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Court study says zero-bail requirements improve public safety

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A new report from the Superior Court of Los Angeles County shows that replacing money bail with individualized risk assessments has improved public safety one year after implementation, according to data released last week.

The report on the Pre-Arraignment Release Protocols (PARP) found that despite increasing the number of pre-arraignment releases for non-serious and non-violent crimes, there has been a 10% reduction in new criminal activity for individuals booked into custody compared to before PARP was implemented.

"One year after implementing the Pre-Arraignment Release Protocols, the data remains clear: having judges conduct individualized risk assessments for release decisions rather than relying on an arrested individual's ability to pay money bail has improved public safety," said Presiding Judge Sergio C. Tapia II in announcing the findings.

The court's analysis found that under PARP, low-risk individuals are more likely to be released before arraignment while those posing significant safety risks are

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New plans unveiled for housing development at 1441 Lincoln Blvd



CREDIT Ottinger Architects

DEVELOPMENT: More apartments are coming to Lincoln Blvd.

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

A proposal to bring new housing to a vacant lot in Downtown Santa Monica has taken a step forward, with updated details being released.

The development, located at 1441 Lincoln Blvd between Santa Monica Blvd and Broadway, now calls for an eight-story building with 90 apartments, nine of which are inclusionary, deed-restricted affordable units offered at moderate, low and very low income levels.

Plans include a mix of studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom units, along with three levels of underground parking for 95 vehicles and an impressive 58 bicycle parking spaces. There's currently no information on how many EV charge points there will be.

The building is being designed by Ottinger Architects and renderings show a contemporary podium-style structure with a white-and-blue exterior and cantilevered balconies.

The project is backed by developer Hankey Capital and originally began as one of 13 proposals submitted under California's Builder's Remedy by WS Communities. That earlier

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Santa Monica schools relatively insulated from Federal Department of Education changes

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

While uncertainty looms over the future of the U.S. Department of Education, officials at the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) say they're relatively shielded from potential federal disruptions, with federal funding accounting for a small percentage of their overall budget.

"About 3% of our budget comes from the federal government, which is about $2.8 million," said Dr. Antonio Shelton, superintendent of the district, during a recent interview. That relatively small percentage, combined with the district's community-funded status as a basic aid district, gives SMMUSD a buffer that many other districts across the nation lack.

This financial cushion comes at a time of significant upheaval at the federal level. President Donald Trump signed an executive order last month calling for the dismantling of the Education Department, moving to fulfill a campaign promise to return educational authority to states and local communities.

The order directs Education Secretary Linda McMahon to "take

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RFP: # 444 On-Call Technical Support for Water Resources Division

- **Submission Deadline is May 1, 2025 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.**

RFP: # 445 On-Call Remediation Technical Support Services for Water Resources Division

- **Submission Deadline is May 1, 2025 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.**

Proposals must include forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica. Request for Proposals may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL.** The website for this Request for Proposals and related documents is OpenGov (https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca) There is no charge for the RFP package.

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LMU Lions Fall Short to UCSB



Darryl Harvey

LIONS: The LMU team lost last week.

DARRYL HARVEY
SMDP Intern

The LMU Lions showed some fight, but ultimately fell to the UCSB Gauchos, 3-1, on Tuesday night. This was bullpen night for the Lions as eight pitchers had the opportunity to show their stuff on this cold and windy night at Page Stadium.

LMU assistant coach Mathew Troupe dissected the pitching situation before the game. He said, "We had some tough games this past weekend just in terms of high leverage situations. Which means the bulk of our bullpen, the top part of it, was used multiple times in the weekend. It is going to be the example of a bullpen day. It's going to be a lot of one innings. Maybe a few matchups there. Always excited for these kinds of days."

In the first inning, Alex Chavez looked confident. But in the second inning, Masen Swan of UCSB, hit a home run over the blue monster in left field off of Chavez. The score was now 1-0, in favor of UCSB. In the bottom of the second, Zion Williams provided a spark for LMU with a hit into right field.

Troupe honed in on the fact that, "The guys that don't have a whole bunch of innings at this point and just been chomping at the bit to get in here. So they have their opportunity tonight." One of those guys was Tanner Warady. In the third inning, he entered the game to pitch for LMU. He looked confident and made a put out at first to end the top of the third.

In the fourth inning, Gabe Maya took the mound for LMU. Maya is a lefty with a nice delivery and mechanics. In the pregame, Troupe was focused on the mentality of the game, "We call it the game because of all those emotions that come in. The game doesn't change but sometimes we let it. We let the emotions come in and make the game feel a little bit bigger. That's what I would look out for." Maya did an excellent job of letting the game come to him. He pitched the fourth and fifth innings and looked very composed while on the mound.

In the sixth inning, Michael Nunez entered the game. Ultimately, he gave up a home run to Justin Trimble of UCSB. There was a player already on base so this extended the UCSB lead to 3-0. In the bottom of the sixth inning, LMU was able to score a run off of a sacrifice fly by catcher Joe Reid. The score at the end of the sixth inning was 3-1, in favor of UCSB.

Troupe said, "If this thing extends and the score starts to flip flop or advance on us. You are going to see a lot of guys with some opportunities to come in and pitch." In the seventh inning, Sam Brady, entered the game to pitch for LMU. Brady is a lefty who is a redshirt senior for LMU with an effortless delivery. In the eighth inning, Nolan Tillit entered the game for LMU. His command looked sharp and he was making effective pitches. After Tillit threw a wild pitch, Johnny Casale entered the game. He was excited after closing out the top of the eighth inning. Lastly, the bullpen game ended with graduate student Jacob Fried pitching the top of the ninth inning.

Highlanders Close Out Vikings in Extra Innings



Darryl Harvey

SAMOHI: The local baseball team came up short last week.

DARRYL HARVEY
SMDP Intern

The Santa Monica Vikings were defeated by the Royal Highlanders, 5-3, on Friday, March 28th. Santa Monica Vikings pitcher Eddie Jennings threw 109 pitches over six innings and recorded seven strikeouts. Royal High School pitcher Dustin Dunnwoody threw 83 pitches over five innings and recorded six strikeouts.

In terms of facing Royal, Vikings head coach Jordan Sigman said, "I think we have a very strong team. But Royal is obviously very good as well. They got several Division I college commits so it should be a good challenge for us."

The players for Royal going Division I are: Caden Sramek - Oklahoma State, Dustin Dunnwoody - University of Arizona, Brady Hewitt - University of Oregon, Dean Barkman - UCSB and Zachary Nagy - University of San Francisco.

In regards to the pitching situation for the Vikings, head coach Sigman said, "We're giving the ball to Eddie Jennings. He's very experienced, he's a senior and he's our ace for sure. He pitched in two playoff games last year for us, won both of them and he pitched very well. So, he's got the ball to start and our bullpen is fully stacked behind him."

In the first inning, Jennings looked focused; however, a hit by Hewitt, brought in a runner for a 1-0 Highlanders lead. In the second inning, Nagy was able to get a big hit into right field. This led to a play at the plate where Royal scored - Royal was now up 2-0. Santa Monica third baseman Tre Camp ended the inning with a put out to first. Camp's primary position is middle infield and shortstop. He weighed in on the fielding third base, "It felt good. It's an adjustment but I was able to make it work." In the bottom of the second, a big hit by Santa Monica's Eric Gonzalez brought in a runner. The score was now 2-1 in favor of Royal. In the bottom of the third, Gonzalez hit a big shot into left field. Gonzalez was able to score off of an Isaac Liberman RBI. The score was tied at the end of the third inning 2-2.

In the fifth inning, Santa Monica was making the right plays and letting the game come to them. In the bottom of the fifth, Camp hit a single into right field for the Vikings. Post game he said, "I was able to string together some good at bats. I want to be able to contribute anyway I can." In the sixth inning, Royal was able to score a run of a suicide squeeze. Hewitt laid down a bunt and the Highlanders were able to score a run. In the bottom of the sixth, a clutch hit from Blue Hunter tied the game at 3-3. In the seventh inning, Camp made a high flying catch to end the top of the seventh. "He said his goal for the season is 'To be consistent defensively.'"

This game went into extra innings. In the eighth inning, Isaiah Tillman of Royal, hit a shot into center field to bring home two runs for Royal. In the bottom of the eighth, Santa Monica did not generate any runs as Hewitt closed out the game.



Surf report

WATER TEMP: **54.1**

MONDAY
FAIR

SURF: Thigh to waist
2-3FT

Watching for a decent pulse of WNW swell w/ likely SSW swell in the mix. Forecast models are in good agreement and have steadily strengthened on a storm developing near the Aleutians later this week. Per current guidance it could be a decent round of swell and we're medium confidence at this time given the parity between reliable weather models. Higher confidence on some fun-zone SSW swell mixing in too which could make for a nice combo.Conditions look decent too, but we're lower confidence at this point.

TUESDAY
FAIR TO GOOD

SURF: Waist to chest
3-4FT

SPAC swell bumps up from Monday and there's still enough NW for some peaks. Looking like a pretty fun day on paper as NW swell mix from Monday backs off and some new SSW swell picks up through the day. Should be pretty peaky/playful and the current wind outlook is favorable.

Weather

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 68.
Monday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 60.
Tuesday: Mostly clear, with a low around 54.
Tuesday Night: Sunny, with a high near 69.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2025/04/07	Mon	12:48 AM	2.15	L
2025/04/07	Mon	06:27 AM	4.62	H
2025/04/07	Mon	1:29 PM	-0.36	L
2025/04/07	Mon	8:07 PM	4.21	H
2025/04/08	Tue	01:37 AM	1.61	L
2025/04/08	Tue	07:22 AM	4.69	H
2025/04/08	Tue	2:03 PM	-0.24	L
2025/04/08	Tue	8:29 PM	4.48	H
2025/04/09	Wed	02:15 AM	1.12	L
2025/04/09	Wed	08:07 AM	4.67	H
2025/04/09	Wed	2:30 PM	-0.03	L
2025/04/09	Wed	8:49 PM	4.72	H
2025/04/10	Thu	02:49 AM	0.70	L
2025/04/10	Thu	08:44 AM	4.56	H
2025/04/10	Thu	2:53 PM	0.26	L
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Jackpot: 47 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 4/1
11 12 21 29 49
Mega#: 3
Jackpot: 43 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 4/2
3 11 14 27 37
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: 15 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 4/3
9 10 14 27 30

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Draw Date: 4/3
EVENING: 6 3 4
Draw Date: 4/3
MIDDAY: 8 2 6

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2nd: 02 - Lucky Star
3rd: 05 - California Classic
Race Time: 1:43.90

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SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS
SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BID: 032625 Bundy Underground Hazmat Removal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named California Community College District, acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter "the District" will receive up to, but not later than the below-stated date and time, sealed Bid Proposals for the Work of the Project generally described as: Qualified contractor to provide prevailing wage labor, materials, services, equipment, transportation necessary to remediate contaminated soil vapor at the Bundy Campus before Santa Monica builds student housing on this site, in accordance with all bid documents.

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the District bidding website at: https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=13721#.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BID PROPOSALS: 05/05/25, by 2:00pm
All Bid Proposals shall be submitted on forms furnished by the District. Bid Proposals must conform with, and be responsive to, the Bid and Contract Documents, copies of which may be obtained from the District as set forth above.

Only Bid Proposals submitted to the District via the bidding website, prior to the date and time set forth, shall be considered.

MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: 04/15/25, 10:00am sharp. Meet at Bundy Campus, Outside Building East Entrance, 3171 S. Bundy Dr. Los Angeles CA 90066. Bidder attendance at Job Walk is mandatory. Sign-In required & late arrivals not permitted.

PROJECT ESTIMATE: $1,000,000.00

CONTRACT DAYS: Two years

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: $3,000/day, plus $1,500/day for failure to complete punchlist items

The Bidder is required to have at time of bid submission and throughout the duration of the project: CSLB A license & HAZ and CADIR registration. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the District's Request for Bids.

Substitute Security- In accordance with the provisions of California Public Contract Code §22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the District to ensure performance under this contract.

Post Dates: 04/07/25 & 04/14/25

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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As Democratic candidates for governor increase, they wait for Harris to decide

Irish playwright Samuel Beckett's tragicomedy "Waiting for Godot" centers on two men, Vladimir and Estragon, who hope, in vain, that the arrival of a mysterious man named Godot will bring meaning to their otherwise miserable lives.

It's considered to be a perfect example of Europe's post-World War fascination with what was termed the "theater of the absurd." That's why it leaps to mind when one considers the dynamics of the ever-growing cadre of Democratic candidates for governor in 2026.

As their numbers expand, they are waiting for former Vice President Kamala Harris to tell the world whether she will try to keep her political career alive by seeking the governorship.

Harris is apparently willing, ala Godot, to keep them waiting. Politico has reported that a month ago, at a pre-Oscars party, she told supporters that she won't declare her intentions until late summer.

The uncertainty about her intentions affects what other hopefuls can do in the interim, such as raising campaign money. The big Democratic spenders, such as unions, the entertainment industry and Silicon Valley, are also waiting, leery about making commitments to other candidates until Harris decides.

It's also evident that the lesser candidates, those little known and lacking deep-pocket support, such as former state Senate leader Toni Atkins, state schools Superintendent Tony Thurmond and former state Controller Betty Yee, would probably drop out if Harris runs.

But how about those who, in the absence of Harris, would be credible aspirants, such as Lt. Gov. Eleni Kounalakis, former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Congressmember Katie Porter and, most recently, former Attorney General Xavier Becerra?

Kounalakis and Porter have dropped hints that they would defer to Harris, but Villaraigosa has indicated he would still run and Becerra, in announcing his candidacy this week, declared he's in it to stay.

The state's top-two primary system plays a significant role in how the field eventually forms. Although polls indicate that Harris would be the frontrunner in the June primary, another Democrat could hope to finish second and thereby qualify for a runoff in November in which Republican and independent voters could be decisive.

However, a crowded Democratic field that would fragment Democratic primary voters would also increase the likelihood that a Republican, such as Riverside Sheriff Chad Bianco, would finish second.

That situation, as past elections have shown, gives the Democratic nominee a huge advantage to win the governorship, given the state's lopsided Democratic voter registration.



Photo by Larry Valenzuela, CalMatters/ CatchLight Local

GOVERNOR?: Vice President Kamala Harris speaks to the crowd during her presidential campaign rally at the Desert Diamond Arena in Glendale, Ariz., on Aug. 9, 2024.

We saw that scenario last year when Congressman Adam Schiff indirectly helped Republican Steve Garvey finish second in the primary duel for a U.S. Senate seat, freezing out Katie Porter. It could happen to her again next year, were she to remain in the gubernatorial race and the Harris campaign emulates Schiff's tactic to help Bianco or some other Republican finish second.

A runoff between Harris and another Democrat could be a test of her campaign ability in the wake of stumbling badly in her 2019 bid for the presidency and again last year after being tapped by Democratic leaders to take on Donald Trump after they forced Joe Biden out of a re-election bid.

California's voters have been in a restive mood of late, concerned about ever-rising living costs, especially for housing, the state's seemingly intractable homelessness crisis and crime. Last year's passage of Proposition 36, a measure to crack down on criminals, despite opposition from Gov. Gavin Newsom and other Democratic leaders, is one indication of voters' sour mood.

A Democratic candidate who exploits that angst and appeals to Republican and independent voters could mount a serious campaign against Harris — should she decide to run.

By Dan Walters. This article was originally published by CalMatters.

A ‘missed opportunity’: Does Newsom’s plan to get Californians into better jobs do enough?

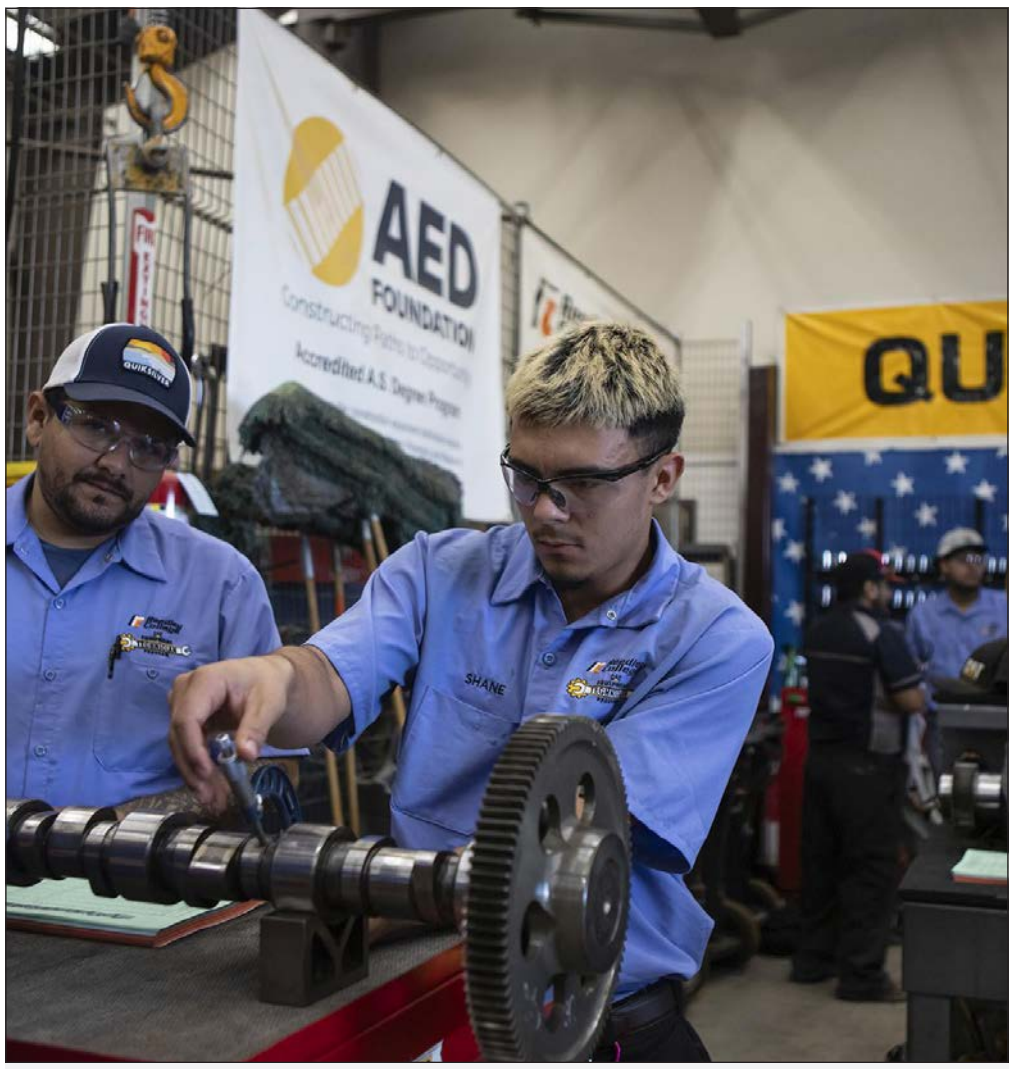


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JOBS: Students measure a part of a tractor engine in their agricultural mechanics class at Reedley College in Reedley on Sept. 11, 2024.

California faces stark income inequality, its jobs are increasingly automated and the degrees from its state’s universities are no longer the asset they once were.

Gov. Gavin Newsom has a plan for all of it. Today at a press conference in Modesto, more than a year and a half after he first announced this initiative, he released the full Master Plan for Career Education, setting a new course for the state’s job training and education programs.

“This has been a point of pride,” he said. “This is long overdue.”

Yet certain aspects of the plan will need approval from the Legislature, and it’s not clear whether that will happen. Legislators and the Legislative Analyst’s Office have criticized the governor’s new proposals as “unproven” and “unclear.”

The plan highlights ongoing efforts, such as the state’s new education data system, its recent reforms to financial aid, and the expansion of skills-based learning at community colleges, known as competency-based education. That data system is behind schedule, and the financial aid reforms only arose after CalMatters wrote about the governor’s failure to implement them. Seven community colleges are moving forward with competency-based education, per the governor’s wishes — but at one school, Madera Community College, the reforms have stalled due to faculty opposition.

The governor’s career plan also includes three new budget proposals for this year, which could cost taxpayers over $105 million if they’re enacted:

A digital “career passport” that will serve as a new kind of resume for students and workers

More money to community colleges so they can offer college credit for students’ work experiences, a process known as “credit for prior learning”

A new state body that will bring together education and workforce leaders to create “statewide goals” and help coordinate the distribution of state and federal grants

All of these budget proposals require the Legislature’s approval, including from Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi, a Torrance Democrat and the chair of the Assembly’s education committee. At today’s press conference, Muratsuchi helped introduce Newsom and stood behind him, listening attentively, for most of the morning.

“I’m not familiar with any of the critiques,” said Newsom at the press

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1441 LINCOLN

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version called for a 12-story building with 190 units.

Following financial setbacks, WS Communities lost control of several properties, including this site. Hankey Capital, along with Madison Realty Capital, has since taken over and is moving forward with the revised plans.

This development at 1441 is almost directly opposite another construction project already well underway at 1430 Lincoln Blvd, arguably among the more modest of the various projects along this small stretch of road that also include 710 Broadway and 1527 Lincoln Blvd.

Each of these projects is expected to take years to complete, with estimates of the earliest completion times being approximately two years. And while the current wet weather offers some relief, we will have the summer to survive again soon and the amount of dust and dirt in the air will be difficult, if not impossible, to regulate.

Moreover, the news won’t exactly be welcomed by anyone who regularly uses this stretch of Lincoln Blvd during the daytime as lanes regularly have to be closed off during business hours to accommodate large equipment and vehicles.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

VFW Announces Fourth Annual Day of Service

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will launch its fourth annual Day of Service on May 3, the organization announced Monday.

The initiative, which begins the first Saturday in May, marks the start of veteran-led community service projects scheduled throughout the month.

“For the past three years, thousands of VFW members and veterans around the world have joined together for the VFW Day of Service, showcasing the myriad ways they are #StillServing,” said Al Lipphardt, VFW national commander.

Launched in 2022, the Day of Service grew from the organization’s #StillServing campaign that began in 2020 to recognize veterans who continue community service after military duty.

A recent civic health survey indicates veterans volunteer in their communities at higher rates than civilians. The study also found veterans donate to charities, register to vote, and participate in local government more frequently than non-veterans.

The VFW, founded in 1899 and congressionally chartered, includes more than 1.4 million members in nearly 6,000 posts worldwide.

Veterans interested in participating can register events or find local opportunities at VFWDayofService.org.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Los Angeles

Death toll from the wildfires that tore through the Los Angeles area reaches 30

Nearly three months after two wildfires destroyed thousands of homes in the Los Angeles area, officials said the death toll from the blazes had reached 30.

A team responded Wednesday following a report of possible human remains at a scorched property in Altadena, within the Eaton Fire burn zone, the Medical Examiner's Office said in a statement.

An investigation determined the remains were human, bringing the total deaths from that blaze to 18, the statement said. Twelve people died in the Palisades Fire.

To identify charred remains, the medical examiner's office said it compares dental records and DNA, reviews health records and uses radiographs to search for medical prosthetics or devices. The office also works with law enforcement to gather information on suspected missing persons.

"Due to the complexity of these methods and the process, it can take considerable time to confirm a decedent's identity in these types of cases," the statement said.

The two blazes ignited during fierce winds on Jan. 7 and destroyed nearly 17,000 structures, including homes, schools, businesses and places of worship. Rebuilding will take years.

The causes of the fires are still under investigation.

Dozens of lawsuits claim Southern California Edison utility equipment ignited the Eaton Fire. Pedro Pizarro, president of Edison International, the utility's parent company, said this week it's still too early to tell if electrical infrastructure is to blame.

"We still don't know whether Edison equipment caused the Eaton fire. It's certainly possible it did. I've pledged to be transparent with the public as we continue to investigate," he told the Los Angeles Times.

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PASADENA

FIFA President Highlights Global Significance of 2025 Club World Cup

FIFA President Gianni Infantino emphasized the global impact of the inaugural FIFA Club World Cup 2025 during a visit to the Rose Bowl Stadium in Pasadena on Wednesday.

"We are welcoming the world in the United States of America," Infantino said at one of the tournament's 12 venues.

The competition, scheduled for June 14 to July 13, 2025, will feature 32 teams from all six soccer confederations competing across 11 U.S. cities. The participating clubs represent 20 countries, with players from 86 nations.

"The 32 best club teams in the world will determine, for the first time in history, which club, which team, is the best," Infantino said.

During the event, Infantino announced that FIFA will donate 30,000 tickets to first responders affected by the devastating January 2025 wildfires in the Los Angeles, Pasadena and Altadena communities.

"On behalf of FIFA and the global soccer community, I would like to give our sincere thanks and appreciation to all those who operated to save lives," he said, joined by members of local fire departments and law enforcement agencies.

Earlier, Infantino appeared on FOX 11's "Good Day LA" and "The Herd with Colin Cowherd," where he displayed the new FIFA Club World Cup Trophy created in collaboration with Tiffany & Co.

Infantino predicted the tournament would transform soccer in the United States by showing young players "a path to glory."

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City Hall

Community Rally Planned to Save Santa Monica Library Branch

A coalition of community groups has scheduled a rally for April 8 to protest the potential closure of Fairview Library in Santa Monica.

The "Save Our Fairview Library" event will begin at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall, organizers announced Tuesday.

The branch, which serves approximately 15,000 Sunset Park residents and recorded 80,000 visitors in 2018-2019, faces permanent closure and sale. The City Council could vote on the measure as early as June 24.

"Fairview Library is an integral part of our community's social infrastructure," said Judith Meister, Library Board Chair. "While we understand the city's budget challenges, selling this vital community asset would have permanent consequences for our neighborhood."

The library currently operates on a limited "self-service only" basis two days per week due to pandemic-related budget cuts. Rally organizers argue the focus should be on securing funding to properly staff the branch.

Community members are encouraged to attend the rally, address the City Council during public comment at 5:30 p.m., and share information using the hashtag #SaveFairviewLibrary.

The event is organized by Friends of Sunset Park, Santa Monica Public Library Board, and Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library.

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5th Annual

Rick Crocker 5K Challenge

Thursday May 15 at 4:00pm

When:
Thursday, May 15 at 4:00pm

Where:
Santa Monica Pier

What:
- A family-friendly 5K walk/run to benefit PAL
- $45 Entry fee
- Fun, free after-party at Locals' Night on the Pier
- FREE FOR YOUTH & ACTIVE MILITARY (must register)

Why: Officer Rick Crocker was a 10-year veteran of the Santa Monica Police Department and a Marine Corps Reserve Officer who was killed while serving his country in Iraq on May 26, 2005. Officer Crocker's last assignment with the SMPD was serving the Police Activities League, where he mentored the most vulnerable youth in our community. We run to remember Rick's dedication and honor his commitment to PAL.

Register at

https://rickcrocker5k.givesmart.com

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all necessary steps to facilitate the closure of the Department of Education" to the maximum extent permitted by law. However, eliminating the department entirely would likely require congressional action, a potentially lengthy and difficult process.

The Trump administration has already begun reducing the department's footprint, cutting staff by half and overhauling much of its work. The Department of Government Efficiency, led by Trump adviser Elon Musk, has terminated dozens of contracts deemed "woke" and wasteful, while gutting the Institute of Education Sciences, which collects data on national academic progress.

For Santa Monica-Malibu, federal contributions include the $2.8 million in direct funding plus an additional $2.5 to $3 million in special education funding that flows through the state.

While the amount might seem small compared to the district's overall budget of $292,246,240, officials note these funds have an outsized impact on vulnerable student populations.

Shelton said the district has four schools that qualify for the Title One program specifically supporting economically disadvantaged students.

"When we're looking at our Title One schools, they are our highest need students," Shelton explained. "You're talking about our low socioeconomic students, our students who may be homeless, our students that may be in foster care... Those students have specific needs."

These services include social-emotional support, additional counselors, behaviorists, and social workers — resources specifically targeted at the district's most vulnerable populations.

While some districts who take federal funding of up to 50% are going to be gutted by the federal cuts, local schools are more impacted by educational oversight from the state, not federal authorities.

While there is some relationship between federal standards and California mandates for testing, the trickle down effect to local students is minimal.

"That impact, to me, is pretty low, but we answer more so to the state," said Shelton

There have been points in time when federal education initiatives were a stronger force on local learning.

Cruz said more direct federal oversight existed years ago under the Bush administration's No Child Left Behind Act but those programs have evolved or outright ended

Despite their relatively favorable position, district officials expressed concern about the long-term implications of dismantling the Department of Education, particularly for their most vulnerable student populations.

"I have fears that will these monies be here in a year or two?" Shelton said. "My fear is not as immediate right now, but looking to the future, what does this look like if a system such as the Department of Education is dismantled? How will we receive those monies? Who will facilitate that process to get those funds to the state?"

Educational experts have suggested any major changes would take 12 to 18 months to impact local districts, giving schools time to prepare. However, the lack of a clear transition plan has created planning challenges.

"We don't want to overreact, but we don't want to not react, because we want to prep for the unknown," Shelton said. "That sounds crazy to prep for the unknown, but that's what we are looking at."

Should federal funding disappear entirely, Santa Monica-Malibu officials say they could absorb the financial hit, but it would come at a cost.

"If worse came to worse, and we lost this money, we are in a position where we would be able to supplement with our general fund and mitigate the impact to these most vulnerable populations," Cruz said. "Not all districts are like that."

However, both officials emphasized that such adaptations would mean cutting valuable programs serving high-need students. The district could also face indirect impacts if neighboring districts with higher dependence on federal funding face severe cuts, potentially increasing demands on Santa Monica-Malibu's resources, particularly in special education services should families move students to areas with better services.

The Trump Administrations education reform efforts have extended beyond K-12 education navigates where American colleges and universities face even more direct federal intervention. The Trump administration has increasingly used federal funding as leverage to push compliance with its agenda.

Such as a recent revocation of waivers to California and Oregon colleges and universities that are using federal funds to provide services to undocumented students under the Performance Partnership Pilots for Disconnected Youth (P3).

An Associated Press analysis found that government grants and contracts account for nearly half the total revenue of some research universities, making them particularly vulnerable to federal pressure.

The administration has already taken action against several institutions. Trump canceled $400 million in federal research grants to Columbia University over its handling of pro-Palestinian activism and froze $175 million in federal funding for the University of Pennsylvania related to a transgender athlete on their swim team in 2022.

Nationwide, nearly 100 colleges are under investigation over their diversity, equity and inclusion programs, which the administration has deemed illegal, or due to allegations of antisemitism. These investigations through the Education Department's Office for Civil Rights could potentially lead to loss of federal funding.

While Santa Monica College has been warned by the Federal Government over investigations into allegations of antisemitic behavior on campus, the school has not been impacted by any federal funding cuts as of yet.

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PARP

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temporarily held, regardless of financial resources.

"Under PARP, most individuals arrested for non-serious and non-violent crimes who pose a risk to public safety are temporarily held until arraignment," Tapia said. "Under the previous money bail system, high-risk individuals could secure their release from jail by paying money bail."

The report, prepared by the court's Management Research Unit, analyzed data from the Pre-arraignment Release Evaluation Program (PREP) comparing outcomes before and after PARP was implemented in October 2023.

Researchers found that despite concerns about increased releases leading to more crime, the opposite occurred. The per-booking rate of new criminal activity dropped from 15% under the previous system to 12% under PARP — a one-fifth reduction in the rate of reoffending.

This reduction occurred even as the average monthly releases increased from 2,590 to 2,843 under the new system.

"PARP has effectively replaced a wealth-based bail system with a new system that balances the need for public safety with the constitutional rights of the accused," said Executive Officer/Clerk of Court David W. Slayton.

The reform created a tiered system for handling arrests based on the severity of the alleged offense and an individual's risk assessment, rather than ability to pay bail.

Under PARP, individuals arrested for non-serious, non-violent offenses may receive a citation from law enforcement and be released immediately, be booked and fingerprinted before release, or have their case reviewed by a magistrate judge who conducts an individualized risk assessment.

The report indicates that magistrates are making data-informed decisions, with higher-risk individuals more likely to be held. The chance of being held until arraignment strongly correlates with an individual's risk score based on criminal history, circumstances of arrest, and likelihood of failing to appear in court.

Analysis shows a clear pattern: 57% of those with high risk scores for new criminal activity were held by magistrates, compared to just 21% of low-risk individuals.

The data also revealed that the new system hasn't led to fewer arrests, addressing one potential concern about the reform. Bookings with case filings actually increased under PARP, from an average of 3,673 per month previously to 4,073 per month.

The PARP system represents a significant shift in how Los Angeles County handles pretrial detention, moving away from a cash-based system that critics argued disproportionately affected lower-income defendants.

"The Court's move away from money bail, coupled with judicial decision-making, allowed newly arrested people to leave jail and return to their communities before their arraignment without compromising public safety," the report states.

The number of people held by magistrates decreased by 44% under the new system, dropping from 3,206 to 1,790. This occurred even though those now being reviewed by magistrates likely present higher risks than before, as many lower-risk cases no longer require judicial review.

One consistent finding across both systems was that about 40% of all bookings remain ineligible for pre-arraignment release due to serious and violent charges, indicating that the most serious offenses are handled the same way regardless of the bail regime.

This reform follows a May 2023 court injunction in the case of Urquidi v. City of Los Angeles that prevented the Los Angeles Police Department and Sheriff's Department from demanding cash bail for low-level offenses. The court subsequently developed broader rules applying to all law enforcement agencies in the county that took effect in October 2023.

The court's implementation of PARP followed a pilot program established in 2020 by the Governor, Legislature and Judicial Council of California called the Pre-arraignment Release Evaluation Program (PREP), which created a process for magistrate review of booked individuals before arraignment.

Prior to this pilot program, pre-arraignment release decisions were rare, typically only available upon request to the Probation Department.

Under the current system, serious and violent felonies such as murder, rape, robbery, and drug trafficking remain subject to the traditional money bail system due to statutory restrictions. These offenses account for approximately 40% of all bookings in the county.

The most serious alleged offenders can still secure release if they have financial resources, which the court notes is due to statutory mandates: "a person arrested for a serious and violent offense can continue to buy their way to freedom if they have access to money."

Local law enforcement agencies prepared for the change in advance of the October 2023 implementation. According to information from the Santa Monica Police Department, the reform significantly changed protocols for law enforcement, with most suspects now eligible for cite-and-release or book-and-release processing.

The report concludes that "a radical new approach to bail, coupled with data-informed judicial decision making, has accomplished" the difficult feat of increasing the number of people who can leave jail before trial while maintaining or improving public safety.

"Increasing the number of newly arrested people who can leave jail to continue their lives – without compromising public safety – seems a tall order," the report states. "But a radical new approach to bail, coupled with data-informed judicial decision making, has accomplished that in Los Angeles County."

The court maintains a real-time PARP Data Dashboard on its website for the public to monitor the program's ongoing performance.

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00122 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Ma Ramoncita (Pola) Martinez for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Pola Selva with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Ma Ramoncita (Pola) Martinez to Pola Ramona Martinez . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 04/25/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 7512 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press

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Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00172 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Alexandra Lauren Pinkus for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Alexandra Lauren Pinkuswith this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Alexandra Lauren Pinkusto Alexandra Lauren Stodghill . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 05/16/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 7512 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press

Summons

Summons (Citacion Judicial) Sum-100CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso): 24STCV18169 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): GRAHAM BERRY, an individual, and DOES 1 THROUGH 10, inclusiveYOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): LAURENCE VERBECK, an individualNOTICE! You have been sued.The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copyserved on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear yourcase. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California CourtsOnline Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask thecourt clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property maybe taken without further warning from the court.There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorneyreferral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locatethese nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center(www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees andcosts on any settlement or arbitration award of $10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información acontinuación.Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en estacorte y hacer

Name Change

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00166 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Belinda Louise Abner for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Belinda Louise Abnerthis court for a decree of changing names as follows: Belinda Louise Abner to Belinda Louise Phillips. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 05/16/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: _. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 7512 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press

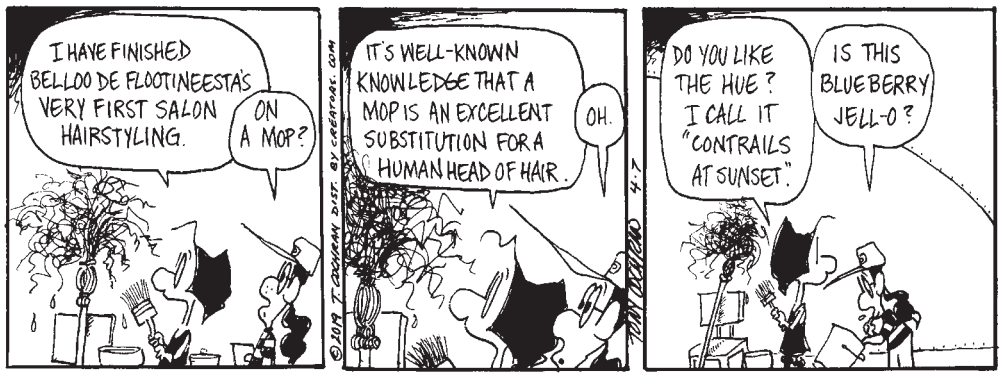
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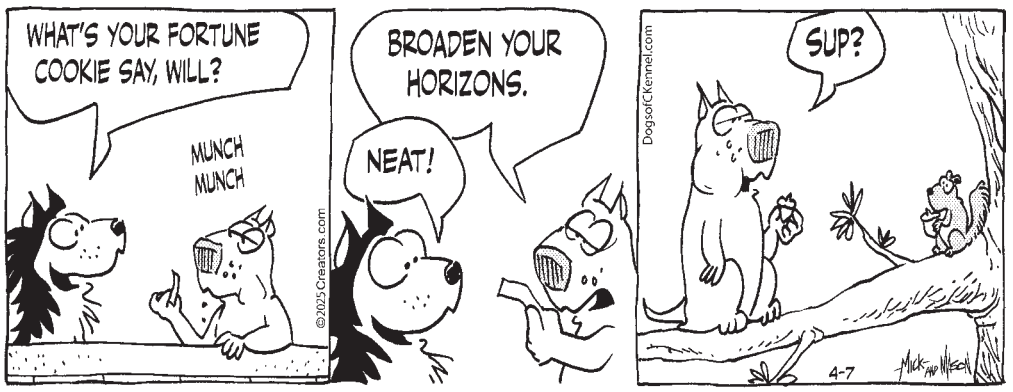
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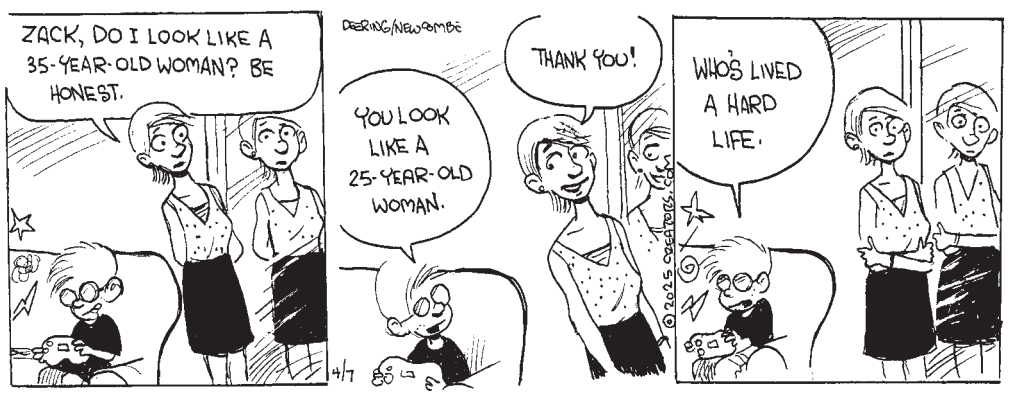
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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 22 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 6538

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Boot	Futsal	Pass	Ten pin bowling
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Chalk	Golf	Pockets	Touch
Coach	Hand	Pool	Try
Count	Kick	Posts	Union
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 7)

In this year of renewal, you'll often steer your own personal growth and point yourself in the direction of a desired transcendence. There are some changes you can't control, and even those will be for the better. More highlights: A passion project takes off in a lucrative direction. You'll hone your skills to a level of precision and expertise that'll leave others in awe. Your magnetic energy will effortlessly attract connection. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 3, 33, 1, 16 and 40.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A new opportunity is imminent, but it's a subtle one -- only the astute observer will catch it. The more you watch, the more you understand timing, nuance and the natural openings that require no force to walk through.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Polarities are present in every aspect of life on this plane. Light and dark, strength and vulnerability, certainty and doubt -- all serve a purpose. Instead of resisting one side, integrate all for optimal balance, depth and wholeness.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Most feelings last only a few minutes if you let yourself fully feel them. Some you want to hold on to, while others are best acknowledged briefly -- just long enough to receive their message before letting them pass through.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Once again, you'll seek balance between self-discipline and freedom. Too much restriction can be just as harmful as a lack of structure. New teachers come into your realm, offering insight and options you didn't see before.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When it comes to fun, it makes no sense to compromise. What fascinates you will be well worth your time, and what doesn't is a waste. You don't need to escape -- you need something that actually brings you joy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Sure, you might like the relationship, situation or story to stretch into seasons ahead, but you're not entirely in control of it -- no one is. There's a bigger world influencing this one. Endings aren't closed doors; they are context for the sequel.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Even when you're trying to be low-key, you'll be approached by those eager to get to know you. It's as though you have a sixth sense for social maneuvering. You'll know just when to redirect, retreat or keep conversations brief.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's no self-help book, new program or guru for some struggles. What you want, need and ask for now is the space to make real change happen. A long stretch of focused solo work will shift the weight you're carrying.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). In a sense, being stuck can be a good thing, especially when it brings you together with people you wouldn't otherwise have a reason to know. Seek guidance from those with more experience or objectivity. Through other perspectives or options, you will find resolution.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your worth isn't tied to others' approval, but it's natural to want it. You seek to contribute, help and be valued. There's no shame in that. Social influence is powerful, and knowing you make a difference matters to you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Keep your perspective broad and you'll avoid unnecessary stress when things don't go as planned. This one is beyond your control, so there's no need to take it personally. Still, there's something to be gained if you stay detached enough to notice the passing opportunity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Sometimes you show your treasures because what's the use of having them if you don't? Other times, you hide them, so as not to inspire envy in others. Either way, only you know what went into attaining them.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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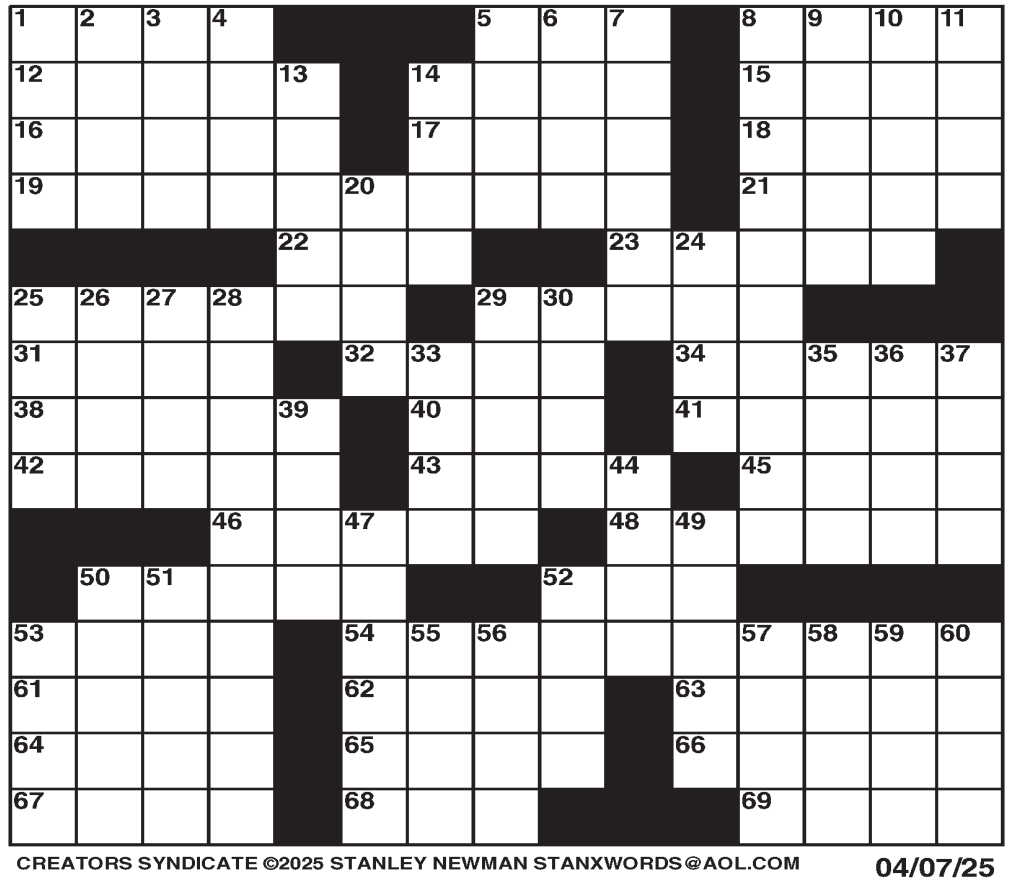
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ACROSS

1 At once, in a memo
5 Bride's title, at times
8 "Hey, over here!"
12 Neverland flier Pan
14 Baby chick sound
15 "Do __ others as..."
16 Tubular pasta
17 Golden-__ (senior)
18 Tuna salad ingredient from a jar
19 Airy and fluffy dessert
21 Medicinal tablet
22 Tree-chopping tool
23 Lower-leg joint
25 Sway unsteadily, as a chair
29 "Me too"
31 "...happily __ after"
32 Read, as a bar code
34 __ a tie (require overtime)
38 Continuously bother
40 Sing with lips closed
41 Extra tire
42 Pilot's vehicle
43 Scored 100% on
45 Giant screen theater
46 Join in wedlock
48 Neglects to
50 Stop for a moment
52 Part of the head for listening
53 18-hole sport
54 Fried treat with a fruity filling
61 "Don't you wish!"
62 Periods in history
63 Remove pencil marks
64 Jeans maker Strauss
65 __-Cola (Pepsi rival)
66 Actress Zellweger
67 Garden in Genesis
68 Any playpen plaything
69 Rowboat implements

DOWN

1 Smartphone programs
2 Flow in slowly
3 __ extra cost (free)
4 Philly's state, for short
5 "Huge" prefix for bucks
6 Offend the nose
7 Butter or jam
8 Thanksgiving dinner dessert
9 Slow-moving creature in a shell
10 In __ (fashionable)
11 Hammer or screwdriver
13 Fit for a monarch
14 Rate of walking
20 Former spouses
24 Opposite of "yeses"
25 Start to cry
26 Egg shape
27 Letter after alpha
28 High-fiber breakfast treat
29 Smart-mouthed, in a "marinara" way
30 "My treat"
33 Sear on the grill
35 Beaver-made blockades
36 Teheran's country
37 "Better luck __ time"
39 Pekoe and Earl Grey
44 Turning point of WWII
47 Refuse to approve
49 Give a command to
50 Sat for a portrait
51 __ and kicking (robust)
52 *Frozen* snow queen
53 Strong wind
55 Slangy suffix for "switch"
56 Frilly, as doilies
57 Creme-filled cookie
58 Grandmother's nickname
59 Computer owner
60 Pegs for playing 18 holes



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JOBS

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conference in response to a question about the Legislature's concerns. He then thanked Muratsuchi for coming to the event. "He's a big champion of this broader effort."

In an interview yesterday, Muratsuchi said he appreciates the governor for prioritizing career technical education, but he said the governor's plan is "missing an opportunity for significant reform" including the opportunity to streamline state funding.

WHAT ACTUALLY IS A 'CAREER PASSPORT'?

The governor's plan puts hiring practices at the forefront. "While many employers are interested in evaluating both academic credentials and skills earned outside the classroom, very few employers are adopting this approach," the plan writes. "One barrier is lack of access to validated information that will help them evaluate candidates based on their skills."

Enter the "career passport": an online tool that allows workers to present their academic transcripts and their professional skills in a format that's independently verified by universities and employers.

"When I go in to create my LinkedIn profile, I can write whatever I want about myself," said Sharon Leu, an executive in residence at Jobs for the Future, a workforce nonprofit. "I can write that I have a Ph.D. in astrophysics from Harvard and you would not know."

To be a teacher, for example, applicants usually must prove they have a bachelor's degree, certain kinds of professional experience, and a state license. "All the data is owned by different people," Leu said. "It's scattered."

Sometimes, accessing academic and professional records can take months — and those administrative delays translate into delays in hiring, she said.

The state has already embarked on a similar initiative to create authenticated, virtual records, she added: California's mobile driver's license pilot, which currently allows license holders to fly from certain airports or to buy liquor using a virtual ID. About 1.1 million people have already downloaded their licenses, according to Ronald Ongtoaboc, a public information officer with the DMV. He said the project was funded through a one-time, $10 million investment in the 2021–22 fiscal year.

In terms of costs, Leu said she didn't think "the education project would be more than that."

In his plan, Newsom is asking for $50 million for the digital career passport.

The Legislative Analyst's Office wrote that the governor's proposal doesn't address how career passports would be better than using a resume and social networking websites, such as LinkedIn. The "proposed approach is largely unproven," the office wrote.... "Moreover, it is difficult to assess whether the proposed funding level is reasonable for the proposal, as the administration has not explained how it arrived at the $50 million cost estimate."

At the press conference, Newsom pointed to efforts in Alabama, which has rolled out a similar career passport. The Alabama career passport took about seven years to develop, said Leu, and launched in 2023.

A 'DISINCENTIVE TO WORK TOGETHER'

While the Legislature and governor may not agree on the solution, they agree on the problem: the state's job training programs lack coordination. They're "Balkanized," Muratsuchi has said repeatedly. In this convoluted system, some people, such as first-generation college students and English-language learners, often struggle to figure out which job training programs are right for them or how to qualify, the plan says.

Newsom proposes using $5 million in state dollars to create a new coordinating body that would bring together college and K-12 leaders, as well as folks from the state's workforce agency. The body would use labor market data to align programs with demand, and it would "coordinate implementation of specific federal and state programs," the plan says.

Stewart Knox, the secretary for California's Labor and Workforce Development Agency, said some of that coordinating work is already underway, locally. The state allocated $250 million in 2021 to help K-12 districts, local colleges, and job training programs work together. That money has created programs like Sacramento's K-16 Collaborative.

In an interview, Muratsuchi said he wants the state's career plan to go further and streamline the various grants that fund career training. In the current model, different agencies — such as community colleges, K-12 school districts, adult schools and job centers — are incentivized to apply for their own grants, effectively competing against one another. State funding provides "a disincentive to work together," he said.

The Legislative Analyst's Office has its own critiques of the governor's coordinating body, according to a summary of its remarks in a recent hearing agenda: "It is unclear whether a lack of existing coordination is the result of the lack of a venue for such coordination or due to differences in goals between the various workforce and education agencies."

The Government Operations Agency, a state agency focused on innovation, would ultimately house the coordinating body, if the Legislature decides to fund it. During the hearing, Justyn Howard, the deputy secretary of the agency, noted that the coordinating body would lack authority to make most of the changes it recommends.

Sen. Roger Niello, a Roseville Republican, offered his own concern at the hearing. "This governor has less than two years left in his term," Niello said. "We're embarking on a significant organizational initiative without knowing what the next governor is going to think about this."

By Adam Echelman. This article was originally published by CalMatters.

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MONDAY | APRIL 7

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TUESDAY | APRIL 8

WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd. Westside Family Health Center is proud to be back in the SMC Student Health Center offering students free reproductive care including the following: Birth control pills (oral contraceptive), Depot shot, Nuva Ring, Condoms, Emergency contraceptive (Plan B) STI testing, Pregnancy testing. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/westside-family-health-center/14419416/2025-04-08T10

MEMORIES & MOVEMENT SENIOR CLUB

10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Come, learn, and have fun every Tuesday from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM in The Patio room. Each week will be something new: Exercise, Talking with Friends, Learning, Guest Presenters, Health & Wellness. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/memories-movement-senior-club/14853634/2025-04-08T10

AUTHOR TALK WITH MATTHEW FLEMING

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd. The Stories, Science, and History of Trees with Smithsonian Gardens Greenhouse Horticulturalist Matthew Fleming. Join us as Smithsonian Horticulturalist Matthew Fleming, guides us through the secret world of trees as is revealed in the beautiful and absorbing guide to the giants of the plant world—The Tree Book: The Stories, Science, and History of Trees. Trees occur naturally throughout the world and have been a part of human history for almost as long as humans have existed. Used for shelter, tools, fuel, and food, they also help supply the atmosphere with oxygen and form astonishingly diverse ecosystems, as well as some of the world's most beautiful landscapes. Now the intricate world of leafy woodlands and abundant rainforests is revealed in this extensive visual guide to trees, exploring their key scientific traits and their ecological importance, as well as their enduring significance in human history and culture. From ancient oaks and great redwoods to lush banyans and imposing kapoks, The Tree Book reveals the anatomy, behaviors, and beauty of these incredible plants and habitats in detail. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/author-talk-with-matthew-fleming/15307089/2025-04-08T11

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall 1685 Main Street. The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The City Council also sits as the following bodies for the City of Santa Monica. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/city-council-meeting/13799967/2025-04-08T17

SPEED DATING (AGES 30-45) | SANTA MONICA

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Weary Livers 2819 Pico Boulevard. Los Angeles Speed Dating for Busy Singles Ages 30-45 : More Dates, Less Wait. (Hetero). Time: 7:00 PM - 09:30 PM. Venue: Weary Livers. Are you a busy single ages 30-45? Do you value your time and want to make the most of your dating experience? Welcome to the most efficient speed dating event in Los Angeles—where you get more dates in less time, with no wasted moments. IMPORTANT: You MUST arrive no later than 7:20PM. Our algorithm is specially designed to configure the dating lineup for those who have checked in. We will not be able to add any latecomers into the rotation once the rounds & dates have been determined. If you arrive late, we will gladly transfer your ticket to a future speed dating event. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/speed-dating-ages-30-45-santa-monica/15396374/2025-04-08T19

WEDNESDAY | APRIL 9

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12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Through body awareness, movement, and breath, you will be guided on how to bring your body, mind, and spirit back into balance for overall well-being. All levels are welcome. Generously funded by the Friends of Venice Library. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/friends-of-venice-library-yoga-for-everyone-/14548476/2025-04-09T12

CONAN O'BRIEN MUST GO

7:30 p.m. Aero Theatre 1328 Montana Ave. Free (members-only). Aero Theatre | Q&A with host Conan O'Brien. World Premiere of CONAN O'BRIEN MUST GO Season 2 Popcorn, soda and candy courtesy of MAX Opening Night! 'This Is Not a Fiction 2025' Silver Screen-level members and above are guaranteed entry for themselves and one guest for this event. Priority entry starts at 6:30pm. To guarantee your seats, please plan to arrive at the theatre no later than 7:00pm. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/conan-o-brien-must-go/15396042/2025-04-09T19

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