



Mayor's Area Monthly Report

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(Most Important Updates of the Month)

- As of the first week of July, **the Mayor's Inside Safe Initiative has brought over 1,400 people indoors.**
- **Mayor Bass and Councilmember Raman announce tenant rights resources and investments:** The Mayor along with Councilmember Nithya Raman released resources for Angelenos to stay indoors ahead of the August 1st deadline for payment of back rent for the first 18 months of the COVID emergency period. Click [here](#) to find out more about the public information campaigns, resources, and who to contact for help.
- **Mayor's Fund:** Independent nonprofit the Mayor inherits. Mayor Karen Bass will be utilizing the Mayor's fund to promote the "We Are LA" program, working with various community organizations to help spread tenant protection information and help connect them with legal services. The Mayor's Fund will also be used to hire more Attorneys to provide legal assistance to Angelenos. Find more information about the Mayor's Fund [here](#).
- **Stay Housed L.A.** is a partnership between Los Angeles County, the City of Los Angeles and local community and legal service providers. If you have received an eviction notice please contact **Stay Housed LA (888)694-0040 (stayhousedla.org).**

City/County/ Federal Updates

- **Mayor's Helpdesk: The Mayor's website has been updated!** You are now able to submit 311 requests but also contact the Mayor's Help Desk and receive assistance with a city related matter or leave a general comment for Mayor Bass. You can also submit a certificate request and sign up for our newsletter and press notifications. Click [here](#) to begin.
- **Free and Affordable Swim Lessons at City Pools:** The Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department offers families and community members many affordable and safe aquatic activities at their public pools, lakes and beaches. SwimLA ensures that young Angelenos between the ages of 4 and 17 have more opportunities to learn how to swim. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **Summertime activities that might affect people's tax return next year:** Whether it's getting married, sending your kids to summer camp, traveling for business, working part time, or making home improvements, what you do can affect your income taxes. Click [here](#) to learn tips on how to consider these activities during filing season.

Public Safety Updates

- **Mayor Bass announces tentative contract agreement to address recruitment and retention in LAPD:** Mayor Karen Bass announced a tentative agreement with the union representing police officers, sergeants, detectives, and lieutenants at the Los Angeles Police Department. The agreement improves recruitment and retention. Click [here](#) to learn more about the highlights of the agreement.

COVID Rent Debt/Renter Protections

- **Tenants must pay back unpaid COVID-19 debt from rent owed from March 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021, by August 1, 2023.**
- **Rent owed from October 1, 2021 to January 31, 2023, tenants must pay by February 1, 2024.**
- **LA City Tenant Protections:** Earlier this year the city passed new tenant protections that include: You can view a more detailed version [here](#).
 - Landlords MUST provide LA City tenants with a legal reason in order to evict them;
 - Eviction protections for unauthorized pets and additional tenants due to COVID-19 continue through January 31, 2024;
 - **Effective March 27, 2023** landlords are prohibited from evicting tenants who fall behind on rent unless the tenant owes an amount higher than the Fair Market Rent (see [here](#) for Fair Market Rent information);
 - **Effective March 27, 2023** tenants who receive a rent increase of more than 10% within 12 months and are unable to afford the rent increase have the option to receive relocation assistance to move out of their rental unit instead of paying the increased rent;
 - **Landlords are required to file all termination notices with the Housing Department within 3 days of providing them to tenants;** and (5) landlords must also provide this [Notice of Renters' Protections](#) (available in [multiple languages](#)) to new and renewing tenants and post the notice.
- **Unlawful Detainers -- Must respond within 5 business days:** If you receive a 3-Day Notice to OPay or Quit and do not have the money to pay your rent you

- **Los Angeles City Council supports Increased Investments in Violence Reduction and Substance Abuse Treatment Programs:** On June 27, City Council voted in favor of supporting the Mayor's request to increase the budget for the Mayor's Office of Community Safety's Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) Program to \$41 million to support livable wages for staff, juvenile diversion and reentry program, 44 Summer Night Lights sites, and gun buyback programs. View the Mayor's response and additional information [here](#).
- **MySafe:LA Fireworks:** Click [here](#) to learn more about firework safety and how you can report illegal fireworks. Download the [F/X Reporter app](#) (only available for iPhone users) to report and record the use of illegal fireworks. View informational flyers regarding fireworks [here](#).

Environment Updates

- **LADWP, Cool LA Beat the Heat & Stay Safe:** Cool LA includes increased rebates on various types of cooling units to help LADWP customers overcome the health risks associated with extreme heat. Click [here](#) for more information.

Public Health Updates

- **Ocean Water Use Warning for Los Angeles County Beaches:** Click [here](#) to view the list of Los Angeles County Beaches issued by the LA Department of Public Health.
- **Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL):** The LAPL has partnered with the LA County Department of Public Health to provide all 73 public library locations with free Covid-19 test kits. Click [here](#) to learn how you can pick up yours.
- **LA County Department of Public Health, Stay Healthy in the Heat:** Heat causes more deaths in the U.S. each year than floods, storms, and lightning combined. Click [here](#) to learn how to prepare yourself and your loved ones.
- **Check the Ocean Water Quality Before Visiting:** Click [here](#) to check for any beach water quality advisories and click [here](#) to view the list of LA County beach area warnings.

Business News & Updates

- **Mayor Bass Issues Executive Directive 4 to Support Small Business Creation, Development and Growth in Los Angeles:** On June 22, the Mayor signed her fourth Executive Directive to urgently identify burdensome processes and fees that impede small business creation, development and growth in Los Angeles. The steering committee will report back on its initial findings within 90 days. View more information about Executive Directive 4 [here](#).

may receive an eviction notice. **DO NOT** ignore an eviction notice, you **MUST** respond within 5 days. Contact **StayHousedLA** (888)694-0040 (stayhousedla.org).

- **Annual rent increases for Rental Stabilization Ordinance units are still NOT allowed until February 1, 2024.**
- **Starting February 1, 2023 landlords may give tenants an eviction notice in order to move in a live-in manager. This notice must be given within a minimum of 30 days, or 60 days if the tenant has lived in the unit for at least a year.**
- **Starting February 1, 2023 landlords may give tenants an eviction notice when the landlord or their family member wants to occupy the rental unit. This notice must be given within a minimum of 30 days, or 60 days if the tenant has lived in the unit for at least a year.**

Housing/Homelessness Updates

- **LAHD, New ED1 Guidelines for Affordable Housing Streamlining:** The Mayor's Executive Directive 1 directs City departments to accelerate timelines and streamline processes for approving, permitting, and issuing clearances for affordable housing projects. Click [here](#) to view the implementation guidelines.
- **Los Angeles City Council moves to accelerate and reduce cost of building affordable housing:** On June 27, LA City Council approved a motion to codify the Mayor's First Executive Directive to expedite and decrease the cost of building zoning-compliant affordable and temporary housing projects. Mayor Bass signed the ordinance on July 6, view more information [here](#).
- **Landlord/Homeowner Resources:** The County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs' Foreclosure Prevention unit provides free services for homeowners and landlords with 15 or fewer units in Los Angeles County. Click [here](#) for more information. You can view state resources at [CA Mortgage Relief Program](#) and Federal protections at the [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#).

Youth Resources

- **GRYD Summer Night Lights (SNL):** SNL creates safe environments during the peak times for gang related violence. SNL sites provide free meals, extended programming and sports leagues, along with a safe space for recreation, community engagement, employment opportunities, and linkages to local resources. View the list of SNL sites [here](#).

Event Updates

Please note these are not City-sponsored events & thus not overseen by the City

- Find job opportunities [here](#).
- Find other community or resource flyers [here](#)