

2021 Los Angeles
Congress of
Neighborhoods

Leading Change Together

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021
8:00 AM - 3:45 PM ONLINE VIA ZOOM



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Schedule

8:00 AM - WORKSHOP SESSION 1

9:00 AM - OPENING SESSION

10:05 AM - WORKSHOP SESSION 2

11:00 AM - WORKSHOP SESSION 3

11:50 AM - LUNCH & LEARN

12:40 PM - WORKSHOP SESSION 4

1:35 PM - WORKSHOP SESSION 5

2:25 PM - CLOSING SESSION

2:45 PM - WORKSHOP SESSION 6

ALL-DAY - NETWORKING LOUNGE & EXHIBITOR FAIR



Workshop Session 1

- THE PEOPLE'S BUDGET LA: RADICALLY RETHINKING CITY PRIORITIES
- WHAT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS HAVE DONE AND CAN DO REGARDING ANIMAL WELFARE
- "WHAT'S WRONG WITH WHAT I SAID?": UNDERSTANDING AND ELIMINATING MICROAGGRESSIONS TO FOSTER SAFER SPACES FOR ALL
- EXPANDING CITY FUNCTIONS: PUBLIC BANK, PUBLIC HEALTH, FREE BROADBAND
- GETTING TO 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY ASAP
- ALLIANCES AND LIAISONS: FIND YOUR POWER AND PASSION



Opening Session

- HOSTED BY MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES FROM "GIRL WITH FLAIR" AND TOASTMASTERS LOFTY SPEAKER MS. JUDY THANG
- REMARKS BY DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT GENERAL MANAGER RAQUEL BELTRAN
- MEET THE BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS
- WELCOME FROM CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NURY MARTINEZ
- KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY CAPRI MADDOX, ESQ., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/GENERAL MANAGER OF THE LOS ANGELES DEPT. OF CIVIL + HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUITY



Workshop Session 2

- ORGANIZING AND TRAINING NEIGHBORHOOD DISASTER RELIEF TEAMS
- CITY'S NEW WORKPLACE VIOLENCE POLICY: AFFECTS ALL CITY WORKERS INCLUDING NCS
- SOCIAL MEDIA FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS: POLICY & BEST PRACTICES
- BYLAWS REVISIONS AND STANDING RULES, A DEEP DIVE
- HOW WE CAN SUPPORT OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS (PART 1)
- 2021 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS FEEDBACK AND VISION SESSION (PART 1)





Workshop Session 3

- ¡HÁBLAME! BEST PRACTICES FOR ENGAGING SPANISH SPEAKERS
- WHEN BOARD MEMBERS BEHAVE BADLY...
- OUR LAND USE FUTURE - HOW NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS CAN STAY RELEVANT
- HOT LEGAL ISSUES FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS
- HOW WE CAN SUPPORT OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS (PART 2)
- 2021 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS FEEDBACK AND VISION SESSION (PART 2)





Lunch & Learn

- LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
- LA28 - LOS ANGELES 2028 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES
- LOS ANGELES CITY CIVIL + HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUITY DEPARTMENT
- LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY
- LOS ANGELES SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT





Workshop Session 4

- CREATING A MORE EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND EQUITABLE LOS ANGELES
- DISMANTLING THE SCHOOL TO PRISON PIPELINE THROUGH THE ARTS (PART 1)
- A MARKETING PLAN FOR EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD
- UNDERSTANDING OUR INHERENT BIASES (PART 1)
- NAVIGATING LAND USE: A GUIDE FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS LAND USE COMMITTEES (PART 1)
- CITY BARRIERS TO NEIGHBORHOOD POWER: DONE, BONC, ATTORNEY, CLERK FUNDING, ELECTIONS (PART 1)





Workshop Session 5

- **DISMANTLING THE SCHOOL TO PRISON PIPELINE THROUGH THE ARTS (PART 2)**
- **A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF THE CITY BUDGET**
- **UNDERSTANDING OUR INHERENT BIASES (PART 2)**
- **NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSES GRANTS: EXPECTATIONS, PHILOSOPHIES, PITFALLS**
- **NAVIGATING LAND USE: A GUIDE FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS LAND USE COMMITTEES (PART 2)**
- **CITY BARRIERS TO NEIGHBORHOOD POWER: DONE, BONC, ATTORNEY, CLERK FUNDING, ELECTIONS (PART 2)**





Closing Session

- HOSTED BY MANJUSHA P. KULKARNI, CO-FOUNDER OF STOP AAPI HATE
- CLOSING REMARKS BY DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT GENERAL MANAGER RAQUEL BELTRAN
- PLENARY ADDRESS BY DR. MELINA ABDULLAH, CO-FOUNDER OF BLACK LIVES MATTER-LA
- CLOSING BY CHAIR OF THE CONGRESS PLANNING COMMITTEE DANIEL A. PEREZ





Workshop Session 6

- INVOLVING YOUTH IN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS: REAL INTEGRATION AT ALL LEVELS
- CLIMATE CHANGE CHOICES FOR LOS ANGELES: POWER, ELECTRIFICATION, WATER, ADAPTATION, AND COSTS THE POOR CAN BEAR
- USING AN INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY LENS
- STREET ENCAMPMENTS: WHAT CAN AND CANNOT BE DONE
- REDISTRICTING IN LA: YOUR VOICE...YOUR POWER
- POWER BEYOND THE CIS: VOTES LIMIT SPEECH. ACT AS INDIVIDUALS, ENGAGE THE WHOLE COMMUNITY



Exhibitor Fair

- LA CIVIL + HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUITY DEPARTMENT
- LA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
- LA DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER (LADWP)
- LOS ANGELES HOUSING SERVICES AUTHORITY (LAHSA)
- LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMISSION
- LOS ANGELES SANITATION & ENVIRONMENT - CARE AND CARE+
- NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BUDGET ADVOCATES
- CITY CLERK NC FUNDING PROGRAM
- LA28 - 2028 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES
- NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY ALLIANCE



Bonus Content!

- CITY CONTROLLER RON GALPERIN
- CITY ATTORNEY MIKE FEUER
- COUNCILMEMBER NITHYA RAMAN
- COUNCILMEMBER JOE BUSCAINO
- COUNCILMEMBER BOB BLUMENFIELD
- COUNCILMEMBER KEVIN DE LEON
- COUNCILMEMBER JOHN LEE
- COUNCILMEMBER PAUL KORETZ
- MINDFULNESS BREAK WITH DMH
- VIDEO FROM THE CENTRAL HOLLYWOOD NC
- VIDEO FROM THE MISSION HILLS NC
- VIDEOS FROM THE NORTHRIDGE WEST NC



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