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Dr. Sion Roy enters State Senate race with physician's lens



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CANDIDATE: The Santa Monica resident is running for State Senate.

MICHELLE EDGAR
Special to the Daily Press

As California's State Senate contests begin to take shape, cardiologist and Santa Monica College Board Chair Dr. Sion Roy is making the case that Sacramento needs more problem solvers with real world experience, and fewer politicians focused on spectacle.

Roy, a practicing physician at

Harbor UCLA and former president of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, said his campaign is rooted in a simple belief: government should help people navigate the pressures they feel every day, from health care costs and housing to wildfire insurance and the survival of small businesses.

"What voters are asking for is

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John Adams Middle School student wins regional academic award

Courtesy photo

STUDENT: A John Adams Middle School eighth-grader has been named a regional recipient of the Marian Huhn Memorial Award, presented by the California Junior Scholarship Federation. Steven Hernandez was selected from the CJSF South Central Region, which covers students from Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, as well as parts of Kern and Inyo counties. The award recognizes outstanding student members who demonstrate a commitment to scholarship, leadership and service. Hernandez received a \$250 award, a certificate and a commemorative medal during an April 18 ceremony at El Segundo High School.



"I was really excited to win the CJSF Marian Huhn Award," Hernandez said. "I honestly didn't expect it and was pretty surprised to be chosen, especially since all the other students were so strong, too. My family came and they were really proud of me, and having my counselor there to support me meant a lot. I'm still kind of taking it all in, but I feel really grateful and happy about the whole experience."

JAMS Principal Martha Chacón praised Hernandez for his achievement.

"Steven exemplifies the very best of our school community," Chacón said. "We are incredibly proud of his achievement and the hard work, integrity and commitment that led to this recognition."

Santa Monica police seek information in nanny child abuse case

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica police detectives are investigating a suspected child abuse case involving an infant allegedly harmed by a Simi Valley woman who was employed as the child's nanny, authorities said this week.

Carolina Cobian, 65, was arrested April 15 and booked at the Santa Monica Jail on felony child abuse charges. She was later released on bail.

Detectives first responded to a Los Angeles-area hospital April 7 in connection with the suspected abuse. During the investigation, detectives determined the infant had

allegedly been physically abused by Cobian while she was working as the child's caregiver.

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office filed one felony count of child endangerment under Penal Code 273a(a) on April 24. Cobian is scheduled to be arraigned

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A hidden crisis is coming for Santa Monica's seniors - and Sacramento holds the solution

! The California Department of Aging is proposing a change to the formula that determines funding for aging services that will result in a **17% REDUCTION TO ANNUAL FUNDING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY**, putting essential services for older adults at serious risk.




GROWTH IS CONCENTRATED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
The population of older adults grew by **92,000** in one year - more than any other county in California.

1.49 MILLION adults aged 60+ currently live in Los Angeles County.

ESSENTIAL SERVICES AT RISK
Meals, senior centers, transportation, case management, caregiver support and more.

THE NEW FUNDING FORMULA PUTS LOS ANGELES SENIORS AT RISK

It misses the mark by prioritizing geography and reducing the focus on key indicators of vulnerability like:

	CURRENT FORMULA	PROPOSED FORMULA
 Low income older adults at or above 200% of FPL	35%	20%
 Older adults aged 75+	15%	0%
 Older adults living alone	7%	0%

WE URGE THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING TO:

- 1**

Pause implementation until meaningful engagement occurs.
- 2**

Provide full transparency into the data & methodology used.
- 3**

Demonstrate with clear evidence how changes will avoid harm to high-need counties, like LA County.
- 4**

Revise the funding formula to ensure it does not result in a loss of resources for LA and similar counties.
- 5**


Request ongoing state funding to offset any losses that may occur due to changes in the formula.

SUBMIT A PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

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Public Hearing Comment IFF Proposal

DEADLINE
May 12, 2026 @ 5 p.m.



\$ Funding must follow need - not geography.

Courtesy image

SENIOR: Proposed changes to funding could be dangerous for seniors.

On many mornings in Santa Monica, a volunteer driver from Meals on Wheels West loads up a warm meal and heads out to a homebound neighbor who may not see another person that day. Across town, a care manager at Wise & Healthy Aging checks in on a frail elder navigating a complex medical system alone, connects a family caregiver to support before they burn out, or ensures a senior at a neighborhood center has somewhere to go. These are not luxury services. They are the infrastructure that allows older adults to remain in their homes, their communities, and maintain their dignity. And now they are under threat.

The California Department of Aging is proposing changes to the Older Americans Act (OAA) Intrastate Funding Formula (IFF) - the mechanism that determines how federal aging services dollars are distributed to local programs. The proposed formula would result in a 17% reduction in annual funding for Los Angeles County. That is not an abstraction. It means nearly 396,000 fewer meals served each year, including more than 209,000 fewer home-delivered meals

and over 185,000 fewer congregate meals at senior centers. It means reduced access to case management, caregiver support, elder abuse prevention services and more— the full network of services that keep seniors safe, connected, and out of far more costly care settings.

At Meals on Wheels West, the organization is already at a breaking point. In November 2025, we established a waitlist for the first time - and nearly 70 aging neighbors are currently waiting for a meal slot with no opening in sight. Our 2025 data reflect who is waiting: 93% of our clients have low incomes, four out of five live alone, and 88% say home-delivered meals are the direct reason they can remain in their own homes rather than entering far costlier assisted living or care facilities.

At Wise & Healthy Aging, this change would strike at the heart of services that many older adults depend on to live safely, independently, and with dignity. It could weaken case management programs that help seniors remain in their

GUEST COMMENTARY

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Housing-averse Coastal Commission gets wings clipped in two key lawsuit losses

California has had a Coastal Commission for more than a half-century, beginning with a 1972 ballot measure whose advocates played on Californians' fears about losing access to popular beaches and who cited the sprawling Sea Ranch development along the Sonoma County coast as an example.

The measure gave the commission a four-year tenure. A few years later, then-Gov. Jerry Brown and the Legislature made it a permanent fixture of state government, with 12 appointed members. The agency gained broad powers to oversee what happens in a legally defined "coastal zone" that often stretches several miles inland from the Pacific coast.

Its members, all political appointees, would come and go, but the real power was vested in one man, Peter M. Douglas, a former legislative staffer and the principal author of both the ballot measure and the subsequent legislation. He was the commission's executive director for 26 years.

Douglas, who died in 2012, made no secret of his belief that the commission should expand its protective mission as broadly as the law and the courts would permit. He viewed the commission as superseding all other state and local land use regulations, thus having the last word on anything substantial in the 1,000-mile-long coastal zone.

That assumption had two consequences: bitter opposition from local governments and developers about having to bow to Douglas and a substratum of influence-peddling and corruption.

The commission's decrees have immense financial impact. Parties with pending cases often hired specialized lobbyists who — given high enough fees — could steer their clients through the often tortuous approval process.

That subculture was exposed in the early 1990s when Commissioner Mark Nathanson admitted to soliciting bribes for building permits, including those of several well-known movie industry figures. Nathanson, a Beverly Hills real estate broker, was sentenced to four years and nine months in federal prison.

In recent years, the Coastal Commission's bias against development

in the coastal zone, even in sections far inland from the coast, clashed with efforts in the Capitol to remove barriers to new housing. Some housing streamlining legislation gingerly sought to make the commission more housing friendly, but the Coastal Commission clung to its assumption of being the final authority.

Last month, the state Supreme Court unanimously rejected that assumption, declaring that the commission could not intercede on a project that a local government had approved in compliance with its overall coastal development plan.

The commission had tried to block a three-house project near Los Osos in San Luis Obispo County.

The court's decision, written by Chief Justice Patricia Guerrero, declared that "both local and state goals are important, and neither the county nor the commission, as local and state entities respectively, should have greater deference."

By happenstance, the Supreme Court ruling was issued just as the commission was also having its wings clipped in a lawsuit filed by electric car and space rocket tycoon Elon Musk.

In October 2024, the commission denied an application by Musk's Space X to increase the number of Falcon 9 launches from Vandenberg Space Base. Several commission members cited Musk's close ties with Donald Trump, who was elected president for the second time a month later.

Caryl Hart, who chaired the commission at the time, said Musk "aggressively injected himself into the presidential race and made it clear what his point of view is."

Musk sued, contending — accurately — that the rejection was political retaliation. Last month, the commission surrendered, apologized to Musk and promised that it "will not take into account the perceived political beliefs, political speech or labor practices of SpaceX or its officers in considering any regulatory action concerning SpaceX."

The two cases bring the Coastal Commission's half-century assumption of almost limitless power down to earth.

Dan Walters, CalMatters Opinion Columnist



Surf report WATER TEMP: 61.9

FRIDAY | **SURF:** 1-2ft
POOR TO FAIR | Knee to thigh

Another day of weak but rideable surf. Lightest winds in the AM. Just a minor mix of SSW and NW swell expected. Some small NW windswell could pulse up some and help the cause for a few breaks. Light morning winds look to continue.

SATURDAY | **SURF:** 2-3ft+
FAIR | Thigh to stomach

Long period SPAC swell creeping in through the day and NW swell mix is up from late week. Should be enough action to warrant a look. Long period SW/SSW swell will be slowly creeping up through the day. There's also a couple of different NW pulses in the water - shorter period NW picks up overnight and some longer period NW swell blends in on occasion (but will be pretty small for North LA). Wind looks light through the morning so there should be a few options as the early high tide drops out.

Weather

Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 70.
Friday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 58. West southwest wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.
Saturday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 72.
Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

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2026/05/08	Fri	01:05 AM	4.30 H
2026/05/08	Fri	09:38 AM	0.38 L
2026/05/08	Fri	5:47 PM	3.25 H
2026/05/08	Fri	8:26 PM	3.15 L
2026/05/09	Sat	02:26 AM	3.98 H
2026/05/09	Sat	10:37 AM	0.42 L
2026/05/09	Sat	6:03 PM	3.57 H
2026/05/09	Sat	10:54 PM	2.82 L
2026/05/10	Sun	04:03 AM	3.80 H
2026/05/10	Sun	11:23 AM	0.45 L
2026/05/10	Sun	6:21 PM	3.96 H
2026/05/11	Mon	12:02 AM	2.19 L
2026/05/11	Mon	05:24 AM	3.77 H
2026/05/11	Mon	12:01 PM	0.52 L

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May 28 at the Airport Courthouse.

The victim was evaluated by medical personnel and sustained no life-threatening injuries. The child is no longer in Cobian's care.

Because the case involves a minor and remains under investigation, the Santa Monica Police Department said it is limiting the release of additional details to protect the

child's privacy and preserve the integrity of the investigation.

Investigators are seeking to determine whether there are additional victims or witnesses. Anyone with information, or any family who previously employed Cobian and has concerns about their child's care, is asked to contact Detective Lizette Hardgrave at Lizette.Hardgrave@santamonica.gov or Detective Sgt. George Burciaga at George.Burciaga@santamonica.gov.

GUEST COMMENTARY

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own homes rather than face unnecessary institutionalization. It could undermine elder abuse prevention efforts that alert older adults to emerging scams and give them the tools to protect themselves from exploitation, fraud, and harm. It may also jeopardize access to the WISE Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, a vital lifeline for residents in skilled nursing and assisted living facilities—one that investigates complaints, stands up for vulnerable residents, and helps protect their most basic civil rights in settings where they are too often unheard.

The formula change is not a neutral technical adjustment. The proposed revisions reduce the weighting for low-income older adults from 35% to 20% and eliminate weighting entirely for adults aged 75 and older and for those living alone. These are not incidental data points. They are the strongest predictors of vulnerability: the seniors most likely to need home-delivered meals, senior center access, care coordination, and crisis intervention. In their place, the formula increases emphasis on geography and broad population percentages, treating a 5% increase in a county of a few thousand as equivalent to a 4% increase in a county of over one million older adults. Los Angeles County added 92,000 older adults in a single year, more than any other county in California. The formula, as proposed, would not follow that growth.

Los Angeles County is home to 1.49 million adults aged 60 and older, and nearly 40% of them struggle to meet basic needs. The cost of serving seniors in a dense, high-cost urban region like ours is real and rising. Food, fuel, and labor costs continue to climb. The ombudsman who advocates for a nursing home resident, the case manager who prevents a hospitalization, the congregate meal site that keeps a senior from disappearing into isolation and missing maybe the only meal they will have that day - none of these are cheap to operate, and none of them are reflected in a formula that prioritizes square miles over seniors.

Once implemented, the funding formula will be extremely difficult to reverse. Programs will cut delivery routes and reduce operating hours. Senior centers will serve fewer meals. Waitlists will grow. Family caregivers will lose access to support before they reach a breaking point. And these costs will eventually surface elsewhere: in emergency rooms, in nursing facilities, in the quiet decline of older adults who lost their connection to services before anyone noticed.

Together, our organizations are calling on the California Department of Aging to pause implementation, release the full methodology and data behind the formula, and revise the IFF to account for the true cost of serving seniors - including regional expenses, waitlist demand, and the vulnerability indicators the current proposal discards. We also support a state budget augmentation to ensure no program or senior loses services in the transition.

If you are a Santa Monica resident, a family member of an aging resident, or simply someone who believes this community takes care of its own - please act before the window closes. Submit a public comment to the California Department of Aging at CA2030@aging.ca.gov with the subject line "Public Hearing Comment IFF Proposal" before Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 5 p.m. Pacific Time. (Please note that City of Santa Monica administered grant programs are not affected by changes to the IFF).

Funding must follow need - not geography.

Kaylee Hawkins is Executive Director of Meals on Wheels West. Molly Davies is President and CEO of Wise & Healthy Aging. Both organizations serve older adults in Santa Monica and the surrounding Westside community.

Submit comments: CA2030@aging.ca.gov | Subject: "Public Hearing Comment IFF Proposal" | Deadline: May 12, 2026 at 5 p.m.

By Kaylee Hawkins, MIS, Executive Director, Meals on Wheels West and Molly Davies, LCSW, President & CEO, Wise & Healthy Aging



Crossroads Kids for Kololo Club rallies for Ethiopian school meal program



Courtesy image

CHARITY: Crossroads' Kids for Kololo hosts charity concert Saturday at noon to fund meals for students in Ethiopia.

ARABELLA JOAQUIN

Daily Press Intern

A student-run club at Crossroads School is inviting the Santa Monica community to its second annual charity concert Saturday at noon at 665 Walther Way.

Kids for Kololo has raised \$11,000 toward its \$15,000 goal, with all proceeds going to fund the meal program at Kololo School in Kembata, Ethiopia — an institution that

“

The Santa Monica community has always been super welcoming and supportive of our work

- Melese Light-Orr, Founder of the club

”

provides most of its students with their only daily meal.

“The Santa Monica community has always

been super welcoming and supportive of our work,” said Melese Light-Orr, Founder of the club. “We’d love to have that continue in the future.”

In March, a team of 14 physicians from Addis Ababa conducted health screenings at the school and found that more than 50% of students showed signs of malnutrition.

“They eat rice and beans, and that’s the children’s only meal the entire day,” Light-Orr said. “If students don’t have the meal program, or if they don’t get to go to school, they might end up having to do a full day of work on their family’s farm in Kololo, and they don’t get to have an actual meal that whole day — and that’s a kid.”

Club co-presidents Light-Orr and Shiv Munjal said this year’s fundraising efforts aim not only to preserve the lunch program but eventually expand it to include more nutritious options such as bread and greens.

The event, billed as “Shine A Light,” marks the second year of the annual fundraiser. Last year’s concert raised more than \$20,000, which organizers said is being used to bring electricity to the school and to families in Kololo for the first time.

This year’s concert will open with a traditional Ethiopian coffee ceremony before live performances from nine student acts spanning jazz, blues, rock and pop, including The Bonkers, Jet Lag, Sound Roads and Crossroads Jazz 4. Participating musicians also include students from New Roads and Geffen Academy, which the club said reflects its goal of inspiring other schools to join the effort.

“Most of the students involved in this club live in Santa Monica,” Munjal said. “The community has been so embracing of our cause, and we’re very grateful for everybody who has helped us throughout all this.”

Tickets and donations are available at <https://givebutter.com/shine-a-light-ii-a-concert-for-kololo-ta05zr/meleselightorr3>.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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RAND Evaluation Finds JCOD's Breaking Barriers Program Advances Housing Stability for Justice-Involved Individuals

A new RAND Corporation evaluation found that the Los Angeles County Justice, Care and Opportunities Department's Breaking Barriers program is making measurable progress in helping justice-involved individuals and families secure and maintain housing while building long-term stability through coordinated housing and employment support.

The evaluation found that 83% of participants receiving housing subsidies remained housed after one year, exceeding the program's 12-month retention target. Of the 460 participants evaluated, 56% received subsidies and successfully secured housing through the program.

Breaking Barriers is a rapid rehousing and supportive services initiative for justice-involved individuals and families experiencing or at risk of homelessness. The program integrates rental subsidies, case management, housing navigation, employment services and flexible financial assistance to support long-term independence.

"The RAND evaluation confirms what we see every day — when people have stable housing, consistent coordinated support, structure, and access to living-wage employment, they generally commit to the provided opportunities and rebuild their lives," said JCOD Director Judge Songhai Armstead, who is retired. "Breaking Barriers is one of the ways we reflect our commitment to investing in solutions that create lasting stability and help people return home with dignity and a path to thrive."

Among participants who received housing subsidies and exited the program, 61% achieved positive outcomes such as assuming their own rent, transitioning to Section 8 housing or securing other permanent housing. Negative exits, including incarceration, shelter stays or returns to homelessness, accounted for 12% of exits among housed participants.

Only 8% of all program exits were due to reincarceration, regardless of housing status. RAND noted that higher levels of engagement with program staff were associated with increased likelihood of obtaining housing, longer housing retention and reduced risk of early exit due to incarceration.

Breaking Barriers met or exceeded most process benchmarks established by the California Board of State and Community Corrections, including targets related to referrals, case management, employment placements, housing applications and rental assistance.

The program is jointly operated by Brilliant Corners and Chrysalis. Brilliant Corners delivers rental subsidies, case management and housing services, while Chrysalis provides employment services such as job readiness training, career planning and transitional employment.

"Breaking Barriers was established to address the significant barriers people exiting justice settings face in accessing housing and employment," said William F. Pickel, CEO of Brilliant Corners. "The findings from this evaluation confirm why this program is such a vital resource."

Mark Loranger, president and CEO of Chrysalis, said housing and employment work together to drive results. "Stable housing creates the foundation, but employment is what allows people to sustain that stability over time," he said.

Funding comes from the California Board of State and Community Corrections and JCOD through the Care First Community Investment initiative. RAND researchers evaluated the program from March 2023 through December 2025 using administrative data and interviews with staff and participants. The report notes findings are associational rather than causal.

The full evaluation is available at jcod.lacounty.gov/program/breaking-barriers. For more information about JCOD programs, visit jcod.lacounty.gov.

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STUDY: RAND study finds LA County's Breaking Barriers program effectively helps justice-involved individuals secure housing.



SANTA MONICA
LANDMARKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MONICA CITY HALL

DATE/TIME: Monday, May 11, 2026, 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 250

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Report from Landmarks Commission Subcommittee in dialogue with the property owner of 1626 California Avenue and possible vote to extend the required 180-day time period to a duration not to exceed a 360-day time period or to conclude negotiation period pursuant to SMMC § 9.56.150(c).

Report from Landmarks Commission Subcommittee in dialogue with the property owner of 1125 18th Street and possible vote to extend the required 180-day time period to a duration not to exceed a 360-day time period or to conclude negotiation period pursuant to SMMC § 9.56.150(c).

More information is available online at <https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Landmarks-Commission/> (en Espanol tambien at (310) 458-2201 ext. 2431#).

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give written public comment shall email comments to planningcomment@santamonica.gov. Comments received **prior to 12 p.m.** on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Architectural Review Board prior to the meeting and posted online. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

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Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

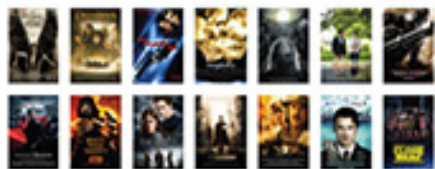
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ESPAÑOL: Esto es una noticia pública para revisar aplicaciones proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si desea más información, favor de llamar a Ana Fernandez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-2201 ext. 2431 o envíe un correo electrónico a ana.fernandez@santamonica.gov

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Santa Monica boy found safe after father allegedly takes him in custody dispute

MATTHEW HALL

Daily Press Editor

A 7-year-old Santa Monica boy reported missing this week after being seen leaving with his father has been found safe, police said.

King Darius Lozada was located Tuesday in Hawthorne by Santa Monica Police Department detectives, who took his father, Darius Clay Jackson, 55, into custody without incident. King was unharmed and reunited with his family.

Investigators say the incident stemmed from a child custody dispute between King's

mother and Jackson.

King had last been seen at approximately 6:50 p.m. on May 4 traveling northbound in an alley near Arizona Avenue and Berkeley Street, either on foot or on a black electric scooter.

The Santa Monica Police Department thanked the community, law enforcement partners and everyone who shared information and remained alert while officers worked to locate the boy. No further information is being released at this time.

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ROY

FROM PAGE 1

practical leadership, people want results. They want to know their family can afford to live here, that they can see a doctor when they need one, and that government is focused on solving problems instead of performing politics," said Roy.

As Chair of the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees, Roy has also helped guide one of the region's most important public institutions, overseeing issues tied to student opportunity, workforce readiness, fiscal stewardship and community partnerships. Supporters say the role reflects an ability to balance budgets, build consensus and deliver results, experience directly transferable to Sacramento. "Community colleges remain one of California's strongest engines of upward mobility," Roy said. "They create pathways to careers, retraining and economic security, and they deserve leaders who understand their importance."

Roy's candidacy arrives at a moment when California faces rising affordability concerns and growing anxiety around access to care. He argues that one of his clearest points of differentiation is his medical background, particularly as relatively few physicians currently serve in the Legislature.

He said Sacramento needs leaders who understand how policy decisions ripple through emergency rooms, safety net hospitals, private insurance markets and working families. Roy warned that cuts to public health systems often shift costs elsewhere, ultimately raising burdens on taxpayers and those already paying for private coverage. "Health care is not an abstract policy debate for me," Roy said. "I see every day what happens when families delay care, when hospitals are strained, and when people fall through the cracks. We need lawmakers who understand those realities firsthand."

Roy is also placing wildfire recovery and insurance reform at the center of his campaign, shaped in part by personal experience after losing his home in the Malibu Palisades fire. While running for office, he said he

remains personally committed to rebuilding and navigating the same difficult process many fire impacted families continue to face.

He described the rebuilding process as lengthy and complex, and said California must move faster on permitting, mitigation and policies that encourage insurers to return to high risk markets. "I am not speaking about recovery from a distance," Roy said. "My family is rebuilding too. I understand the frustration, the delays, and the emotional toll. That is exactly why I am committed to fighting for faster solutions and smarter policy."

He has been critical of the limitations many homeowners face under the FAIR Plan structure, arguing that too many families are paying more for less protection. Roy said the state should reward communities that invest in fire hardening and resilience, allowing insurers to better factor mitigation efforts into their risk models.

On housing, Roy said the answer cannot be one size fits all. He supports solutions tailored to the character and risks of individual communities, noting that density strategies appropriate in urban corridors may not be right for high fire severity zones. That localized approach extends to the economy. Roy said Democrats must reconnect with small business owners and create conditions for neighborhood restaurants, retailers and entrepreneurs to thrive amid inflationary pressures and global uncertainty.

Supporters say Roy brings a rare blend of medical expertise, civic leadership and cross-regional relationships across Santa Monica, Malibu and the South Bay. He has also secured backing from the California Democratic Party, a sign that his campaign is being taken seriously early in the race.

For Roy, communities want leaders who can diagnose problems honestly, bring people together and deliver treatment plans that work. In a season of loud politics, he is betting that competence may be the most powerful message of all.

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**CITY OF SANTA MONICA
NOTICE INVITING BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Contractors to complete and submit sealed bids for the:

**Wilshire Boulevard Safety Improvement Project Phase 2B
SP2709-CT**

Bids will only be accepted through the CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL, OpenGov or <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. They must be received by the specified date and time. Late bids will not be accepted. Please allow sufficient time for uploading of documents. The bid opening will be electronic, all submitted bids will be viewable by the public via OpenGov immediately after bid close time.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: N/A

**PROJECT ESTIMATE: Base Bid - \$7,300,000 | Alternate Bid - \$60,000
CONTRACT DAYS: 460 Calendar Days
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: \$6,700 Per Calendar Day**

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>. The Contractor is required to have an Class A General Engineering Contractor license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Bids.

Pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under this Contract.



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**Pier Below Deck Fire Sprinkler Replacement Project-Phase 3
SP2756**

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MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: Attendance at one of the two site walks is mandatory

**Pier Carousel Buidling
200 Santa Monica Pier Santa Monica, CA 90401**

**Job Walk 1: May 7, 2026 at 9:00am
Job Walk 2: May, 12, 20926 at 8:30am**

**PROJECT ESTIMATE: \$4,000,000
CONTRACT DAYS: 270 Calendar Days
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: \$5,200 Per Calendar Day**

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FIND THE WORDS

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 15 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Airport departures

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Whatever your game, this is your Year of the Hot Streak. In the month to come, you rack up wins, and how they add up. Something you've wanted for a long time will be yours by next season. More highlights: Love treats and challenges you in equal measure, inspiring you to become a powerful version of yourself. You'll move with the pros you once envied. You'll be paid to invent, innovate and create. Leo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 10, 4, 39 and 15.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A physical practice demands your focus. Dance, lifting, yoga, boxing - all help you to learn your body as an instrument. Mastery of movement translates into a felt sense of capability that carries into everything else.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You enjoy appearances as part of the experience. Style, presentation, the vibe of things - the surface isn't trivial. It's part of how you read and enjoy the world. Others will appreciate your effort to make it beautiful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Today gives you a theme to act out deliberately. Maybe you're decisive, curious or generous - and it's very natural for you to be any one of these things, but playing with an identity deliberately highlights the qualities to powerful, magical effect.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll teach something you know and find that you're learning as you share with someone else. Explaining clarifies your own understanding and reveals the depth of your knowledge. Teaching turns competence into something visible and shared.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll get excellent reviews and word of mouth referrals. Your secret? What you do is worth talking about. You make a difference in people's lives, and that's something they will always want to share, though they may still need to be prompted.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Just because you think something doesn't mean it came from you. We are constantly being influenced by our environment and other people, even when we don't notice it. Especially when we don't notice it. Test your thoughts. Take them to inquiry.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Use deadlines as anchors. Even flexible tasks benefit from a target. Dates create movement and help you decide what matters first. Without them, items drift, compete for attention and linger longer than they need to in your mental space.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Today is run by a list. Maybe it's in your head, but if it's written in a note, even better. Everything you cross off gives you a realistic idea about how long things take and what you can comfortably handle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll look back on this day and notice how much you carried, and created anyway. You're so alive, curious and perceptive. You're open. Even to the obstacles. And when life doesn't reciprocate fairly, you still choose not to harden.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Not everyone is on the same page. Most aren't even in the same book. Avoid making assumptions about people today. Common ground may be there, but you'll have to get to know them a bit to find it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You might be surprised by the emotions that come up, especially in situations that look ordinary and understandable. It's mostly what gets said. Today, certain words are like keys that open doors you didn't even know were locked.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Ask three people what they rely on you for. You're not looking for compliments, but for the functions and strengths you overlook. Integrating those reflections expands your self-concept and gives you firmer ground to stand on.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Newsday Crossword

THINK SHARP by Jay Silverman
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS

- 1 Royal flush card
- 5 Flatter, with "up"
- 11 Trip planner's concern
- 12 All fired up
- 14 Person in a pool
- 15 It doesn't react very well
- 17 Italian's eight
- 18 Alphabet excerpt
- 20 Eat well
- 21 Xbox alternative
- 22 Capital of Yemen
- 23 Boil
- 24 Deeply felt
- 26 Was in knots
- 29 What caddies hold
- 30 Young cliff dweller
- 32 Sweetheart
- 33 Sit back and relax
- 34 The theme today, the eight answers around the perimeter
- 37 Guitar tuners
- 40 Forest female
- 41 To ensure
- 45 Small fraction of 17-Across
- 46 It's next to iota
- 48 It's next to iota
- 49 *Survivor* descriptor
- 51 Fire sign
- 53 Knock off
- 54 Skin care product
- 55 Soup served in Little Saigons
- 56 Word on modern business cards
- 57 What many meditate

DOWN

- 1 Taking down
- 2 "Spontaneous" starter
- 3 Silicon Valley exec
- 4 Killarney's county
- 5 Enticement
- 6 What often holds 29-Across
- 7 Low digit
- 8 Grass-covered
- 9 E in the NYSE'S EL
- 10 Meet at the river
- 11 Pupil's neighbor
- 13 Zips away
- 14 Maryland suburb of DC
- 16 Swordfish serving
- 19 Current outlet
- 22 Mockingbird cousin
- 23 Ships off
- 25 Reindeer relatives
- 27 Sound from 22-Down
- 28 Earth agitator
- 31 What some waves are
- 33 March girl
- 35 Dandy dresser
- 36 Black-clad subculture
- 37 Metaphor for the
- easily influenced
- 38 Establish securely
- 39 Question heard in elevators
- 42 Call to Rover
- 43 Spots to scuba
- 44 Set aside for later
- 46 Fate-ful
- 47 Joyful noise
- 50 Bingo kin
- 52 One of the first recorded
- bandleaders (1890)
- 55 11th-grade challenge
- 56 Laid back
- 58 Seek enlightenment
- 59 Curtain holder
- 61 Title Hawking turned down

Sudoku

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

1	9	8	4	3	7	5	2	6
5	2	3	1	6	8	7	4	9
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2	5	1	9	8	6	4	3	7
6	4	7	3	2	5	9	8	1
3	7	6	8	5	4	1	9	2
9	8	5	2	1	3	6	7	4
4	1	2	6	7	9	8	5	3

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.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2025203272. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GAGT METHOD PILATES, 740 E 108TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90059, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): GAGT METHOD PILATES LLC, 740 E 108TH ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90059. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ GLORIA GONZALEZ-TINAJERO, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/24/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 05/01/2026, 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026057068. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: WATTWORKING, 1538 STANFORD ST. 11, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): WATTNEWZ LLC, 1538 STANFORD ST. 11, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ DAVID HUTCHINSON, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 03/13/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026, 05/29/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026095054. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LA DIPERIE SANTA MONICA, 2441 MAIN ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): JEA DIPS LLC, 2742 KELTON AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90064. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ JONATHAN GHODDOUSSI, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 04/30/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026, 05/29/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026096838. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EXECUTIVE TRAINING, 826 5TH ST APT 3, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403, County of Los Angeles. Al #ON 201332610014. Registered Owner(s): ANNCOS CONSULTING LLC, 11559 CANTLAY ST, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA 90403. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ ANNA TERZYAN, MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 05/01/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 05/08/2026, 05/15/2026, 05/22/2026, 05/29/2026

HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00am - 5:00pm
LOCATION 2219A Main St Santa Monica, CA 90405



FRIDAY | MAY 8

LA COUNTY REGISTRAR AT PRC - REGISTER TO VOTE

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Palisades Recovery Coalition - Community Center 15233 La Cruz Dr Pacific Palisades. Stop in to ask. How temporary displacement affects voter registration. Whether you need to re-register to Vote. How can you ensure your voter registration is up to date? you can also check registration at, and change it if it is wrong at all info at. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/la-county-registrar-at-prc-register-to-vote/18461162/2026-05-08T10>

VENICE FAMILY CLINIC ART EXHIBITION + AUCTION

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Venice Family Clinic Art Exhibition + Auction Gallery 910 Abbot Kinney Blvd Venice. This year's exhibition celebrates the depth and diversity of Los Angeles creative community across generations. From influential pioneers to bold emerging voices, we honor the past, spotlight the present, and champion the future, all in support of the Clinic's mission. We are proud to feature a compelling selection. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/venice-family-clinic-art-exhibition-auction/18616281/2026-05-08T11>

SANTA MONICA INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL

1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Broad Stage Theater 1310 11th St Santa Monica. The inaugural festival, led by visionary jazz legend Stanley Clarke and produced by BroadStage, SM Festivals, and The City of Santa Monica, celebrates 100 years of John Coltrane, 100 years of Miles Davis and 100 Years of Route 66. Hiromi's Sonicwonder on May 1 is a pre-Festival kickoff concert with pianist Hiromi at Orpheum Theatre. Sunday on the Promenade on May 3 features free performances on the Third Street Promenade beginning at 1 p.m. Tribute to John Coltrane at BroadStage on May 8 at 7 p.m. Festival ends with a full-day celebration at Tongva Park on May 9 headlined by double Grammy winner Kamasi Washington. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/santa-monica-international-jazz-festival/18562962/2026-05-08T13>

MADE IN BRASIL: SOLO WORKS

8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Highways, 1651 18th St, Santa Monica. As part of Highways' BEHOLD! A/O/X Series, a new wave of Brazilian artists steps forward with work that refuses to stay in one lane. Across two nights, performers including Leopold Nunan, Bruna Fachetti, Bia Borin, and Renato Fimene bring a mix of monologue, movement, music, and multimedia into sharp, contemporary focus—blurring the line between theatre, performance art, and personal testimony. The pieces move through digital myth, migration, fractured identity, and pop iconography, building a collective portrait of what it means to create, survive, and be seen far from home. What emerges isn't a tidy showcase but a shared presence. A techno-creature searching for itself inside a collapsing system. A woman rewriting her life across continents. A star split between myth and memory. An immigrant artist measuring the distance between who he was and who he's becoming. Guided by multidisciplinary artist Andrea Ferraz and shaped under the artistic vision of acclaimed director Bia Oliveira, the evening threads these works together into something fluid, intimate, and alive. \$25

SATURDAY | MAY 9

JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH CONCERT: THE ÉMIGRÉ SONGBOOK: FROM EXILE TO HOLLYWOOD

11:00 a.m. Main Library, MLK Jr. Auditorium Celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month with a concert-lecture from the Los Angeles Jewish Symphony exploring how exile, adaptation, and cultural exchange helped define the musical identity of Los Angeles and modern America. Featuring composers from Gershwin, Bernstein, and beyond, the program reveals how displacement became one of the most powerful creative forces of the century. Wendy Prober, piano, is a Los Angeles-based soloist and chamber musician who has performed throughout the United States and Israel. A founding member of the award-winning Viklarbo Chamber Ensemble and presenter of the Los Angeles SPaCE Salon, she has appeared as a soloist with numerous Southern California orchestras and is Principal Pianist of the Malibu Coast Silent Film Orchestra, with performances at venues including Hearst Castle, the Eastman School of Music, and LA's Grand Performances, and broadcasts on Turner Classic Movies.

CLASSICS BOOK GROUP

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Zoom. This community-led, monthly book discussion group meets virtually at 11 a.m. on the second Saturday of the month. The group discusses classic fiction titles. For Zoom link, email library@santamonica.gov.

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS AT MAIN LIBRARY

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Main Library, Central Courtyard The Main Library has been a central hub for learning and connection in Santa Monica since 2006. Celebrate its milestone 20th birthday with a reception and conversation with John Ruble, founding architect and partner at Moore Ruble Yudell, and Kenneth Breisch, former Library Board member, architectural historian, and Associate Professor Emeritus at the University of Southern California. Both were involved in the planning and building of the Main Library. The panel will share stories, talk about the evolving needs of public library spaces, and explore what the future holds for Main and Santa Monica Public Library. Co-produced with the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library and Library Board.

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