



Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks Measure of 2016

Parks, open space and natural water resources are vital to life here in L.A. These natural areas help make our community a wonderful place to live and protect our quality of life, as we all spend so much time indoors and in our cars.

For over 20 years, our community has relied on local, voter-approved funding to protect and maintain our neighborhood parks, outdoor areas and water resources—and now this funding is expiring. When this funding expires, we could lose the only source of dedicated local funding for our neighborhood parks.

LOCAL BALLOT MEASURE

The County of L.A. has placed the Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks Measure on the November 2016 ballot. The measure, if approved, will provide stable, local funding from an annual parcel tax of 1.5 cents per square foot of building floor area, for our parks and open space including beaches and cultural institutions throughout Los Angeles.

Funding from the measure will:

● **Repair and Upgrade Neighborhood Parks**

Local funding helps to ensure we can upgrade playground equipment, parks, recreation centers and senior centers so they are safe and meet the needs of our community.

● **Keep Kids Safe and Out of Trouble**

Kids in our community need safe places to play and opportunities to participate in after school programs. Safe, clean parks and recreation centers are key to helping keep kids off the streets and out of trouble.

● **Conserve Water**

We are four years into a historic drought, making water conservation critical. The implementation of drought-tolerant plants and use of recycled water and rainwater all help to reduce the amount of water wasted, saving money and protecting our local water resources.

● **Protect Our Last Open Spaces**

Most of the remaining undeveloped open spaces and natural areas in LA County are located next to rivers, creeks, streams and lakes. Our parks help to protect and preserve these undeveloped natural areas for future generations.



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The Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks Measure of 2016 will provide funding for:

- Providing safe places to play
- Protecting clean water resources, including rivers and creeks
- Removing asbestos, mold and lead paint from aging recreation centers
- Reducing gang activity
- Ensuring that drinking water is safe at park and recreation centers
- Protecting clean and safe beaches
- Protecting and preserving parks and natural areas

Learn More

Visit RPOSD.LACounty.gov to read the full text of the Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks Measure and how it will impact parks and open space in our neighborhoods.