

The Exchange

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Resources for local small businesses, nonprofits, and community groups.



NEW THIS MONTH

County of Los Angeles
DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

**OPEN A TOY LOAN
Lending Center Today!**

Do you want to inspire creativity, encourage learning, and make a difference? **You** provide the space, **We** provide the toys, training, and support!

The banner features several circular images showing children playing with toys in a lending center.

Learn more about the Toy Loan Program

To become a Toy Lending Center operator, contact the DPSS Toy Loan Program at (213) 744-4344 or email ToyLoan@dps.lacounty.gov

Upcoming Events

SEP 15

Social Media Video Editing Masters. SBA Free Webinar. [More Info](#)

Bring Your Fashion Business Idea to Life - Session 1. New Economics for Women Free Webinar. [Register](#)

SEP 18

Mastering Holiday Marketing Before the Rush. LA Chamber Free Webinar. [Register](#)

How to Do Business with LAUSD. SBA Free Webinar. [Register](#)

Organizational Grant Program (OGP) Application Workshop. LA County Arts. [RSVP](#)

SEP 19

Social Media & Video Marketing Trends. New Economics for Women Webinar. [Register](#)

SEP 23

How to Respond to a Proposal. SoCal Edison Webinar. [Register](#)

SEP 24

How to Use New Markets Tax Credits for Your Nonprofit Facility Project. Free Webinar. [Register](#)

Join LA County's Office of Small Business team every 3rd Thursday of the month for training, updates on programs, resources, etc. [Register](#)



Request for Proposals – Film and TV Permit Coordination Services

DEO's LA County Film Office is now seeking proposals from qualified organizations to provide film, television, and photography permit coordination services!

For questions, email: DEO-PRO@opportunity.lacounty.gov

Deadline: September 18, 2025, | 12 PM | [Download the RFP](#)



department of economic opportunity
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



[Visit Site](#)

LA County Office of Immigrant Affairs (OIA)

The Office of Immigrant Affairs is LA County's one-stop shop for services, resources, and information for immigrants and immigrant-serving organizations.

LA County Resources for Immigrant Workers and Small Businesses

Free Access to Leah's Pantry Facilitator Training



[Leah's Pantry](#), a leader in trauma-informed nutrition education programming, is excited to offer all of their facilitator trainings **free of charge**. Facilitator trainings include *Food Smarts*, *Around the Table*, *Food Smarts Waste Reduction*, *Food Smarts for College Students and Emerging Adults*, *Around the Table Dads*, *Wiser Dining*, and more.

How to Access the Training for Free:

1. Visit the [Leah's Pantry Training Calendar](#)
2. Add your desired training(s) to your cart
3. At checkout, enter the **coupon code: CFHLPartner** to reduce the cost to \$0

Leah's Pantry is excited to make these resources more accessible and continue supporting your work in communities across California. If you need assistance, contact training@leahspantry.org



LA COUNTY HOMELESS PREVENTION RESOURCE GUIDE

[Download](#)



Updates on the new LA County Department of Homeless Services and Housing



Los Angeles County is currently accepting applications for the Department of Homeless Services and Housing Service Provider Task Force.

The County seeks applications from representatives of service providers who currently hold housing and service contracts with Housing for Health and/or the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority. Applications are due September 26, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be submitted online through the [Service Provider Taskforce Application](#) webpage.



Arts & Culture

Interested in shaping the future of arts & cultural experiences in Culver City?

We are inviting professionals to submit proposals to help create the Community Cultural Equity Plan. **Submissions due September 18, 2025.**

[Learn More & Submit a Proposal](#)

[Learn More](#)

REGISTER YOUR RENTAL PROPERTY WITH THE

LA COUNTY RENT REGISTRY

A STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL




ARDI INVITES YOU TO THE

COMMUNITY SOLIDARITY GROUP DESIGN SERIES

JOIN US IN CO-DESIGNING COLLABORATIVE SPACES FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY HOMELESSNESS

We are inviting community leaders, organizations, and individuals to help shape the **Community Solidarity Group (CSG)**, a new advisory body from the Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion (ARDI) Initiative that will provide and amplify community-driven feedback on LA County's solutions impacting people experiencing homelessness.

The design series will bring together diverse representatives from across LA County who share ideas and engage in open discussion with a focus on:

- Working together to improve conditions for all people experiencing homelessness
- Cultivating belonging for all community members
- Committing to a collaborative approach to ensure the best outcomes for all

[Click Here to Register and for More Information](#)



Culver City Reopens Commercial Cannabis Permit Applications with Streamlined Process and Reduced Fees



LA County Employers & Business Owners

Got a question about:
Minimum Wage Requirements?
"Fair Workweek" Ordinance?
Other Worker Protections?

**Speak with
an expert**



**Special Hours
for Employers**

**Save Time! Make
an Appointment**

DCBA's **Office of Labor Equity** (OLE) will hold expanded office hours for LA County employers and business owners. Additional staff will be available by phone and in person at our Downtown LA headquarters to answer questions about:

- Minimum wage in unincorporated LA County
- The new **Fair Workweek Ordinance**, and
- Worker protections and compliance requirements

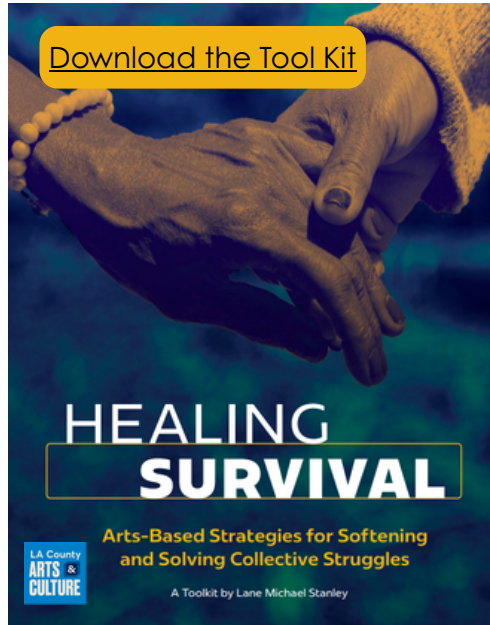
Special hours for employers will be held:

- Monday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 3, 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Save time by making an appointment for phone or in-person services!

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

[Download the Tool Kit](#)



HEALING SURVIVAL

Arts-Based Strategies for Softening
and Solving Collective Struggles



A Toolkit by Lane Michael Stanley

SAVE THE DATE

TOGETHER WE THRIVE

SUMMIT 2025

November 19, 2025 | 8AM-6PM

[Learn More](#)



SECOND SATURDAYS

LEGAL EDUCATION TRAINING

FOR SOCIAL EQUITY ENTREPRENEURS



LEARN MORE:
cannabis.lacounty.gov



2025 COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS GUIDELINES



Funding Categories 3 & 4

Planning & Design

Natural Lands, Local Beaches, Water Conservation & Protection
Regional Recreation, Multi-use Trails & Accessibility

[Click Here](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES

Upcoming Deadlines

Lots of Compassion Grant

Mrs. Meyer's Clean Day and KidsGardening are accepting applications for the Lots of Compassion Grant to support local leaders looking to transform vacant lots into gardens. Close Date: September 16, 2025 [Apply here.](#)

Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Grants

The Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program, administered by the California Natural Resources Agency, offers grants to support projects that mitigate environmental impacts of transportation facilities. Application Deadline: September 16, 2025. [Apply Here](#)

Land and Climate Grant Program for LA County Land Trusts

The Land Trust Alliance and Open Space Institute are offering grants through the 2025 Land and Climate Grant Program to support land trusts in Los Angeles County. These grants aim to integrate climate change considerations into land conservation, stewardship, policy, or communications plans, focusing on issues such as habitat resilience, carbon mitigation, renewable energy siting, and community adaptation to climate impacts like extreme heat, drought, and wildfires. Application Deadline: September 16, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

California Violence Intervention and Prevention (CalVIP) Grant program

The state's primary source of state funding for community violence intervention programs. Community-based organizations are encouraged to seek this funding for your respective community violence intervention and prevention efforts now. Applications due September 18th, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

Culver City Performing Arts Grant Program



The City of Culver City offers grants to support dance, music, and theatre performances. This program brings performing arts to the community and helps make them accessible to everyone. Application Deadline: September 26, 2025, at 5:00 PM. [Apply here.](#)

2025 Community Grants Program to Promote Health Equity

The UCLA Kaiser Permanente Center for Health Equity is accepting applications for projects to promote health equity by addressing health disparities among underserved populations in and around Los Angeles County. Grants of up to \$5,000 each are available to support local community organizations in these efforts. Close Date: September 29, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

Marian and Pink Happ Fund

The Marian and Pink Happ Fund is offering up to \$10,000 grants to nonprofit organizations that work with underprivileged children in California. Close Date: September 30, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

Google: \$6M in Water Reuse & Recharge Funding

Google is calling on Los Angeles County agencies, water districts, and nonprofits to submit bold, shovel-ready projects for sustainable water infrastructure in key U.S. watersheds, including Southern California. Deadline: [September 30, 2025, 5:00 PM PST Apply here.](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES



Upcoming Deadlines

LA County Arts & Culture Organizational Grant Program (OGP)



OGP provides Los Angeles County nonprofit arts organizations funding to address priority needs and ensure cultural services for our diverse communities. Application Deadline: September 30, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

LA County Arts & Culture Community Impact Arts Grant (CIAG)



CIAG supports arts projects and programming taking place at nonprofit social service and social justice organizations enabling these organizations to deliver a wide variety of cultural services to County residents. Application Deadline: September 30, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

Food as Medicine

Elevance Health Foundation is funding for programs that improve clinical health outcomes for individuals with diet-related conditions and increase access to nutritious foods for populations experiencing food/nutrition insecurity. Close Date: September 31, 2025 [Apply here.](#)

LA County Arts & Culture Arts Internship Program (AIP) Grant



AIP provides eligible LA County arts nonprofits, municipalities, and social justice/social service organizations that offer arts programming with grants to hire undergraduate and community college students for 400 hours of paid work experience. The program will maintain a flexible timeline to be responsive to both students and organizations. Application Deadline: October 9, 2025. [Apply here.](#)

Call for Proposals - Exploring Equitable Futures

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) is accepting proposals to support projects that seed new and unconventional ideas that could radically advance health equity for generations to come. Close Date: October 15, 2025. [Learn more.](#)

LA County Regional Park & Open Space District (RPOSD): Competitive Grants

Funded by Measure A, RPOSD's competitive grant programs are designed to invest in eligible programmatic or capital projects consistent with or similar to those identified in the [Parks Need Assessment](#) and bridge the equity gap. Deadline: October 30, 2025. [Apply Here](#)

Nourishing Neighbors Innovation Incubation Fund

Nourishing Neighbors, a program of Albertsons Companies Foundation, is accepting applications for new and innovative ideas or concepts that help end hunger forever. Close Date: Rolling Basis. [Apply here.](#)

Healthy Eating Research (HER) Grants

HER has launched a special call for proposals focused on understanding how recent changes to nutrition policies and programs at the federal, state, and local levels impact nutrition, health, and economic outcomes among diverse families living with limited incomes. Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis until all funds are committed. Grants will be awarded up to a maximum of \$50,000 and 10 months in duration. [Learn More](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd

Ongoing Opportunities

LA County Economic Opportunity Grants Program

Microbusinesses (under \$50,000 in revenue) in LA county may qualify for financial relief through the Economic Opportunity Grants (EOG) program. [Sign up today](#) for additional information and next steps!

U.S. DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard

The [DOT Navigator](#) is a resource to help communities understand the best ways to apply for grants, and to plan for and deliver transformative infrastructure projects and services.

Build Back Better with LA County Contracting Opportunities

With resources from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), LA County is working to partner with community service providers and businesses that can help our communities recover. To learn about current solicitations and contracting opportunities, [visit here](#).

Thriving Communities Program | US Department of Transportation

This fall the DOT and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be issuing Notices of Funding Opportunities for organizations interested in providing technical and capacity building assistance. It is expected that states, local governments, nonprofits, and philanthropic entities will be eligible. [Learn more](#).

California Financing Coordinating Committee

The California Financing Coordinating Committee (CFCC) combines the resources of four State and two Federal funding agencies to provide a one-stop shop for available grants, loans and bond financing for infrastructure projects. Visit

Become a City Vendor – Culver City

Culver City welcomes the opportunity to foster business relationships with high-quality suppliers and service providers at the best value for our city. The Purchasing Division is responsible for the procurement of equipment, goods and services for all City departments, divisions and offices. To register: [Become a City Vendor](#)

Procurement Division of The Department of General Services (DGS)

Supports the State of California's small business (SB) and disabled veteran business enterprise (DVBE) firms through outreach, education, advocacy and certification services. This branch processes certification applications, addresses certification inquiries, conducts outreach to businesses, and supports buyers throughout the state to work with SBs and DVBEs. Call 800-559-5529 or visit [Procurement Division \(ca.gov\)](#) to learn more.

Cal eProcure

The State of California's home for state procurement and certification programs. Through this system business owners can learn how to sell to the State, search bid opportunities, get certified as a Small Business (SB) or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBE), and find training and resources. [Visit Cal eProcure](#)

FUNDING & CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES Cont'd



Small Business (SB) / Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Advocate Directory

The State of California agencies, boards, departments, and panels that have SB/DVBE Advocates can be found in the SB/DVBE Advocate Directory. The directory can help you find and connect with the advocate for the agency you would like to work with to learn more about their department's procurement needs and future contracting opportunities. **Some agencies have chosen to have a SB/DVBE First Policy. [Click here to learn more about that designation.](#) [Find Your SB/DVBE Advocate](#)

Division of Procurement and Contracts (DPAC) at the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Caltrans commits to an overall Small Business contracting goal of 25 percent and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise goal of 5 percent. Interested businesses can call 916-227-6000 or visit [Procurement and Contracts \(DPAC\)_|_Caltrans](#).

California Underserved and Small Producer Program

Direct relief producer grants for small and medium scale California agricultural producers, or small and medium scale socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers are available through partnering organizations, and available on a rolling basis. [View grant opportunities.](#)

Fruit Tree Orchard Grant

The Fruit Tree Planting Foundation is donating fruit trees and plants to alleviate world hunger, combat global warming, strengthen communities and improve the surrounding air, water and soil. Applications accepted on a rolling basis. [Learn more.](#)

TOOLS & SERVICES

Small Business Services

CalOSBA Small Business Centers

CA Office of the Small Business Advocate

Small business technical assistance centers in over 30 languages. No-cost one-on-one-consulting and low-cost training services and programs. [More Info](#)

L.A. Business Portal

Los Angeles County

Info and tools to plan, start, and manage a business. [Visit](#)

Free Legal Support for Small Business

LA County WDACS

Free legal aid and rent relief to small business owners affected by COVID-19. [Visit here](#) or call 1-866-375-9511 to learn more & determine eligibility.

Learn How to Contract with LA County

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)

Interested businesses can [visit here](#) to sign up for a tailored assessment by a Small Business Counselor.

Tax Services

Apply for Tax Exempt Status

CA Franchise Tax Board

Tools and guidance for charities and nonprofits seeking tax exemptions. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA County Treasurer and Tax Collector

Pay property tax and apply for a business license. [Visit](#)

Online Taxpayer Services

LA City Office of Finance

Services, forms, tax education, and FAQs. [Visit](#)

Tax Guide for Nonprofit Organizations

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

[Visit](#)

Taxpayers' Rights Advocate

CA Dep. of Tax and Fee Administration

Assistance with rights violations in the audit or collection of taxes or fees. [Visit](#)

Helpful Tools

Parklet Permits

Parklets are permanent installations to expand outdoor restaurant dining, create a customer waiting area, display art, or plant a garden.

Culver City [Parklets - Culver City](#)

LA City [Parklets | \(lacity.org\)](#)

EDD Employer Services Online

Payroll services, eWOTC, and SIDES E-Response. [Employer Services Online \(ca.gov\)](#)

Let's Volunteer LA

A directory launched by Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti in partnership with Inspiring Services. Nonprofits in LA County can post their information and locals can find places they to volunteer. [Lets Volunteer LA](#)

LA Law Library

Self-help resources, legal research, free consultations, classes, & events. Free and low-cost. Main library located Downtown. [lalawlibrary.org/](#)

DIR Small Business Portal

CA Dep. of Industrial Relations
Guidance on workplace laws. [Visit](#)

California Grants Portal

CA State Library

One destination to find all grants and loans offered on a competitive or first-come basis by California state agencies. [Visit](#)

Free Training & Educational Resources

Technical Assistance Program (TAP)

PG&E and Community Partners

Free online classes for small businesses on a variety of topics including supply chains, crisis messaging, cybersecurity, and more. [More Info](#)

Start a Business in Culver City

Information on the requirements to do business in Culver City. Connect with the Business Resource Center. [More Info](#)

Strategic Partnership Program (SPP)

Clark Construction and Community Partners

Free executive education program for minority-, women-, and veteran-owned firms working in construction, engineering, and architecture.

[More Info](#)

Sidewalk & Park Vendor Permit Program

Free workshops, webinars, and business counseling.

[More Info](#)

Charity Registration & Guidelines

Office of the Attorney General

Register a charity, submit annual disclosures, learn best practices, and review charitable giving laws. [Visit](#)

FOR MORE INFO & SERVICES



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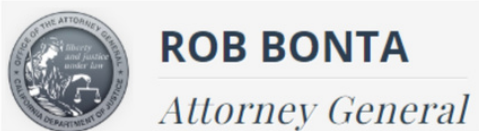
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