

Beat the Heat



Dear Friends,

With the forecast in the triple digits all weekend long across most parts of Los Angeles County, we have great resources to help you beat the heat. Click on the links below for all the details.

[Beach Bus](#): We are approaching the final few days to take the Beach Bus for the season. For just \$3 round trip, you can hitch a ride from your neighborhood to

San Duarte, La Crescenta/La Canada, Fairdale, or Lancaster to go from home straight to the shore.

[Cooling Centers](#): There are more than 150 cooling centers across Los Angeles County, including libraries, community centers, senior centers, and parks. Take advantage of the free air conditioning and some incredible community resources and activities!

[Pools](#): Recreational swim hours have been extended for Labor Day weekend. From 2:30 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, you can visit the Loma Alta, San Fernando, Castaic, Val Verde, and George Lane pools. Head to the Castaic Aquatic Center or the San Fernando pool for longer on Monday between 12:30 to 2 p.m., 2:30 to 4 p.m., and 4:30 to 6 p.m.

[Swim Beaches](#): You can go to Bonelli Lake, Castaic Lake, or Santa Fe Dam between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. through Labor Day! Enjoy the beautiful scenery and take a dip in the water.

[Splash Pads](#): These family-friendly aquatic playgrounds are open at more than 20 locations countywide. Splash around between 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. any day from now until Sept. 30.

Keep cool, stay safe, and happy Labor Day!

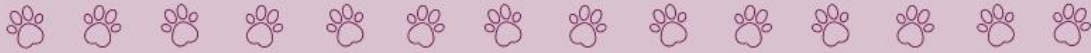
Best wishes,

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

Pets of the Week



Axel



Princess

Meet these perfect pets! This is Axel, a four-year-old Armenian Gampr, and Princess, a four-year-old pit bull. They are both staying at the Palmdale Animal Care Center and are looking for loving homes. If you'd like to meet them, you can stop by the center between 2 and 5 p.m. any day, 2 to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, or make a morning appointment online.

[Pick your perfect pet.](#)

Be Prepared



Traffic Delays

As you're embarking on your Labor Day trips, please be aware that Caltrans has closed the right two lanes going northbound on 1-5 between Templin Hwy and Lake Hughes Rd because of the Route Fire. The left lanes will still be open, but please expect delays or find alternate routes. Recommended alternate routes are the 126 to 101 to 166 to I-5, or the 14 to 58 to 99. Southbound lanes will all be open.

[Get traffic updates.](#)

Disaster Preparedness

The Route Fire quickly spread in Castaic this week, injuring firefighters and closing the 1-5 freeway. While thankfully the firefighters recovered and no one else was hurt, it reminded us that we must be prepared for an emergency at all times. September is Disaster Preparedness Month, so there's no better time to get ready. Remember these three tips:

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3. Stay informed

[Make an emergency plan.](#)

[Get the wildfire guide.](#)

[Watch my PSA.](#)

Unburdening Businesses



We must do everything in our power to support the recovery of the restaurant industry. The Board of Supervisors approved my motion to extend conditional use permits for restaurants, which means we can eliminate administrative and financial burdens for our

[Read more about the motion.](#)

Bettering Libraries

YOUR VOICE, YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR LIBRARY Virtual Community Feedback Session

Mon, Sep 19
5:30 – 6:30 pm



Provide your thoughts on services and programs.

Share your ideas and help inform our strategic plan for the Library!



SKYE PATRICK
DIRECTOR
LA COUNTY LIBRARY



KATHRYN BARGER
5TH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Help us make our libraries the best they can be! Join Library Director Skye Patrick and me for a community feedback session on Monday, Sept. 19 at 5:30 p.m. to share your ideas and inform the library's path forward.

[Register for the webinar.](#)

[Access library resources.](#)

Grocery Giveaway



Los Angeles County remains committed to ensure communities have access to food. Join us for a grocery giveaway on Wednesday, Sept. 14 between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. at Stephen Sorensen Park in Lake Los Angeles. Please share this valuable resource with your network to make sure our neighbors are fed.

[Find food near you.](#)

Art Festival



The Antelope Valley Walls Festival will celebrate the addition of 15 new murals in Lancaster and Palmdale. Join Lancaster's Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Community Services Department and the Museum of Art and History (MOAH) on Saturday, Sept. 17 from 4 to 9 p.m. for fun activities for the whole family. The day will include live music, cultural performers, chalk artists, a car show, arts and crafts, a beer garden, food trucks, and more! This free event will be held at American Heroes Park on 701 W Kettering St. It's a great opportunity to celebrate the arts and gather with friends!

[Explore the festivities.](#)

Get Grants



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Organizational Grant Program
Community Impact Arts Grant Program
Arts Internship Grant Program



The [Department of Arts and Culture](#) has opened applications for the next grant season. All three opportunities provide incredible assistance to our communities. The Organizational Grant Program is tailor-made for arts nonprofits, the Community Impact Arts Grant is made for other nonprofits who want to do arts programming, and the Arts Internship Grant enables nonprofits to hire a paid intern through the County at no cost to them. Take advantage of these amazing resources!

[Apply for the Organizational Grant.](#)

[Apply for the Community Impact Grant.](#)

[Apply for the Arts Internship Grant.](#)

County Contracts

The graphic features a dark purple background. At the top, the title 'County Contracts' is written in white serif font. Below it, the County of Los Angeles seal is on the left, followed by 'Kathryn BARGER' in a mix of script and bold sans-serif fonts, with 'District Supervisor • County of Los Angeles' in smaller text below. The word 'PRESENTS' is centered. The main title 'NAVIGATING LA COUNTY AND METRO CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES' is in white sans-serif font. Below that, it says 'Sponsored by the Regional Contractor Development and Bonding Program'. On the right is a photo of Kathryn Barger in a teal blazer. Below the text is a photo of a construction worker in an orange vest and yellow hard hat. At the bottom are the logos for the County of Los Angeles, Metro, and Merriwether & Williams.

Join me, Metro, and Merriwether & Williams to learn more about navigating L.A. County and Metro contracting opportunities. The program is designed to assist contractors with their capacity and business growth. Attendees will learn the fundamentals of bonding and discover why it's necessary for public works projects. You will also be able to learn about certifications and the Contract Finance Assistance Program. The event will be held Thursday, Sept. 15 at 3:30 p.m. I hope you access this great resource.

[Register for the webinar.](#)



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