

LA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS

WATER PROGRAM

Community Services Cluster | January 8, 2025



PROGRAM HISTORY



Late Assistant Chief Lifeguard,
Russell Walker



- Created in 1986 under DBH
- Recruitment aimed to create a diverse pool of candidates for the Ocean Lifeguard position

RENEWED FOCUS

- Focus on increasing ocean safety skills for youth ages 5 - 21
- Outreach to youth with special needs and in underserved communities
- Program run by DBH with its own Lifeguard positions
- Collaboration with DCFS, Probation, DPR, and DYD to engage youth in WATER programming



OCEAN SAFETY DAYS

- 1-day program with school groups, K-12 graders on weekdays
- Ocean safety education through kayaking, paddle boarding, sailing, and Lifeguard tower demonstration
- Transportation provided
- No cost to public school participants
- Family Ocean Safety Days
- District Days



DISTRICT DAY IN THE MARINA



- Referrals from the Board of Supervisors
- 1-day program on Saturdays for families from community organizations
- Engage in “Ocean Safety Day” curriculum
- Transportation and lunch provided
- Free to all participants



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SAILING CAMPS

- 5-day courses in beginning and intermediate sailing
- Teaches youth 11 – 17 sailing knowledge and terms, boat maintenance and rigging, knot tying, tacking, docking and sailing instruction
- Weekdays during the spring, summer, and winter school breaks
- \$375/week, financial aid available for qualifying families



CAN THE TRASH! BEACH DAY



- Celebratory beach day for winners of the annual Clean Beach Poster Contest and their families
- “Ocean Safety Day” curriculum
- Lunch provided
- Free to participants

EXTENDED PROGRAMMING



- Single and multi-day programming on weekends during school breaks and holidays for at-risk and system-involved youth
- Collaboration with DCFS, DPR, Probation, DYD, community-based youth groups, and schools
- Ocean Safety Day curriculum, CPR/First Aid workshops, coastal hikes, career exploration presentations, visits to aquariums, etc.
- Transportation and lunch provided as needed

FY 2023-24 PARTICIPANT STATS

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS			4824			
DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5	OUTSIDE LACO	UNKNOWN
1001	1618	728	1129	205	39	104

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QUESTIONS?



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Housing!

Community Services Cluster
Housing Legislation Overview
Department of Regional Planning
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<u>SB 1211</u>	<u>SB 450</u>	<u>AB 3093</u>	<u>AB 3116</u>	<u>AB 2199</u>
<u>AB 2533</u>	<u>SB 1123</u>	<u>SB 7</u>	<u>AB 2694</u>	<u>AB 846</u>
<u>SB 1077</u>	<u>AB 3122</u>	<u>AB 1893</u>		<u>AB 2729</u>
	<u>AB 2243</u>	<u>AB 2580</u>		<u>SB 937</u>