



SILVER LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

# Working for You

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The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) is elected to represent the needs and concerns of over 40,000 thousand stakeholders in Silver Lake. Here are a few of the many projects\* the Neighborhood Councils and its Committees have completed on behalf of our vibrant community.

- The SLNC, Department of Water and Power officials, CD4 Councilmember David Ryu, CD13 Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, and community organizations worked to refill Silver Lake's iconic Reservoirs to their historic 440-450 feet.
- In May 2017, the SLNC held a Town Hall meeting, which was attended by over 80 residents, to hear the LADWP present plans for the proposed South Dam Walking Path.
- The SLNC's Homelessness In Silver Lake Committee held a Hygiene Kit Drive, conducted outreach, and supported L.A.'s annual homeless count in Silver Lake. The SLNC also approved a \$1,500 Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) to People Assisting the Homeless.
- In partnership with the Silver Lake Library, SLNC presented "Words Can Help....and Hurt," a series of conversations regarding race, ethnicity, LGBTQI issues, ageism and women's rights.
- SLNC board members and residents, with guidance and funding from CD4, created a work group and secured the services of traffic experts to evaluate congestion and traffic issues on Rowena Avenue and adjacent residential streets.
- The Silver Lake, Atwater Village, Rampart, and Echo Park Neighborhood Councils partnered to host the 2017 CD13 Candidates Forum, attended by over 150 people.
- The SLNC voted to continue to support its popular Adopt-A-Stair Program and produced maps to help residents and visitors visit the 50-plus historic stairways located in Silver Lake.
- The SLNC, the Silver Lake Wildlife Sanctuary and Joymode co-sponsored a free screening of the acclaimed documentary, *The Cat That Changed America*, and a discussion on the dangers to wildlife from the use of rat poisons.

- The SLNC Governing Board and the Green Committee took an official position demanding a citywide ban on the use of anticoagulant rodenticides.
- SLNC announced that Recreation and Parks vegetation management crews would no longer spray Roundup weed killer at Rec and Park areas in the Silver Lake and Ivanhoe Reservoirs.
- The SLNC Silver Lake Reservoir Committee hosted a community meeting, led by wildlife experts and attended by over 60 interested individuals, to discuss the challenges humans and wild animals and birds face in an urban setting.
- SLNC approved and funded “No Dogs Allowed” signage, requested by the Silver Lake MOMS Club and the Rec Center, for children’s play areas at the Silver Lake Recreation Center and the meadow.
- The SLNC History Collective Committee has recorded over 100 oral history interviews of interesting residents of Silver Lake.
- The SLNC submitted several Community Impact Statements (CIS) to City Council, including supporting the completion of the Silver Lake Reservoir Storm Water Capture Project and the reaffirmation of the Memo Of Agreement (MOA) between the LADWP, the Bureau of Sanitation, and the Bureau of Engineers.
- The Governing Board again approved funding for dog waste bags at the Dog Park and reservoirs.
- The SLNC also supports numerous community events, forums, and initiatives through funding and Neighborhood Purpose Grants, including: assisted hearing devices for the Silver Lake Library; funding for the bike rack program at Thomas Starr King Middle School; Griffith Park Adult Community Club and Center’s Community Faire; Music Box Steps Day; Halloween events at Bellevue Park Recreation Center and Ivanhoe Elementary School; National Public Lands Day Clean-up at Bellevue Park; Coyote training and awareness; and Relay for Life.

**\* This is a partial list of SLNC accomplishments. Visit [SilverLakeNC.org](http://SilverLakeNC.org) for more info about your Neighborhood Council and its 14 Advisory Committees.**