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MyLA311's Call Center is open Monday through Friday: 7am - 7pm
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YOUR CONNECTION TO CITY SERVICES & INFORMATION

MyLA311

CALL 311 OR USE THE MyLA311 APP!

REPORT:

- Illegal dumping
- Trash collection issues
- Potholes
- Graffiti
- Street light outages
- Parking enforcement
- Animal services
- Request bulky item pick-up
- Inquire about general city info

When making a report, please provide as much detail about the location so the appropriate resources can be directed to the site.



What is CIRCLE?

CIRCLE, which stands for Crisis and Incident Response through Community-led Engagement, is a **24/7 unarmed response program** that deploys trained teams to address non-urgent LAPD calls related to unhoused individuals.

The program began as a pilot in January 2022 in Hollywood and Venice and has since expanded to additional communities throughout the City of LA.

CIRCLE aims to:

- Create positive outcomes for unhoused individuals through rapport-building and connections to services; and
- Provide LAPD officers more time to focus on traditional law enforcement efforts.

How do I contact CIRCLE?

Access CIRCLE by calling the non-emergency police line

877-ASK-LAPD.

Select the "non-emergency dispatch" option.

After providing details about the situation, you may request CIRCLE. The operator will determine if the situation is appropriate for CIRCLE and within the program's operating area.

How does it work?

An LAPD operator receives a call and assesses if the incident fits the CIRCLE criteria:

- It involves an unhoused individual;
- It's within the CIRCLE program area; and
- It's not violent, criminal, or medically urgent.

Examples of incidents that are diverted to CIRCLE include **well-being checks, lack of clothing, noise disturbances, person on a substance, and loitering.**

If the incident fits the criteria, the operator transfers the incident to a CIRCLE operator who deploys a CIRCLE Response Team.



Who responds?

CIRCLE operators deploy trained **Response Teams** that include a supervisor and an outreach worker who has previous lived experience in homelessness, substance abuse, or incarceration. Team members with lived experience are able to quickly relate and connect with unhoused individuals.

The work of the Response Team is supported by a mental health counselor and by an outreach team that conducts follow-up engagement and case management.

CIRCLE teams are equipped with vehicles and supplies like water, snacks, clothing, and Narcan to reverse opioid overdoses.

Each community where CIRCLE operates has a **Decompression Center** where a CIRCLE Team can bring an unhoused individual who needs a break from the street. The facility provides a space where the individual can sit or lie down, have a snack and water, and meet with the mental health counselor or case manager in a private, calm setting.

How are CIRCLE teams trained?

CIRCLE teams complete a **rigorous training program** that prepares them to respond to crisis situations and assist our unhoused neighbors, including:

- Trauma-informed care
- De-escalation & harm reduction
- Crisis Intervention
- LGBTQ+ & transitional age youth cultural competency
- Homeless Management Information System
- Self-care and wellness
- Safety, CPR, and first aid.

Where is CIRCLE?

CIRCLE is currently operating from **Hollywood to Downtown** and in **South LA, Venice**, and parts of the **Valley**. You can view CIRCLE's operating areas at bit.ly/CIRCLEmap or by scanning the QR code.



LA Mayor's Office of Community Safety | October 2023

COPPER THEFT IS A CRIME

COPPER THEFT AFFECTS EVERYONE
Help Keep Our City Streets Safe

You can help keep street lights from going dark. Look out for copper wire thieves in your neighborhood. If you observe a wire theft in progress or see suspicious activity around street lights or electrical equipment, **call 9-1-1 Immediately.** You can stay anonymous by calling **1-800-222-TIPS(8477).**

The theft of copper wire disables street lights and dark streets are not safe. Also, use caution... the exposed electrical wires thieves leave behind are very dangerous and should be reported immediately.



LAPD Hollenbeck Division Copper Theft Campaign



Security

Recap 2025

Patrol calls for service	1,591
Patrol BID contacts	6,748
Public contacts	1,599
Patrol Tags Scanned	27,232
Field Inspections	67
Vehicle patrol hours	5,840

NFA Goals

- Provide Educational, Cultural, Artistic, Charitable, Social Service and public improvements.
- Increase economic well being for property owners, employees and businesses.
- Provide improvements and activities to assist in economic and commercial revitalization.
- Provide clean, safe and beautification programs to improve economic prosperity for property owners, businesses and the community.
- Bring about investment of public and private capital within the Business Improvement District and surrounding area for public benefit and charitable purposes.

Mission Statement

North Figueroa Association is the management organization for the Highland Park Business Improvement District and is an advocate for the North Figueroa Property owners by empowering and aiding in the stimulation of growth, development, revitalization and maintaining the historic value of the North Figueroa Corridor.

The North Figueroa Assoc. will support an environment in which stakeholders can conduct commerce, live and play.



Maintenance

Recap 2025

Trash Bags (removed)	14,195
Trash weight lbs	326,485
Graffiti tags removed:	1,816
Bulky items:	1,783
Pressure Washing hrs	24
Landscaping	756

How You Can Help

Keep the district clean, safe and pedestrian friendly by:

- Make sure your businesses do not place their trash in the sidewalk receptacles. These receptacles are for pedestrians only. When businesses place trash in the street receptacles it increases property assessments to remove the extra trash.
- Keep windows & awnings clean
- Remove old, torn or faded signs or banners.
- Sweep your store front. The Clean Team sweep the streets, they do not sweep private property
- Post store hours in windows.
- If you See Something, Say Something.

Report to:
Security 800-350-1944
LAPDOnline or 911

VISIT: www.OldLA.org
 for more info.

2026 Calendar

January	Canceled
February	Dark
March 17	BOD Mtg
April 21	BOD Mtg
May 20	Dark
June 16	BOD Mtg
July	Dark
August	Dark
September 15	BOD Mtg
October 20	Annual Meeting
November 17	BOD Mtg
December	Dark

All board meeting are in person at the Highland Park Rec Center at 6150 Piedmont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90042 at 10 a.m. unless otherwise noted. Check www.OldLA.org website for updates.

Any property owner interested in becoming a board member. Contact us at: www.OLDLA.ORG

Annual Budget 2026

Public Right of Way	\$825,968 (80%)
Corporate Identity & Organization	\$135,699.48 (20%)
Total Annual Budget	\$961,599 (100%)

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