

# ROSE PARK

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**WE ASK YOU TO TAKE A FEW NEWSLETTERS TO HANDOUT OUT TO NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS.**

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Letter from Councilwoman Jeannine Pearce

Dear Neighbors,

As many have heard, our city, county and state have made bold steps to flatten the curve of COVID-19. We know things are changing day by day, hour by hour and minute by minute. Each of us have been asked to meet this moment and do what is best for the greater whole. This is how we will demonstrate human kindness to exceed expectations and survive. These decisions reflect both the enormity of our current reality, our deep sense of responsibility and concern for our community. It's moments like these where we need to embrace science and do what we know will work.

Truly it's moments like these where we unite to overcome the impossible and rise stronger for the long haul. Please know that your city continues working around the clock to ensure you have a safe, healthy community for all. These times are not easy, yet we remain focused on delivering progress.

My team's priority is to make sure you have support. Randy continues to lead our trauma

resilience support and is available to coordinate any online outreach with you and your neighbors. We know loneliness, anxiety, and boredom are valid feelings of concern that we all expect as we wait to see how long we are in this situation as it unfolds.

We are working to strengthen this bond closely alongside the Mayor's office to launch a Neighbor to Neighbor support network. This will assist to close the gaps in service and build community while easing the divide between the haves and the have nots. Call 570-INFO or go to [www.longbeach.gov/covid19](http://www.longbeach.gov/covid19) for latest information on Safer in Place. Regarding the payment of rent during the Safer at Home proclamation here are recent actions I've taken. Please reach out to be informed.

Landlords have rights. Landlords should reach out to the bank that holds their mortgages ASAP for new payment arrangements. Do this in writing. **Tenants have rights.** If you need assistance with letters to your landlord, there is a template you can use please email our office at [District2@logbeach.gov](mailto:District2@logbeach.gov).

If you need legal support, Legal Aid can help. Apply online at <http://lafla.org/help> call (800) 399-4529. Long Beach Multi-Service Center can also help with paying rents and resources. Click Long Beach Multi Center for more information.



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**Building Neighborhood one resident at a time!**

During these times we are getting creative to stay connected. I will be hosting Zoom meetings, community briefings, and standing opportunities for us to engage and strengthen the community on various platforms. As my daughter says, "while we are home we are not alone."

We also want to hear from you, let us know how we can help you, your neighborhood or how you want to get involved. Contact me directly at [Jeannine.Pearce@LongBeach.gov](mailto:Jeannine.Pearce@LongBeach.gov) or my team at [District2@LongBeach.gov](mailto:District2@LongBeach.gov).

In Service,  
Councilwoman Jeannine Pearce

# Housing and History Rose Park

Who and When did Rose Park Neighborhood start?

1909 – The area was acquired by the City of Long Beach – East Seventh Street Annexation

1910 – Rose Park was deeded to the City by the Alamitos Land Company

1913 – A citation in the local newspaper dated June 17, 1913 documents that the first action of the Board of the Rose Park Club was to pave a portion of 7th Street. Got to love this!!!

Jump to

1970's – Effort to make E7th into cross town freeway is stopped by residents

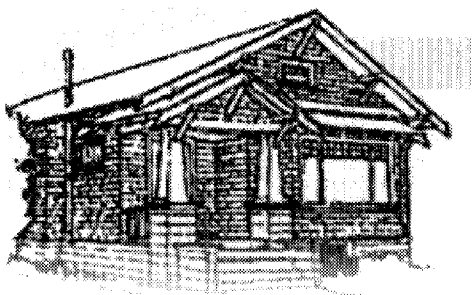
1980's – Sees a change in land use with neighborhood responding with the beginning of house meetings.

1988-89 – Formation of Rose Park Neighborhood with Jim Dohn as first president.

1997 – City enacts an ordinance establishing Rose Park Historic District.

2001 – City enacts an ordinance establishing Rose Park South Historic District.

2005 – Rose Park Neighborhood Association incorporates as a 501 c 3 non-profit which it remains today.



As is clear by the timeline. There are several steps to forming a neighborhood. And there are many people. There is no single founder. In fact, many groups of residents came together over time to further the goals based on needs. Today we are looking forward to resident oriented development such as Safe Streets, Green Spaces, Walkability and

affordable housing where properly scaled businesses and non-profit organizations can thrive.

Check out our history website [www.E7shp.org](http://www.E7shp.org)

## Art Wellness for Community!

Workshops have been a key element of each event hosted by Rose Park Neighborhood Association, Long Beach Skate Co., and Revive Church. Although our nation and the world are rethinking how 'we meet up' we want to highlight the connectedness that can and needs to be accomplished, most notably "The Parking Lot & Skate Jam" event, which brings in over 50 kids from our community. These events feature skateboarding obstacles, theme focused art workshops, FREE food and live music. All events have been held in the parking lot of Revive Church on 7th and Obispo.



**Community members create a 'zine' at the Parking Lot Skate Jam in November 2019**

The art component of each event is ArtWorksLBC, a program implemented by Rose Park Neighborhood Association and community members. The mission of ArtWorksLBC is to create opportunities for neighbors to connect, build community and foster healthy neighborhoods through art wellness and collaborative activity.

Previous art workshops included mosaic art projects, zine workshops, and mini-skate ramp

builds with community organizations such as Power4Youth, Safe Refuge, Mental Health America, and Action Sports Kids Foundation.

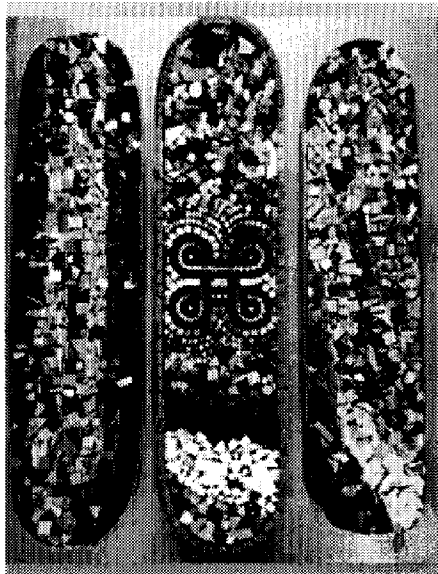


**Parking Lot Skate Jam attendees construct mini-skate ramps donated by Keen Ramps Warehouse LB in January 2020**



In January, attendees constructed mini-skate ramps to be given to local Long Beach artists to creatively design and display at the annual Big Heart Show. The Big Heart Show was scheduled to take place on March 20. Due to social distancing efforts at this time, the Big Heart Show will be rescheduled for a future date.

Please stay tuned to our Instagram @ [roseparklb](https://www.instagram.com/roseparklb) for collaborative virtual art projects and we look forward to being together in person, as a neighborhood soon.



**"All Hands on Deck" mosaic art project created at The Parking Lot Skate Jam in March 2019**

All RPNA hosted/supported gatherings have been suspended as of March 12, 2020. Going Forward ArtWorksLBC will be going on-line with active resident participation! We need "All Hands on Deck" now more than ever. AND a shout-out to the Miller Foundation for a grant to support ArtWorksLBC! Go Miller Foundation!!!

**Rose Park Neighborhood Association,  
LB Skate Co.,  
&  
Revive Church**

*Be Safe and Take Care of  
Each Other  
#artworks/lbc*



## Upcoming Events

All RPNA hosted/sponsored in-person events have been suspended for the foreseeable future.

Check in at our social media sites or connect at [www.rpna.org](http://www.rpna.org) for our Safer at Home art wellness series and for upcoming on-line Community Meeting!

## Need assistance? Looking to help?

RPNA set up a volunteer system with Lutheran Towers. We are identifying others who may need assistance. Please reach out to [info@rpna.org](mailto:info@rpna.org) for assistance with pick-up and delivery. If you are interested in helping, please contact us at [info@rpna.org](mailto:info@rpna.org).



Chan Park, Resident Services Coordinator & Senior Resident Advocate at Lutheran Towers



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### **Cutout The Fish! #SaferbytheSea**

Rose Parkians and surrounding neighbors! Although we are apart now, we will soon be back together. We invite you to cut out the outline of a fish, innovate and create this fish with your own personal style! After you design your fish, we hope you will display your fish in the window of your home and upload a picture of your fish to our Facebook page at [RoseParkNeighborhoodAssociation](#).



Or email your image to [info@rpna.org](mailto:info@rpna.org). All pictures that we receive digitally will become a part of a very large fish that we are putting together. This healthy fish symbolizes sustainability, wellness, and staying safe alone so we can be stronger together. We look forward to seeing your fish!