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PRESENTATIONS FOR THE SERVICE PROJECTS OF:

INSTITUTE CLASS OF 2018

YOUTH LEADERSHIP LONG BEACH CLASS OF 2018

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2018 LLB SERVICE PROJECTS

Each Institute and Youth class is asked to form project teams as part of the Leadership Long Beach program experience. The creation of service projects is an especially exciting aspect of Leadership Long Beach as it provides opportunities for participants to learn about group process and give back to the community, many times incorporating what they have seen, learned and experienced during their sessions.

Since 1989, the Leadership Long Beach classes have completed over 150 community service projects. Projects such as Midnight Basketball (1994), Youth Diversity Summit (1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996), Youth Leadership Long Beach program (1995), Queensway Bridge Pacific Lights (1999), Long Beach Diversity Mural (2000), Long Beach Healthy Kids Summit (2010) and RoboBowl (2013) are some of the many service projects successfully initiated and provided benefit to Long Beach.



- **"Youth Diversity Summit" (1993, 1994, 1995, and 1996)** – A one-day conference for over 350 youths from seven high schools held on diversity issues.
- **Bricks by the Sea (1997)** – Created a commemorative brick project (walkway) as a permanent part of the Long Beach Aquarium of the Pacific. Raised over \$150,000 for educational programs at the aquarium.
- **Miracle on 4th Street Park (2000)** – Transformed a vacant lot into a play space for neighborhood children.
- **Enough is Enough (2005)** – Was a 41-hour television programming marathon designed to educate and engage Long Beach on the topic of youth and gang violence. The programming marathon was sponsored by Leadership Long Beach, Charter Communications, Press Telegram, and the City of Long Beach Youth and Gang Violence Prevention Taskforce, and was televised on local Charter cable television channels.
- **RoboBowl (2013)** – a robotics competition was initiated for LBusD middle school students to promote STEM education, careers and opportunities. The event provided a day of competition, a parents' forum and a demonstration by Police SWAT robot.



Thanks to the Project Chairs, **Joy Contreras** (LLBI '17), **Sean Devereaux** (LLBI '14), **Amy Eriksen** (LLBI '14), **Frank Gutierrez** (LLBI '17), and **Susan Wyant** (LLBI '17) for providing the guidance and support to this year's project teams and thanks to **Nicolassa Galvez** (LLBI '12) with her help with the PechaKucha Night presentations. Leadership Long Beach also wishes to thank the many community partners, organizations, alumni and volunteers for their help and assistance toward making each project a learning opportunity and a success for the community.



Special thanks are extended to the **Long Beach Playhouse** and Executive Director **Madison Mooney** (LLBI '15), for allowing Leadership Long Beach to hold this program and welcome the community to their grand facility.

PECHAKUCHA



PechaKucha Night is global series of event held worldwide where creatives get together and share their ideas, works and thoughts in the PechaKucha 20x20 format. PechaKucha 20x20 is a simple presentation format where a presenter shows 20 images, each for 20 seconds. The images advance automatically while the presenter talks along to the images. The presentation format was devised by Astrid Klein and Mark Dytham of Klein Dytham Architecture in February 2013. The first PechaKucha Night Long Beach was hosted at ArtExchange in May, 2015.

www.pechakucha.org/cities/long-beach

Please visit www.pechakucha.org/cities/long-beach for more information and past PechaKucha Long Beach presentations. PechaKucha Long Beach is actively seeking partners and presenters for upcoming events. If you have an idea for a presenter or event location please contact Nicolassa Galvez (LLBI '12) (nikogalvez@gmail.com).

SYSTEMS TO SUCCESS

Held on Saturday, April 28th at **Long Beach City College (LBCC)**, the project team members for **Systems to Success** held information sessions, workshops, presentations and a resource fair for previously incarcerated and/or probation and parole impacted LBCC students to gain valuable insight and skills necessary to enter the workforce. The day included breakout sessions dedicated to gaining practical job interview skills (with an emphasis on preparing attendees to answer questions about their past), professional appearance and dress for success, a working resume, and entrepreneurship.

Held at the Pacific Coast campus, a welcome by **LBCC President Reagan Romali** and collaboration with the **LBCC Justice Scholars**, a campus organization chartered to assist this target population, signaled an ongoing support system for these students to utilize the college to reach their personal and professional goals with success.

Project Team members: *Tanuoma'aleu ah You, Allison Anderson, Raymond Cervantez, Keva Green, Elizabeth Horin, Jeff Liberman, Kevin Scott, Phyllis Strawder, Maura Velasco-Ventura, and Cathy Wieder*



LONG BEACH SOUL STORIES

On Sunday, May 20th, the **Long Beach Soul Stories** project curated an evening of live storytelling at the **Long Beach Playhouse**, where participants were given a platform to share their stories of resilience. The event was born out of a desire to cultivate human connection, inspire hope and build empathy in the community during one of the more polarizing times in U.S. history. It was also designed to provide a transformative experience for storytellers.

The project provided seven individuals the opportunity for storytelling coaching by Ernesto Rocha, TEDx speaker and transformational coach, to craft their compelling narrative. The evening gave the storytellers a safe forum and allowed for information and emotions to be freely shared during the experience.

Project Team members: *Katie Balderas, Monique Kosal, Connor Lock, Ana Lopez, Eydie Pasicel, Sue Perkins, Patty Sanchez, Dinesa Thomas-Whitman, and Courtney Tompkins*



LEADERSHIP LONG BEACH INSTITUTE

CLASS OF 2018



Tanuoma'aleu Ah You, *Project ALOFA*

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Jillian Koehring, *Aquarium of the Pacific*

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Lincoln Lo, *Port of Long Beach*

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Ana Lopez, *City of Long Beach, Department of Health & Human Services*

Russell Mahakian, *Port of Long Beach*

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Eydie Pasicel, *Women's Shelter of Long Beach*

Susan Perkins, *Long Beach Unified School District*

Steven Peterson, *P2S Engineering*

Patricia Sanchez, *For The Child*

Kevin Scott, *Long Beach Fire Department*

Phylliss Strawder, *Bigmista's Barbecue*

Dinesa Thomas-Whitman, *Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles*

Courtney Tompkins, *Press-Telegram*

Oscar Vasquez, *The Studio O*

Maura Velasco-Ventura, *Long Beach Police Department*

Cathy Wieder, *Memorial Medical Center Foundation*

The Institute program is an intensive **10-month program** for community leaders wishing to improve their understanding of the unique opportunities and challenges of the Long Beach community and the ways that they can contribute to making Long Beach a better community for everyone.

INFORM— Learn about California's 7th largest city—the communities, the issues, the people and the future

ACTIVATE— Join with more than 30 other individuals to facilitate service projects that address community needs and begin to find opportunities to further serve Long Beach

CONNECT—Join the leadership network of LLB alumni—1500+ leaders over the past 28 years—who are leading in every sector of the community.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP LONG BEACH CLASS OF 2018



Roberto Andrade, *Jordan High School*
Nouchka Apostol, *Lakewood High School*
Alicia Casey, *Millikan High School*
Paula Clemente, *Poly High School*
Elaine Contreras, *Jordan High School*
Shania Day, *McBride High School*
Joelle De Leon, *St. Anthony High School*
Maria Dominguez, *Jordan High School*
Kimberly Flores Marroquin, *Wilson High School*
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Andrew Gonzales, *St. Anthony High School*
Imani Harris, *Poly High School*
Mia Hernandez-Perez, *Renaissance High School*
Marisol Herrera, *Cabrillo High School*
Christopher Holland, *McBride High School*
La Nyah'a Horton, *CA Academy of Math & Science*
Isaac Julian, *Wilson High School*

Jayna Kaveney, *Millikan High School*
Miguel Magallanes, *Beach High School*
Chriselina Maiava, *Lakewood High School*
Shane Nantais, *Wilson High School*
Anthony Peraza, *CA Academy of Math & Science*
Miles Perry, *Poly High School*
Montserrat Pineda, *McBride High School*
Christine Porciuncula, *CA Academy of Math & Science*
Jason Rivero, *Wilson High School*
Jack Schwarz, *Poly High School*
Zachary Smith, *Sato Academy of Math & Science*
Kongkear Sross, *Jordan High School*
Hannah Torres, *Millikan High School*
Edna Tovar, *Millikan High School*
Pafracio Vallente, *CA Academy of Math & Science*
Isaiah Walker, *Wilson High School*
Autumn Watts, *Wilson High School*

These 34 students represent 12 high schools in the Long Beach and surrounding areas: Beach High School, Cabrillo High School, California Academy of Math and Science, Jordan High School, Lakewood High School, McBride High School, Millikan High School, Poly High School, Renaissance High School, Sato Academy of Math & Science, St. Anthony High School, and Wilson High School.

STEMing FOR YOUTH

On May 1, the **STEMing for Youth** project team spent the school day at **Cabrillo High School** giving the students the opportunity to understand the real world application of STEM concepts from working professionals. Utilizing a variety of career professionals to make presentations and participate in Q&As, the project team spent time in during the day in classrooms

Interested students, not just those that had classroom sessions with the projected, were invited and attended an afterschool STEM Career mixer. The project team were able to hold small group discussions with the students about business and career opportunities. The mixer enabled the students to ask questions directly to the professionals about education, career paths and workforce opportunities with STEM careers.

Project Team members: *Martin Landa, Lincoln Lo, Lindsay Mais, Rusty Mahakian, and Steven Peterson*

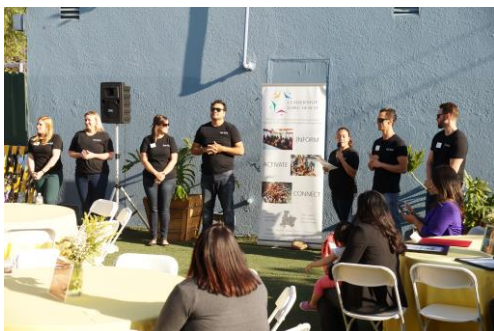


GOOD SEED PROJECT

On May 12th, the members of the project team created an **Open House Welcome Reception** for a nonprofit organization new to Long Beach, **The Good Seed**. The Good Seed is a nonprofit that works with homeless young people providing supportive, nurturing and specialized care. Transitional age youth that are homeless and living in Long Beach will be the main population served by the nonprofit. The Good Seed opened their offices on Pine Avenue just south of Anaheim Street.

The project team also worked to help improve the outdoor grounds area within the facility property through landscaping and general cleaning. As the facility was formerly a school, the project team facilitated equipment, supplies and service donations to assist in making the building more compatible to accommodate serving the clientele.

Project Team members: *Isabel Arvea, David Guerra, Liz Hosmer, Kevin Kelly, Jillian Koehring, Whitney Leathers, and Oscar Vasquez*



Youth Leadership Long Beach Class of 2018 presents...

RoboBowl VI

McBride High School

Saturday, May 5, 2018

For the sixth consecutive year, Leadership Long Beach has partnered with **Long Beach Unified School District** to facilitate **RoboBowl VI**, a robotics competition for all Long Beach middle school robotics teams. With the help of many dedicated volunteers, **Youth Leadership Long Beach's Class of 2018** planned and organized the entire event from start to finish.

RoboBowl VI was held at **McBride High School** on **Saturday, May 5** with over 200 middle school students representing XX teams from the 17 LBUSD middle schools. Beside the competition for the students, the day included a morning parents' forum providing information about **STEM education** and career paths, a demonstration by the **LA County Sheriff's Department** with their equipment, and exhibitions from local Long Beach high schools of their robotics programs. Supporting the program once again were employees of **The Boeing Company**, **Port of Long Beach**, **RedEye Media**, and **Shared Science**.

This was the fourth consecutive year that RoboBowl was coordinated and served as the service project for Youth Leadership Long Beach. RoboBowl was originally a **2013 class service project** that was created for middle school students to encourage and build awareness for STEM careers and opportunities.





For more than 28 years, Leadership Long Beach, through its principled leadership programs, have helped inspire, create and cultivate the more than 1500 community-engaged alumni to give back to Long Beach. The adult and youth programs serve the community through educating and motivating the participants on issues and information important to the future and sustainability of our city.

The alumni produced by the Leadership Long Beach programs have shared experiences, associations and values that enable them to set imaginative, yet realistic goals, and achieve them through coordinated and effective strategies. From the Mayor of Long Beach to the PTA parent to the director at Boeing to the high school student council leader, the network of Leadership Long Beach alumni spans the diversity of Long Beach in order to best create a better community.

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