



# FRIENDS OF SUNSET PARK

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## APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

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### FRIENDS OF SUNSET PARK ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 11, 2019

1:30 to 3:30 PM

Mt. Olive Church, 14<sup>th</sup> & Ocean Park Blvd.



Speakers:

*Cathy Larson, FOSP Airport Committee Chair*

*Michael Brodsky, Airport 2 Park*

*Michael Ortiz, SMPD Neighborhood Resource Officer*

*Myesha Morrison, SMPD Crime Prevention Coordinator*



*Refreshments, Music, Exhibits, and  
Door Prizes Donated by Local Businesses  
Elect the 2019–2020 Board of Directors*



- 1) In order to vote, you will need to be an FOSP member by May 1, ten days before the election. A membership form is on the last page of the newsletter.
- 2) Current members can renew their memberships at the meeting.
- 3) ***If you received this newsletter by mail, the mailing label will have the date when you last paid dues. If you've paid dues since January 1, 2019, you do not need to pay again.***

### **Photos from the 2018 Annual Meeting**



Police Chief Cynthia Renaud



2018 "Emmalie" Award Winner  
Joe Schmitz  
with Zina Josephs and Cathy Larson

### **Save the Date!**

Thursday May 2 – 7 PM

Thelma Terry Center,  
Virginia Avenue Park

Henry Servin, City Traffic Manager,  
will report on proposed measures  
to reduce cut-through traffic and  
improve safety in Sunset Park

## Climate Action & Adaptation Plan

The City Council has directed staff to develop a plan to reach carbon neutrality by 2050 or sooner. The CAAP is the first phase of that work and includes proposed policies and measures that would help reduce carbon emissions communitywide 80% below 1990 levels by 2030. Emissions reductions will come primarily in the following three sectors:

- **Net Zero Carbon Buildings:** In 2019, the Clean Power Alliance (CPA) began serving Santa Monica 100% Green Power to residents and businesses.
- **Zero Waste:** Landfilled waste generates a significant amount of greenhouse gas emissions, so keeping waste out of landfills through reuse, repair, recycling, and composting can have a big impact on climate change as well.
- **Sustainable Mobility:** Traffic congestion, pollution, and carbon emissions are all linked. By making it safer and more convenient to take trips by foot, bike, or personal mobility device, all three can be reduced. Transitioning to electric vehicles will also reduce emissions.

To learn more, visit [smgov.net/climate](http://smgov.net/climate)

## Commission for the Senior Community

The Commission for the Senior Community acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council and city management on issues relevant to adults 50+ in Santa Monica. It also provides opportunities to educate seniors, their families, and their caregivers about topics of concern to older adults.

Areas of concern include advocacy, aging at home, elder abuse, financial wellbeing, health/wellness, housing, legislation, lifelong learning, quality longevity, recreation/fitness, safety, and transportation.

The Commission meets the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM at the Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4<sup>th</sup> Street (between Colorado and Broadway). The meetings are open to the public.

One of the Commissioners, Leigh Brumberg, is the liaison to Friends of Sunset Park. He is also a former FOSP Board member and can be reached at [Leigh.Brumberg@smgov.net](mailto:Leigh.Brumberg@smgov.net) if you have any questions or concerns.

## Santa Monica Airport (SMO)

**Excess pavement to be removed** – On March 26, the City Council moved forward with converting to hydroseed the pavement left after the Santa Monica Airport runway was shortened from 5,000 feet to 3,500 feet, and 300-foot Runway Safety Areas designated on both ends of the runway. In a unanimous vote, the Council authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute a \$3 million contract with Sully-Miller Contracting Company to construct and maintain the hydroseeded area.

**New Aircraft Company** – ICON Aircraft, which is headquartered in Northern California, has opened its first showroom at Corporate Hangar 7 at SMO. Visitors will be able to take demo flights in its futuristic ICON A5, an amphibious light plane which the company is marketing as an accessible aircraft for weekend adventures like fly fishing or island hopping. The two-seater airplane will sell for nearly \$400,000. **Only 20 hours of flight experience is needed to get the sport pilot license required to fly the A5.** The lead test pilot on the A5 and another ICON employee were killed when their A5 aircraft crashed in May 2017.

**H.R.976** – The Air Traffic Noise and Pollution Expert Consensus Act of 2019 was introduced in the House of Representatives on February 5 by Rep. Stephen Lynch and co-sponsored by Ted Lieu, Julia Brownley, and Karen Bass. It would direct the FAA Administrator to have the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine provide a report on the health impacts of air traffic noise and pollution.

## FOSP Board of Directors

Zina Josephs, President  
 Clare Thomas, Vice President  
 Charles R. Donaldson, Secretary  
 Vivien Flitton, Treasurer  
 Nikki Kolhoff, Land Use Committee Chair  
 Cathy Larson, Airport Committee Chair  
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## Community Policing

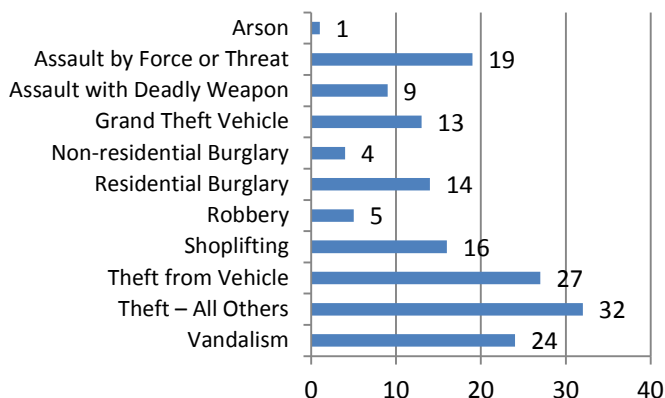
### Neighborhood Resource Officer

Michael Ortiz. 310-459-2201 x 4135  
[Michael.Ortiz@smgov.net](mailto:Michael.Ortiz@smgov.net)

### Crime Prevention Coordinator

Myesha Morrison – 310-458-8421  
[Myesha.Morrison@smgov.net](mailto:Myesha.Morrison@smgov.net)

## Sunset Park Crime Mapping: January 1 through March 31, 2019



## Homelessness

On March 26, the City Council approved the following strategies for 2019:

- Work with neighboring communities
- Create 140 permanent supportive housing units for homeless Santa Monicans.
- Explore the feasibility of a behavioral health center in Santa Monica.
- Proceed with a feasibility analysis of possible sites for the replacement of the SAMOSHEL shelter.
- Advance the development of an innovation fund as a way to leverage the generosity of private entities interested in contributing to homelessness solutions.
- Continue funding to the C3 team to expand the current contract and explore additional funding to create a new C3 team possibly focused on the beach.
- The Santa Monica Police Department Homeless Liaison Program team is scheduled to grow from eight to ten officers in the first quarter of 2019.
- Expand the Preserving Our Diversity (POD) rental subsidy program for seniors.
- Use the Fire Department to connect vulnerable housed populations with resources to prevent homelessness.
- Support locating new homeless programs in neighboring communities outside of Santa Monica.
- Ensure local nonprofits have adequate new resources to build capacity to provide services to the homeless.
- Increase Beach Outreach Coordination by strengthening relationships between West Coast Care and businesses along Ocean Front Walk.



## City Communication

The city website – [www.smgov.net](http://www.smgov.net) – has a link on the left side menu entitled “Getting Informed.” If you click on that, you’ll find Santa Monica Talks (a city staff blog); Newsroom (city press releases); Newsletter (subscribe to the city e-newsletter); Emergency Alerts (sign up for SMalerts.net); the city’s Facebook page, Instagram and Twitter accounts; city videos on YouTube; and a link to the Service Request page of the website.

## Resource Recovery and Recycling

<https://www.smgov.net/departments/publicworks/recycling.aspx>

- **Green Bin** – Food & Yard Scraps Collection Requirements: Organic material, such as food and yard debris, is 100% compostable. **Accepted Items:** All food (including meat and dairy), food soiled paper, and garden/yard clippings. **Not Accepted:** Plastic, glass or metal.
- **Blue Bin – Accepted items:** Plastic bottles and containers, glass bottles and jars, metal cans and foil, household paper, cardboard, milk cartons, and plastic bags. **Not Accepted:** Styrofoam packaging, cups and trays; Plastic clamshell packaging, commonly used for baking products and strawberries; Disposable party cups; Plastic bags; Household appliances, toys, CD cases, plastic hangers; Broken glass bottles or jars; Drinking glasses, plates, dishes, mugs, cookware, etc.; Window & mirror glass; Light bulbs; Paper towels, tissues, napkins, plates, etc.; Paper take-out food containers, plastic tableware; Potato chip & snack food bags; Plastic coated paper such as pet food bags; Metal coat hangers, cutlery, pots/pans, screws, nails, etc.; Propane cylinders; Aerosol cans.
- **Black Bin** – If you have excess trash (household waste that exceeds your 95-gallon container), you may purchase five 40-gallon plastic bags from the Solid Waste Division for \$25.50. Place excess trash into the bag, securely fasten bag and place next to trash container. Collection employees will identify city bags and collect them on your regularly scheduled collection day.
- **Bulky Items:** Furniture items such as sofas, tables, chairs, beds, and lamps should be taken to a drop-off location or call 310-458-2223 to request a special collection.
- **Household Hazardous Waste** – Batterites, for example, contain hazardous chemicals and are not accepted in city garbage or recycling programs. Take these items to a drop-off location, contact Stericycle HazMat curbside collection services at 1-800-714-1195, or visit [www.StericycleEnvironmental.com](http://www.StericycleEnvironmental.com) to arrange a curbside collection. **Accepted Items:** Motor Oil & Filters; Fuels; Paints; Solvents; Pool and Photo Chemicals; Art Supplies; Fertilizers; Fluorescent Tubes; Batteries; Electronic Waste; Household Cleaning Chemicals; Sharps (needles and syringes). **Not Accepted:** Explosives or explosive waste, except surface flares; Ammunition; Biological, biohazard or medical waste; Radioactive waste.

## Update of Development Standards for Single Family (R1) Districts

In February 2018, the Santa Monica City Council adopted an interim ordinance that temporarily reduced the size of new construction in R1 single-unit residential zoning districts. A comprehensive review of R1 zoning standards is now taking place.

A series of upcoming community meetings will provide residents with an opportunity to review the size of new home construction and make the current R1 Development Standards more “user-friendly.” Topics include parcel coverage, height, setbacks, stepbacks, projections, height exceptions, upper-story outdoor space, basements/lightwells/excavation, parking, and hillside development and design review.

The R1 districts in Santa Monica are North of Montana, North of Wilshire (21<sup>st</sup> to Centinela), Expo/Pico (Pico to Exposition, Stewart to Centinela), and Sunset Park. Additional information can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/y8tald5>

## Emergency Preparedness

<https://www.smgov.net/departments/oem/>

**F**rom the Office of Emergency Management: Take action to prepare your family for what is expected in our next catastrophic disaster, be it earthquake or another event. Get a kit, have a plan, and be informed. These basic steps should provide residents with the means to cope in a disaster and become part of the response and recovery that our community will need.

Preparedness for residents – <https://tinyurl.com/y62acfpb> – The City of Santa Monica encourages everyone to be prepared for emergencies of up to seven days. Preparation includes home, workplace, and car.

### ► Get a Kit

- Food and water
- First aid supplies
- Contact information
- Special needs supplies, including supplies for kids and pets
- Flashlight and radio
- Blankets, clothing, sturdy shoes

### ► Have a Plan

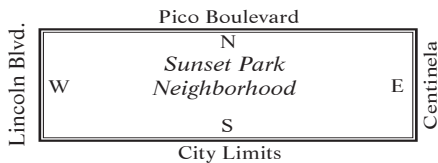
- Talk with friends and family about communicating after a disaster
- Update all contact information and

phone numbers

- Keep contact information on a piece of paper in your wallet or purse, not only in cell phones
- We suggest text messaging, instead of telephone calls during and after a disaster
- Identify a primary and secondary meeting location in case your home is inaccessible

► **Be Informed** – Sign up for SM Alerts at [www.SMalerts.net](http://www.SMalerts.net) to receive information regarding the next emergency.

Please take a moment this week to check your emergency supplies, update your contact information, sign up to receive community emergency alerts at [www.SMalerts.net](http://www.SMalerts.net), and take the next 3-Saturday Santa Monica CERT class, which starts on August 10.



The Sunset Park neighborhood is bounded by Lincoln Blvd. on the west, Pico Blvd. on the north, the east city limit (Centinela) and the south city limit (Airport Avenue, Dewey, Ozone).

A list of all the City-recognized neighborhood organizations and a map of their boundaries are posted at [www.smgov.net/content.aspx?id=4241](http://www.smgov.net/content.aspx?id=4241)

## Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

<https://tinyurl.com/ydceeuf5>

**What is CERT?** CERT is a community based group of volunteers that have completed a federally recognized training course taught by local Public Safety Personnel and First Responders. The training is a comprehensive program detailing ways to assist family, friends, neighbors, and your community if disasters occur. It is free and open to anyone over the age of 18 who lives or works in Santa Monica.

**What Will I Learn?** Disaster preparedness, Fire safety, Search and rescue, CERT team organization, Disaster medical operations, Terrorism, and Disaster psychology

**What Will I Need?** Time and materials – The comprehensive CERT training occurs over three 6-hour sessions. Wear comfortable clothes and sturdy shoes, and bring a sack lunch.

**Registration form:** <https://tinyurl.com/y5fvk2bt>

## 2019 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

I will help with:

- \_\_\_ Airport
- \_\_\_ Annual Meeting
- \_\_\_ Block Captain
- \_\_\_ Crime/Safety/Graffiti
- \_\_\_ Emergency Preparedness
- \_\_\_ Homelessness
- \_\_\_ Housing
- \_\_\_ Land Use
- \_\_\_ Neighborhood Mailings
- \_\_\_ Santa Monica College
- \_\_\_ Traffic/Parking/Pedestrian Safety

Membership Dues:

- \_\_\_ \$30 Regular Household Dues
- \_\_\_ \$50 or \$100 for Sponsor
- \_\_\_ \$10 Minimum Household Dues
- \_\_\_ Additional Donation

Please check:

- \_\_\_ New \_\_\_ Renewal

*Please make check payable to "Friends of Sunset Park" and mail to:*

FOSP, P.O. Box 5823, Santa Monica, CA 90409

What I like best about living in Sunset Park: \_\_\_\_\_

My greatest concerns are: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership dues and contributions to FOSP, a 501(c)(4) organization, are **not** tax deductible.