

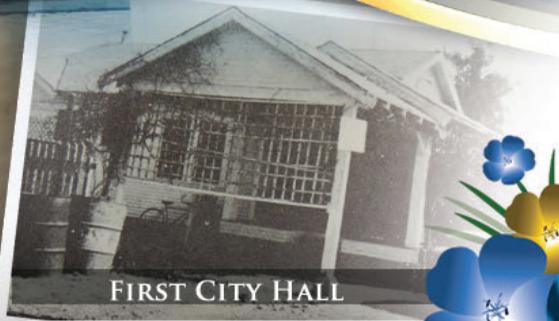
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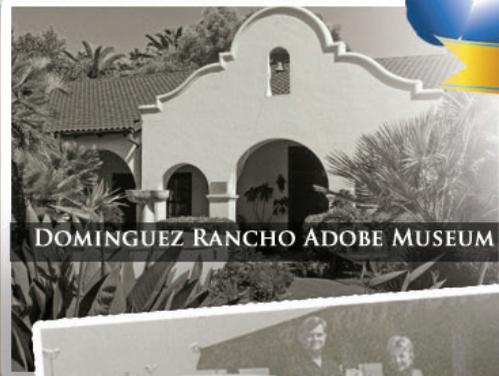
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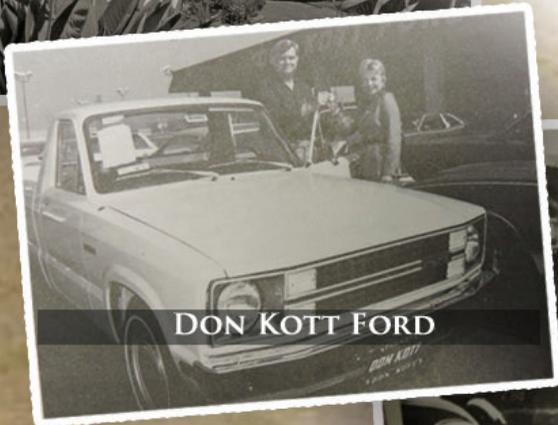
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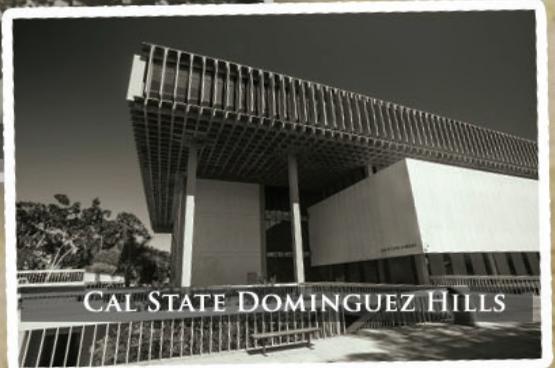
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Police & Fire  
Emergencies 911

Animal Control  
Carson Animal Shelter  
(310) 523-9566

Birth, Death,  
Marriage Records  
County Registrar-Recorder  
(562) 462-2137

Building Permits  
Building & Safety  
(310) 952-1766

Public Transit and  
Dial-A-Ride  
(310) 952-1779  
Hearing Impaired  
(800) 252-9040

Cable Television  
Time Warner Cable  
(888) 892-2253

Chamber of Commerce  
(310) 217-4590

City Hall  
(310) 830-7600

Code Enforcement  
(310) 952-1786

Community Center  
(310) 835-0212

Crime Prevention  
Neighborhood Watch  
(310) 847-7481

Disaster Preparedness  
(310) 952-1700, ext. 1603

Dump Waste  
Management  
(310) 328-0900

Electricity  
Southern California  
Edison Co. (800) 950-2356

Gas  
Southern California  
Gas Co. (800) 427-2200

Graffiti Removal  
Landscape & Buildings  
(310) 847-3500

Hospital  
Harbor General UCLA  
Medical Center  
(310) 222-2345

Jobs  
Career Center  
(310) 952-1762

Libraries  
Carson Regional  
(310) 830-0901  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
(310) 327-4830

Parking Enforcement  
(800) 654-7275

Parks & Recreation  
(310) 847-3570

Post Office  
Main No. (800) 275-8777

Sandbags  
Street Maintenance  
(310) 847-3520

Sewer Clean-up  
(626) 458-4357

Senior Services  
(310) 952-1775

Senior Recreation  
(310) 835-0212

Sidewalk Repair  
Street Maintenance  
(310) 847-3520

Sheriff's Station  
(310) 830-1123

Street Sweeping  
Street Maintenance  
(310) 847-3520

Telephone  
AT&T  
(310) 225-3028

Trash Collection  
Waste Management  
(310) 830-7100

Tree Trimming/  
Street Maintenance  
(310) 847-3520

Water  
California Water Service  
Company (310) 257-1400  
Golden State Water  
Company (800) 999-4033

## Meetings

Meetings are in City Hall and the  
Community Center unless  
otherwise noted, and are open  
to the public.

City Council/Successor Agency  
6 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

Citywide Advisory Commission  
7 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday  
(Only when necessary)

Beautification Commission  
6:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

Economic Development Commission  
8 a.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday  
Community Center

Environmental Commission  
6:30 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

Cultural Arts Commission  
6 p.m., 1<sup>st</sup> Monday  
(only when necessary)

Human Relations Commission  
6:00 p.m., 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

Parks and Recreation Commission  
6:30 p.m., last Thursday

Planning Commission  
6:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Public Relations Commission  
12:00 p.m., 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Public Safety Commission  
6:30 p.m., 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Public Works Commission  
6:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

Senior Citizen Advisory Commission  
4 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

Technology Advancement &  
Innovation Commission  
6:30 p.m., 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

Veterans Affairs Commission  
6 p.m., 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

Women's Issues Commission  
6 p.m., 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

Youth Commission  
7 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

Historical Committee  
6:30 p.m., 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

Utilities Users Tax Citizen's Budget  
Oversight Committee  
(only when necessary)

Mobile Home Park Rental  
Review Board  
6:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays

Relocation Appeals Board  
(only when necessary)

Community Civic Engagement Board  
6:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

Sister Cities Association  
6:30 p.m., 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

## Elected Officials

Mayor  
Albert Robles

Mayor Pro Tem  
Lula Davis-Holmes

Councilmember  
Elito M. Santarina

Councilmember  
Jawane Hilton

Councilmember  
Cedric L. Hicks, Sr.

City Clerk  
Donesia Gause-Aldana

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Website:  
<http://ci.carson.ca.us>

## FRAUD HOTLINE

The City of Carson has established a  
Fraud Hotline to fight fraud and protect  
taxpayer's dollars. The Hotline is an  
option for anyone wishing to anonymously  
report illegal or unethical activity on the part of  
the City, its officials, employees, contractors  
or vendors. The Hotline is open 24 hours a day,  
7 days a week and interpreters are available in  
20 different languages.

Calls placed to the Hotline are confidential  
and handled by a third party vendor. You  
do not have to give your name and your call  
is not recorded through the use of recording  
devices, caller identification equipment or any  
other means.

The City of Carson has taken a pro-active  
step against fraud by establishing the  
Hotline. In the event that you become  
aware of unethical, illegal or irresponsible  
activity, don't ignore it. Call the Fraud  
Hotline toll-free telephone number at  
1-877-7 HOT TIP or 1-877-746-8847.

## CITY OF CARSON POSITION STATEMENT

Carson is a vibrant city with a small town atmosphere  
where relationships are important. This is clearly  
visible throughout the community, from the stable  
single family neighborhoods, which make up nearly eighty  
percent of the city's residences, to the partnership between  
businesses and volunteer driven agencies which strengthen  
the city's remarkable social fabric.

The social composition of Carson is California in  
miniature. It is a city with a balanced ethnic and cultural mix  
living together in harmony and prosperity.

The community takes pride in the large percentage  
of Carson students who attend college, many to  
California State University, Dominguez Hills, a valuable  
asset to the city.

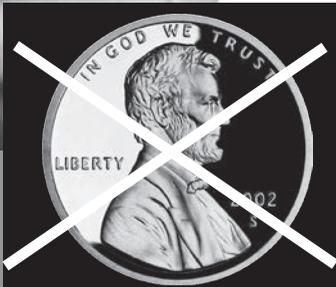
Carson's strategic position in the heart of the powerful  
economic engine that is Southern California attracts  
international corporations which recognize the city's  
bright future. The city's proximity to the West Coast's  
two major ports, as well as its intersection by four  
Southland freeways, makes it a major gateway to the  
Pacific Rim.

We, the people who live and work in Carson, take pride  
in our city and will continue to build relationships which  
ensure that future.

# Q&A

## Measure C

**What Will Happen If It Passes**



*Carson Residents Will Not Pay One Penny In New Taxes If Measure C Is Approved*

**MEASURE**  
Oil Industry  
Business License Tax

**Q:** What is Measure C?

**A.** On November 7<sup>th</sup>, Carson voters are being asked to vote on Measure C, an oil industry business license tax that if approved would be paid for by Carson's two oil refineries and other large petroleum industries that mix, blend or store petroleum.

**Q:** Will Measure C apply to gasoline stations in Carson?

**A.** No. Measure C is a tax on gross receipts of oil refineries and large petroleum industries in Carson. It does not apply to gas stations in Carson or anywhere else.

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**Q: Will Measure C increase the price of gasoline at the pump?**

**A:** No. The Western States Petroleum Association has provided a “Vote No on Measure C” flyer to Carson voters stating that if Measure C is approved, that the oil refineries “could” pass along what they pay onto consumers. The California Energy Commission maintains it is not the refining industries past or current practice to pass along such local business taxes to consumers. One strong incentive to not pass along these costs is the fact that Carson’s oil refineries seek to remain cost competitive with competing refineries in other cities, which pay double what is paid in Carson.

**Q: What’s the amount of the tax on oil refineries and petroleum industries?**

**A:** If approved by Carson’s voters, the tax on gross receipts would be ¼ of 1% on the oil refineries and large petroleum industries. This is equal to 25 cents on every \$100 dollars of gross sales receipts the oil refineries and major petroleum industries generate in Carson.

**Q: How much funding will be collected?**

**A:** Experts have estimated the annual gross sales tax receipts collected will be about \$24 million. This amount could vary, since the oil refineries and major petroleum industries do not make their gross incomes public.



Sample	
<b>OIL COMPANY TAX RECEIPT</b>	
Gross Earnings	\$100.00
Due to City of Carson <i>if Measure C is passed</i>	<b>25¢</b>



**Q: Do other refineries pay taxes to their host communities?**

**A:** Yes, Torrance and El Segundo each receive about \$11 million annually from their one refinery respectively, while the City of Richmond, receives \$32 million annually from their one refinery. Carson currently receives a total of \$5 million annually from the two refineries located here – Tesoro and Phillips 66.



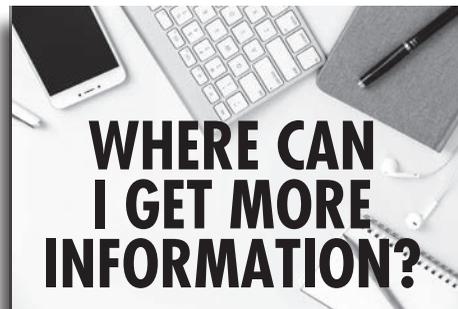
## Q: How will Measure C funds be used?

**A:** Funds collected under Measure C would be available to be used for a variety of services. If passed, funds from Measure C would be available to fix and improve local streets and roads (cracked paving, filling potholes, fixing lifted sidewalks and medians). Measure C funds will be available to maintain and improve vital services like public safety, including both the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and Los Angeles County Fire Department, and our 911 response times. Measure C funds will be available to help offset the rising costs for all public safety services.

Community surveys reveal that Carson's residents place a great value on continuing youth programs, such as sports and after school programs, and also gang prevention programs and the many senior programs, like the Carson Stroke Recovery Center. If Measure C is approved by the voters, funds would be available to maintain and improve these services. ■

## Q: I heard that Measure C has no Citizen's Oversight Committee?

**A:** There is currently a 12 member Citizen's Oversight Committee that reviews the City's annual budget. They meet monthly and give periodic reports to the City Council. The City Council has also delegated oversight of Measure C, should it be approved by Carson's voters, to this existing budget review committee to provide transparency and oversight. The Council wants to save money, so they did not create a second oversight committee, since a Citizen's Oversight Committee already exists.



There is more information available on Measure C on the City's website [ci.carson.ca.us](http://ci.carson.ca.us)

Also, you can contact the City Manager's Office at **310-952-1729** if you would like information mailed or e-mailed to you.

## FIND YOUR POLLING PLACE

You can find your polling place by contacting the City Clerk's Office at **310-952-1720**

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON **NOVEMBER 7, 2017**





# World Class Fabela Cha The Legacy Con

Alexander “Fabela” Chavez, aka “Fabulous Fab”, was a local boxing hero to whom the City of Carson’s boxing gym was named after. He came to Carson in 1978. Five years later, he became the full-time supervisor of the boxing program for the Carson youth. Fabulous Fab won more than 350 boxing bouts in his career, including victories against two world champions, Harold Dade and Lauro Salas, and boxed in the first televised bout in California.

Fabulous Fab was responsible for co-starting “Friday Night at the Fights” — a twice-a-year dinner-amateur boxing event in the City of Carson, which has drawn boxing legends like Muhammad Ali, Ken Norton, George Foreman, and Oscar De La Hoya to the City of Carson as its audience. The City named its boxing gym after Fabela in recognition of his contributions to the young boxing enthusiasts and up-and-coming boxers in the community.

For the past 40 years since opening its doors, many famous athletes like Golden Glove winner and California Boxing Hall Inductee, Ricky Romero, and Golden Gloves Champion, Sytell Willbarn, are some of the many names that trained at the boxing center.

In the past few years, the boxing gym has partnered on several occasions with Oscar De La Hoya’s Golden Boy Productions and hosted the Showtime Boxing Media Event at the gym to highlight top professional boxers like Julio Chavez, Jr., Shawn Porter, Abner Mares, and Chino Maidana.



*Boxing Club & Class Participants*

Making champions is not all that the Fabela Boxing Center has to offer. Staff and coaches that work in the gym have worked there for over three decades and can consider themselves growing in the gym.

Recreation Leader IV, Eddie Rodriguez, has worked at the boxing center for over 30 years. He started as a summer youth worker as a teenager, went into the military for three years and came back to Fabela. When asked what brought him back to the boxing center, he answered, “I decided to come home to be with my family and my community. I would probably be here even if I wasn’t getting paid. We motivate the kids hitting the bags in here than hanging out there in the streets. This is my community. I’m doing something that I love to do and getting paid for it. I think that’s everybody’s dream.”

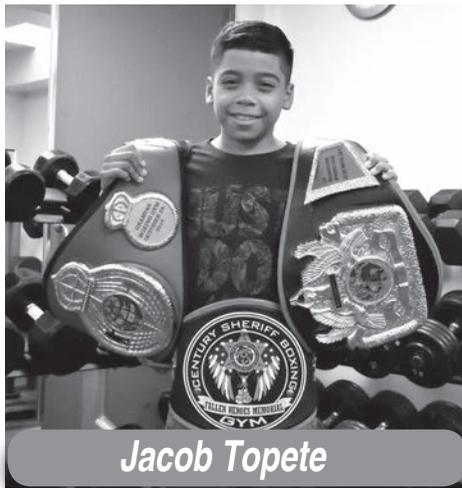
Volunteer Coach, Arturo Velasquez, has been volunteering his time at the Fabela Boxing Center for 3-4 hours each day for 25 years. When asked why he volunteers at Fabela and not anywhere else, he answered, “I like to get kids off the street. Here, we can

get them trained. I feel younger by working here. I volunteer because I want to help the kids. I feel proud to have been part of helping them get trained and have a career if they decide to go pro. It makes me feel good when I hear parents tell me that I’ve helped their child.”

Senior Boxing Coach, Jermaine Lefeiloai, has been coming to Fabela Boxing Center since he was 10 years old. He has been running the boxing club that serves youth from 8-17 years old. Jermaine is also the Senior Coach for the Boxing Center’s U.S. Amateur Program.

Coaching gives me fulfillment. Trust of an individual that wasn’t too athletic and making them feel better about themselves is one of the gratifications that I get from coaching,” said Jermaine. Why Fabela Boxing Center? He responded, “It’s loyalty that I have for this place. Loyalty is what keeps me here and the people that come through the door that I want to help.”

# Fabela Chavez Boxing Center of Carson Continues after 40 Years



*Jacob Topete*

Twelve-year old Jacob Topete started training at the gym at the age of eight. Topete has won the Southern California State Championship Tournament, Grandpa's Boxing Showcase, and the Azteca Annual Showcase.

"I like everything about boxing. I want to be a professional boxer when I grow up and help my family. I want to be the greatest boxer ever. The greatest boxer is someone who, even if they lose, is motivated to come and do better in each fight," said Jacob.

For 14-year old Moises Zermeno, it's the discipline; the movements in boxing that make him feel great that's kept him coming back to Fabela Boxing Center for the past 5 years.

"I love boxing because it's a magnificent sport. It's my hobby right now, but I would like to make it a career. It's love for the sport. I've won, I've lost. To me, it's either you win or you learn. You never really lose. You

learn from your mistakes, you train hard, and get back on your feet," said Moises.

Seventeen year old Eric Escamilla echoed his friend Moises' passion for the sport. "I hope to go pro next year. I like boxing better than any sport I've been in. Losing and winning keeps me going. It doesn't discourage me if I lose. It keeps me motivated to see what I can do better and improve. I am going to represent Fabela Boxing Center when I go pro. I started here. It's like a family," said Eric.

Professional boxer and multi-amateur title holder, Efen Esquivias, has been coming to Fabela Boxing Center since he was 16. It is a place that he can go to out of the street and an alternative lifestyle.

"I used to get into a lot of street fights at an early age. I was a shy kid and couldn't really express myself. Boxing became a way to express myself and to release out some of the anger I had," said Efen.

When asked how boxing turned his life around, Efen said, "It takes a lot of energy to fight in the ring. It takes a lot of discipline.



*Elizabeth Ruiz*

You can't just keep throwing punches. When I started competing in boxing, I didn't want to fight outside of the ring anymore." As a professional boxer, Efen Esquivias has won the National Golden Gloves and the North American Boxing Federation title. He says his goal is to collect as many belts as he can before he retires.

Fabela Chavez Boxing Center has been in the Carson community for 40 years. While throughout the years, other clubs have opened and closed their doors, Fabela Chavez has remained opened. The gym has been home to many great coaches and fighters. For more information, please call (310) 830-6439. ■



*Jonathan Madrigal*

# CARSON

## “Honoring Our Past”

### Remembering 50 Years of History

On February 20, 1968, the City of Carson was officially incorporated and adopted the motto “Future Unlimited.” Carson was part of a Spanish land grant known as Rancho San Pedro that was titled to Juan Jose Dominguez over 200 years ago. During the incorporation process, the community was named after George Henry Carson, a member of the Dominguez family.

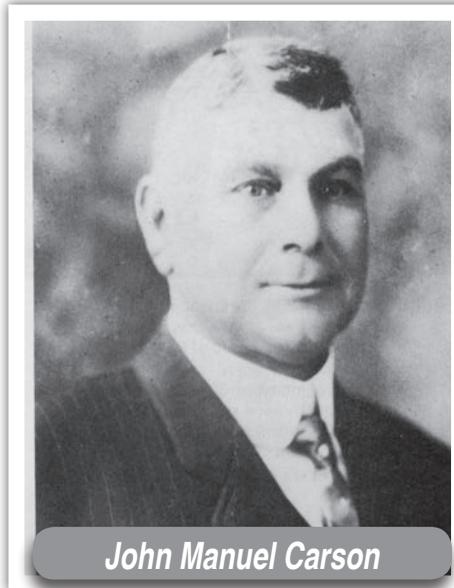
The story of Carson began in 1784 when Juan Jose Dominguez, a retired Spanish soldier, petitioned his former commanding officer, Captain Pedro Fages, for 76,000 acres of a Southern California land. Fages, the appointed Military Governor of Alta California, honored Dominguez’s request.

When Dominguez took possession in 1784, he built his adobe on what is now known as Dominguez Hills near Alameda Street and Del Amo Boulevard. He later handed down his land to his nephew’s son, Manuel Dominguez, who assumed management of the land until 1825. Over time, the land was subdivided and several acres were granted to other men.

In 1862, Don Manuel Dominguez left his daily supervision of the ranch to his son-in-law, George Henry Carson, a successful merchant, building contractor and a Los Angeles County Public Administrator.

John Manuel Carson, the third child of George Henry’s children, supervised the farming operations on the 3,000 acres extending from Normandie to Vermont Avenues and from 190<sup>th</sup> to 228<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Eventually, he took over the management of the Dominguez estate and was also responsible for developing much of the South Bay area. In recognition of his many contributions to the area, Los Angeles County officials named Carson Street after him and the Pacific Electric Railroad named its local station Carson.



*John Manuel Carson*

A 10-year movement to incorporate the city finally came to fruition on Election Day of February 1968.

Today, Carson continues to be a family-oriented residential community and a burgeoning business center that draws major corporations from around the world. The close association between the Carson and Dominguez families remains a prominent thread in the history of this community. Carson continues to be a



*Carson Ranch*

vibrant city with a small town atmosphere with single family neighborhoods that make up nearly eighty percent of the city’s residences. The partnership between businesses and volunteer driven agencies that strengthen the city’s social fabric.

The City of Carson has a balanced ethnic and cultural mix that lives together in accord and opulence. Carson is in the South Bay’s “Golden Triangle” of trade – an area bound by LAX, the twin ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, and the Alameda corridor. Carson is also intersected by four Southland freeways that make it a major gateway to the Pacific Rim. Carson’s strategic position attracts many international corporations that recognize its bright future.

There is no other city in the Los Angeles-Orange County region that can match Carson’s inventory of available space and ease of accessibility. There are large, modern petrochemical, electronics, automobile, aerospace, trucking and high tech facilities located here in Carson. Many have won regional and local beautification awards. A number of multinational companies have their corporate headquarters in town.

With Carson’s uniquely diverse population, cultural events take place throughout the year to commemorate important cultural or patriotic holidays of the major ethnic groups in the city. ■

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events & Volunteer Opportunities



## ROSE PARADE

### *Volunteer Orientation*

Are you interested in decorating the City of Carson's Rose Parade float? Do you have questions about what is required of volunteers? This is a great volunteer opportunity for people ages 13 and up. Show your civic pride and help decorate the City of Carson's 2018 Rose Parade float! **Wednesday, November 1, 2017 • 6 p.m.**  
**CJMM -Community Center Hall C**  
For more information, please call (310) 835-0212 ext. 1467.

## ROSE FLOAT RAFFLE

### *Win A Ride On The Float*

One lucky winner will be chosen to ride on the City of Carson's 2018 Rose Parade Float. The drawing will be held at the City Council meeting on **December 19, 2017**. The deadline to purchase raffle tickets is **December 6, 2017 at 12 p.m.** Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$5. For more information, please call (310) 835-0212 ext. 1467.

## ROSE FUNDRAISER

### *Be A Part Of The Magic*

Your personal message will be printed on a label and attached to a rose that will be featured on the City of Carson's Rose Parade Float! The deadline to purchase roses is **December 6, 2017 at 12 p.m.** Order forms are available at <http://ci.carson.ca.us>. You get the satisfaction of supporting your community while honoring a family member, friend or loved one for \$10. For more information, please call (310) 835-0212 ext. 1467.

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

### *Engraved Bricks*

Be a part of Carson's history. Order your engraved 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary brick now. The bricks will be laid out on the Xeriscape Garden (between City Hall and Community Center) in random order. For more information, please call (310) 835-0212 ext. 1480.

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

### *Promotional Items*

T-Shirts, lapel pins, lanyards, coffee mugs and much more will be sold while supplies last. For more information, please call (310) 847-3570

## TASTE OF CARSON

### *50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fundraiser*

Calling all amateur chefs! Please sign up to compete in the Taste of Carson on **Saturday, February 3, 2018** from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Plan to attend and join in the community sampling. For more information, please call (310) 847-3570.

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

### *Golf Tournament Fundraiser*

Golf in celebration of our Anniversary or attend and have lunch only. (Ages 18 & up)  
**Friday, February 23, 2018 • 7:30 A.M.**  
**California Country Club**  
1509 Workman Mill Rd.  
Whittier, CA 90601  
\$25 - lunch only  
\$125 - golf fee includes green fees, cart, goodie bag, raffle ticket, and lunch banquet  
For more information, please call (310) 847-3570.

## MISS CARSON & MISS TEEN CARSON

### *2018 Scholarship*

### *Pageant of Excellence*

You can win your share of \$5,000 in scholarship funds! Applications are available at any City of Carson facility and must be submitted by **February 1, 2018**. For more information, please contact Dara Sandoval at (310) 816-9381 or [dsandoval@carson.ca.us](mailto:dsandoval@carson.ca.us)  
**Pageant Event Date: Friday, April 27, 2018**  
Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center at Carson  
801 E. Carson St., Carson, CA 90745



## GALA BALL

Please join us for a banquet to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of incorporation to be held on **February 24, 2018** at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald Community Center at Carson.

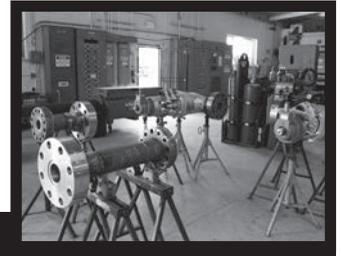
## BANNER SPONSORSHIP FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Join the following businesses who have committed to sponsor a banner on Carson Street for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- Thomas Safran & Associates
- Goldilock's Bakeshop
- Zodiac Aerospace
- KL Fenix

For more information, please call (310) 952-1741.

# BUSINESS CORNER



## The New Generation Engineering Construction, Inc

The New Generation Engineering Construction, Inc (TNG) is a start-up company. TNG incorporated in September 2016 and became a part of the Carson community on November 2016. TNG provides mechanical, refractory, specialty welding, and fireproofing services to many industrial industries such as petrochemical, cement, energy, food processing, and aluminum plants. TNG looks forward to working and bringing business to the City of Carson.

16222 S. Maple Ave., Carson, CA 90248 • (424) 329-3950 • [www.tngec.com](http://www.tngec.com)



## Homeless Solutions & Services

Carson's Commitment To Address The Needs of The Homeless

### HOUSING

**Harbor Interfaith Services** (Families)  
670 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St. San Pedro, CA 90731  
(310)831-9123 • [www.harborinterfaith.org](http://www.harborinterfaith.org)

**Beacon Light Mission**  
(Emergency shelter for Men)  
525 Broad Avenue, Wilmington, CA 90744  
(310) 830-0603

**Doors of Hope**  
(Emergency shelter for Women)  
525 Broad Avenue, Wilmington, CA 90744  
(310) 518-3667

**Family Crisis Center**  
(24-hr Emergency Shelter for Youth ages 10-17)  
1736 Monterrey Boulevard  
Hermosa Beach, CA 90503  
(310) 379-3620

### MEALS & GROCERIES

**St. Philomena Catholic**  
(Free Groceries)  
21900 S. Main Street  
Carson, CA 90745  
(310) 835-7161  
Tuesdays • 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

**New Challenge Ministries**  
(Free Groceries)  
21804 Halldale Ave.  
Torrance, CA 90305  
Monday- Saturday • 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**St. Margaret Mary** (Sack Lunch)  
25511 Eshelman Ave., Lomita, CA 90717  
(310) 326-3364  
Monday - Friday • 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
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### HEALTHCARE

**UCLA Harbor Medical Center**  
1000 West Carson St., Carson, CA 90745  
(310) 222-2345

**Gardena Community-based  
Outpatient Clinic**  
1251 Redondo Beach Boulevard, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Gardena, CA 90247  
(310) 851-4705

### SERVICE PROVIDERS

**Los Angeles Homeless  
Services Authority (LAHSA)**  
811 Wilshire Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
(213) 683-3333 • [www.lahsa.org](http://www.lahsa.org)

# Captain's Corner

by Captain Jason Skeen

## Emergency Preparedness

With all of the natural and manmade disasters in the last year it is a good reminder that all of us can take simple and inexpensive steps to plan and help prepare ourselves for a significant event. The first step is educating yourself, your family, neighbors, and place of employment.

As with any disaster it could take a substantial amount of time to restore water, gas and electricity, cellular, cable and internet services. What precautions have you taken to ensure your family could properly sustain themselves without utilities? In the event of a disaster, the Carson Sheriff's Station and the Los Angeles County Fire Department have emergency deployment services and resources to help mitigate the impact; however, the response to residents, schools and businesses are prioritized based on the greatest need.

The City of Carson also has an Emergency Operations Center where city related resources are co-located to restore and deploy city services in the event of disaster. Carson and the Fire Department partner together to routinely offer Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) courses. The course covers nine areas of curriculum over a span of 20-hours and broken up over six days of training. You can e-mail Angela Zambrano at AZAMBRAN@CARSON.CA.US or call (310) 952-1788 to find out about future courses. Please include your name, phone number, and email address.



## ARE YOU PREPARED?

Prepare your home or business with these basic supplies:

- Flashlight and batteries
- Manual can opener
- Battery-operated radio (and batteries) or hand-cranked radio
- Matches in waterproof container
- Cash
- Paper cups, plates, plastic utensils, paper towels
- Garbage bags and a bucket toilet
- Pet food
- ABC-type fire extinguisher
- 3-7 days worth of drinking water, with one gallon of water per person per day.
- 3-7 day supply per person of non-perishable foods. Take into consideration special dietary needs.
- Avoid salty foods that make you thirsty and include canned foods with high liquid content.
- First Aid Kit
- Create an emergency supply kit for your vehicles.

### Additional planning:

Make sure your family knows where the water, gas and electrical shut offs are located and how to turn them off. It is also critical that you have the proper shut-off water and gas wrenches easily accessible.

Identify an alternative secondary shelter location like the home of a friend or family member if you need to evacuate.

Develop a family communication plan. While cellular phone calls may not be possible due to overused

cellular towers, in some instances text messaging will still be operable. Consider taking a CPR and a First Aid course.

For additional information on preparing and planning for a disaster visit <https://www.lacounty.gov/emergency-survival-guide> for a detailed guide designed for Los Angeles County residents and business. It is also available in 16 different languages. ■



Emergencies 9-1-1

Calls for Service (310) 830-1123

Watch Commander (310) 830-1123

Community Relations (310) 847-8386

Visit our website at [www.carson.lasd.org](http://www.carson.lasd.org)



## Where Do Mosquitoes Go In The Winter?

While we may be bundled up against the cold, the mosquitoes are also protecting themselves in unexpected places your neighborhood.

Colder temperatures can mean a drop in mosquito population, but it can also force millions of mosquitoes to find safety in our underground storm drains. Under our feet and where our cars drive, the climate is much more accommodating to mosquitoes trying to survive the winter.

Don't worry, despite the cold and the holidays, the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District will be monitoring and controlling these mosquitoes where they hide. But you can do your part in your own backyard.

Spring cleaning is common to hear in your neighborhood, but why not during the winter? When it's cooler, cleaning up the backyard and patio is much easier than during really hot days in spring and summer. Vector control urges everyone to take some time to remove unused containers and clean up any possible trash that can hold water.

Cleaning now will mean less embarrassing mosquito bites later. Stay bite-free, Carson!

If you have questions or would like more information, you may contact your local vector control for help at [www.ReportMosquitoes.org](http://www.ReportMosquitoes.org) or call (562) 944-9656. ■



### Used Motor Oil and Oil Filter Collection Event

How to prepare items for recycling used motor oil and oil filter collection:

- ✓ Used motor oil must be stored in a clean, uncontaminated, sealed container.
- ✓ Used oil filters must be placed in sealed bags.
- X NO cooking oil or transmission fluid.

For additional information, please contact the City of Carson, Department of Public Works at **(310) 830-7600**

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**City of Carson**  
**CJMM Community Center**  
**East Parking Lot**  
 801 E. Carson Street  
 Carson, CA 90745

### Why should we recycle?

Recycle to conserve a nonrenewable resource, reduce environmental contamination, and commit to a cleaner environment



### CARSON CITY HALL CITY CLERK'S OFFICE ACCEPTING PASSPORT APPLICATIONS Do you have your passport?

Standard Fees (but not limited to):

#### PASSPORT MINOR (under 16)

Book	Card	Both
\$80	\$15	\$95

#### PASSPORT ADULT

Book	Card	Both
\$110	\$30	\$140

(Payable by check or money order to the US Department of State)

Execution Fee: \$25

(Payable to the City of Carson by cash, credit, debit or money order)

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For more information, please call (310) 233- 4891