



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

"Parks Make Life Better!"

Norma E. García-González, Director

Alina Bokde, Chief Deputy Director

**County of Los Angeles
Department of Parks and Recreation Commission**

AGENDA

October 2, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.
Don Knabe Community Regional Park
19700 Bloomfield Ave, Cerritos, CA 90703

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Alma K. Martinez, **Secretary**, First District
Tamika L. Butler, **Chair**, Second District
Kurt Cabrera-Miller, Third District
Melissa Balocca, Fourth District
Deanne Boublis, **Vice Chair**, Fifth District

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission regarding any items that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. Those who wish to provide public comment may submit their names to enter the queue for verbal comment. Speakers are reminded of the three-minute time limit. Written public comments can also be submitted prior to and during the meeting via email to commission@parks.lacounty.gov. Please include the Agenda Item and meeting date in your correspondence. All correspondence received shall become part of the official record. Supporting documentation can be obtained at the Commission webpage <https://parks.lacounty.gov/park-commission>

5. APPROVAL OF July 10, 2023 MEETING MINUTES (Action)
6. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE
7. DEPARTMENT ITEMS
 - a. Budget
 - b. Upcoming Board Letters/Board Motions
 - c. Operations Plan
 - d. Programs
 - e. Strategic Plan Update
8. RPOSD REPORT
9. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

2024 Commission Meeting Dates:

January 8, 2024

April 1, 2024

July 1, 2024

October 7, 2024

10. DEPARTMENT SPECIAL EVENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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**MEETING MINUTES FOR THE OCTOBER 2, 2023
LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
Don Knabe Community Regional Park, 19700 Bloomfield Ave, Cerritos, CA 90703**

Present: Commissioners: Tamika Butler, Kurt Cabrera-Miller, and Deanne Boublis

Absent: Commissioners: Alma Martinez and Melissa Balocca

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Quarterly Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Tamika L. Butler at 9:34 a.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Commissioner Deanne Boublis read the LA County Land Acknowledgment.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kurt Cabrera-Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Tamika Butler provided instructions for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. There was no public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (Action)

Commission Chair Tamika L. Butler asked for a motion to approve July 10, 2023, Commission Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Commissioner Deanne Boublis, seconded by Commissioner Kurt Cabrera-Miller, the motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: 3 – Commissioner Tamika L. Butler, Commissioner Kurt Cabrera-Miller, and Commissioner Deanne Boublis. There was unanimous consent to move forward. Commissioner Alma K. Martinez and Melissa Martinez were not present to vote. There was unanimous consent to move forward. Minutes were approved as distributed.

6. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Director Norma E. García-González provided an overview on the following:

1. Hurricane Hillary Brief Update/Impact
2. UCLA Evaluation of Parks After Dark (PAD)
 - a. Mercy provided a summary in detail on the UCLA Evaluation and of PAD.
3. Parks After Dark Update
4. ARPA Funding – Enhanced Programs (Sports, Cultural and Specialty)

7. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

a. Budget

Deputy Director Malou Rubio presented an overview of the FY 2023-24 Budget Request status-phase 3 (Supplemental Changes) - Funded by Realignment of Existing Resources. She also discussed the additional funding needs due to cost increases and new facilities request.

b. Coming Board Letters/Board Motions:

Special Assistant Astrid Ochoa provided an update on the upcoming Board Items for July through September 2023.

c. Department Operations Plan

Chief Deputy Director Alina Bokde provided an update on the changes to the Department Operations Plan for FY 2023-2024. She discussed Parks and Classifications, Park Hours, Senior Centers, Parks with Senior Nutrition and Activities. As well as Regional Parks, Regional Parks with Boating Lakes, Nature Centers, and Aquatics (year-round pools).

d. Programs

• Aquatics

Joe Goss, Regional Recreation Director provided an overview of the Aquatics Fall Activity Schedule that included Everybody Swims, Swim Lessons, Water Exercise, LAP Swim and Youth Sports in the aquatic centers/pools. In addition to the Aquatics Fall Programs (Novice Youth Sports, Swim Team, Dive Team and Artistic Swimming). As well as the Lifeguard Ready Training with the session dates.

• Sports

Carl Cooper, Deputy Director for the South Agency provided a Fall Sports Programming. This included: Flag Football - Los Angeles RAMS sponsored, Soccer, Youth Sports that involves Everybody Plays & Fee and Based Sports Clinics (Partners Clinics). The LA County's Youth Cheer Program was offered at 13 parks with over 438 participants enrolled. In addition, the Los Angeles Clippers Community Courts Projects began in June 2023. Victoria Park had a full court replacement (first completed) and there is plan for 117 gym and outdoor basketball courts to be refurbished and completed by the end of 2025.

• Recreation

Mercy Santoro, Deputy Director for the East Agency provided a summary of the Fall Preview Cultural Experiences and Events that included: Hispanic Heritage, Girl's Empowerment, Trick or Treat Village, Dia De Los Martes, Fishing Derby, Harvest Festival, and Parks After Dark Winter Wonderland. Also presented an overview of Recreation Core Programs, Safe Passages, Everybody Plays & Nutrition, Our SPOT, Youth@Work, Older Adult Programs and Contract Classes.

- **Natural Areas Fall Programming**

Kevin Regan, Deputy Director for the Regional Agency provided a summary of the Natural Areas Fall Programming which included Core Programming in all eight nature centers (Nature Center Discover, Everybody Explores, and Nature Knowledge Nights). And the Special events (Family Campfire Night, A Day in Nature, NCA Volunteer Recognition, Halloween Nature Crawl, Creature of Halloween) and Collaborative Programs (Nature in Your Neighborhood Community Campfire and Community Access Program at the Ford Theatre).

e. Strategic Plan Update

Chief Deputy Director Alina Bokde provided an update on the September Community Meetings and the direction of the Department over the next five years with the Strategic Plan. This is in reference to Goal #2: Strengthen Programs, Experiences, and Engagement in Community. 2.1.4 Hold an annual community meeting at each neighborhood and community park in September to provide and solicit feedback for the yearly program schedule and park planning projects. There were 63 meetings held at parks and nature centers. Over 400 surveys completed in English, Spanish and Mandarin.

8. RPOSD Report

Deputy Director Christina Angeles provided a summary on the Regional Park and Open Space District Measure A Grants Administration Manual Update and the Replacement Grants Management System.

9. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Concurrence for 2024 Commission Meetings dates.

10. DEPARTMENT SPECIAL EVENTS

Chief Deputy Director Alina Bokde provided an overview of the 2023: Girl's Empowerment, Harvest Festival, Dia de Los Muertos, and Hispanic Heritage program and activities.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Chair Tamika L. Butler asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Commissioner Kurt Cabrera-Miller, seconded by Commissioner Deanne Boublis to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 a.m., the motion carried by the following votes:

Ayes: 5 – Commissioner Tamika L. Butler, Commissioner Kurt Cabrera-Miller, and Commissioner Deanne Boublis. There was unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Alma K. Martinez and Melissa Martinez were not present to vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elva Espinoza
Commission Secretary


APPROVED BY CHAIR

DATE



Park Commission Meeting

October 2, 2023



Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comment
5. Approval of July 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes
6. Director's Update
7. Department Items
8. RPOSD Report
9. Commission Communications
10. Department Special Events
11. Adjournment



2. Land Acknowledgment



Los Angeles County Land Acknowledgement

The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants —past, present, and emerging —as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the

Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians

Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council

Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians

Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation

San Manuel Band of Mission Indians

San Fernando Band of Mission Indians




3. Pledge of Allegiance





4. Public Comment





5. Approval of July 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes



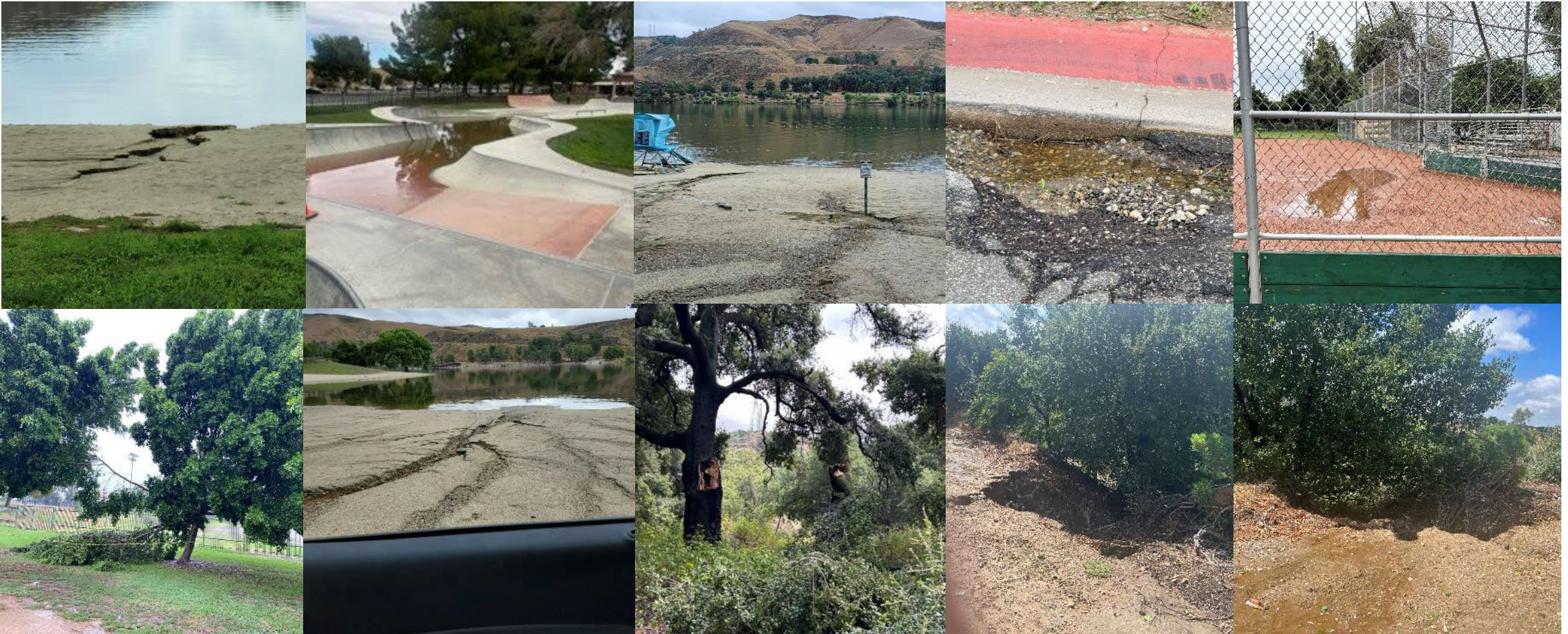
6. Director's Update



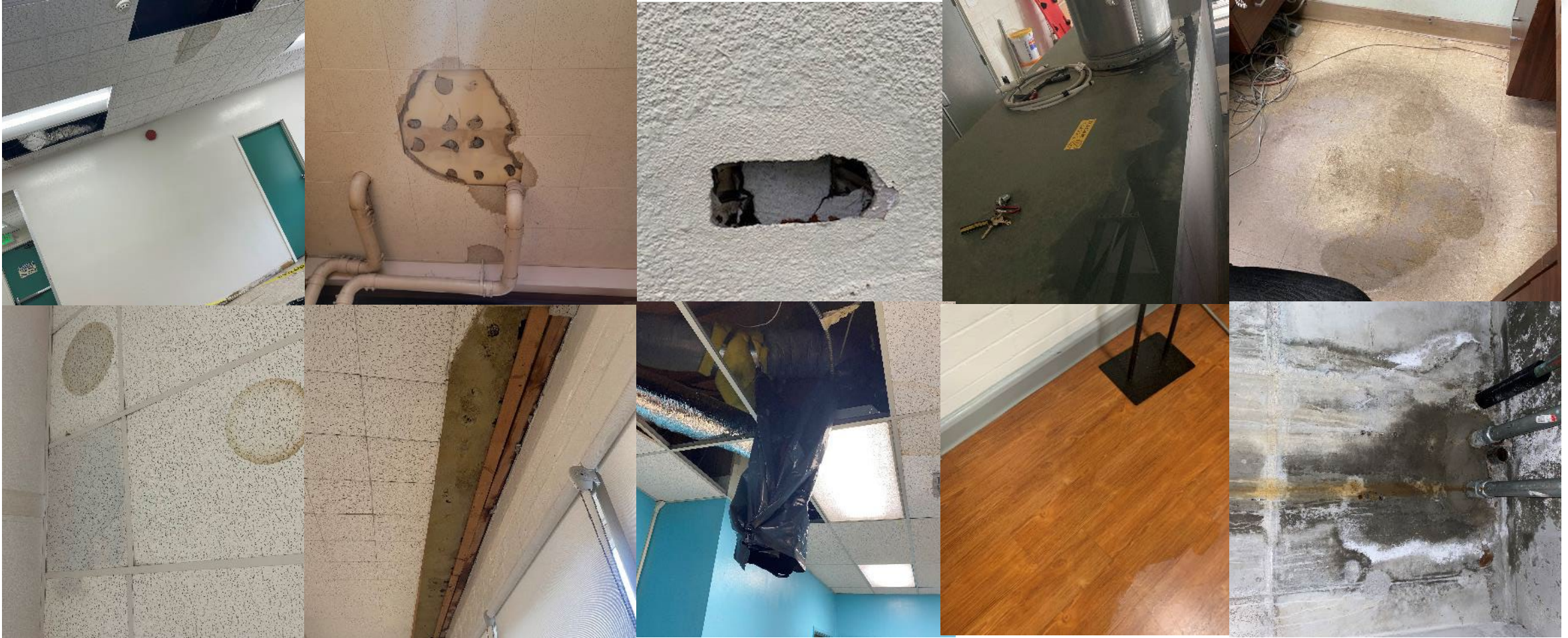


Hurricane Hilary

Flooding, erosion, fallen trees/branches and a sink hole



Water damage and leaks





UCLA Evaluation of Parks After Dark

According to the 2022 PAD Surveys Collected:

92% of attendees feel safe at long-running L.A. County parks program

Parks After Dark, launched in 2010, has even helped reduce crime, according to UCLA evaluation

Contributors to Feelings of Safety:

- Park Staff
- Positive Atmosphere
- LA County Parks Bureau & Intervention Worker Presence
- Park Environment (i.e., facilities, lighting)

Note: 8,677 surveys were collected in 2022

PARKSAFTERDARK

Top Activities in 2022 According to those Surveyed:

- 16% Concerts
- 17% Sports
- 32% Movie Nights

UCLA researchers concluded that, over the course of the program, 189 fewer crimes have been committed in the neighborhoods hosting the events than could have been expected to occur otherwise.



137,500
Visits in
2022



84%
Attended
with
Children




96% Would
Attend PAD
Again and
Would
Recommend
it to Others

Parks After Dark (PAD)

Of those surveyed in 2022, 62% live near the park the program is offered at, and 94% who took part in the survey shared that PAD increased the quality time they spent with their families.

One attendee voiced, "I've been coming to Parks After Dark with my son since he was 2.5; he is now 7 years old. I love that they have things for him to participate in that are free. I live paycheck to paycheck, and this is great for families that are on a budget."

Note: 48,012 Surveys are under review for summer PAD 2023.



FY22-23 Impact Report



ARPA

Enhanced
programs One-
Time ARPA
Funding \$1.7M

Program Ending
June 30, 2024

SPORTS PROGRAMMING
Youth Sports \$25 fee
Municipal youth competitive golf program
Fishing Derbies (9 events)
Junior Lifeguard Program in Lakes Scholarship
Adaptive Program/Para Swim
Skate Park Jams
Girls’ Sports Day
Volunteer Coach Program
CULTURAL PROGRAMMING
Hispanic-Heritage Month (56)
Lunar New Year (56 parks)
Black History Month (56)
Pride Month Celebration (56)
Hollywood Bowl Access
Juneteenth (5)
Day of the Dead (5)
Fourth of July (5)
SPECIALTY PROGRAMMING
Nature in your Neighborhood
Overnight Family Camping



7. Department Items



Budget Report

Malou Rubio,
Deputy Director, Administration



FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST STATUS
As of Supplemental Changes (Phase 3)
Pending Board Approval October 3, 2023

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

Funded by Realignment of Existing Resources

- Reduce Reliance on One-Time Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
 - 42.0 positions – **CEO Approved 21.0 positions**
- New Aquatics Agency
 - 2.0 position – **CEO Approved**
- Human Resources Support
 - 2.0 positions – **Board Approved**
- Staffing Standards for Nature Centers and Natural Areas
 - 2.0 positions – **CEO Approved**
- Tribal Liaison Coordinator –
 - 1.0 position – **Board Approved**
- Central Reservation and Partnership Operations
 - 10.0 positions – **Board Approved**

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

Need Additional Funding

- Cost Increases for Utilities and Fuel
 - \$3.9 million – Deferred - **Denied**
- Cost Increases for Maintenance and Security Services Contracts
 - \$850,000 - **Denied**
- Health Care Subsidy for Temporary Employees
 - \$3.9 million - **Denied**

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

Board Motions - Need Additional Funding

- Regulatory Gaps In Children's Camps
 - 2.0 Positions – Board Approved (Realignment of Existing Resources)
- Virginia Robinson Gardens Expanded Operating Hours
 - \$591,000 - CEO Approved 1.0 position

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

New Facilities Request – Need Additional Funding

Supervisory District 1 - \$1,515,000

- Duck Farm River Park – New Park (Pending Board Approval) - \$162,000 (FY2022-23) - **Denied**
- Schabarum Park – Soccer Field Lighting (Board Approval Date: 12/8/2020) - \$159,000 (FY2022-23) – **Denied**
- Belvedere Park Synthetic Soccer Field and General Improvements (Board Approval Date: 6/8/2021) - \$531,000 – **Board Approved**
- Project Restroom - New Restroom Building - Atlantic Park (Board Approval Date: 6/8/2021) - \$28,000 - **Denied**
- Project Restroom - New Restroom Building – Whittier - Narrows (Board Approval Date: 8/9/2022) - \$160,000 - **Board Approved \$67,000**

Supervisory District 2 - \$1,674,000

- Earvin Magic Johnson Park – New Park (Board Approval Date 7/24/2018; 4/14/2020) \$574,000 (FY2022-23) – **CEO Approved \$215,000**
- Wishing Tree Park – New Park (Board Approval Date 7/11/2017) \$366,000 (FY2022-23) – **CEO Approved \$91,000**
- 92nd Street Linear Park – New Park (Board Approval Date: 6/8/2021) - \$552,000 - **Denied**
- 95th and Normandie Pocket Park – New Park (Board Approval Date: 11/1/2022) - \$133,000 - **Board Approved**
- Mary M. Bethune Park General Improvements Project (Board Approval Pending) - \$21,000 – **Denied**
- Project Restroom - New Restroom Building - Athens Park (Board Approval Date: 7/12/2022) - \$28,000 - **Denied**

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

New Facilities Request – Need Additional Funding

Supervisory District 4 - \$960,000

- Whittier Aquatic Center – New Park (Board Approved 7/21/2020) - \$960,000 (FY2022-23) - **Denied** – Will resubmit in future fiscal years.
- Nogales Park – New Park (Board Approval Date: 5/17/2022) - \$475,000 – **Board Approved \$384,000**

Supervisory District 5 - \$1,370,000

- Mission Village Community Park – New Park (Board Approval Date: 7/18/2017) - \$174,000 - **Denied**
- Williams Ranch Public Park Development – New Park (Board Approval Date: 2/5/2019) - \$371,000 - **Denied**
- Tameobit Wildlife and Sanctuary (No Board Action) \$580,000 – **Board Approved \$559,000**
- Deer Lake Highlands Phase II Trail - (Board Approval Date: 6/6/2017) - \$92,000 - **Board Approved**
- Project Restroom - New Restroom Building - Eaton Canyon Natural Area (Board Approval Date: 7/12/2022) - \$113,000 - **Board Approved \$21,000**
- Arboretum Entrance and Visitor Plaza - \$40,000 - **Board Approved**
- Devils Punch Bowl - \$141,000 - **Board Approved**

FY 2023-24 BUDGET REQUEST

New Facilities Request – Need Additional Funding

Various - \$631,000

- Various Multi-Use Trails (Sup District 1 and 5) - \$10,000 (FY2022-23) - **Denied**
- Various Multi-Use Trails (Sup District 1 and 5) - \$188,000 - **Board Approved \$187,000**
- Parks on the Move Mobile Recreation Programming for Pocket Parks (Sup District 1 and 2) (Pending Board Approval) - \$433,000 - **Denied**

Parks Bureau Request for New Parks - \$1,286,000 -

Denied

- South Zone: 92nd Linear Park (2), Normandie and 95th Pocket Park (2)
- East Zone: Walnut Pocket Park (1)
- North Zone: Mission Village Community Park (5) and Williams Ranch Public Park (5)

Upcoming Board Letters and Board Motions

Astrid Ochoa, Special Assistant



October Board Letters

October 17	Landscape Approvals of Schabarum, La Crescenta, and El Cariso Parks Matt Green
October 24 PH	Hollywood Bowl ticket prices

November Board Letters

November 7	Approval of Amendment number one South Whittier Area Parks Contract Number 79331 to add a new facility and increase the contract sum.
November 7	Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area Japanese Garden Renovation Project Establish And Approve Capital Project, Approve Project Scope, Budget, And Appropriation Adjustment
November 7	Approve extension of the Castaic Lake Operating Agreement Between LA County and the State of California
November 7	Belvedere Community Regional Park Walking Path Improvement Project, Mona Breezeway Improvement Project, Franklin D. Roosevelt Park Walking Path Improvement Project
November 7	Santa Fe Dam Swim Beach Restroom #3 Replacement Project Establish and Approve Capital Project, Approve Project Scope, Budget, and Appropriation Adjustment

November Board Letters

November 21	Safety Permit Requirements
November 21	RPOSD - Allocate excess funds available to the fifth supervisorial district and authorize award and administration of an excess funds grant to LA County Parks for the Charles White Renovation project
November 21	Temescal Canyon Acquisition



DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS PLAN

• July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Alina Bokde
Chief Deputy Director

PARKS AND CLASSIFICATIONS

REGIONAL PARK

Castaic Lake State Recreation Area
Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park
Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area
Peck Road Water Conservation Park
Peter F. Schabaram Regional Park
Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area
San Dimas Canyon Community Regional Park
Walnut Creek Community Regional Park
Whittier Narrows Recreation Area

NATURE CENTER

Deane Dana Friendship Natural Area & Nature Center
Devil's Punchbowl Natural Area & Nature Center
Eaton Canyon Natural Area & Nature Center
Placerita Canyon Natural Area & Nature Center
San Dimas Canyon Natural Area & Nature Center
Stoneview Nature Center
Vasquez Rocks Natural Area & Nature Center
Whittier Narrows Natural Area & Nature Center

COMMUNITY REGIONAL

Alondra Community Regional Park
Arcadia Community Regional Park
Belvedere Community Regional Park
Castaic Regional Sports Complex
Crescenta Valley Community Regional Park
Don Knabe Community Regional Park
Earvin "Magic" Johnson Recreation Area
El Cariso Community Regional Park
Franklin D. Roosevelt Park
Jesse Owens Community Regional Park
La Mirada Community Regional Park
Loma Alta Park
Pathfinder Community Regional Park
Stephen Sorensen Park
Ted Watkins Memorial Park
Val Verde Community Regional Park
Veterans Memorial Community Regional Park*
Victoria Community Regional Park

COMMUNITY

Adventure Park
Amelia Mayberry Park
Athens Park
Bodger Park
Charles S. Farnsworth Park
Charter Oak Park
City Terrace Park
Col. Leon H. Washington Park
Dexter Park
Dr. Richard H. Rioux Memorial Park*
Enterprise Park
George Lane Park
Hacienda Heights Community & Recreation Center
Jackie Robinson
Ladera Park*
Manzanita Park
Rowland Heights Park
Sorensen Park
William Steinmetz Park

PARKS AND CLASSIFICATIONS

LOCAL
Allen J. Martin Park
Amigo Park*
Bassett Park
Carolyn Rosas Park
Dalton Park*
Del Aire Park
East Rancho Dominguez Park
Eugene A. Obregon Park
George Washington Carver Park
Helen Keller Park
Lennox Park
Mary M. Bethune Park
Mona Park
Pamela County Park
Pearblossom County Park
Rimgrove Park
Roy Campanella Park
Ruben F Salazar Park
San Angelo Park
Saybrook Park
Sunshine Park*
Valleydale Park

PASSIVE	
Acton Park	Martin Luther King Jr. Fitness Garden
Altadena Triangle Park	McNees Park
Apollo Community Regional Park	Michillinda Park
Atlantic Avenue Park	Monteith Parkway
Avenue Park	Orange Grove Park
Avocado Heights Park	Parque de los Suenos
Bill Blevins Park	Pepperbrook Park
Charles White Park	Pickens Canyon Park
Compton Creek Walking Path Phase I	Pico Canyon Park
Countrywood Park	Reuben Ingold Parkway
Del Valle Park	San Jose Creek Overlook
El Parque Nuestro	Thomas S. Burton Park
Everett Martin Park	Trailview Park
Faith and Hope Park	Two Strike County Park
Gloria Heer Park	Walnut Nature Park
Hasley Canyon Park	Washington Ave Park
Jake Kuredjian Park	Wiseburn Walking Path
Los Robles Park	Woodcrest Play Park

PARK HOURS

LOCAL AND COMMUNITY REGIONAL PARKS

<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:00 am to 9:00 pm Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and New Years Eve 6:00 am to 5:00 pm	Monday - Thursday 10:30 am to 9:00 pm Friday 10:30 am to 7:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm No Staff on Sundays	Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 8:30 pm

NOVEMBER 1st to FEBRUARY 29th		
<i>Winter Hours</i>	<i>Locations</i>	
Monday - Friday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm No Staff on Sundays	Amigo Park	Richard Rioux Park
	Dalton Park	Sunshine Park
	Ladera Park	Veterans Park

*Winter hours will only change for these parks

All park buildings will be closed and unstaffed on all County Holidays. All parks and restrooms are closed on Christmas. Park buildings will be closed and unstaffed on Sundays.

PARK HOURS

PASSIVE PARKS

MARCH 1st TO OCTOBER 31st	
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 8:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 7:00 am to 7:30 pm

NOVEMBER 1st to FEBRUARY 28th	
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 6:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 7:00 am to 5:30 pm

DISTRICT OFFICES

<i>Operating Hours</i>		
Monday - Friday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm		
<i>North Agency</i>	<i>South Agency</i>	<i>East Agency</i>
Santa Clarita Valley District 31320 N. Castaic Rd., Castaic, 91384 (661) 294-3500	Southwest District 419 E. Martin Luther King Jr. St., Carson, 90746 (310) 217-8376	East Los Angeles District 4801 E. 3 rd St., Los Angeles, 90022 Phone: (323) 260-2360
Antelope Valley District 4555 W Avenue G, Lancaster, 93534 Phone: (661) 940-7701	Central West District 13055 Clovis Ave., Los Angeles, 90059 (310) 603-8307	San Gabriel Valley District 409 S. Santa Anita Ave., Arcadia, 91006 Phone: (626) 821-4625
Foothill District 13100 Hubbard St., Sylmar, 91342 Phone: (818) 367-5043	Southeast District 10130 Gunn Ave., Whittier, 90605 (562) 698-2000	Heights District 14906 E. Los Robles Ave., Hacienda Heights, 91745 Phone: (626) 333-1369

SENIOR CENTERS, PARKS WITH SENIOR NUTRITION & SENIOR ACTIVITIES

<i>Senior Center Hours</i>	<i>Locations</i>
Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Franklin D. Roosevelt Park
	Ladera Park
	William Steinmetz Park

<i>Parks w/ Senior Nutrition Program</i>	<i>Locations</i>
Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Drop-in: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm	Salazar Park
	Bassett Park
	Stephen Sorensen Park
	Adventure Park
	Mayberry Park
	Franklin D. Roosevelt Park
	Ladera Park
	William Steinmetz Park
	Lennox Park

<i>Parks with Senior Program without Nutrition</i>	<i>Locations</i>
Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm	Valleydale Park
	Sunshine Park

<i>Parks with Senior Activities</i>	<i>Locations</i>
Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Arcadia Park
	Belvedere Park
	Carolyn Rosas Park
	City Terrace Park
	Crescenta Valley Park
	Del Aire Park
	Hacienda Community Center
	Rowland Heights Community Center
	Roy Campanella Park
	Sunshine Park
	Val Verde Park
	Valleydale Park



REGIONAL PARKS

Kenneth Hahn, Santa Fe Dam, Schabarum, and Whittier Narrows Regional Parks

MARCH 1st to OCTOBER 31st		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:00 am to 8:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 7:00 pm

NOVEMBER 1st TO FEBRUARY 29th		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:00 am to 6:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 5:30 pm



REGIONAL PARKS WITH BOATING LAKES

Regional Parks with Motorized Boating (Bonelli and Castaic)

MARCH 1st to OCTOBER 31st		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 5:00 am to 8:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 5:30 am to 7:30 pm

NOVEMBER 1st TO FEBRUARY 28th		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:00 am to 7:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 8:00 am to 7:00 pm	Monday - Sunday 6:30 am to 6:30 pm



Castaic Lower Lake

<i>Operating Hours</i>
Monday - Sunday 6:00 am to 7:00 pm

Recreational Swim Lakes

<i>Castaic and Santa Fe Dam</i>	<i>Bonelli</i>
JUNE 19th to SEPTEMBER 4th (Open 7-Days a Week)	JUNE 19th to SEPTEMBER 4th (Open Monday - Friday)
<i>Operating Hours</i>	
Monday - Sunday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm	



NATURE CENTERS

MARCH 1st TO OCTOBER 31st		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Tuesday - Sunday 8:00 am to 7:30 pm Closed Monday	Tuesday - Sunday 10:30 am to 7:30 pm Closed Monday	Tuesday - Sunday 8:30 am to 7:00 pm Closed Monday

NOVEMBER 1st TO FEBRUARY 28th		
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Staff & Programming Hours</i>	<i>Restroom Hours</i>
Tuesday - Sunday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Closed Monday	Tuesday - Sunday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Closed Monday	Tuesday - Sunday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Closed Monday

Nature Center Discovery

<i>Year-Round</i>
Every Saturday mornings at 10:00 am and 12:00 pm



AQUATICS: YEAR-ROUND POOLS

YEAR-ROUND POOLS	
<i>Operating Hours</i>	<i>Locations</i>
Monday - Friday 6:00 am to 8:00 pm Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm Closed Sunday	Belvedere (Aquatic Center)
	Castaic Sports (Aquatic Center)
	Greater Whittier (Aquatic Center)
	Jesse Owens (Indoor Pool)
	Roosevelt (Indoor Pool)
	San Fernando (Aquatic Center)

YEAR-ROUND POOL CLOSURES		
<i>Last Day Open</i>	<i>Closure Period</i>	<i>Re-Open Day</i>
Saturday, Aug 19, 2023	Sunday, Aug 20 - Sunday Aug 27, 2023	Monday, Aug 28, 2023
Saturday, Nov 18, 2023	Sunday, Nov 19 - Sunday Nov 26, 2023	Monday, Nov 27, 2023
Friday, Dec 22, 2023	Saturday, Dec 23 - Sunday, Jan 7, 2024	Monday, Jan 8, 2024



Programs

Aquatics, Sports, Recreation, Regionals

Aquatics

Joe Goss, Regional Recreation Director, Aquatics Division



LACo AQUATICS

Belvedere Aquatic Center

Castaic Aquatic Center

Greater Whittier Regional Aquatic
Center

Jesse Owens Park pool

Roosevelt Park Pool

San Fernando Regional Pool

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AQUATICS FALL ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

FACILITY HOURS
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6AM-8PM
SATURDAY: 8AM-4PM

EVERYBODY SWIMS

FREE

SATURDAY
2:00pm-4:00pm

SWIM LESSONS

\$25/session

Ages: 6 months and up

MONDAY- FRIDAY
10am, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, 7pm
SATURDAY
9am, 10am, 11am, 1pm

WATER EXERCISE

\$35/month • Ages: 18+

MONDAY- FRIDAY

6:00am - 7:00am

7:30am - 8:30am

2:30pm - 3:30pm

SATURDAY

8:00am - 9:00am

11:15am -12:15pm

LAP SWIM

\$15/ 5 punch card

\$80/ 30 punch card

MONDAY- FRIDAY

6:00am - 9:00am

4:00pm - 8:00pm

SATURDAY

8:00AM-10:00AM



YOUTH TEAM SPORTS

Ages: 7-17years old • \$25/ 10 week league

Artistic Swim	Monday & Wednesday	5:00pm-6:00pm
Dive Team	Tuesday & Thursday	5:00pm-6:00pm
Swim Team	Monday-Friday	6:00pm-7:00pm

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Aquatics Fall Programs

- Core Programs
 - Everybody Swims
 - Water Exercise
 - Swim Lessons
 - Lap Swim



Aquatics Fall Programs

- Novice Youth Sports
- \$25/season
 - Swim Team
 - Monday –Friday 6:00pm-7:00pm
 - Dive Team
 - Tuesday & Thursday 5:00pm-6:00pm
 - Artistic Swimming
 - Monday & Wednesday 5:00pm-6:00pm





Life guard Ready Training

Free program for training interested candidates to become
Lifeguard Ready

SESSION 1: 10/10/23-11/17/23

SESSION 2: 1/16/24-2/23/24

SESSION 3: 3/4/24-4/12/24

SESSION 4: 4/22/24-5/31/24

Locations and times vary



Sports

Carl Cooper, Deputy Director South County
Community Services Agency





2023 Fall Sports PROGRAMMING

- Flag Football – Los Angeles Rams sponsored
 - Offered at 25 Parks
 - 1,112 participants enrolled
 - Soccer
 - Offered at 17 Parks
 - 1,312 participants
 - Youth Sports Clinics- Everybody Plays and Fee
- Based sports clinics
- Partner Clinics
 - Galactic Sports & Beat the Streets





Cheer

- LA County's Youth Cheer Program
 - Offered at 13 Parks
 - 438 Participants enrolled
 - Cheer Off Competition –January 13





Los Angeles Clippers Community Courts Project

- Projects started in June 2023
- Victoria Park- Full court replacement, first completed.
- 117 gym and outdoor basketball courts refurbished.
- Projects completed by the end of 2025.



Recreation

Mercy Santoro, Deputy Director East County
Community Services Agency





Fall Preview

Cultural Experiences and Events

October

- 5-14: Hispanic Heritage
- 7: Girl's Empowerment Conference
- 24-31: Trick or Treat Village
- 31: Dia De Los Muertos

November

- 1-2: Dia De Los Muertos
- 4: Fishing Derby – Whittier Narrows Nature Center
- 7-18: Harvest Festival

December

- 1-16: Parks After Dark, Winter Wonderland Returns!
- 2: Fishing Derby – Belvedere Park and Kenneth Hahn Park

2023 Parks After Dark – Winter Wonderland Returns!

- Three weekends - December 1st – December 16th at 34 Parks
- FREE Winter Wonderland experience that will bring holiday cheer and tons of snow to LA County Parks.
- Activities will include sled runs, toy giveaways, snack stations, craft village, and teen zones.



Recreation Core Programs

NEW

Safe Passages

Creating safe spaces to get to and from parks.

Mona (So Cal Cross Roads)
Roosevelt (Inner City Visions)
Belvedere (So Cal Cross Roads)
Lennox (So Cal Cross Roads)
Bethune (Inner City Visions)
Bassett (So Cal Cross Roads)
Salazar (So Cal Cross Roads)
Helen Keller (Inner City Visions)
Jesse Owens (Inner City Visions)

Youth@Work

DPR is largest job placement site for youth in LA County.

Youth@Work is a pipeline into DPR's entry level positions. Youth receive training, mentoring and hands-on leadership opportunities.

- 59 Parks

Every Body Plays & Nutrition

Offered after school from 2:30-5:30 pm, this program provides access to a wide-range of recreational activities from nutritious snacks, holiday and cultural events, STEM activities, fitness programs, sports, cheer, games and more!

- 59 Parks
- Serves Children 1st thru 6th Grades

Older Adult Programs

Senior programs are a great place for adults ages 60+ years to stay fit, active and to meet new people. Examples of activities include cultural classes and events, group walks, special interest classes, clubs, field trips and inter-generational experiences.

- 23 Parks

Our SPOT

Focus is on Building Positive Youth Development through Leadership, Environmental Stewardship and Social Action Programs, College Tours. Hosts annual Youth Summit and Girls Empowerment Conference.

- 13 Parks
- Serves Youth 7-12 Grades

Contract Classes

The Independent Contract Class Program supports micro-businesses by helping to expand services such as arts and culture, fitness and early education into park settings. Instructors earn a percentage of income collected from registrations.

- Serves ALL Parks & Nature Centers



Regionals

Kevin Regan, Deputy Director Regional Facilities
Agency





Natural Areas Fall Programming



Core Programming

(occurring at all 8 Nature Centers)

Nature Center Discover

Every Saturday at 10:00 and 12:00

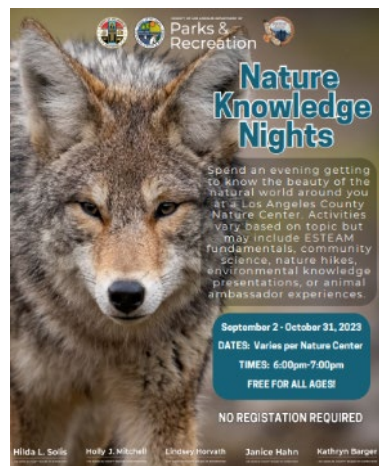
Every Body Explores

Daily drop-in program

Nature Knowledge Nights

2 nights/week 6:00 to 7 p.m.

Days vary by Nature Center



Special Events

Family Camp fire Night

Aug. 25 – San Dimas Canyon

A Day in Nature

Aug. 25 – Deane Dana Friendship Park

NCA Volunteer Recognition

Sept. 9 – All Nature Centers

A Day in Nature

Sept. 16 – Stoneview Nature Center

Halloween Nature Crawl

Oct. 14 – San Dimas Canyon

Creature of Halloween

Oct. 28 – Eaton Canyon

Collaborative programs

Nature in Your Neighborhood

Community Camp fire

Sept. 1 – Los Robles Park

Sept. 15 – Rowland Heights Park

Oct. 6 – Del Valle Park

Oct. 20 – San Fernando Rec. Park & Aquatic Center

Community Access Program

at the Ford Theatre

Sept. 17 – Eaton / Vasquez

Sept. 23 – San Dimas

Sept. 30 – Whittier Narrows

Oct. 1 – Deane Dana

Oct. 6 – Eaton Canyon

Oct. 15 – Whittier Narrows

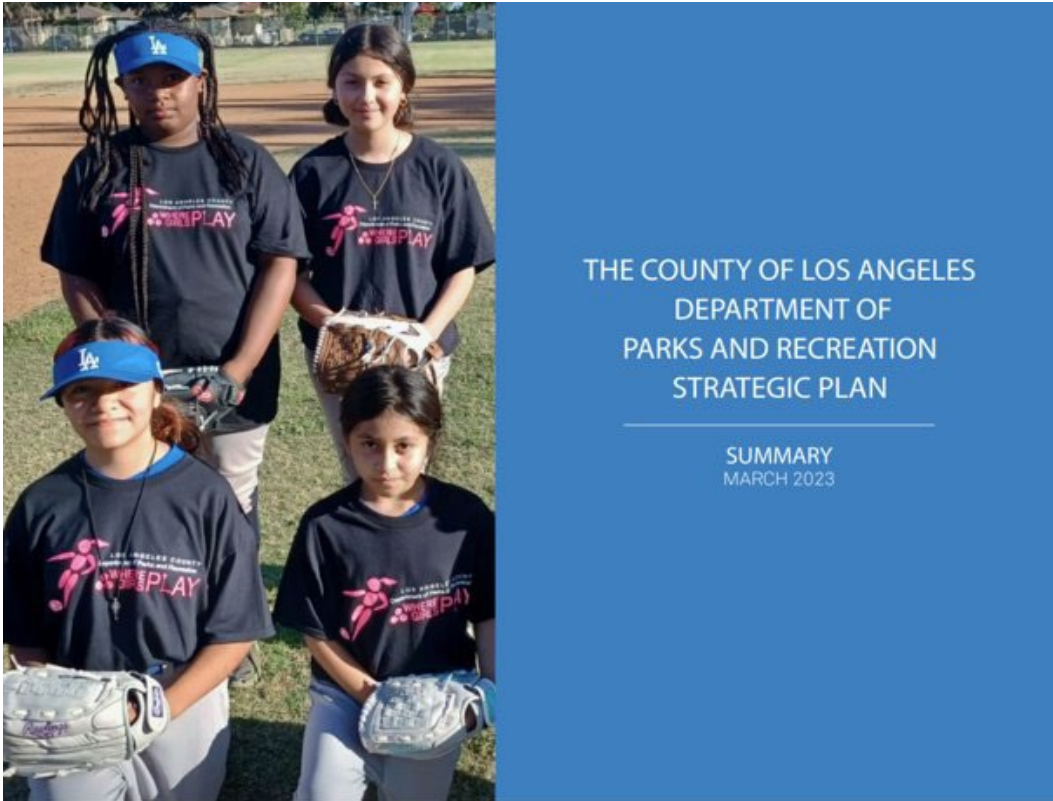
Strategic Plan Update: September Annual Community Meetings

Alina Bokde, Chief Deputy Director



Strategic Plan

Defines the direction of the
Department over the next 5 years.



1. Promote play and well-being of youth, families and seniors
2. Strengthen programs, experiences, and engagement in community
3. Increase park equity & access to innovative park space
4. Invest in staff and volunteers
5. Provide stewardship of public lands, natural resources, & urban forestry
6. Advance organizational excellence

SHORT-TERM ACTION ITEMS (2023)

1.1.2	Establish an LA County intramural competitive sports league program offering a variety of sports for youth and adults.
1.1.6	Secure permanent funding for the Parks After Dark program for spring, summer, and winter
1.2.2	Develop a gender inclusive girl sports league program.
1.2.5	Establish a senior division and conduct a senior needs assessment to expand senior programs and services
1.3.5	Continue installation of security cameras in parks with higher incidences of crime.
1.3.6	Conduct an annual evaluation of Parks After Park (PAD) to guide the program and document its benefits, especially the impact on crime prevention and community safety.
2.1.1	Develop an information and outreach plan for each park identifying key stakeholders like schools, churches, community-based organizations, and local businesses
2.1.2	Develop outreach protocols to ensure community partners are engaged at the earliest stage of new infrastructure planning.
2.1.3	Build the capacity for recreation staff to continuously engage with community stakeholders.
2.1.4	Hold an annual community meeting at each neighborhood and community park in September to provide and solicit feedback for the yearly program schedule and park planning projects
2.2.3	Convene on a quarterly basis the Recreation Program Review Committee to review and evaluate programs, registrations, reservations data and market surveys to inform program development and enhancement
3.3.1	Develop policies and procedures that will allow the Department to use parks as special event venues, with guidance from the DPR Special Events Strategic Plan
3.3.5	Build DPR staff capacity & negotiation practices for revenue generating contracts with outside parties to maximize returns
3.3.8	Develop a facility catalog for revenue generating opportunities.
4.1.1	Develop a staff recognition program that includes retirement scrolls, celebration of life events, and service awards
4.1.2	Support department programs, like the Employee Awards Committee and Grounds Maintenance Symposium.
4.2.1	Develop a library of training topics for recreation, grounds maintenance, trades, aquatics, and administrative positions, including County-mandatory, job-specific and those from corrective action plans.
4.2.2	Develop a training schedule for recreation, grounds maintenance, trades, aquatics, and administrative positions
4.2.3	Develop curriculum for in-house training topics
4.2.4	Develop the Departmental Training Academy framework aimed at identifying training topics that include Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), Trauma-Informed Care, positive human development, and restorative justice training schedules and curricula.
4.2.7	Develop a training module to support women in supervisory grounds maintenance roles.
4.4.1	Develop a Recreation Recruitment Plan to target BIPOC, systems-involved and foster youth, and community college students for recreation and aquatic employment.

SHORT-TERM ACTION ITEMS (2023)

4.4.2	Expand the successful pilot partnership between DPR, Conservation Corps, and Preparing Los Angeles Residents for County Employment (PLACE) to employ systems-involved young adults in our grounds maintenance positions.
4.4.3	Partner with the Economic and Workforce Development branch of WDACS to serve as the County's largest youth employer
4.4.4	Partner with the Probation Department and Department of Children and Family Services to expand the Lifeguard Ready Training program to provide opportunities for systems-involved youth, probation camps, and foster youth
4.4.5	Seek funding to establish an apprenticeship program for women in trades
4.4.6	Serve as largest employer for youth, seniors, and part-time employment by partnering with the Economic and Workforce Development branch of WDACS to provide job placement sites
4.4.7	Establish partnerships with the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) to develop internship and/or apprenticeship programs for park special events and production (e.g., lighting, sound, stage-hand, etc.).
4.5.5	Update existing Volunteer Handbooks and make them available on the online Volunteer Management System
5.1.4	Establish a quarterly meeting with national, state, and local, public parkland agencies and conservancies to coordinate regional parkland initiatives and implementation of the Parks Needs Assessment and PNA+
5.2.1	Expand the quarterly countywide trail managers taskforce to coordinate interagency trail connectivity, practices and policies, signage, and network.
5.3.1	Complete the departmentwide tree inventory
5.3.3	Update the Department's Urban Forestry Management Plan and ensure alignment with the County's Urban Forest Management Plan.
5.5.3	Include interpretive signage as part of capital project sites with historic, cultural, or natural resources.
5.6.5	Work with the Chief Executive Office to update Quimby fee schedule.
6.1.1	Design and distribute a department newsletter
6.1.2	Develop a structure of meetings to increase internal department communications: 1. Monthly Division meetings 2. Monthly Core Area meetings 3. Monthly Deputy Director / Regional Operations Manager meetings 4. Quarterly Supervisor, Manager, and Division Head meetings 5. Annual State of the Department Meeting for all permanent staff
6.3.1	Develop a 5-year forecast that projects out future financial needs to build awareness and support fiscal sustainability.
6.5.5	Upgrade and expand Wi-Fi access in parks, prioritizing bridging the gap in digital divide communities.
6.6.4	Restructure the policy and procedure committee membership to include members in core program areas.

STRATEGIC PLAN



- Goal #2: Strengthen programs, experiences, and engagement in community.
- Action 2.1.4: Hold an annual community meeting at each neighborhood & community park in September to provide and solicit feedback for the yearly program schedule and park planning projects.

- 63 meetings held at parks and nature centers
- Over 400 surveys completed (English, Spanish, Mandarin)
- “I am so grateful that we have a pool in our community. I would like it to be open for a longer period per year and have more open swim time and more kids swim lessons for different levels.”
- “We use and enjoy the track everyday. After heavy rains, the track needs attention to smooth out ruts.”
- “Our family would love to see activities offered for young adults.”

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8. Regional Park and Open Space District

Christina
Angeles, Deputy
Director

Fall Highlights

- Measure A Grants Administration Manual (GAM) Update – Preview Session Forthcoming
- Replacement Grants Management System (GMS) – Preparing to Release an RFP



9. Commission Communications



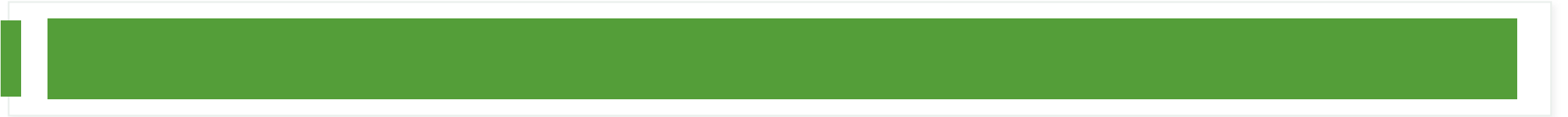
CONCURRENCE OF 2024 COMMISSION MEETINGS

January 8, 2024

April 1, 2024

July 1, 2024

October 7, 2024





10. Department Special Events



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
PRESENTS

2023 GIRLS EMPOWERMENT CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023

EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE

1301 AVENIDA CESAR CHAVEZ, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754

FREE EVENT FOR GIRLS AGES 12-18

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM



FREE:
HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS
LUNCH DANCE PARTY
INSPIRING SPEAKERS
ARTIST EXPERIENCES
RESOURCE FAIR
FRIENDS & FUN!

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Harvest FESTIVAL



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DIA DE LOS MUERTOS



*Celebrando la vida juntos
 en los parques del condado de Los Angeles*

ALTAR COMUNITARIO

1 DE NOVIEMBRE	2 DE NOVIEMBRE
Loma Alta Park El Cariso Park	Roosevelt Park Mayberry Park Steinmetz Park

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HISPANIC HERITAGE *month*

SEPTEMBER 14 - OCTOBER 14

*Dates and times will vary at each location.
 Call your local County Park for more info*

Join us this fall as we celebrate the cultures and accomplishments of Latinos all month long! From Mexico to Central & South America and from the Caribbean to Chicanos here and beyond! Join us across 59 Los Angeles County Parks all month long as we highlight music, food, art, and education in a community near you.



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