



NACP *Nuisance Alley Conversion Project*

CITY OF LOS ANGELES ALLEY CLOSURE NOTIFICATION

Dear Resident:

The alley behind/adjacent to your property will be gated off under the City of Los Angeles' "Nuisance Alley Conversion Project," per the request of homeowners who have petitioned the City's Department of Public Works for closure. This alley closure serves as deterrent to a variety of criminal activities that have historically plagued many communities in Los Angeles, including illegal dumping, loitering, vandalism, narcotic sales, gang violence, and prostitution.

THE COST FOR CLOSURE HAS BEEN BORNE BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. A VITAL STIPULATION OF THE PETITION PROCESS REQUIRES THAT ONCE THE PETITION FOR CLOSURE HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE CITY, RESIDENTS MUST ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. MAINTAIN THE ALLEY AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR RESIDENTS' ACTIONS OCCURRING IN THE ALLEY.**
- 2. KEEP GATES LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.**
- 3. IT IS ILLEGAL TO DUMP TRASH OR DEBRIS IN ALLEYS. ANYONE OBSERVED OR REPORTED DUMPING WILL BE CITED BY CITY STREET USE INSPECTORS.**
- 4. THE CITY WILL PROVIDE A LIMITED NUMBER OF KEYS TO THE PETITION COORDINATOR. IF THE PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRE ADDITIONAL KEYS, THE KEYS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM COORDINATORS AT COST OF DUPLICATION.**
- 5. ONLY PROPERTY OWNERS REQUIRING KEYS FOR VEHICLE ENTRANCE/EXIT SHOULD HAVE KEYS. BUT ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WHOSE PROPERTIES ABUT THE ALLEY MAY HAVE KEYS IF REQUESTED.**
- 6. NO KEYS WILL BE PROVIDED TO INDIVIDUALS EITHER NOT OWNING PROPERTY OR NOT RESIDING ADJACENT TO THE ALLEY.**
- 7. NO ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED IN THE ALLEY AT ANY TIME.**
- 8. VEHICLE PARKING IN ALLEYS IS PROHIBITED.**
- 9. DESTRUCTION OF GATES OR LOCKS AND OTHER FIXTURES RELATED TO THE CLOSURE IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE, THE DESTRUCTION OF CITY PROPERTY, AND WILL BE INVESTIGATED AS SUCH. OFFENDERS WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPLICABLE LAWS DEALING WITH SUCH ACTS.**
- 10. THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVOKE ANY ALLEY CLOSURE.**

For information regarding this program, contact the City of Los Angeles Dept. of Public Works,
NACP Office.



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FIVE EASY STEPS TO CLOSING A NUISANCE ALLEY IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AT NO COST TO RESIDENTS

1. Contact the Nuisance Alley Conversion Project (NACP) of the City's Department of Public Works, (213) 978-0237, or your Council District Field Office in order to obtain an alley closure petition.
2. Circulate a petition to residents whose homes abut on the alley. **Only property owners are eligible to sign petitions.** A majority of property owners should agree to petition the closure, and any opposition to such closure should be noted on the petition or communicated to NACP. **The petition explains that petitioners will be responsible (after a final cleaning by the City) for alley maintenance once it is closed, and that the cost for closure will be borne by the City of Los Angeles.**
3. The petition is submitted by NACP to the Department of Public Works' Board for closure approval during a regular public meeting. Closures occur under a revocable permit, which allows either the petitioners or the City to revoke a permit at a later date, if guidelines are not met or if resident requirements change.
4. Once gates are installed and the alley closed, the City will provide a final cleaning (if required) and will issue a limited number of keys to petitioners and/or property owners whose property abuts on the alley.
5. Your alley is now closed in partnership with the City of Los Angeles at **NO COST TO YOU!**

***Unimproved nuisance alleys with dirt surfaces may be converted into mini-parks under this program, but require additional planning and resident involvement. These special closures and conversions must be coordinated through NACP.**