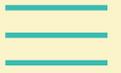




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SANTA MONICA WOMEN MAKING AN IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY

Women’s History Month had its origins as a national celebration in 1981 as “Women’s History Week.” By 1987, and several resolutions later, March was officially designated “Women’s History Month.” During this month we look back and honor the many achievements of women throughout history as well as the advancements of women today.

The women of Santa Monica have also had a rich history of accomplishments and commitment to the community. This March edition of *Seascope* highlights just a few from past to present. From activists, philanthropists, business owners, volunteers, and government officials these women contribute to our community in many ways. They educate and inspire our youth, provide mentoring programs for those in need, raise funds for our schools, help drive business, and make Santa Monica a city to visit. Let’s join together to celebrate these women as we work together to continue to make Santa Monica a community that is stronger, more diverse, and safer for all.

LONGTIME COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND OUR NEWEST COUNCIL MEMBER

Santa Monica City Council has selected Ana Maria Jara to fill the Council seat vacated by Council Member Tony Vazquez, who now joins the State Board of Equalization. Councilmember Jara will serve on City Council for the remainder of Vazquez’s term, which ends in November 2020.

She has lived in the same rent-controlled apartment in Santa Monica for almost 35 years and has worked at Santa Monica College for over 25 years. A strategic and tireless advocate she has worked on smart and inclusive solutions on a wide range of issues including the City’s Cradle to Career initiative. Prior to her Council appointment, Jara served as Chair and Vice Chair for Santa Monica’s Social Services Commission. She also served on the Commission for the Status of Women from 2007 to 2010.



Congratulations to Ana Maria Jara (front row, right)— taking her City Council seat after decades of inspiring public service.

Mark Your Calendar for These Women’s History Month Events

Lunchtime Women’s Rights in Health Care Advocacy

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, AT WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER (1705 OCEAN PARK BLVD), 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Advocate peacefully for women’s rights in health care with signs outside the clinic, followed by light lunch. wfhcenter.org

Women’s Wellness Fair

MONDAY, MARCH 11, AT VENICE FAMILY CLINIC’S SIMMS MANN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER, (2509 PICO BLVD) 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Women’s Wellness Fair will focus on healthy eating and overall wellness, free services such as BMI and BP screenings will be provided, and resources to women’s health, followed by free yoga. 310.664.7527

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE EVENTS.](#)

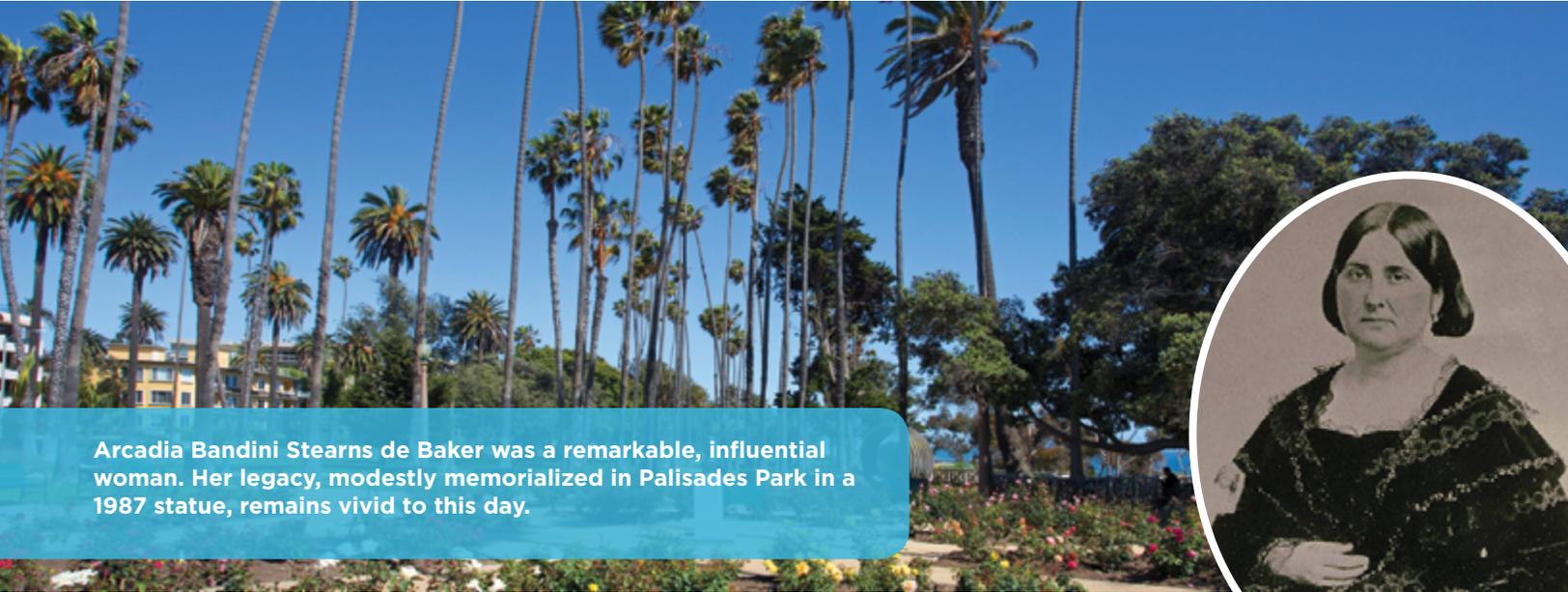
Our Girls Rock

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, AT VIRGINIA AVENUE PARK THELMA TERRY BLDG (2200 VIRGINIA AVE.), 9 A.M.-1 P.M.

Workshop honors African American women of the past and their contributions to the world, while empowering our young women of today with the skills necessary to build self-love, purpose, and a commitment to success. Breakfast, lunch, and materials provided.

RSVP: Stacy.McClendon@smgov.net
Cost: FREE for all young women ages 11-15 (Sign up today! Space is limited to 25 participants). Hosted by Parent Connection Group

ARCADIA BANDINI STEARNS DE BAKER: THE GODMOTHER OF SANTA MONICA



Arcadia Bandini Stearns de Baker was a remarkable, influential woman. Her legacy, modestly memorialized in Palisades Park in a 1987 statue, remains vivid to this day.

What's in a name? Simply, the history of Los Angeles, Santa Monica and Southern California. The life of Arcadia Bandini Stearns de Baker spanned the decades of the Californios and their vast land grants, the U.S.-Mexican War, the Gold Rush, Statehood, the early growth of Los Angeles and the formative years of Santa Monica and the Westside. Her generosity, vision and astute business sense helped shape Santa Monica and the surrounding area that we know today.

She was born in 1825 into the Bandini Family, one of the most prominent California families, whose vast ranchlands spread from San Diego through Riverside and San Bernardino. At age 14, Arcadia, with her significant dowry, entered into an arranged marriage with Abel Stearns, age 43, whose shipping and other commercial enterprises made him one of the wealthiest men in California. Stearns died in 1871, leaving his entire fortune of land and money to Arcadia, by then in her 40s.

In 1875, the same year that Santa Monica was first planned out, the widowed Arcadia married Colonel Robert S. Baker, business partner of Senator John P. Jones, the founder of Santa Monica. Arcadia and her husband divided their time between their Los Angeles residence in the ornate Baker Block and their home on Ocean Avenue, known as Ocean Cottage.

By 1879, Arcadia, wealthy in her own right, bought out her husband's land and business holdings, and with Baker's death in 1894, expanded her business partnership with Senator Jones to establish the Santa Monica Land and Water Company, which subdivided and developed 50,000 acres in West Los Angeles.

Arcadia also embarked on numerous projects of civic importance. In 1887, she and Jones donated six acres in Rustic Canyon for the nation's first forestry experimental station, a project of Abbot Kinney. In 1888, she and Jones deeded extensive land in West Los Angeles to establish a National Home for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors, now known as the Veterans' Administration.

In the 1890s, she and Senator Jones were responsible for the donation of the land we now enjoy as Palisades Park. She also donated land to local churches, parks, schools and clubs.

Throughout this time, she maintained her principal home on Ocean Avenue, where she conducted her business and social life, hosting frequent salons. She was reported to never have spoken English but conducted all conversations in her perfect Castilian Spanish, with an interpreter always present. Her neighbor and business partner Senator Jones, along with his wife Georgina (who was a great friend of Arcadia's), lived just one block to the north at Miramar, the Jones's estate.

Arcadia lived to the venerable age of 85, dying in 1912, the same year as Senator Jones. She left an estate valued between \$8 million and \$15 million, but no will and no children led to a famous court battle over her estate - the largest ever probated in California.

A big thanks to Margaret Bach and the Landmarks Commission for their time and effort to share this story with the community.

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

As we celebrate Woman’s History month we asked some of the leaders in our community to talk about their connection to Santa Monica, what inspires them, and what advice they have for the young women of Santa Monica.

Linda Greenberg

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SANTA MONICA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

My vision for the future of Santa Monica

My wish is that all children in our public schools, regardless of their socio-economic background or what school they attend, have access to enriching programs, like arts, science, technology, wellness programs, and more. This is our mission at the Santa Monica Education Foundation.



Misti Kerns

PRESIDENT, SANTA MONICA TRAVEL & TOURISM

My connection to Santa Monica

My connection to Santa Monica is an emotional one. I moved to Santa Monica over two decades ago and fell in love with this city. The people, ocean, sunsets, restaurants and the many choices of things we have to do in our 8.3 square miles have kept me here, along with the overall vibe of the city. My husband, Chris, my daughter, Kalei (a student of SMMUSD and Santa Monica College), and I are very proud to call Santa Monica our home and as President/CEO of Santa Monica Travel & Tourism I am fortunate to enjoy the diversity that visitors provide our community.

My advice to the young women in Santa Monica

The best advice I can give to the young women in Santa Monica is to be involved in your community, we need more strong, powerful and brave women in leadership roles. Serve as or seek out a female mentor. Your opinion matters and should be heard, please speak up. Be sure you are with a partner who supports your ambitions and your success. Life is a journey make it your own. Expand your horizons and have fun.



Paula Larmore

ATTORNEY, MOM, SUPPORTER OF LOCAL SCHOOLS AND BUSINESSES

My connection to Santa Monica

I’m fortunate to both live and work in Santa Monica. I’m a land use attorney and mom to two energetic kids who enjoy Santa Monica’s parks, beaches and libraries. I support our public schools as a volunteer fundraiser on the Santa Monica Education Foundation Board. I’ve also served on the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce Board and mentored young women living in Santa Monica who were transitioning out of the foster care system.

My advice to the young women in Santa Monica

To the youth of Santa Monica, I advise them to be engaged and present in the community, and in all they do. Explore and seek out new opportunities. Work hard and with purpose.





Judy Abdo

COMMUNITY ACTIVIST AND FORMER MAYOR

My greatest accomplishment to Santa Monica in my past role

I was one of the few openly lesbian mayors ever elected in the US. I also participated in the rebuilding of the Santa Monica Pier after the 1983 storm demolished part of it. And perhaps the most lasting accomplishment was persuading the City staff to recommend to the City Council that they fund the creation of Community Corporation in 1981.

My advice to the young women in Santa Monica

No matter where you work or go to school, get involved in local groups, apply for commission appointments, get to know your neighbors and others within the city, attend local events, and volunteer to help whenever you can.

Sylvia Ghazarian

CHAIR, COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

My involvement in Santa Monica

The rights of women and girls is something I am actively involved in personally and professionally, whether it is mentoring girls or working on policies that effect our human rights. The Commission on the Status of Women has offered me the opportunity in the last 9 years to help our city build on the needs of the majority of the population of Santa Monica—women—in a way that fulfills my passion and activism. Our city ratified CEDAW—an international human rights treaty—to condemn all forms of discrimination, retaliation and violence against women and girls. The treaty calls on each city to overcome barriers to discrimination in the political, social, economic, and cultural fields.



Gleam Davis

MAYOR OF SANTA MONICA

My most memorable moment in Santa Monica

The night in May 2004 that the City Council made a commitment to provide steady, predictable funding to our public schools through what ultimately became known as the Master Facilities Use Agreement. I was one of the many education activists that had worked hard to draft and qualify for the ballot a proposed charter amendment that would have required the City to share its relative economic prosperity with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. That agreement remains in effect and annually provides millions of dollars to our schools.



My advice to young women in Santa Monica

Agility is the key to success. Life rarely follows a straight path towards your goal but it is important to take all the speed bumps and detours in stride and keep you eye on the prize. Don't be discouraged. Sometimes the obstacles we face make us better able to realize our dream; sometimes they open the door to new possibilities.



SANTA MONICA CRIME UPDATE FROM POLICE CHIEF CYNTHIA RENAUD



Safety continues to be a top priority for our City, and I want to take this opportunity to provide an update on the latest crime data, the continued efforts of the Santa Monica Police Department to address these issues and how you can help.

CRIME NUMBERS

Compared to 2017, Part 1 crimes increased 8.8% equating to 450 more incidents. Property crimes account for over 86% of our Part 1 crimes as shown in chart 1.

Theft and burglary are what comprise a majority of our crime increases here in Santa Monica. We experienced 373 more thefts this year. This includes car windows being smashed to steal items left in plain view and stolen bicycles. Other thefts include wallets left in shopping carts, and purses hanging off the back of a chair in a coffee shop.

ROBBERIES AND AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS ARE THE LARGEST CATEGORIES IN VIOLENT CRIME

In the robbery category, 24% are Estes robberies, this is when a suspect entered a store, attempted to commit a shoplift, and was confronted by someone who tried to stop them on their way out leading to a physical altercation. This escalates the crime from a misdemeanor petty theft to a felony robbery.

Aggravated Assaults are broader. Domestic violence represents 20% of Aggravated Assaults. Many are alcohol/drinking establishment related. In a large number of cases the suspect and victim are known to each.

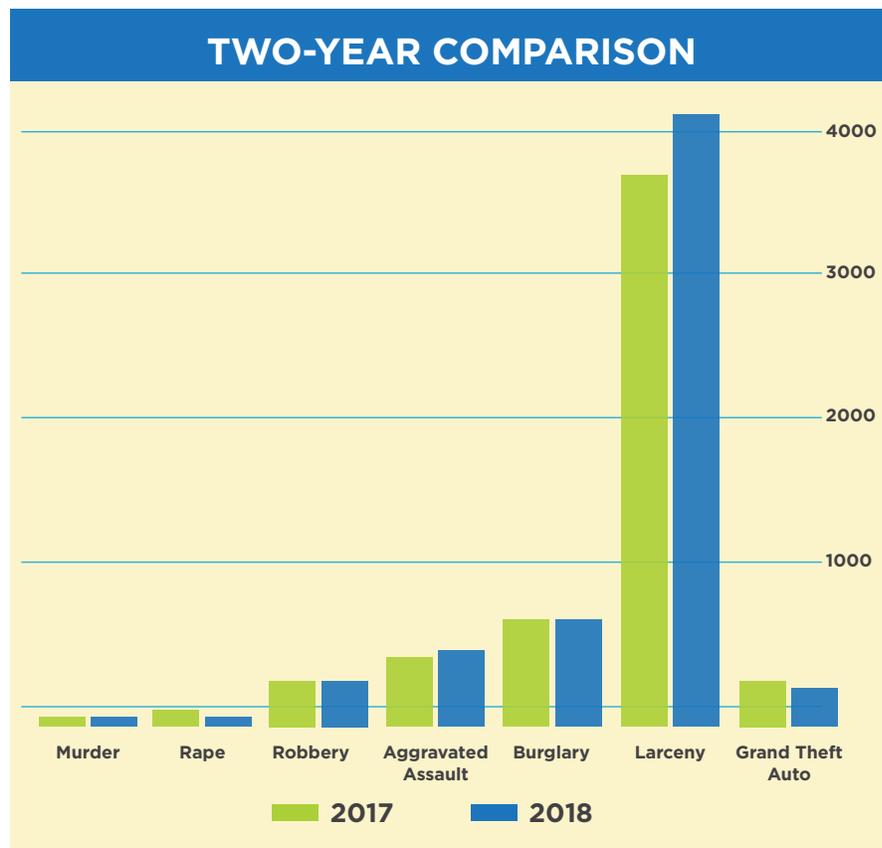


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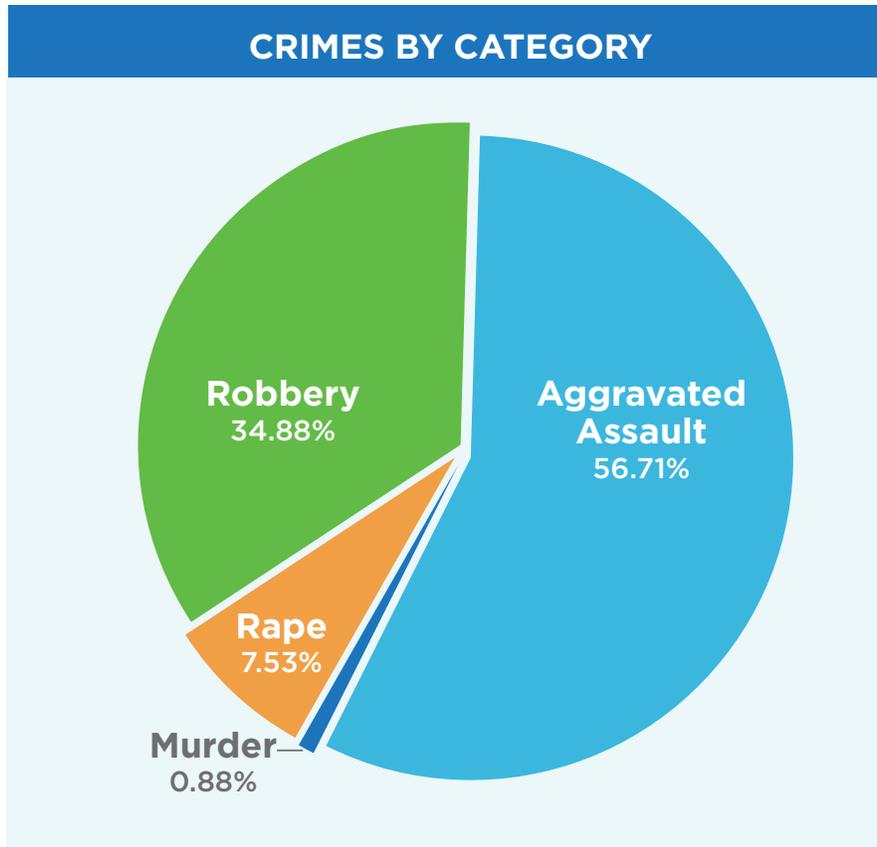


Chart 2

How the Santa Monica Police Department is working to address crime:

- Hire and train up to 20 new officers. These new personnel will be in forward facing, field-based units
- Get more officers in Patrol
- Deploy our Mounted Unit more frequently and consistently into our parks and highly visited areas
- Re-create our Crime Impact Team, a unit of officers dedicated to tracking crime trends in the city and proactively deploying to interdict and stop crime
- Move our Homeless Liaison Program team to 7 day a week coverage, concentrating in grid work patterns on our beaches, parks and open space areas
- Work to re-dedicate our limited number of Public Safety Officers into our downtown area and our parks
- Seek regulatory solutions in problem areas, for example our recent work with the McDonalds at 2nd and Colorado to lessen crime and calls for service while preserving their ability to be a viable business here in Santa Monica
- Actively pursue environmental and structural changes to make physical locations less attractive for criminal behavior
- Work on some out-of-the-box approaches to securing parking areas in order to lessen the number of vehicle burglaries in the city. These range from:
 - Artistic activations
 - Lighting
 - Closed-circuit TV cameras
 - Contracted, outside security to consistently and constantly patrol otherwise dark and secluded areas

Every day, SMPD is out there working incredibly hard, even as our work load increases year over year. In 2018, we responded to more calls for service than we did last year. We made 1,078 felony arrests and 2,654 misdemeanor arrests.

Heading into 2019, we will continue to do our job and we will continue to work hard.

Here is how you can help us in these efforts.

- Attend our Community Police Academy
- Start a Neighborhood Watch group
- Sponsor one of our “Meet Your Neighbor” events

Once again, and most importantly, secure your belongings and be aware of your surroundings.

Some important things you can do to keep yourself and possessions safe:

- **DO NOT** leave valuables in your cars.
- **LOCK and SECURE** your homes when you leave.
- **BE AWARE** and remain diligent of your purses, backpacks and bicycles when you are out and about.

EXPANDING SHARED MOBILITY PARKING IN SANTA MONICA

Shared e-scooters and e-bikes are a great option for moving around Santa Monica. But to ensure public safety, end your trip by being courteous and ensuring the e-scooters or e-bikes are not creating issues for others around you. You can do that by making sure e-scooters and e-bikes are properly parked.

The best place to park shared mobility devices is in the “furniture zone,” or the section of the sidewalk between the curb and the pedestrian through zone where street furniture, lighting, benches, utility poles, tree pits and bicycle racks live. Never leave a device blocking sidewalks, curb ramps, ADA access, doorways or prohibited areas like the beach bike path or Third Street Promenade.

In addition, the City began installing dedicated Shared Mobility Parking Zones as part of the Shared Mobility Pilot Program. To date, the City has installed 72 of these zones and plans to install a total of 100+ before the end of the Pilot. The operators have added these locations to their mobile apps and are encouraging users to take advantage of these spaces. When the bulk of the planned parking zones are installed, the City will work with the operators to implement programs that guide user parking through incentives and disincentives.



For more information about the Santa Monica Shared Mobility Pilot Program, visit smgov.net/sharedmobility.

If an e-scooter or e-bike is causing an obstruction or hazard or is parked on your property, you can call or email the company directly to ask them to come remove the device. Each company’s contact information should be prominently displayed on the device, and they’re also listed to the right. You can also contact Santa Monica Code Enforcement at 310.458.4984.

UPDATE ON THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA VENDING LAW



Sidewalk Vending

A sidewalk vendor is a person who sells food or merchandise from a pushcart, stand, display, pedal driven cart, wagon, showcase, rack or other nonmotorized conveyance, or from one's person, upon a public sidewalk or other pedestrian path.

Santa Monica is working to address the effects of Senate Bill 946 (signed by California Governor Jerry Brown in September 2018), which has decriminalized sidewalk vending across the state and established an administrative penalty system for enforcement at the local level. The City is working to put a local ordinance in place that complies with the state law, protects public safety and health, and expands opportunities for those who seek to vend lawfully and safely.

WHAT DOES THE NEW STATE LAW DO?

The California Law, which took effect on January 1, 2019, prohibits a local jurisdiction from adopting rules or regulations to regulate or prohibit sidewalk vendors, unless it first adopts a permitting program that requires a vendor to obtain a license from the local government before selling food or merchandise. The legislation gives cities some limited abilities to regulate the time, place and manner of vending based on public safety and health concerns. Municipalities will also be required to dismiss all cases currently being prosecuted and allow individuals who had previously been convicted to petition for dismissal.

WHAT IS THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA DOING?

City staff are in the process of developing a local ordinance that complies with SB 946, aligned with the law's goal of expanding economic opportunity while preserving public safety and public health, with a particular focus on our most sensitive and high-traffic public spaces. An internal working group across several City departments is developing a regulatory approach and is drafting specific rules and regulations that will comply with the state law, provide an accessible permitting program to create pathways for vendors, and put in place tailored, enforceable restrictions that protect key areas and spaces of the City.

WHEN WILL COUNCIL BE CONSIDERING THE VENDING ORDINANCE?

Staff intends to bring a comprehensive vending ordinance before the City Council in early spring 2019. Our intent is to put in place an ordinance that can be effective, legally compliant and meaningfully enforceable from the outset, which is why we're putting the time and thought into making our best recommendation to the Council.

WHAT HAPPENS IN THE MEANTIME?

All vending that occurs in the City, both before and after any comprehensive ordinance is approved by the Council, must comply with the County Health Code, Fire Code and other local laws prohibiting obstruction of pedestrian access in the public right-of-way and in parks and beach areas. City officials, including Code Enforcement, the Police Department, and Fire Department, will be enforcing these requirements, with a particular focus on and around the Santa Monica Pier and Palisades Park.

IF I WANT TO START VENDING IN SANTA MONICA WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

For more information about how to vend in Santa Monica, visit santamonica.gov, and search using the keyword "sidewalk." If you would like to provide input or feedback as the City develops a vending ordinance, we welcome you to submit your ideas and insights at vending@smgov.net.

VIRGINIA AVENUE PARK IS MY HEART

How Liz Gives Back to the Community That Raised Her

As someone who spends a lot of her free time volunteering, Santa Monica social worker Liz knows a little something about paying it forward in the community.

That idea of paying it forward can be traced back to her 10th grade year at Santa Monica High School, when she was the beneficiary of others paying it forward. A group of college-educated Latina women were hosting a youth conference aimed at encouraging younger Latina women to consider pursuing higher education and professional careers. Liz sat in a classroom during a career exploration session and listened to a woman describe her career as a social worker. She describes this as “magical”. It was the moment she realized that working with families was what she wanted to do with her life.

The importance of working with families was only reinforced by her own personal experience. She and her four siblings were raised by her loving and determined mother, who came to Santa Monica from Oaxaca, Mexico. The family experienced considerable adversity as Liz was growing up, including the early and tragic loss of one of her sisters.

Today, Liz has transformed that adversity into something meaningful, something that helps change lives for the better. In her career as Community Based Manager at Family Services of Santa Monica, she’s in charge of outreach and engagement. She advises and connects service delivery, runs parenting programs, and participates in a variety of community meetings and events. In this role, her interpersonal gifts and skills shine; she’s able to easily relate to families undergoing hardship, and she’s able to help them walk through that hardship until they get to the other side. It’s the kind of work that reflects Santa Monica’s highest values, and our goals of creating a stronger community that meets the needs of all its residents.

But Liz doesn’t just pay it forward through her career as a social worker. She also gives back to the community by volunteering her time.

VIRGINIA AVENUE PARK: A GATHERING PLACE IN THE PICO NEIGHBORHOOD

According to Liz, there’s never a dull moment at Virginia Avenue Park. It’s the bustling center of the Pico neighborhood and a hub of resources for greater Santa Monica. It’s home to over 15 service providers, the Farmers Market, parent groups, immigration forums, after-school programs, tutoring services, and community celebrations. Many of those community celebrations reflect the diverse culture of Santa Monica, like Juneteenth, Cinco de Mayo, and the Green’s Festival



Since 2017, Liz led 6 parenting groups, positively impacting at least 120 local families.

We Are Santa Monica is proud to highlight standout individuals committed to creating a stronger community. To find out more, visit weare.santamonica.gov.

“Virginia Avenue Park is my heart,” Liz says. It’s a fact that’s made clear by the amount of time she spends there as Vice Chair of the Virginia Avenue Park Advisory Board. In this role, she works to organize, facilitate and participate in park-centered events that encourage both community and family wellbeing.

One of the things Liz is most excited about is the annual family college trip the Virginia Park Advisory Board facilitates each year. Together, families visit southern California college campuses like UCLA, USC, Cal State Channel Islands, and Cal State LA. Liz says that including the family helps parents get comfortable with the idea of their children going to college, and inspires younger siblings to begin thinking about college too. It’s a great tool for first and second-generation families who may not have been exposed to the possibility of higher education before. As she talks about the college trip, one can’t help but be reminded of the women who encouraged Liz to pursue higher education and a meaningful career.

PAYING IT FORWARD

Liz believes the most effective way to strengthen the community is by finding a way to volunteer that also speaks to your beliefs and values. There are opportunities to tutor students, work with senior citizens, care for animals at the shelter, or get involved with the CREST after-school enrichment program.

You can find out more about these opportunities, as well as other ways to strengthen the community, by joining us at weare.santamonica.gov.

You can also keep up with programs and events at Virginia Avenue Park by visiting smgov.net > [Explore Santa Monica](#) > [Parks](#) > [Virginia Avenue Park](#).

Upcoming Events At Virginia Avenue Park

Every Saturday | Santa Monica Farmers' Market | 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

OUR GIRLS ROCK Saturday, March 23, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

CESAR CHAVEZ CELEBRATION (with Pico Branch Library)
Saturday, March 30, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

ARTS & LITERACY FESTIVAL Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

JUNETEENTH Saturday, June 15, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.



free admission
smgov.net/airportartwalk

EMPOWERING SANTA MONICA'S YOUTH



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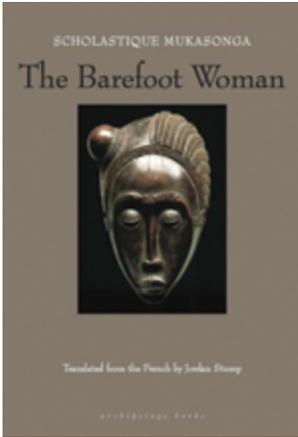
rom swinging in the playground to swinging a hammer, last summer's group of Rosie's Girls enjoyed introductions to trade activities such as welding, carpentry and painting. This City of Santa Monica program, named after the famous icon Rosie the Riveter, is offered annually to middle school girls. Participants also go behind the scenes in various parts of the City to see what it takes to make Santa Monica run. For more information: smgov.net/rosie or 310.458.8540.

GREAT WOMEN: READ ALL ABOUT THEM



Women's History Month is a great time to celebrate women writers and the impact of women on community and culture.

Recommendations from our very own Director of Library Services, Patty Wong

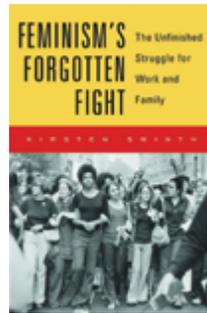


Scholastique Mukasonga's *The Barefoot Woman* (2018) is a powerful memoir of her life post-Rwandan genocide, and of her promise to her mother to cover her body in her passing, not physically, but figuratively through her beautiful prose.

Kristin Swinth's *Feminism's Forgotten Fight: The Unfinished Struggle for Work and Family* (2018) cites the historical impact of second-wave feminists in creating

institutional change. A plethora of books about equity of access for women has surfaced, with great titles for people of all ages.

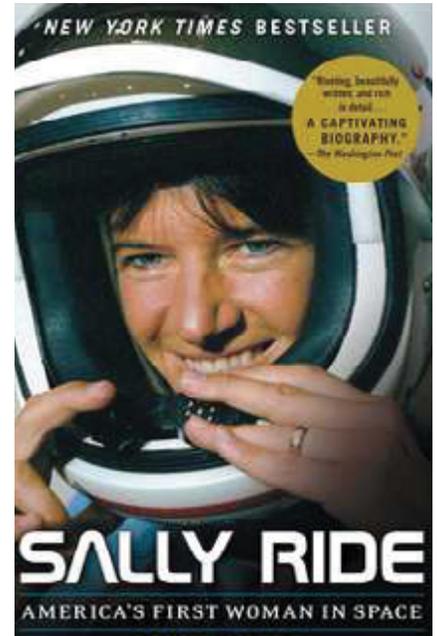
For younger readers, check out *Fly Girls: The Daring American Women Pilots Who Helped Win WWII* by P. O'Connell Pearson



Recommendation from our Mayor, Glean Davis

Sally Ride: America's First Woman in Space by Lynn Sherr. This is a fascinating story about a brilliant woman who defied expectations and stereotypes. She literally flew through the glass ceiling. Her final resting place is here in Santa Monica at Woodlawn.

There's something for everyone at your Santa Monica Public Library. The Main Library and Fairview Branch, Montana Branch, Ocean Park Branch, and Pico Branch libraries are full of great choices.



The **Ocean Park Branch Library**, 2601 Main Street, will close temporarily from Monday, February 18, 2019 to Monday, March 11, 2019 for necessary structural improvements—upgrades to plumbing and relocation of the backwater valve. The courtyard in front of the Library will also be inaccessible during the closure due to trenching for the replacement of the sewer line.

SANTA MONICA PUBLIC LIBRARY INFO

MAIN LIBRARY: 601 Santa Monica Blvd. | 310.458.8600
FAIRVIEW BRANCH: 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. | 310.458.8681
MONTANA AVENUE: 1704 Montana Ave. | 310.458.8682
OCEAN PARK BRANCH: 2601 Main St. | 310.458.8683
PICO BRANCH: 2201 Pico Blvd. | 310.458.8684

LIBRARY HOURS

MAIN LIBRARY: Mon–Thu 10 a.m.–9 p.m. | Fri–Sat 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Sun 1–5 p.m.
BRANCHES: Mon–Thu noon–9 p.m. | Fri noon–5:30 p.m. Sat 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Closed on Sundays

MARCH 2019 EVENTS



The City of Santa Monica offers more than a hundred events each month. Check out the whole list at santamonica.gov/events and subscribe to the City's newsletter at smgov.net/newsletter.

Manifesto Writing with Max King Cap

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 1 P.M.-3 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 1 P.M.-3 P.M.

Say it Like You Mean It! Manifestos feature concentrated writing that exists to challenge, draw attention, and provoke. Choose a position, a mantra, an oath, then spell it out on a single sheet of paper. smgov.net/camera

Open Art Critiques with Claudia and Veronica

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 1 P.M.-4 P.M.

Artists, bring an artwork you made and some specific questions for feedback in a caring safe space, with some serious, fun, eye-opening conversation. smgov.net/camera

Julia Morgan Legacy Day

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, AT ANNENBERG COMMUNITY BEACH HOUSE (415 PACIFIC COAST HWY), 11 A.M.-2 P.M.

Hear Cal Poly University's Robert E. Kennedy Library Special Collections and Archivist Laura Sorveti's talk on Morgan, and Morgan's work firsthand. annenbergbeachhouse.com

Lunchtime Women's Rights in Health Care Advocacy

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, AT WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER (1705 OCEAN PARK BLVD), 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Advocate peacefully for women's rights in health care with signs outside the clinic, followed by light lunch. wfhcenter.org

Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update Open House

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, AT TONGVA PARK, 10 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

Stop by and participate in a series of interactive booths with activities for all ages. Refreshments will be served. santamonicaparks.org/samoparksmasterplan

Vernal Equinox Offering with Jeremy Hahn

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 6 P.M.-8 P.M.

Celebrate the turn of the season by dancing, reflecting, and resonating with choreographer and mover Jeremy Hahn, accompanied by a live sonic soundscape by multi-instrumentalist Craig Shields. smgov.net/camera

"My Own Words" by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, AT MONTANA BRANCH LIBRARY (1704 MONTANA AVE), 7 P.M.-8:30 P.M.

Discussion on gender equality and much more in "My Own Words" by Justice Ginsburg. 310.458.8682. smgov.net/library

Women Who Shape Santa Monica

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, AT OCEAN HOUSE (2107 OCEAN AVENUE), 7 P.M.-10 P.M.

An annual event honoring women who are a positive influence in shaping Santa Monica.

league@lwvsantamonica.org 310.829.4231

Cost: \$40 to pre-pay, \$50 at the door

Airport ArtWalk

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, AT SANTA MONICA AIRPORT, 12 P.M.-5 P.M.

The ArtWalk offers a fun-filled day of artistic exploration, including 60 artist studios and multiple creative venues filling the airport's converted airplane hangars. Attendees can explore art and ceramic demonstrations, theater and art workshops, live music and food trucks.

smgov.net/airportartwalk

Ganggangsullae Round Dance with DaEun Jung

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, AT CAMERA OBSCURA ART LAB, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Explore the Korean Ganggangsullae group dance form with Studio Resident DaEun Jung. Learn about the history and practice the games, movements, and tactics of Ganggangsullae, using arm-weaving and call and response forms hand-in-hand with your neighbors!

smgov.net/camera

Living History Tours

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, AT WOODLAWN CEMETERY, MAUSOLEUM & MORTUARY, 11 A.M.-3 P.M.

History comes alive as we present our Living History Tours. Join us as costumed guides portraying noted personalities interred at Woodlawn highlight tours of our facility and share their stories and contributions to history and society. This event is free.

Women Making a Difference Infinity and Beyond

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, AT KEN EDWARDS CENTER (1527 4TH STREET), 1 P.M.-3 P.M.

A panel of women making a difference, featuring Loretta Hidalgo Whitesides, Public Speaker, Space Exploration Author and Astronaut in Training. 310.857.1527 cshivers@wiseandhealthyaging.org

LA MARATHON
MARCH 24TH



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City Council Meetings

The Santa Monica City Council meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 1685 Main Street. Upcoming Council meetings:

MARCH 5 AND 26

Meeting dates occasionally change. Visit smgov.net/council to confirm schedule and smgov.net/council/agendas to view agenda items. Meetings are broadcast live on CityTV cable channel 16, and streamed at YouTube.com/CityTV16SantaMonica. Meetings air on 89.9 KCRW, 8 p.m. to midnight.

All Council meetings are open to the public. Public comment may be made in person at any meeting, or prior to the meeting via regular U.S. mail, email or by fax to:

City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 209
Santa Monica, CA 90401
Phone: 310.458.8201 | Fax: 310.458.1621
Email all Council members:
council@smgov.net

Public Meetings

For updates on regular meetings, go to smgov.net/clerk or call 310.458.8411.

Disabilities Commission

MARCH 4, 6:30 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Architectural Review Board

MARCH 4 AND 18, 7 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Planning Commission

MARCH 6 AND 20, 7 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Landmarks Commission

MARCH 11, 7 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Santa Monica Library Board

MARCH 14, 7 P.M. AT MAIN LIBRARY

Arts Commission

MARCH 18, 6:30 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Commission for the Senior Community

MARCH 20, 1:30 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Housing Commission

MARCH 21, 4:30 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Commission on the Status of Women

MARCH 13, 7 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Recreation and Parks Commission

MARCH 21, 7:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Airport Commission Meeting

MARCH 25, 7 P.M. AT CITY HALL

Social Services Commission

MARCH 25, 7 P.M. AT
KEN EDWARDS CENTER

Personnel Board

MARCH 28, 4:30 P.M. AT
PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY