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5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor • County of Los Angeles

# Vaccine Efforts

Know Your Tier



Find out when it's  
your turn to receive  
your free COVID-19  
vaccination.



Go to [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://www.vaccinatelacounty.com)



Dear Friends,

Vaccine distribution is underway in Los Angeles County. Currently, we are ensuring each of our health care workers have received the vaccine. As the largest county in California, we have a lot of heroes to vaccinate quickly. We anticipate this process will be done within the next two weeks, which will then allow us to move forward with vaccinating other groups, beginning with people 65 and older.

So far, L.A. County has administered 41 percent of the vaccines we were allocated, while the state as a whole has administered 26 percent of their vaccines. To further expedite the process, L.A. County is opening five large-scale vaccination sites across the region, including Six Flags Magic Mountain in the Santa Clarita Valley, plus Cal State University Northridge, the Pomona Fairplex, The Forum in Inglewood, and the Office of Education in Downey. These sites will open Tuesday, Jan. 19 and will enable the Department of Public Health to vaccinate 4,000 frontline health care workers a day. Our county is aiming to complete 500,000 additional vaccinations for health care workers by the end of January as a result of these sites. If you would like to volunteer at one of the sites, [sign up here](#). If you're interested in donating goods or services to the vaccination effort, [complete this form](#).

Next week, the county will launch a website that enables residents to make an appointment for their vaccine, ensuring everyone gets vaccinated as soon as it is available. Stay tuned in on my social media to see when the site goes live.

Get updates on Public Health's website, [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://www.vaccinatelacounty.com), to keep up with the latest and to learn when you're eligible to be vaccinated. Additionally, there will be a virtual town hall on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 6 p.m. with information from experts on the vaccine. You can [submit questions in advance here](#) and [watch the town hall here](#).

The health, safety, and equity of our communities is always my priority. I am inspired by your continued resilience as we work toward recovery.

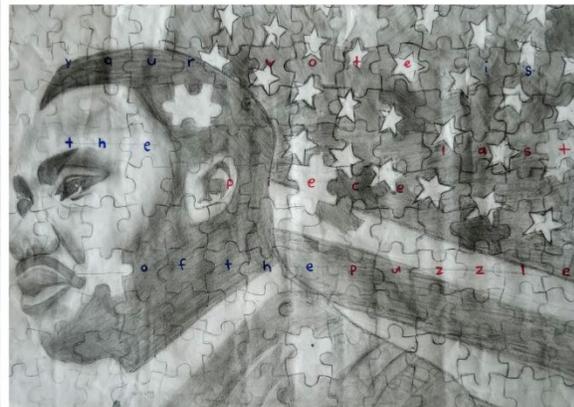
Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathryn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter 'K' being particularly large and stylized.

Kathryn Barger

Supervisor, Fifth District

# Honoring Dr. King



Every year, the Pasadena MLK Community Coalition hosts a special event, plus art and essay contests for youth, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy. They're continuing the tradition virtually on Monday morning at 10 a.m. to announce the contest winners and to share motivational messages from guest speakers. The event and contests focus on the theme, "What are you doing for others?"

of Service for a [Community Clean Up](#) on Saturday, Jan. 16. The city is simultaneously hosting a Dress for Success clothing drive to provide those experiencing homelessness with attire for job interviews. Donations can be brought to City Hall between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. from now until Jan. 29.

[Tune in for the live event on Monday.](#)

# Here to Help



This week, my local field office was grateful to join the City of Lancaster, Antelope Valley Hospital, and Samaritan's Purse to launch an emergency field hospital in the AV. With more than 50 beds, this specialized respiratory care unit expands the capacity to care for COVID-19 patients.

[Learn more about the effort.](#)

# Grocery Giveaway



Residents are invited to a grocery giveaway at All Nations Church in Lake View Terrace on Thursday, Jan. 21 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. If you'd like to get involved with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, you can volunteer your time or your resources. With just \$25, you can provide 100 meals to people in need across Los Angeles County.

[Provide or receive resources.](#)

# InStyle Feature



## **Holly Mitchell, Sheila Kuehl, Hilda Solis, Janice Hahn & Kathryn Barger**

For the first time in its 150-year history, the L.A. County Board of Supervisors consists entirely of women, meaning these five ladies control a \$35 billion budget for the largest, most diverse county in the country. Led by chairwoman Solis (the first Latina to serve in a U.S. cabinet as secretary of labor under Obama), they deal with issues ranging from arranging affordable housing to distributing upcoming COVID-19 vaccines. "We're women. Yes, it counts," Solis says. "But it's more important that we get the job done, providing a safety net for the 10 million people we represent."

InStyle Magazine's theme for their annual Badass 50 list is "50 Women Making the World a Better Place in 2021." The section reads, "The women on this list are not easily daunted. Even in the darkest of hours, they forged ahead with courage and conviction to provide hope, solace, and even a few laughs." Our historic all-women Board of Supervisors was humbled to be featured in this special section.



# Inspirational Student



Nirvan Rayamajhi, a Fifth District teen, warmed hearts and changed lives by providing food for frontline workers and people experiencing homelessness, giving toys to children in need, writing letters to seniors, and more. A junior at Granada Hills Charter High School, he has galvanized his little brother Neil and 150 peers to

[Read about this young changemaker.](#)

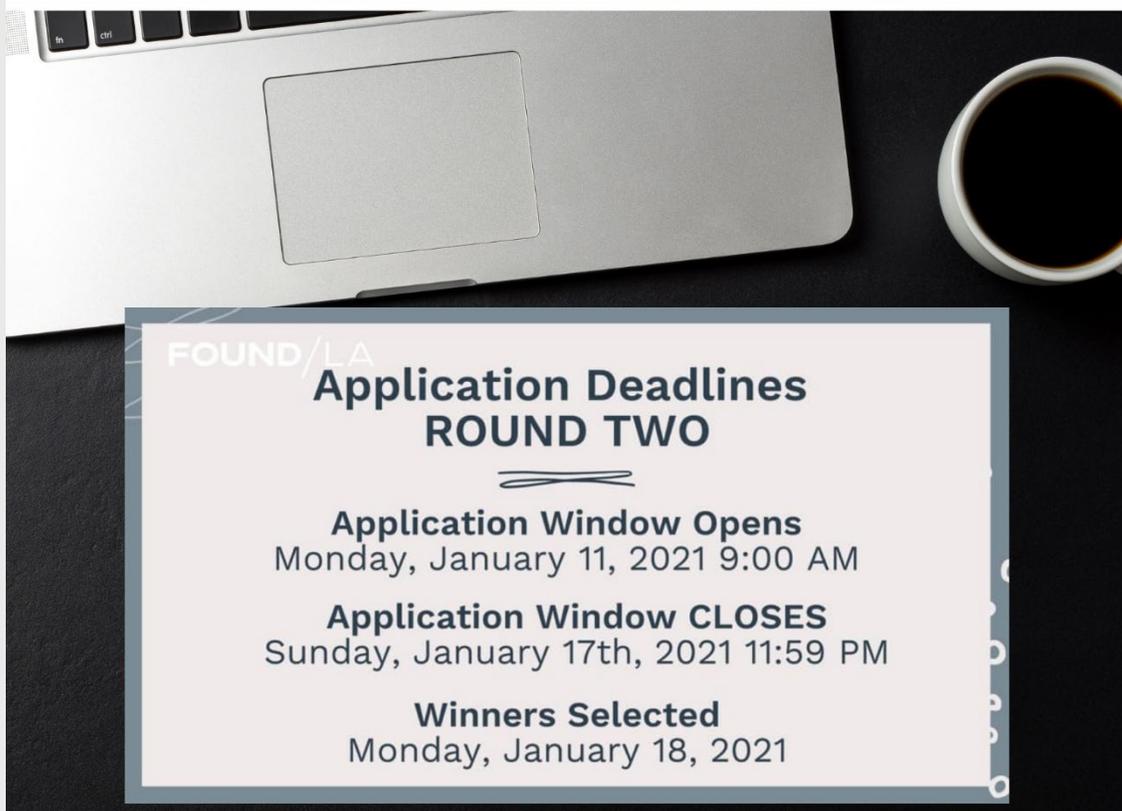
# Korean American Day



This week was the 118th Korean American Day. Thank you to all of our community members who have contributed so much to Los Angeles County. Though celebrations look different this year, we are grateful to commemorate this important

[Watch my Korean American Day greeting.](#)

# Business Grants



**FOUND/LA**  
**Application Deadlines**  
**ROUND TWO**

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**Application Window Opens**  
Monday, January 11, 2021 9:00 AM

**Application Window CLOSSES**  
Sunday, January 17th, 2021 11:59 PM

**Winners Selected**  
Monday, January 18, 2021

Small businesses can apply for up to \$25,000 in grant support from FOUND/LA, a collaborative of community partners. Apply before the deadline on Sunday, Jan. 17

Get a grant.

# Heroic Art



Have you seen the beautiful art at Fire Station 104 in the Santa Clarita Valley? The artist, [Anne-Elizabeth Sobieski](#), perfectly depicts the strength, camaraderie, and service of the Los Angeles County Fire Department. After spending time with

constant action. The imagery is dynamic, depicting everyday moments in the working life of Santa Clarita Valley firefighters.

On the left, a firefighter with a hose sprays water while gray clouds billow up to the sky. In the center, a pine tree glows with embers and touches of flames on its branches, reflecting the colors of the fire and the engine lights in a background of pinks and reds. The right window shows a helicopter dropping water onto flames, displaying the department's teamwork and powerful resources. We're grateful to Anne-Elizabeth for her inspiring art, which truly captures the efforts of our brave Los Angeles County firefighters.

[Connect with Arts and Culture.](#)

# Youth Resources



Throughout Los Angeles County, there are many resources for youth and families in our communities. The [Pasadena-Foothill Valley YMCA and Glendale YWCA](#) are collaborating to host a Girls Circle, which encourages self-expression and speaking up among peers. Held virtually on Thursdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., this free group is tailor-made for girls ages 12 to 15.

Teens and young adults are encouraged to explore L.A. County's [Youth@Work](#)

also has an internship available for current and former foster youth in college for summer 2021. Plus, a group of local colleges, including College of the Canyons and Cal State Northridge, are hosting a [Mega Virtual College Tour](#) on Jan. 23 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. for foster youth.

Additionally, beginning Jan. 20, the L.A. County Library is hosting their [Parent-Ade series entitled "When Life Gives You Distance Learning"](#) to guide parents through this challenging time with helpful tips. Session topics will include treating yourself to "me time," working as a team, socially distant adventures, staying connected with family and friends, signs of stress in your student, and balancing work and home.

On Wednesday, Jan. 27 from 1 to 2 p.m., [UNITE-LA](#) is hosting an event emphasizing the importance of childcare in reopening the economy. They will unveil a new report called "The Economic Benefits of a Professional Early Care and Education Workforce."

Plus, [Friends LA](#), and incredible local organization, is looking to hire more professional mentors to serve as positive role models for children and families.

[Sign up for Youth Collaborative updates.](#)

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