

NEIGHBORS UNITED



Faircrest Heights' Neighborhood Organization Since 1981 10th District, Los

Please join us at our next Neighbors United meeting,

Monday, July 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

at the Claude Pepper Senior Center, 1762 S. La Cienega Boulevard.

Faircrest Heights: One of the Hottest Neighborhoods in America in 2013—BusinessInsider.com



Greetings Neighbors,

President's Corner By Laura Anderson

I hope you enjoyed a great July 4th celebration. The weather was just right. Although LAPD and LAFD issued stern warnings about the use of fireworks, we had wrap-around fireworks shows in the community. Neighbors gathered on street corners to watch. Thankfully, we had no reported injuries or incidents

At our next meeting we will have a presentation on a proposal for construction of a 4-story, 15-unit apartment building over one level of basement parking at 1459 S Hi Point St, Los Angeles CA 90035. (Case No. DIR-2016-1652-DB/ENV-2016-1653-EAF). The developer's representative, Iian Douck will discuss the plan to request a density bonus to increase the building height to 45', 5". In exchange the project will include one very low income unit

In May we attended the Los Angeles City Planning Department Community Meeting and Open House and had an opportunity to share our thoughts on the size and general design characteristics of single-family homes in the RA, RE, RS and R1 zones in Faircrest Heights. In our last newsletter it was reported that in our small discussion groups each group agreed they would like new and remodeled homes to be no larger than 2900 or 3000 square feet. This was incorrectly stated. **CORRECTION: THE GROUPS AGREED THAT HOMES SHOULD BE PROPORTIONAL TO LOT SIZE, as we have a variety of lot sizes in the community.** Further we agreed that homes should have consistent front-yard set-backs no flat front designs; that garages be in the back and that the design of future homes have some relationship to existing homes in the community.

We welcome our new neighbors and invite you to come and get involved. We want your ideas, your skills and resources to help us to maintain a great quality of life in our community.

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LAPD Numbers

- Emergency 911
- Non-emergency 311 or 877-275-5273 (877-ASK-LAPD)
- Wilshire Station 213-473-0476
Senior Lead Officer Adam Green 213-793-0647 (North of 18th Street)
Senior Lead Officer Charles Thomas 213-793-0786 (South of 18th Street)
- Anonymous Tip Line 877-529-3855 (877-LAW-FULL)

Call 911 immediately if you see persons breaking into homes or loitering around neighbors' homes.

Jerry's Garden 100 Apartment Unit Hearing Postponed

The City Planning Department informed us that the July 18 hearing on the "Jerry's Garden" Project (6 story, 100 units plus retail, proposed at 6116 - 6144 Pico Blvd) will be postponed, *possibly* to August 8. We'll keep you posted as we receive updated information.

Some of you may know that the original application included plans for a 6 story, 100 unit project. In April 2016, project representatives presented – to PICO NC land use committee and community members – revised plans for a 5 story, 84 unit project. As we understand it, the revised plans were not submitted to the city, such that the 6 story, 100 unit plans remain on record with the city.

PICO Neighborhood General Board Meeting



The PICO Neighborhood Council (PICO NC) General Board meeting will be held at the Claude Pepper Senior Citizen Center on Wednesday, July 13, 2016. This makes it easier for Faircrest Heights neighbors to attend the meetings and take an active role. Committee meetings will continue to be held at 5651 West Pico Boulevard, Suite 102. You may also see the PICO NC Newsletters for information about broader community activities at

<http://us13.campaign-archive1.com/?u=809c2ddeabeab4942f57d2b04&id=86ae3c52b5&e=2099bfdcc2>

West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan

The Los Angeles City Council adopted the new West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan on June 29, 2016. The new Community Plan is one of 35 Community Plans included in the Los Angeles General Plan. It is an update of the existing Plan that was last updated in 1998. Each community plan is updated on a continuing basis, generally every 10 years. The Faircrest Heights Community is in two planning areas: West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan and the Wilshire Community Plan, separated by 18th Street.

The purpose of this new update is to:

- (1) reflect preferred future growth patterns in the area,
- (2) encourage wise growth,
- (3) identify appropriate locations for new development,
- (4) address prevailing neighborhood and community issues,
- (5) protect residential neighborhoods from development that is out of character and scale.

The New Community Plan will not only revisit the goals and policies for the area, but will also establish a district plan known as the [West Adams Community Plan Implementation Overlay District \(CPIO\)](#) that will address the various land use issues in the community and provide regulations tailored to the specific needs of the CPIO subdistricts identified for the Plan Area.

The proposed CPIO "overlay" district as well as amendments to the existing Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan will include design standards that encourage attractive and well-designed projects. They will also regulate permitted land uses, height, bulk and overall design of buildings along the major commercial corridors of the Plan Area. They will encourage sustainable, mixed-use development around transit stations, promote a greater diversity of retail and neighborhood services that provide access to healthy foods and physical activity. The development standards will further regulate industrial districts to preserve the area's economic/ job base while protecting adjacent residential uses.

A complete copy of the draft plan that was adopted can be viewed at the link below. The copy includes maps of the entire Plan area. http://planning.lacity.org/cpu/WestAdams/DraftPlan/WAdams_CP.pdf

Neighbors United members attended workshops and hearings during the review process and submitted comments to reflect concerns of our community.

Wanted: Recording Secretary and Block Captains

Last month we reported that our dedicated Recording Secretary, Hearts and Flowers Chair and Block Captains for the 1600 Block of Point View are stepping down from their volunteer assignments and we are in urgent need for someone to replace them.

- We extend thanks to Helen Nelson of Hayworth who has volunteered to be our Hearts and Flowers Chair. You can reach her at 323-934-0752 to report neighbors' illnesses, bereavement, congratulatory events, etc. We still need a Recording Secretary and block captains for the 1600 block of Point View and for the 1500, 1600 and 1800 blocks of Fairfax (west side). So what is required, you ask?
- **Recording Secretary:** Record minutes of board meetings and general meetings of association; read minutes at meetings as appropriate; maintain records, including constitution, bylaws, minutes of all meetings, job descriptions for all officers. Will keep a record of all names and addresses of association members. Other duties incident of the Recording Secretary as may be given by the President.
- **Block Captains** distribute monthly newsletters to neighbors on their block and inform the NU board of issues of interest or concern on the block. While we do send newsletters electronically to some neighbors, everyone does not have email and not everyone shares their email addresses. Therefore, we still deliver hard copies to make certain that our neighbors are informed about Faircrest Heights issues.

We hope others will kindly step up and help. Block captains are also needed for the 1500, 1600 and 1800 blocks of Fairfax (west side).

This is a great time for new neighbors to step up and get involved. If you are willing to help us, please email us at neighborsunited2@aol.com or post it on the website at <http://faircrestheights.weebly.com>. You can also access the website from www.neighborsunited.net.

Los Angeles Police Department Wilshire Detective Division Volunteer/Internship Model NR16182aj

Los Angeles: The Los Angeles Police Department's Wilshire Detective Division is proud to announce an innovative model for the volunteer/internship program, which directly engages community members and college students as part of the Department's strategic plan towards reducing crime and improving Community trust and collaboration.

The model has proven extremely effective resulting in 43 current participating interns/volunteers and over 40 new applicants due to a model design, which engages participants completely within the policing process.

The model enhances community outreach, engages mentorship to local students as well as community members, provides assistance in the administrative duties of detectives, and creates a self-sustaining volunteer corps at the Wilshire Division. The program also engages college students in basic crime analysis, academic-level COMPSTAT analysis, service outreach, and administrative assistance to detectives to improve police response to the community. Interns and volunteers learn current local community crime trends, the crime reduction analytical process and methods utilized to address crime problems in their own communities.

The following schools are represented in the program: Cal State Los Angeles, Cal State Long Beach, Cal State Dominguez Hills, University of California Irvine, Mount Saint Mary's University, among other institutions of learning.

An informal interview with each intern or volunteer identifies their individual interests related to problems facing our communities and focuses the participant along their interests. Once the student fulfills their internship requirements through the

respective college, the Wilshire Division offers the student an opportunity to remain with the program as a volunteer, with a significant ratio of interns returning as volunteers. For more information, please contact Wilshire Detectives, Lieutenant II Julius Guay at 213-922-8205.



PUZZLE SWAP!

Looking for puzzle hobbyist to share puzzles with in the Pico/Fairfax area. Have 500 and 1000-piece puzzles for exchange.

Landscapes, shaped and themed puzzles galore.

I prefer larger pieces, if possible. Please email me if you are interested in sharing your gems - Dtree5237@aol.com

Share your Thoughts about Faircrest Heights

Want to share your thoughts about our neighborhood? We invite you to write an essay or article to be included in the NU newsletter telling us about your views, about an experience you had since moving here, or what you'd like to see in your community. Please submit your article to neighborsunited2@aol.com no later than the first Saturday of the month. We'll include it—space permitting—that month or shortly thereafter.

Hearts and Flowers

Our condolences to the family of Bernice McIntosh of Hayworth Avenue.

Please keep in touch with neighbors who are ill, hospitalized, confined to their homes or bereaved. Give them a call or a visit to brighten their day. **Remember to notify our Hearts and Flowers Chair, Helen Nelson, at 323-934-0752, your block captain or email us at neighborsunited2@aol.com**

Visit our website:

<http://faircrestheights.weebly.com>. You can also access the website from www.neighborsunited.net. Be sure to submit articles, pictures and communications of interest to the Faircrest Heights community.

Please give your dues to your block captain, bring them to a meeting or mail them to:

Neighbors United P.O.Box 35103 Los Angeles, CA 90035

Neighbors United Membership Form

The membership drive is happening now! Support Faircrest Heights.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Yearly Dues: \$15.00

Please fill this out and give it with your check payable to Neighbors United to your block captain,