All volunteers will be fully trained and provided with equipment and materials.

#### **Q Can I select which area I want to volunteer in?**

**A** Yes! We encourage volunteers to count in the community they are most familiar with! Visit [www.TheyCountWillYou.org](http://www.TheyCountWillYou.org) to register and indicate your area preference.

#### **Q What is the time commitment and expected schedule for the Homeless Count?**

**A** Please reference the left sidebar for scheduling, but the time commitment is generally 3–5 hours for most volunteer roles on the day/night of the Count. However, if you would like to also volunteer before and after the Count, please let us know when you register.

#### **Q What will I be doing as a volunteer?**

**A** There are many ways you can participate to make the Homeless Count a success. Volunteering opportunities include:

- **Volunteer Trainers** to be responsible for training all Volunteer Counters at a specific deployment site for up to 4 hours on the day/night of the Count. Trainers take on a leadership role and must be comfortable giving direction.
- **Volunteer Counters, Drivers or Navigators** to receive training and materials on the day of the Count from trained volunteers and be deployed in groups of 2 – 4 to count specific blocks in an area. Each position will be outside counting for up to 4 hours.
- **Office Volunteers** making phone calls to recruit volunteers; helping with data entry; providing support at Headquarters. Shifts of 2–4 hours on the night of the Count. You can also decide if you want to volunteer before, during and/or after the Count.

#### **Q Can I invite others to join?**

**A** Yes! Once you're registered, you can invite as many people as you would like by simply sending them the deployment site registration link.

#### **Q I'm younger than 18, Can I volunteer?**

**A** Yes! Youth 17 years and younger can sign up as volunteers to work at LAHSA before, during, and/or after the Count. On the night of the Count they can also work 2-4 hours at a deployment site. However, youth can **not** participate as street count volunteers.