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Dear CANNDU Council leaders,

Happy 2017! We are welcoming the new year tonight by celebrating the 15 year anniversary of Glassell Park Neighborhood Council with the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. Because we will have 55 Neighborhood Councils reaching their 15 year anniversary in 2017, it is going to be a year long celebration at every meeting field meeting of the Commission. Because there are so many Neighborhood Councils to honor and there are only 12 field Commission meetings, some Neighborhood Councils will be getting their certificates early and others past their actual certification date. We apologize for this timing and hope that you'll also be celebrating with your stakeholders at your board meetings, too. We're also happy to be partnering with [CityWatch](#) to capture stories from Neighborhood Council board members on the impact of the Neighborhood Council system. Here are the Neighborhood Councils reaching the 15 year milestone in 2017:

Neighborhood Council	Certification Date	Neighborhood Council	Certification Date
Glassell Park	1/8/2002	LA 32	5/21/2002
West Hills	1/22/2002	Historic Highland Park	5/28/2002
Central San Pedro	2/12/2002	Westside	6/4/2002
Northwest San Pedro	2/12/2002	Los Feliz	6/11/2002
West Adams	2/19/2002	Canoga Park	6/18/2002
Mid City	2/19/2002	Mid City West	6/25/2002
Woodland Hills-Warner Center	3/6/2002	Elysian Valley Riverside	7/9/2002
Pacoima	3/7/2002	Van Nuys	7/23/2002
Westchester-Playa	3/12/2002	South Robertson	8/13/2002
Venice	3/12/2002	Mar Vista	8/13/2002
PICO	3/12/2002	Greater Valley Glen	8/27/2002
Empowerment Congress Central	3/23/2002	Granada Hills North	9/10/2002
Empowerment Congress Southwest	3/23/2002	Greater Toluca Lake	9/10/2002
Empowerment Congress Southeast	3/23/2002	Valley Village	9/10/2002
Empowerment Congress West	3/23/2002	North Hollywood Northeast	9/24/2002
Park Mesa Heights	3/23/2002	Mid-Town North Hollywood	9/24/2002
Harbor City	3/26/2002	Arroyo Seco	10/2/2002
Eagle Rock	4/2/2002	Encino	10/8/2002
Central Hollywood	4/9/2002	Reseda	10/8/2002
Echo Park	4/16/2002	Bel Air-Beverly Crest	10/8/2002
Empowerment Congress North	4/27/2002	Hollywood United	10/15/2002
Downtown LA	4/27/2002	Arleta	10/22/2002
Lincoln Heights	4/27/2002	Studio City	10/29/2002
Historic Cultural	4/27/2002	Sherman Oaks	10/29/2002
Hollywood Hills West	5/7/2002	Harbor Gateway North	11/12/2002
Sun Valley Area	5/7/2002	Greater Cypress Park	11/19/2002
United Neighborhoods	5/14/2002	Watts	12/3/2002
Boyle Heights	5/21/2002		

Citywide Campaign:

Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Board of Public Works will be holding a Clean Streets LA Challenge Awards event for all participants on

Saturday, January 13th at 10 am at the Board of Public Works Hearing Room. Many thanks to all the Neighborhood Councils for taking the lead and doing amazing projects to keep their communities clean!

Administrative Update:

The temporary services contracts for Neighborhood Councils have been finalized and are listed below in the Vendors section. The vendors can assist with completing Monthly Expenditure Reports for your Neighborhood Council, minutes, office work, etc. though not Neighborhood Council trainings. Please contact NCsupport@lacity.org if you have any questions.

Funding Updates:

The Neighborhood Council Funding Program has completed the Budget Fiscal Year 2016-17 3rd Quarter replenishment. Funds up to \$9,250.00 were deposited to the NCs' Union Bank Accounts. If NCs' Bank Accounts exceeded two quarters worth of allocations (\$18,500), excess funds will be placed in the NC's appropriation account. NCs may access their appropriation through a completed Cash Request Form.

The [Los Angeles City Council approved](#) an additional \$5,000.00 allocation for each certified Neighborhood Council. The prescribed method to access the \$5,000.00 will be available on February 1, 2017. There are six NCs with frozen funds for not submitting their Annual Budget. NCs may submit their budgets through the online budget portal: <http://empowerla.org/nc-budget-package/>.

If you have any questions please email the Neighborhood Council Funding Program at cityclerk.funding@lacity.org.

Field Updates:

Greetings from the Field Team! We're excited about Neighborhood Council Civic University 1.0 begins again this month on January 17th! Thank you for taking the time to appoint your participants to this amazing course that we offer in partnership with Mayor Eric Garcetti's Office and Cal State Los Angeles' Pat Brown Institute. Please take a moment and visit your EmpowerLA.org page to verify your Neighborhood Council story, the contact information for your council, and the Board Roster, especially the Ethics, Funding, and Code of Conduct certifications. Please note that Neighborhood Council board members with expired Code of Conducts certification were notified last month of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' policy requiring updated certs after every election. Members failing to comply with the Commission's policy will be removed from the Board this month.

Outreach Updates:

There are four opportunities in January for Neighborhood Council Liaisons to get involved.

On January 9, 2017 the [Animal Services](#) Liaisons will be meeting with the Animal Services Department at Ramona Hall from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The Department of Animal Services will be presenting opportunities for Neighborhood Councils to partner with Animal Services on communication, outreach, and strategic planning.

On January 14, 2017 the Board of Public Works Commissioners will be hosting their [Clean Streets LA Challenge Award Ceremony](#) in the Public Works Chambers at 10:00 am where Neighborhood Councils and Community Partners will be recognized for successfully participating in the Clean Streets LA Challenge. All awardees will be getting an invitation directly from the Board of Public Works and asked to invite their partners to [join them at the ceremony](#). We look forward to celebrating the amazing accomplishments of Angelenos across our city whose efforts have made a direct impact in improving the quality of life in our neighborhoods.

On January 26, 2017 the [Film Liaisons](#) will be meeting with FilmLA at City Hall in the Public Works Chambers from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Liaisons will learn about [Mayoral Directive #6](#) - Support for the Film Industry. FilmLA will also present partnership opportunities and strategies for communication and outreach.

On January 31, 2017 the [Purposeful Aging Liaisons](#) will be meeting with the Aging Department at City Hall in the Public Works

Chambers from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Liaisons will learn about [Mayoral Directive #17](#) - Purposeful Aging LA. Liaisons will learn of the many city departments and the services that are provided to seniors plus will hear some best practices from Neighborhood Council leaders who have embraced the Aging in Place and Purposeful Aging opportunity.

To register as the Liaison for your Neighborhood Council, please [click this link](#) and enter your information. Neighborhood Councils can select the Liaisons or the President/Chair can designate the Liaison.

For more information, please email Liaisons@EmpowerLA.org or call 213-978-1551.

Policy Updates:

Council File: 16-1456 relative to Limiting Access to Children's Playground was introduced on December 14, 2016 and referred to the Arts, Parks, and River Committee. In an attempt to provide for a safe environment in children's playgrounds, the City Council's Arts, Parks, and River Committee will be discussing a motion that is requesting an ordinance that limits access to a children's playground within a City park to children and parents or guardians accompanying a child. The motion is requesting that the Office of the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of Recreation and Parks, be requested to prepare and present a draft ordinance to the Arts, Parks, and River Committee on the proposed language. Additionally, upon approval of the new ordinance, the Department of Recreation and Parks is instructed to post signage at children's playgrounds. The motion is currently pending in committee and a hearing date has not been determined.

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

If not, click [here](#) to log in to submit your CIS

To subscribe to this Council File click [here](#)

Update – Council File: 15-1022-S2 Motion relative to online voting and Improve Experience for Neighborhood Councils was scheduled for Council on December 2, 2016. The motion instructed the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) to suspend the implementation of the online voting system for future elections until DONE completes a report with information about the experience of online voting for candidates, voters, staff and other stakeholders and on the actions that the Department intends to take to improve the implementation process. The Department is currently working on a report back to the City Council.

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Update - Council File: 16-1324 Motion is no longer pending in the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations and Neighborhoods Committee. On November 30, 2016, motion was referred to Ad Hoc Committee on Immigrant Affairs.

This motion is relative to reaffirming support for Special Order 40. Since its issuance in 1979, Special Order 40 has defined the procedures followed by Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) officers with regard to issues of immigration status. The underlying policy direction of Special Order 40 has been that a person's immigration status alone does not merit any police action. This policy has advanced the interests of public safety by allowing LAPD officers to provide law enforcement services equally to all residents of the City, including those whose immigration status may render them particularly vulnerable victimization.

Special Order 40 mandates that Police Officers not question individuals solely to determine their immigration status and ensuring that undocumented individuals residing in Los Angeles are able to report crime to the police and participate in investigations without fear of being deported. With the election of Donald J. Trump to the presidency, Immigrant communities fear mass deportations and other disruptive and damaging policies. The president-elect has taken an aggressive stance on immigration and because of this the Los Angeles City Council reaffirms support for LAPD's policies related to dealing with

undocumented immigrants, including Special Order 40, which ensures that all members of the community, regardless of immigration status, can interact with the Police Department without fear of being asked about their immigration status.

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Update - Council File: 16-1331 relative to a possible May 2017 ballot measure regarding an all-civilian Board of Rights panel for disciplinary matters involving Los Angeles Police Department officers, was waived out of the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations and Neighborhoods Committee on December 6, 2016. City Clerk scheduled item for Council on December 13, 2016. An amending motion was introduced on the same day instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), with the assistance of the City Attorney and the City Administrative Officer (CAO), to include in a report back an analysis of the application and selection process for civilian members of the LAPD Board of Rights. The motion also instructed the CLA to provide an analysis of cases, including rank of charged officer, and how Command Officers and Civilian Board of Rights members have ruled on matters, compared to the findings of the Chief of Police after the third year of the program if approved by the voters and implemented by the Council. City Council approved this item on December 15, 2016.

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

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Update - Council File: 17-1100-S2 relative to Cannabis Related Activity was voted on by the City Council on November 15, 2016 to place the matter on the Ballot Measure on March 7, 2017. Hearings were held to hear community input under **Council File: 14-0366-S5** relative to Proposition D, Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Adult Use of Medical Marijuana Act. The Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations and Neighborhoods Committee held a hearing on November 29, 2016 and continued the item to **December 7, 2016**. At its special meeting on December 7, 2016, the Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods Committee, pursuant to Election Code Section 605, considered requests for designation as author of ballot arguments and rebuttal arguments in favor and against the ballot measure relative to cannabis regulation after citizen input, taxation, and enforcement;

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

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No New Update - Council File: 06-0125-S2 relative to Nuisance Motels, Police Department Service Calls and Permit Feasibility Study is currently pending in the Public Safety Committee and a hearing date has not been determined. The City of Los Angeles is looking to explore the feasibility of a regulation program for nuisance motels that attract gang activity, drug use and prostitution. Such a program would have to be based on crime and calls-for-service statistics which would support the need to regulate motels. This motion is asking for a study to determine whether or not a police permit regulation is necessary to improve the safety issues at motels in the City. This is a citywide concern and necessary steps are needed in order to have an effective regulatory system in place.

If the Public Safety Committee approves this motion and any related reports (A **YES** vote) the matter will be scheduled to go before the City Council with the committees' recommendations.

If the Public Safety Committee does not approve this motion (A **NO** vote) the matter is still referred to the full City Council for deliberations, further instructions, or approval.

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Account Balances, Community Impact Statements, Agendas, and Greivances

As of 12/31/2016, your current checking account balance is \$15,526.86, and as of 01/03/2017, you have \$20,526.86 in your city account

As of 1/3/2017, you have filed 0 Community Impact Statements, and 0 agendas have been posted for your Neighborhood Council for the current month.

As of 1/3/2017, 0 Grievances have been filed against your Neighborhood Council.

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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
Stephanie	Campbell	Chair (2020)	8/8/2017	3/31/2016	11/6/2016
Esther	Glaze	Vice Chair (2018)	1/26/2018	5/6/2016	12/15/2016
Sara	Toscano	Recording Secretary (2020)	7/18/2018	6/22/2016	6/22/2016
Vacant Seat	Vacant Seat	Communication Secretary (2018)			
Cathy	Simpson	Treasurer (2018)	7/18/2018	7/13/2016	11/3/2016
Christopher	Perry	Parliamentarian (2020)	6/15/2018	7/11/2016	
Ly'brindus	Jackson	At-Large Representative (2018)	1/26/2018	7/11/2016	12/19/2016
Ernesto	Toscano	At-Large Representative (2020)	7/18/2018	6/22/2016	6/22/2016
David	Solis	Community Interest At large (2020)	7/28/2018	8/31/2013	2/12/2015

Please submit any updates and changes to the roster to Rosters@EmpowerLA.org, including any Ethics Certifications.

Please continue to next page to see Expired or Missing Mandatory Trainings, your Neighborhood Council cases, Important dates, and Existing Vendors for NCs.

Board Members With Expired or Missing Mandatory Trainings

In order to vote on Neighborhood Council funding items, Neighborhood Council board members must have current ethics training and funding training. The Neighborhood Council bylaws may also require these trainings to vote for nonfunding items as well. To serve on a board, Neighborhood Council board members must also have either read and signed a Code of Conduct or have watched the video. To complete these trainings, please click [here](#).

NOTE: in person and online ethics training must be a minimum of 2 hours. If you complete the ethics training online, please ensure that you take 2 hours to complete the training as we will not accept any certificates that show less than 2 hours.

The following board members below are missing one of these mandatory trainings. If updates are needed, please contact Rosters@EmpowerLA.org.

Board Members who have not completed the Funding training:

Board Members with missing or expired Ethics Certificates:

Board Members who have not completed the Code of Conduct training or their certificate has expired:

First Name	Last Name	Board Seat
Christopher	Perry	Parliamentarian (2020)
David	Solis	Community Interest At large (2020)

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Important Dates

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

1/2/2017	HOLIDAY	New Year's Day Observed
1/3/2017	6pm - 9pm	Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Regular Meeting
1/4/2017	6:30pm - 8:30 pm	Harbor Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting
1/7/2017	8:45am - 10:00am	Neighborhood Council-LADWP Memorandum of Understanding Oversight Alliance Monthly Meeting
1/7/2017	10:00am - 1:00pm	Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition Monthly Meeting
1/9/2017	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Meeting
1/9/2017	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Neighborhood Council Animal Services Liaisons Meeting
1/12/2017	6:30pm – 9:00pm	Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Planning Forum
1/14/2017	10:00am - 12:00pm	Clean Streets LA Challenge Awards
1/14/2017	10:00am – 12:00pm	PlanCheckNC Monthly Meeting
1/16/2017	HOLIDAY	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
1/16/2017	1:00pm - 4:00pm	Cancelled - Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Regular Meeting
1/16/2017	7:00pm – 9:00pm	Alliance of River Communities Monthly Meeting
1/17/2017	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Neighborhood Council Civic University 1.0
1/18/2017	8:30am - 10:00am	Westside Regional Alliance of Councils Monthly Meeting
1/19/2017	6:30pm – 8:30pm	South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Monthly Meeting
1/20/2017	9:00am – 10:00am	Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations, and Neighborhoods City Council Committee Meeting
1/21/2017	10:00am - 12:00pm	Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Meeting
1/23/2017	6:00pm – 7:00pm	Leadership Academy – Ethics Training - Valley
1/23/2017	10:00am - 2:00pm	Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Special Meeting - Retreat
1/24/2017	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Neighborhood Council Civic University 1.0
1/26/2017	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Neighborhood Council Film Liaisons Town Hall
1/28/2017	10:00am - 12:00pm	Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance Monthly Meeting
1/31/2017	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Neighborhood Council Civic University 1.0
1/31/2017	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Purposeful Aging Town Hall

Existing Vendors for NCs

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Excel Interpreting

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Interpreters Unlimited

Contact Sanjit Singh
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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!