

Our team will be doing the Homeless Count tonight in Mar Vista so I will not be able to attend the meeting. Please see my report below.

Capitol Update

o Last month, the legislature passed a \$2.5B fund for the LA wildfire response and recovery. This includes funding to rebuild the damaged schools and speed up permitting for building.

o Tomorrow is the deadline to introduce bills for this legislative session. Here are some highlights from Assemblymember Bryan:

§ AB 247: This bill would increase pay for incarcerated firefighters. Almost 1000 firefighters who fought the Altadena and Palisades fires are incarcerated and did not make more than \$30 for a 24-hour shift. This will bring their pay to parity with the lowest non-incarcerated firefighter.

§ AB 363: The CalWORKs Recipients Program for Community Colleges is underutilized. CalWorks is a program to support working parents with expenses, and this bill pinpoints a specific pot of money in the program to extend the program timeline for children and to allow the program to cover the parent's pay instead of requiring the job to match pay.

District Update

o If you have questions about what is happening after the fires re: air quality, soil, toxic materials, I advise watching this <u>virtual town hall</u> recording from the County. Good resources are SCAQMD, FEMA, the County, and the Mayor's office.

o I met with the Metropolitan Water District last week. We discussed what's next for the <u>Pure</u> <u>Water recycling program</u>, a plan to deliver locally available water. Our water comes from the Colorado River and the State Water Project (not the same as the federal water project which brings water to Central California).

o We are in the process of hiring another field representative who will be able to respond to casework and be out in the community at events.

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