



Dear Downtown LA Council leaders,

Happy New Year from EmpowerLA! We hope you enjoyed your holiday season and are ready to get back to empowering your communities. Elections are in full swing so check out the updates below. We also have workshops in funding, outreach, elections and ethics this month. In addition to the workshops, Civic University 2.0 is quickly filling up. We are only accepting 100 participants in this amazing hands on graduate level advocacy class in February, and we are more than half way there. Civic U 1.0 graduates will have priority to take the course. Please [submit your applications](#) by Friday, January 15, 2016.

Administrative Update:

As elections are coming upon us, please take time to create legacy books for your Neighborhood Council to capture the accomplishments of your board, strategic plans, budgets, bylaws, social media/website passwords and inventory of equipment. These legacy books can be physical or saved to the cloud. Don't let your hard work disappear during board transitions. If you have any questions on how to do this, please contact NCsupport@lacity.org.

Funding Updates:

The Third Quarter Replenishment is scheduled to be deposited into your NC's checking account by the first week of January, 2016. Based on funds available, your NC will receive up to \$11,250.00 by the end of that first week. Please make sure to always check your balance before issuing payments to ensure there are sufficient funds available to cover any expenses. NCs with frozen funds from delinquent Monthly Expenditure Reports will still have the ability to pay for election costs in addition to monthly operational expenses. Please contact your Funding reps for assistance.

Funding Workshops have been scheduled for the following dates: January 20, 2016 in the Braude Center 6262 Van Nuys Blvd. Room 1A and 1B Los Angeles, CA 91401 from 6-9, and January 29, 2016 from 1 - 4 pm at EmpowerLA's downtown office. Please RSVP by going to EmpowerLA.org/funding-workshops

Field Updates:

The EmpowerLA field team is holding an ethics workshop on January 26 at the Watts Labor Community Action Committee, to RSVP and learn more go to EmpowerLA.org/field-workshops

The Bureau of Sanitation is inviting all NC Public Works Liaisons to attend a very special event titled "LA Sanitation at your Service" to obtain information, provide community feedback, and discuss Sanitation's services and the communities' needs. Discussion topics include the Clean Streets Initiative, Community Clean-Ups, Tree Planting, One Water LA, Zero Waste LA/Franchise, their Customer Care Center, and more.

What: LA Sanitation at your Service

When: Saturday, February 20, 2016

Time: 8am to 1:30pm

Where:

LA Environmental Learning Center at Hyperion

1200 Vista Del Mar, Gate C

Playa Del Rey, CA 90293

RSVP by February 15th to: scott.leonard@lacity.org

What Are Your Clean Streets Success Stories?

We'd like to start 2016 by listening more to what Neighborhood Councils are doing to keep their communities clean. In 2015, Mayor Garcetti honed in on ensuring that the Bureau of Sanitation provide quality services to all Angelenos through his Clean Streets Initiative. EmpowerLA would like to help share your stories on how your NC has led or supported community clean up projects. Please take the time to submit your stories here:

<http://empowerla.org/share-your-story-2/>

Outreach Updates:

There are 12 NationBuilder/Nextdoor workshops in 12 Regions in January. The workshops start on Jan 11 and end on Jan 28. These workshops will cover how to log into NationBuilder, import contacts, send messages, create lists and filters, and how to navigate through your NationBuilder site. We will also cover the basics of Nextdoor and how your Neighborhood Council can benefit from this online tool. To learn more about these workshops and to RSVP, please go to EmpowerLA.org/outreach-workshops.

Elections Updates:

Candidate filing has opened for all of the Valley Neighborhood Councils conducting elections. You'll be able to register online now at <http://empowerla.org/nccr/>. You'll also have the opportunity to register via paper applications, which will be available through your IEAs (Independent Election Administrator). For those Neighborhood Councils who are offering online/telephone voting, please let your voters know that they can register online now at <http://empowerla.org/vrp/>

Policy Updates

Update - Council File: 15-1138 and sub council file #s 15-1138-S1, 15-1138-S2 and 15-1138-S3 relative to declaring a State of Emergency and providing emergency shelter and housing to the homeless were all approved by the City Council with an instruction for all report backs on the matter to go back to the City Council. A time frame was not given as to when the report backs will be available to the public. In addition to the report backs the City Council has instructed the City Attorney to report back with recommendation on matter.

Update - Council File: 13-1493 relative to Street Vending was heard in the Economic Development Committee on October 27, 2015 and is now pending in the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee. The City of Los Angeles is asking for a more comprehensive legal framework to effectively address sidewalk vending. The matter is now pending in the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee and will likely be heard in Committee in February, but a date is not confirmed. If Public Works Committee's actions are different than Economic Development – a motion would have to be made in Council as to which report to adopt.

Council File: 15-0600-S78 relative to the Implementation Plan for Clean Streets Citywide Program was introduced on May 21, 2015, and referred to the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee. This motion instructs Public Works and the City Administrative Officer to report with an implementation plan for this program, including details on the allocation of resources across Public Works Bureaus. The Bureau of Sanitation is working towards continuing to provide quality and equitable customer service to all Council Districts, which the IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR CLEAN STREETS INITIATIVE intends to do. Various City Departments are working collective on this effort. The motion is pending in Public Works Committee, but the implementation process has started.

YES vote - If the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee approves this motion, the matter will be scheduled to go before the City Council with the committees' recommendations to support the item. The committee's action can be amended by the council and a motion would have to be made in Council as to which instructions will be made.

NO vote - If the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee does not approve this motion, the matter is still referred to the full City Council for deliberations, further instructions, or approval. Once the matter is scheduled for City Council, the elected body can vote to approve the matter, reject it, or refer the matter back to committee for further vetting or approve specific instructions as they see fit. The City Council vote takes precedence over the committee's vote/recommendations.

Has your Neighborhood Council submitted a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on the matter?

If not, click here to log in to submit your CIS <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/CIS/>

To subscribed to this Council File click the link below and then click on the wifi icon.

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=15-1356>

Please continue to next page to see your Account Balances, Community Impact Statements, Agendas, Board Member certification status, Neighborhood Council cases, Important dates, and Existing Vendors for NCs.

Account Balances, Community Impact Statements, and Agendas

As of 11/30/2015, your current checking account balance is \$13,104.79, and as of 12/01/2015, you have \$14,129.79 in your city account

As of 1/5/2016, you have filed 2 Community Impact Statements, and 6 agendas have been posted for your Neighborhood Council for the current month.

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Your current Board Members and their certification are as follows:

First Name	Last Name	Board Seat	Ethics Expiration	Funding Certification	Code of Conduct
Amara	Ononiwu	Arts, Cultural, and Education Interests Director	6/9/2017	6/1/2015	6/1/2015
Heidi	Luerra	Arts, Cultural, and Education Interests Director	9/22/2016	6/4/2015	12/28/2015
Casey	Dady	Arts, Cultural, and Education Interests Director	5/11/2017	5/6/2014	1/7/2015
Anastasia	Johnson	Arts, Cultural, and Education Interests Director (Resident)	3/4/2015	9/17/2013	1/6/2015
Vacant Seat	Vacant Seat	Alameda East Business Director			
Raquel	Beard	Central City East/Toy District Business Director	11/10/2016	5/11/2015	1/5/2015
Erika	Borg	City West Business Director	10/15/2016		1/5/2015
Simon	Ha	Downtown Center Business	3/10/2017	11/11/2013	1/4/2015
Kent	Smith	Fashion District Business Director			2/6/2015
Michael	Delajani	Historic Downtown Business Director	10/7/2015	10/17/2013	4/3/2015
Tyler	Murphy	South Park Business Director	6/13/2016	5/5/2014	4/14/2015
Patricia	Berman	At-Large Director	3/12/2017	5/29/2014	12/25/2014
Stephen	Kane	Area-Wide Resident Director	5/6/2016	5/9/2014	1/5/2015
Eric	Dean	Area-Wide Homeless Resident Director	6/24/2016	5/13/2014	12/22/2014
Bradd	Fillman	Alameda East esident Director	6/13/2016	5/15/2014	4/14/2015
Russell	Chan	Bunker Hill Resident Director			4/4/2015
Ron	Smith	Central City East/ Skid Row Resident Director	6/25/2016	5/11/2014	1/13/2015
Rasool	Ali	City West Resident Director	11/12/2017	11/12/2015	12/25/2014
Theodore	Nathanson	Civic Center Resident Director	9/25/2015	8/31/2013	4/14/2015
Christopher	Loos	Fashion District Resident	6/16/2017	6/16/2015	6/9/2015

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Eric	Garcia	Historic Downtown Resident Director	5/27/2016	5/13/2014	1/6/2015
Scott	Bytof	South Park Resident Director	9/3/2017	6/27/2013	7/17/2015
Michael	Eisman	Social Services Provider (SSP) Director	4/17/2017	6/9/2014	12/26/2014
Robert	Newman	Social Services Provider (SSP) Director	4/19/2017	4/21/2015	12/29/2015
Wendell	Blassingame	Social Services Provider (SSP) Director	11/18/2017	7/18/2015	2/10/2015
Quinn	Tang	Public Sector Workforce Director	5/27/2016	5/29/2014	1/7/2015
Allen	Gross	Private Sector Work Force Director	4/7/2017	4/14/2015	4/14/2015

Please submit any updates and changes to the roster to Rosters@EmpowerLA.org

Please continue to next page to see your Neighborhood Council cases, Important dates, and Existing Vendors for NCs.

Your cases for this month are:

Title	Case#	Case Lead	Open Date	Status
Field - ENS Upload DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NC_PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE_Tue 12.15.15 630P	11189	NC Support NC Support	12/14/2015	C - Resolved
Field - ENS Upload Downtown LA NC_LIVABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING_Tue 12.22.15 700P	11302	NC Support NC Support	12/21/2015	C - Resolved
Field - ENS Upload	11419	NC Support NC Support	1/5/2016	C - Resolved

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Important Dates

For all events, please check out [EmpowerLA's Calendar](#)

January 1st – Holiday

Happy New Year!

January 2nd – 8:45 am – 10 am

Neighborhood Council- LADWP MOU Oversight Alliance Monthly Meeting - CANCELLED

January 2nd – 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting - CANCELLED

January 4th – 7pm – 9pm

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Monthly Meeting

January 5th – 6pm - 9pm

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Regular Meeting (Harbor - Wilmington Senior Center)

January 6th – 6:30am – 8:30pm

Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting

January 9th – 10am - 12pm

PlanCheckNC Alliance Monthly Meeting

January 11th – 6pm – 8pm

Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (Villa Retirement House 10631 Vinedale St Sun Valley, CA 91352)

January 12th – 7pm - 9pm

Alliance of River Communities Monthly Meeting

January 12th – 6pm - 8pm

Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (CBS Studios – Room MPR 3 – 4024 Radford Ave. Studio City, CA 91604)

January 13th – 6pm - 9pm

Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (Fire Station 87 – 10124 Balboa Blvd, Los Angeles, California 91344)

January 14th – 6:30pm - 9pm

Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting

January 15th – 9am – 10am

Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods City Council Committee Monthly Meeting

January 15th – DEADLINE

Civic University 2.0 Registration Application

January 16th – 10am - 12pm
Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Monthly Meeting

January 18th – Holiday
Dr. Martin Luther King Day

January 18th – 1pm - 4pm
Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Regular Meeting (City Hall) - CANCELLED

January 19th – 6pm - 8pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (Hollywood Constituent Center 6501 Fountain Ave Los Angeles, CA 90028)

January 20th – 8:30am – 10am
Westside Regional Alliance of Councils Monthly Meeting

January 20th – 6pm - 8 pm
Leadership Academy - Funding Workshop (Braude Center 6262 Van Nuys Blvd. Room 1A and 1B Los Angeles, CA 91401)

January 20th – 6pm - 8 pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (City Hall, 20th Floor 200 N Spring St Los Angeles, CA 90012)

January 21st – 6:30pm - 8pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (Edendale Branch Library 2011 Sunset Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90026)

January 21st – 6:30pm – 8:30pm
South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting

January 23rd – 10am – 12pm
Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance Monthly Meeting

January 25th – 6pm - 8 pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (West LA Municipal Building 1645 Corinth Ave Suite 103.2 Los Angeles, CA 90025)

January 26th – 6pm - 8 pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (Glassell Park Community and Senior Center 3750 Verdugo Rd Los Angeles, CA 90065)

January 27th – 6pm - 8 pm
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (4060 S Figueroa St, Los Angeles, CA 90037)

January 28th – 6pm - 8 pm -
Leadership Academy - Nationbuilder/Nextdoor (San Pedro Regional Branch Library - 931 South Gaffey Street, Los Angeles, CA 90731)

January 29th – 6pm - 8 pm

Leadership Academy - Funding Workshop (20th Floor, City Hall. 200 N Spring St. Los Angeles, CA 90012)

January 30th – TBD - Possible Retreat for Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

Please continue to next page to see a list of Existing Vendors for NCs.

Existing Vendors for NCs

Web Service Providers:

(Contracts pending)

The Cherry Hill Company

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The Mailroom

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Moore Business Results

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The Web Corner

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ZelDesign

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Temp Service Providers:

(Contracts pending)

Apple One Employment Services

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jrounds@appleone.com

Lloyd Staffing

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Partners in Diversity

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Translation Services:

Excel Interpreting

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Interpreters Unlimited

Contact Sanjit Singh

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Language Line Services

Contact Thomas Calannio

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TCalannio@languageline.com

We will continue to refine the Neighborhood Council Profiles over the next year based on your feedback. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact the Neighborhood Council Support Helpline at NCsupport@LACity.org or by calling **213-978-1551** for assistance.

Thank you for all you do to Empower LA!