



Catching up with LA County

July 10, 2026

WHAT'S NEW?

COUNTY ADVOCACY-RELATED ACTIONS

At the June 30th meeting, the Los Angeles County (LA County) Board of Supervisors (Board) took the following legislative-related action:

- **IMPLEMENTING FIRE SAFETY PROTOCOLS TO ADDRESS HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS WITHIN VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES**

The Board directed the Chief Executive Office-Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations Branch (CEO-LAIR) to send a letter to the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Department of Interior (National Parks and US Forestry), with a copy to the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation, requesting additional Federal coordination, staffing, and resources to address brush clearance, vegetation management, fire-fuel reduction, and encampment-related fire risks within Very High Hazard Severity Zones on or near USACE and Department of Interior-maintained facilities and land in LA County, including periodic maintenance updates or risk assessments to support County outreach, safety protocols, and interagency coordination. Additionally, send a letter to the Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority and California State Parks regarding the high fire severity zones in their respective jurisdictions as well, with a copy to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

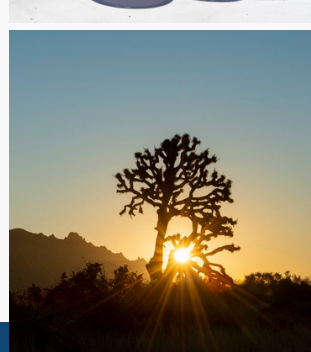


Upcoming Board of Supervisors' meeting agendas can be found [here](#).



LA COUNTY HEAT ADVISORY

The LA County Department of Public Health (DPH) urges residents to take precautions to avoid [heat-related illness](#) as high temperatures are forecast to impact the region. Click [here](#) for additional tips from DPH on how to keep yourself and others safe during excessive heat.



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The County is advocating on the following legislation and proposals:

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- **SUPPORT SENATE BILL (SB) 837 (REYES): DISASTER AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

SB 837 would require Aging and Disability Resource Connections programs to provide disaster and emergency preparedness training specifically designed to help older adults and people with disabilities prepare for emergencies and ensure their safety before, during, and after natural disasters and other emergency events. Additional details on this position can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SB 971 (CHOI): HEALTHY AGING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**

SB 971 would provide that a local health department, area agency on aging, community college, public or private college, public or private university, or other appropriate county department, may establish a Healthy Aging Community Partnership Program for older individuals designed to promote healthy aging, social engagement, and independent living in collaboration with relevant local entities, including school districts, libraries, faith institutions, and community organizations. Additional details on this position can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT SB 1030 (SMALLWOOD-CUEVAS): CALWORKS: UNRELATED ADULT MALE**

SB 1030 would repeal the statute that requires an unrelated adult male who lives in a household that is receiving CalWORKs to contribute financially to the family. This would increase access to programs and services that support low-income families in the County. Additional details on this position can be found [here](#).

- **CHANGE OF COUNTY POSITION, FROM SUPPORT TO NEUTRAL, FOR ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 311 (MCKINNOR): DWELLING UNITS: PERSONS AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS**

AB 311 was previously related to dwelling units and would have authorized a tenant, with the written approval of the landlord, to provide temporary accommodation to a person at risk of homelessness without impacting the tenant's existing lease and without creating tenancy rights for the person being housed. The bill would have included in the definition of a "person at risk of homelessness" for the provisions of this bill to include any person who is displaced from their residence as a result of a disaster in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor. The bill was gutted and amended and no longer pertains to allowing temporary accommodation to a person at risk of homelessness. Additional details on this change of position can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 1128 (MURATSUCHI): MOBILE HOME PARKS: RENT CAPS**

AB 1128 would expand the provisions of the existing rent cap to all mobilehome parks statewide and extend the sunset of the provisions to January 1, 2036. This bill would help protect the affordability and stability of mobilehome communities. Additional details on this change of position can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT AB 2219 (SCHIAVO): VETERANS**

AB 2219 would require the California Department of Veterans Affairs to take several actions related to county veteran service officers (CVSO) to improve services to veterans and would require a CVSO vacancy to be filled within 12 months. This bill would expand access to services for veterans and promote more consistent data collection to help improve veteran services. Additional details on this change of position can be found [here](#).

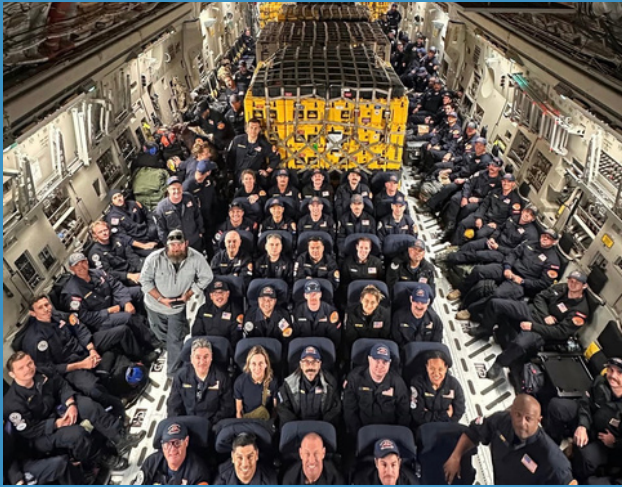
NEW MINIMUM WAGE FOR UNINCORPORATED LA COUNTY AS OF JULY 1, 2026

If you work at least two hours for a business or nonprofit in unincorporated LA County, the minimum wage has just gone up. As of July 1, 2026, the new minimum wage is \$18.47 per hour. This increase applies to all workers in unincorporated LA County regardless of immigration status, the size of the employer, your employment status, or where you live. If you think you've been underpaid, the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs' Office of Labor Equity, can help. You [can file a complaint](#), ask questions, or get assistance understanding your rights.



APPLICATIONS OPEN: LA COUNTY'S FIRST INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

In 2024, voters said YES on Measure G, in favor of a structural overhaul of LA County's government—the biggest in over 100 years. To meet this moment, an Independent Ethics Commission is being formed, made up of experienced and passionate residents who will be the guiding force towards a more ethical government. [Apply here](#) before applications close on July 26, 2026.



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT'S (LACOFD) **INTERNATIONAL URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM IN VENEZUELA**

The LACoFD's international urban search and rescue team, known as USA-2, was activated by the US Department of State to respond to Venezuela in the wake of the 7.2 and 7.5 magnitude earthquakes that hit the country's center on June 25, 2026.

Comprised of 71 members and six canine teams, including 84,000 pounds of equipment, USA-2 joined the Fairfax County Fire Department's international USAR team, USA-1, to provide search, rescue, and recovery assistance. Team members leveraged highly specialized technical training, expertise, and equipment, having conducted 24/7 search and rescue operations across multiple collapsed structures.



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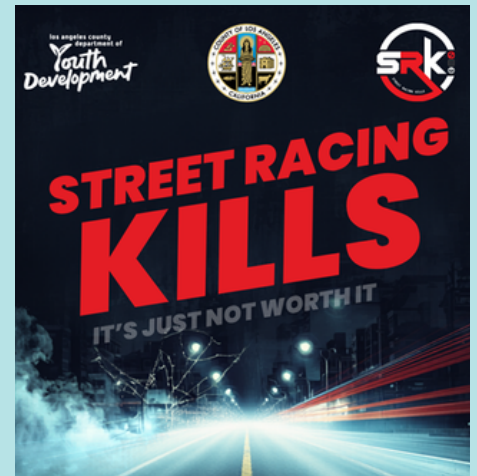
Dog Days of Summer Adoption Event

The LA County Department of Animal Care and Control (ACC) is celebrating summer by reducing fees for all dog adoptions during the Dog Days of Summer adoption event. This event is going until July 31, 2026, at all seven of the County's animal care centers. Visit an ACC care center from 11 AM to 5 PM Monday through Saturday.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

(PSA): STREET RACING KILLS — IT'S JUST NOT WORTH IT

One choice can change everything. This powerful new PSA from LA County Department of Youth Development and Street Racing Kills tells the true story of a young man who lost his three closest friends in a street racing crash and now carries the weight of that moment every day. His message is simple: Street Racing Kills — It's Just Not Worth It. Developed with input from youth across LA County, this video is a reality check that can't be ignored. Watch the full video now on YouTube and find resources at StreetRacingKills.org.



FÚTBOL IS HERE!

As the tournament winds down, there are still several opportunities to attend free community viewing events throughout LA County. Visit lacounty.gov/futbol/ to find a watch party near you!



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