

Community Grants Workshops Announced

Port seeking public's guidance on funding priorities for next three years

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The Port of Long Beach is hosting two public workshops to help determine the 2024-26 priorities for the Community Grants Program, a landmark effort to lessen the effects of port operations on the surrounding area.

- An in-person workshop will be held from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2 at Dana Neighborhood Library, 3680 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach, 90807. To RSVP, email grants@polb.com.
- The second workshop will be virtual from 4-5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7. Register at <https://ow.ly/gKyq50Q6tr7>.



Attendees will learn about and offer input regarding the Port's plans to disburse Community Grant Program funding in three areas: community health, facility improvement and community infrastructure. Potential grant applicants are encouraged to attend. Spanish translation is available upon request. A request for translation should be provided to jennifer.williams@polb.com at least 72 hours in advance.

The [award-winning Community Grants Program](#) is a more than \$46 million effort to fund projects that help those in the community who are most vulnerable to port-related environmental impacts. These projects are [expanding asthma services](#), controlling stormwater runoff through [the building of permeable parking lots](#), and [creating open space buffers](#) between port operations and communities, to name a few. Combined with a previous program started in 2009, the Port of Long Beach has set aside more than \$65 million, making it the largest voluntary port mitigation initiative in the country. To date, \$38.8 million has been committed.

Learn more about the Community Grants Program at www.polb.com/grants.

Can't attend a workshop but have comments or questions about the grants program? Fill out our online survey which will be available at www.polb.com/grants on Nov. 27.

The Port of Long Beach is a global leader in green port initiatives and top-notch customer service, moving cargo with reliability, speed and efficiency. As the premier U.S. gateway for trans-Pacific trade, the Port handles trade valued at \$200 billion annually and supports 2.6 million jobs across

the United States, including 575,000 in Southern California. In 2023, industry leaders named it “The Best West Coast Seaport in North America” for the fifth consecutive year. During the next 10 years, the Port is planning \$2.2 billion in capital improvements aimed at enhancing capacity, competitiveness and sustainability.

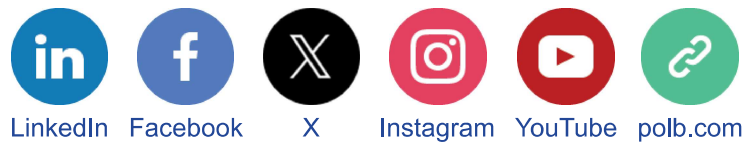
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Photo caption: The Port of Long Beach has committed \$65 million to the Community Grants Program, which aims to improve the health of children, seniors and other vulnerable populations who live near the harbor. Projects funded have included landscaping at Lincoln Park adjacent to the Long Beach Civic Center.

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