

## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS October 2024









## **Civil Rights** Enforcement

Addressing discrimination in private commerce, education, employment, and housing

## Commission Support

LA Civil Rights supports 41 Commissioners on:

- Commission on Civil Rights
- Commission on the Status of Women
- Human Relations Commission
  - Transgender Advisory Council
- Reparations Advisory Commission





## **Office of Race** and Equity

- Policy Equity Lens
- Upward Mobility Programming
- L.A. REPAIR Participatory Budgeting
- Peace and Healing Centers

### Community Engagement and Outreach

- Faith-Based Unity Events
- Community Diversity Events
- Discrimination/Bias Awareness Training
- Hate Crime Prevention
- Discrimination Enforcement Outreach





Participatory Budgeting empowers the community to propose ideas, vote on proposals to fund, and implement new services and programs. Over 7,000 cities worldwide have done Participatory Budgeting,

including New York City and Chicago.

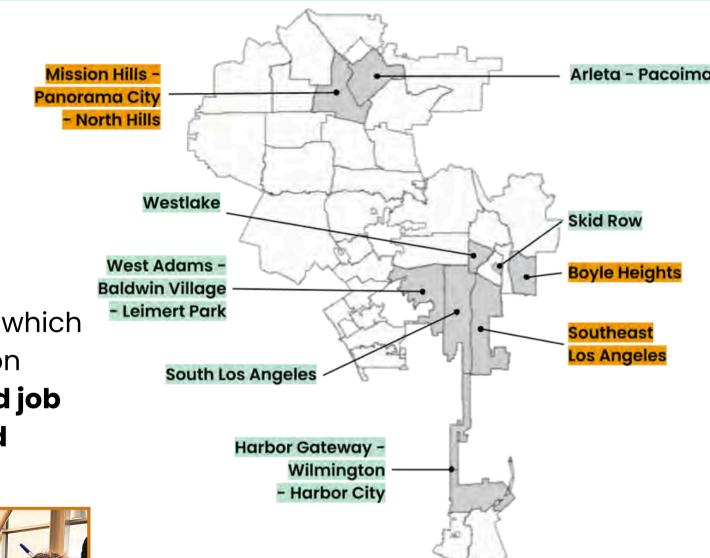


In August 2024, the LA City Council approved the results of six communities' votes held this spring, which will allow the remaining \$5.4 million to be spent on access to nature and nutritious food, career and job readiness programs, wellness, and wraparound support for people experiencing homelessness.

In 2023, three communities decided to budget more than \$3 million for expanded **after-school programing** in Watts, mobile medical services throughout Southeast LA, rental assistance in Boyle Heights, and a new community garden in the Valley.



The City's most marginalized communities decide how to budget **\$8.5 million for new programs** through a direct democratic process.



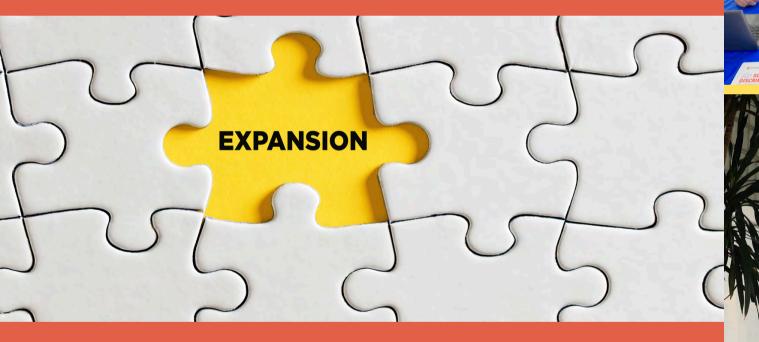
As a result, L.A. REPAIR will be able to fund 19 community-based service projects across the nine REPAIR Zones.

## Learn more at repair.lacity.gov

## Civil Rights Enforcement



LA Civil Rights has quasi-judicial authority to address the long-standing discrimination impacting underserved communities, which denies equal treatment in private commerce, education, employment, and housing.







### Our Authority

Investigate discrimination complaints and enforce the LA Civil and Human Rights Law through subpoenas, fines, and corrective action.

CA Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas advocated for the expansion of workplace discrimination protections with SB 1340.

On September 26, 2024, Governor Newsom signed the bill into law. This pivotal legislation significantly expands our civil rights enforcement.



**Civil Rights Enforcement Areas** LA Civil Rights

The City of Los Angeles Ordinance 186084, Section 51.05 allows any person whose rights are violated as described in Section 51.03 to file a complaint. LA Civil Rights has authority over complaints involving actual or perceived:

### Commerce

- Age
- Citizenship Status
- Color
- Creed
- Disability
- Employment Status
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Gender Expression
- Gender Identity
- Genetic Information
- Marital Status
- Medical Condition
- Military Status
- National Origin
- Partnership Status
- Primary Language
- Race
- Religion
- Sexual Orientation
- Source of Income
- Veteran Status

### Education

- Age
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LA Civil Rights will refer violations to the appropriate agency for unprotected classes, including the City Attorney, District Attorney, State of California Civil Rights Department, Attorney General, or a legal aid group. LA Civil Rights will only provide referrals when superseded by state or federal law. When LA Civil Rights has authority, complainants have the option to proceed with an investigation, and are not preempted from seeking remedies from other agencies or a private attorney.

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**#LAForAllChallenge Locations: City Hall** LAX Pylons **Ritz-Carlton** Los Angeles Union Station Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum 2nd Street Tunnel LA ZOO Warehouse No. 1 at the Port of Los Angeles U.S. Bank Tower LA Public Library InterContinental at the Wilshire Grand Center **Metro Division 13** LAX Digital Boards (Digital Board) **BMO Stadium (Digital Board)** LA Convention Center (Digital Board) **USC's Galen Center (Digital Board Lighting)** Cal State LA (Digital Board Lighting)



## Sample of Community Engagement

This month, LA Civil Rights hosted the 34th Annual Pioneer Women Awards and recognized 19 honorees for paving the way for future generations of sheroes.

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, LA Civil Rights held the Latinas Leading Change Panel, which highlighted impactful contributions of Latinas in LA.

LA Civil Rights also honored the life of "Mr. Los Angeles," the late LA City Councilmember Tom LaBonge, by collecting small trash items near the intersection of Western Avenue and Pico Boulevard.



## Sample of Community Engagement

LA Civil Rights attended the Women Life Freedom Square in honoring the life and legacy of Mahsa Amini and the importance of women's rights everywhere. Executive Director Capri Maddox helped kickoff United Against Hate Week with local leaders at the Watts Historic Train Station. LA Civil Rights also participated in the Building Trust Summit to strengthen and empower the local LGBTQIA+ community and allies.



# Awareness & History





DATIONAL National LGBT Center Awareness Day | October 19 #CelebrateEveryDay

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## VIOLENCE

AWARENESS MONTH

# **Upcoming Events**



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE NATIONAL COMING OUT WEEK'S

## espress'o self: coffee, community, & conversations

LGBTQIA+ LEADERS AND OFFICERS AND THEIR STORIES OF COMING OUT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024 | 11 AM ACADEMY CAFÉ (1880 ACADEMY DRIVE)

**RSVP LINK:** FORMS.GLE/RAINBOWCOFFEE2024

THIS INVITATION IS NON-TRANSFERABLE. **RSVP REQUIRED.** 

Angelenos often need an advocate to help protect their rights. As of 2020, you can file a complaint of discrimination directly with the City of Los Angeles, LA Civil Rights is charged with investigating allegations of discrimination in the private sector related to commerce, education, employment, and housing. Learn what kinds of discrimination LA Civil Rights can protect you from, how to file a complaint, and what kinds of cases have been handled so far.

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## PRO BONO WEEK 2024 **OCTOBER 21 - 25**

### LIVE ZOOM: How LA Civil Rights **Protects Against Discrimination**

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 | 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

CLASS WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM, ZOOM INFORMATION WILL BE EMAILED TO REGISTRANTS PRIOR TO CLASS START TIME

**Registration fee: FREE** 

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