



ROSE PARK



LET'S GET PREPARED ROSE PARK!

When a disaster strikes, it may be neighbors responding to the hazards that threaten communities.

Rose Park Neighborhood Community Meeting

Wednesday, January 23rd
7PM-8:30PM

Red Leprechaun
4000 E. Anaheim

Bring the kids for a fun activity

Jake Heflin,

CERT Program Manager, City of Long Beach

Doesn't the city make all the preparations?

No, we may very well be left for several days to help ourselves with little or no support.

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CALENDAR EVENT info at www.rpna.org/events

Mom's for a Beautiful 10th Street –
#AlarmYourself2 #IDigFeelingSafe
Jan 16th Wed. 2pm-5pm at 10th & Orizaba

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at Red Leprechaun

WE ASKED ROSE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS ONE QUESTION. HERE IS WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY...

"Why is it important to be involved in your neighborhood?"



"We love our neighbors, our community, and this city. For our family, it is important to be present and to have a voice in the decisions and actions that will shape our future. Each of us has more power than we realize, to be a part of the change that we want to see. It's our responsibility to promote the great elements within the neighborhood and help improve those sectors that are lacking."
– Adelita, Andrew, and Juliana Lopez

Adelita formed a Community Watch Group to connect Rose Park residents and surrounding neighborhoods with each other and to community



RPNA is a member non-profit 501c3.
We distribute this door to door newsletter free to our residents.

@RoseParkLB



Building Neighborhood one resident at a time!

resources. Adelita and her husband Andrew recently constructed their own community garden with the help of Long Beach Community Table.



"It's important to be involved in my neighborhood because it creates a sense of connection, connection creates trust and a sense of responsibility; responsibility creates a sense of pride in the neighborhood. I think this is what makes a community."

- Maribel Navarro

Maribel volunteers her time to design the flyers, graphics and logos for Rose Park Neighborhood's annual events and initiatives.



"As a nonprofit agency within the Rose Park Neighborhood boundaries, it is vital for Safe Refuge to be a part of our community. Involvement in our neighborhood allows us to be proactive and gives a sense of pride, not only for our agency but most importantly for our clients. Volunteering and involvement in the community permits our clients a learning opportunity like no other. The experience is something we cannot provide without the assistance of entities like the Rose Park Neighborhood Association and the participation reveals a part of themselves they have not experienced for some time or for some clients, at any time."

- Arthur Romo, Safe Refuge

Safe Refuge and its clients volunteer with the Rose Park Neighborhood Association for various events, and their role has evolved into a partnership. Safe Refuge contributes to several events

throughout the year, including the set-up, refreshments and goodies for the Holiday Tree Lighting.



"Since moving into our 100-year-old craftsman house in Rose Park about a year ago, we have really enjoyed living here! We plan to stay in the neighborhood awhile and start our family here, so it's important to us that we stay informed and play an active role in where we live and the community around us. We want to make sure we listen to our friends and neighbors and contribute to conversations about our safety, health, and community resources. Volunteering is important to us and our families and we feel that there's no better way to volunteer than in the place where we live. Even though we can get busy with work and other obligations, we try to do our best to stay updated through the newsletters, community meetings, and of course, the special events that bring us all together!"

- Melissa Norrbom and Kenny Shiozaki-Kawamoto

Kenny Shiozaki-Kawamoto volunteers his time to research how the LB Police Department crime database can clarify the type and extent of crimes in and around our neighborhood. He conducts analyses of crime trends in the Rose Park Neighborhood and presents at our Community Meetings. Most recently spoke on grand theft auto, September 2018.



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Leprechaun

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FEEL THE LOVE — SCOTT FOSTER

What makes a neighborhood more than a neighborhood? When do the residents who live in the homes that line the streets move beyond just “people who live near each other?” The idea of “community” does not solely exist in family sitcoms and movies, but places like historic Rose Park Neighborhood exude togetherness and community pride through rich architecture and an active participation.

Even though Rose Park is already a strong community, there are still ways to expand your horizons and deepen your involvement in your neighborhood.



(courtesy of Jan Ostashay)

LITERALLY, LIFT A FINGER

Whether it's cleaning up your street, tutoring local students, or helping people register to vote, you can make Rose Park even better by volunteering your time (and possibly your awesome math skills) to help others in your area. Your schedule is probably already pretty busy, but even if you can find one or two hours a week (or a month) to lend a hand, you may be surprised at how big of an impact you can make.

The key to a successful volunteering experience is finding what you are good at and helping however you can. If talking to strangers about voting is not your cup of tea, you might find something more “behind the scenes” is up your alley.

SPARE CHANGE FOR CHANGE

Another way to make a difference in the Rose Park community is through donations. Fund-raisers are a popular and sure-fire method for raising extra money for neighborhood projects and local charities. You can either join someone else's bandwagon or be your own ambassador for a cause that is close to your heart. Including your neighbors in your idea can also help build a



sense of unity. Make a decision to be more proactive - this is one of the best ways to help your Rose Park community. You might actually inspire others to follow your lead.

**THINK
SMALL/
SEE BIG**

There are a number of popular anecdotes about the great impact that small things/movements can have, like mountains from molehills and pebbles creating avalanches. If you want to help in your neighborhood, sometimes the best thing to do is to start small. Sometimes you don't need to grand gesture - sometimes you just need a pebble.

Start off 2019 with an action! Volunteer opps at <http://www.rpna.org/volunteering/> or email info@rpna.org

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East Seventh Street
Neighborhood in
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<http://e7shp.org/photos/>*

*This is back in the day
when we celebrated
Luther Burbank
(Arbor Day)!*

*We certainly celebrate
Luther Burbank School!*



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UPDATES FROM THE BOARD

Rose Park Neighborhood 2019 Directory was delivered to residents and features businesses, nonprofits and provides helpful tips for neighborhood improvement.

Rose Park Holiday Tree Lighting took place on Thursday, December 13th with carolers, face painting, hot cocoa and goodies provided by Safe Refuge.

Rose Park Neighborhood Association volunteers participated in another year of "Victorian Christmas at the Bembridge House" to decorate the bedroom of Dorothy Bembridge. Volunteers put together a clothing design that was hand made in Great Britain; inspired by the British drama series - Downton Abbey.

A grant proposal was submitted to the Port of Long Beach and approved to receive funding for "Moms for a Beautiful 10th Street;" a neighborhood initiative in support of a safe, accessible and beautiful 10th Street. On Wednesday, February 16th from 2-5pm, neighbors, public and nonprofit partners gathered on 10th and Orizaba to greet pedestrians, hand out safety information, personal alarms, pocket flashlights, and reflective garb. What makes you feel safe? Join the conversation! #AlarmYourself2 #IDigFeelingSafe

Winter Community Meeting on Wednesday, January 23rd at 7pm with guest speaker Jake Heflin, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program Manager. Meeting will focus on Disaster Preparedness and Building Resiliency in our neighborhood. More information about the CERT program at www.longbeach.gov/fire/community-outreach/cert/. 10 Placemaking signs were installed around the Rose Park Historic District Perimeter.

ArtWorksLB is a new initiative that strives to connect residents through a series of art workshops offered in and around the Rose Park Neighborhood. ArtWorksLB is a partnership with local nonprofits and Council District 2. The first workshop held in December was an introduction to mosaic art, facilitated by Dawn Mendelson and her team. Stay connected! #ArtWorksLB

Research volunteer, Chris Wisniewski provided an update to the board regarding the website of information related to the History of the East Seventh Street Neighborhood. The goal is to seek additional support and funding to bring the research up-to-date with a contemporary focus. There is still more we can learn about the development of our neighborhood to focus on issues around housing, land use, equity and life expectancy. Learn more at www.E7shp.org.

E7th Street Collaboration, which is comprised of 7th Street businesses along E7th street recently met with Long Beach transit to begin an on-going dialogue regarding the future transit in our area.

Questions? Email info@rpna.org

YOUR MEMBERSHIP & WHAT WE DO

Rose Park Neighborhood Association (RPNA) works with city departments and the 2nd District Council, however these agencies operate for all of Long Beach. It is up to Rose Park residents and its business owners to identify and address the UNIQUE needs that are valued by us and must be initiated by us!

With the help of our members and volunteers, we identify the needs of our neighborhood and respond to them. We can prepare our neighborhood for disasters, clean the sidewalks, water the trees, install place-making signs, and organize neighborhood

events throughout the year.

RPNA implements initiatives such as "Light Our Night," which installed 65 motion sensitive solar-powered lights in alleys and pathways of Rose Park Neighborhood. #AlarmYourself is a street action by Moms for a Beautiful 10th Street to build awareness and resilience; and provide tips and tools to stay safe when walking alone. RPNA communicates frequently with East Long Beach Police Department Commander O'Dowd and his staff who receive our neighborhood concerns and train our residents to utilize the Crime database, so that we are informed of crimes in our area.

Beautification is a large part of the work of RPNA, with a handcrafted sign at E7th & Temple, Historic markers around Rose Park Historic District, and Treekeeping along 10th Street. RPNA works with the Long Beach Parks, Recreation, and Marine Department for park improvement projects; we access fee waivers and permits for three annual park events. We organize and implement three community wide meetings on topics pertinent to our residents, property owners, and businesses. We identify individuals that can advocate for historic preservation to work with the city's Cultural Heritage Commission. We also message and offer voter registration throughout the year.

Door-to-door newsletters are created, distributed and funded through RPNA's efforts. A weekly email, twitter and Facebook messaging are disseminated by RPNA board members. We produce an annual directory that connects residents to local businesses in our area.

These important initiatives are funded by family and individual memberships. Help us continue these efforts. Become a member or renew your membership TODAY!
www.rpna.org/membership/



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