

# ENCINO COMMONS NEWS

The Valley's Miracle Mile

## HANGING FLOWER BASKET REPLACEMENT PROJECT



The original, artificial hanging flower baskets have begun to show their age and the BID is exploring replacement options. After meeting with a few landscape architects, the BID has decided to try 2 sample baskets with various succulents that will require very little water. If these are successful, it will be a tremendous cost savings in the future and still create a warm, inviting ambience.

## COMMUNITY UPDATES

- The City of LA is moving forward with efforts to make the Al Fresco Outdoor Dining Program permanent. The first step is to allow this to remain on private property. A Virtual Public Hearing will be held on February 8, 2023 from 6-8 pm. The next phase, if approved, will allow outdoor dining in the public right-of-way. Learn more: <https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/outdoor-dining>
- Several open houses were recently held for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project. For more information, please visit: <https://www.metro.net/projects/sepulvedacorridor/>

## NEW CD4 FIELD DEPUTY

ITZEL SANCHEZ JOINS CD4 WITH VAST EXPERIENCE IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZING, SPECIFICALLY SURROUNDING TOPICS SUCH AS MENTAL HEALTH, IMMIGRATION, AND FOOD INSECURITY. ITZEL RECEIVED HER BACHELORS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION FROM LOYOLA MARYMOUNT AND IS A NATIVE TO KOREATOWN/PICO-UNION. RECENTLY SHE SERVED AS A FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR COMPTON FOR CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLYMEMBER GIPSON. HER DESIRE TO WORK IN PUBLIC SERVICE STARTED SHORTLY AFTER THE PANDEMIC BEGAN, WHEN SHE DECIDED SHE HAD TO BECOME AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT AND HELP OTHERS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH HER! EMAIL [ITZEL.SANCHEZ@LACITY.ORG](mailto:ITZEL.SANCHEZ@LACITY.ORG)



## NEW GRANT OPPORTUNITY!

LA County's Department of Economic Opportunity offers more than \$54 million in grants to the business and nonprofit community.

Potential grantees may be awarded between \$2,500 and \$25,000. Phase 1 began on January 25<sup>th</sup> and will run through February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

Larger grants for small businesses and nonprofits will be available in Phase 2, opening in late February 2023. Microbusinesses may apply now!

For more information visit their website: <https://tinyurl.com/LAsmallbizgrant>

**ENCINO COMMONS BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER**  
*Contact us any time with questions, suggestions or concerns*

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## MAINTENANCE INFORMATION

Rite-Off Steamers is the BID's sidewalk pressure washing vendor and cleans the entire district quarterly. Please let us know what you think of their services.

J&B Landscaping continues to maintain the medians, planters, trees, and trash receptacles. If you see anything within the BID boundaries that is unsatisfactory or looks to be in poor condition, please contact the BID office at (818) 780-9100 or email us at [susan@labids.org](mailto:susan@labids.org).



## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

In our efforts to keep the Encino Commons Business Improvement District the wonderful place it has become, we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with these useful phone numbers so that you can help us in fighting graffiti, trash dumping and any other issues that may arise. If there is something you need and the number is not listed here, please call us at (818) 780 – 9100.

Los Angeles Police Department West Valley Community Police Station - (818) 374 – 7611

Los Angeles Fire Department, Fire Station 83 – (866) 4-LACITY

Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation – (800) 773 – 2489

Los Angeles Police Department Tagger's Task Force – (818) 623 – 4071

Graffiti Removal – 311

BID Office – (818) 780-9100

3-1-1 is also a great resource for graffiti removal, bulky item pickup and other general information.