

New Appointments

Board of Health and Human Services

Silene St. Bernard

Dr. St Bernard is a veterinarian with experience in many aspects of pet and animal care. She has been a speaker and teacher at numerous colleges and universities, and established her own veterinary business. Dr. St. Bernard served as President of the American Association of Industry Veterinarians and on the boards of various veterinary organizations and community groups. She has also coached football in Long Beach.

Menchie Caliboso

Menchie has experience providing therapy to low-income children and families, as well as adult psychiatric patients. She is currently completing her Master's Degree in psychological research, where she has worked on a stress management program for low-income African American mothers.

Citizens' Advisory Commission on Disabilities

Daryl Crouse

Daryl has been a certified sign language interpreter for more than 15 years. He has started two small businesses and is a licensed attorney. He serves on the Board of Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness and is Board Secretary for the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.

Cultural Heritage Commission

Craig Smith

Craig is a member of the Board at Rancho Los Cerritos. He is retired as a faculty member at Cal State Long Beach, where he chaired four different departments. Craig served on the Cal State University Board of Trustees. From 1988 to 2015, he was Director of the Center for First Amendment Studies at CSULB.

Economic Development Commission

Lincoln Bauer

Lincoln is a Managing Partner at Innovatory, and serves as WE Labs's partner for Community Relations & Initiatives. Lincoln is a founder and serves on the board of Uncoded, and active in a number of other Long Beach community organizations and efforts including the Local Business Alliance. Lincoln holds a graduate degree in political economy.

Homeless Services Advisory Committee

Allison Kripp

Allison is a small business owner in Downtown Long Beach, and has been active in supporting and advocating for homeless residents for several years, volunteering her time at local nonprofits and engaging in outreach and education. She is trained in mental health first aid, won the Long Beach Hero Award in 2014, and is the current Mrs. Long Beach.

Human Relations Commission

LaDawn Best

LaDawn has lived in Long Beach for more than 20 years, serving as an advocate, case manager, and community educator in the areas of health, domestic violence, and leadership, with a particular focus on girls, people of color, and the LGBTQ community. She is current President and Chair of the LGBTQ center Long Beach. LaDawn has served on numerous Boards and Committees that work to address domestic violence and other health issues. She holds a Master's Degree in Education, Leadership and Change from Antioch University

Amy Eriksen

Amy is a lifelong Long Beach resident. She is the Executive Director of Angel's Gate Cultural Center, and holds a Master's Degree in Organizational Management. Amy owned a small business in Long Beach for several years and is a Leadership Long Beach graduate (2013).

Kimmy Maniquis

Kimmy has more than 13 years of experience in youth development in urban communities and schools. She is Associate Executive Director of the California Conference for Equality and Justice and has expertise in the areas of ethnic studies, restorative justice, and conflict mediation. Kimmy holds a Master's Degree in Asian American Studies.

Senior Citizen Advisory Commission

Zoe A Nicholson

Zoe is a long time writer, researcher, and published author. She is a member of Clergy & Laity United for Economic Justice, and Convener and President of Pacific Shore NOW. Zoe holds a Master's Degree in Social Ethics from USC.

Sustainable City Commission

Donna Bergeron-Birge

Donna Bergeron-Birge is a teacher in the Long Beach Unified School teacher. She has served as a community volunteer for many years. She is recycling coordinator at Hill Middle School and was cofounder of the Lincoln heights Neighborhood Association. Donna was 2003 Teacher of the Year.

Veterans Advisory Commission

Ryan Antes

Ryan is a combat veteran and law clerk living in Long Beach. Ryan holds a Juris Doctorate and is a member of the State Bar. He served as an Airborne Ranger in Afghanistan and Iraq. Ryan attended Cal State Long Beach.

Sylvia Contreras

Sylvia is a property owner who has lived in Long Beach for more than 20 years. She has previously worked as a claims adjuster and controller, where she managed more than 100 cases at a time and negotiated settlements and claims.

Rebecca Davidson

Rebecca is a veteran and business owner. She is the Administrator of Harvey House, a Residential Community for Elders. Rebecca has a great deal of experience in Information Technology and holds a Master's Degree in Divinity.

Juanita Doplemore

Juanita is a veteran and a military spouse. She serves as a Global Service Analyst for FedEx and as organized family readiness events with the US Army. She received the Army Achievement Medal in 2002 and 2003. In 2016 she was awarded the Girl Scouts Adult Volunteer Honor Pin.

Carlos Gonzalez

Carlos is Chief Compliance Officer at PATH – People Assisting the Homeless, where he was previously Managing Director and Director of Programs. Carlos holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration.

Mike Shaknovich

Mike served in the US Marine Corps from 2001-2006. He is founder and COO of the Emissary Media Group, based in Long Beach, and was a crucial organizer of Beach Streets 2016. He is also the onsite transportation manager for Coachella and Stagecoach festivals.

Josh Smith

Josh is a veteran and works for the US Department of Veteran Affairs as a Health Care Education Specialist. He holds a Master's Degree in Industrial and Organizational Psychology. Josh has six years of project management experience in the training and development field.

Kiniko Willingham

Kiniko is a Long Beach homeowner and Air Force veteran. She works as a social worker for the US Department of Veteran Affairs. She holds a Master's Degree in Social Work and is a current Doctoral candidate in Health Care Administration.

Reappointments

Economic Development Commission

Kristi Allen
Becky Blair
Frank Colonna
Randal Hernandez
Ralph Holguin
Walter Larkins
Michelle Molina
Cyrus Parker-Jeannette

Pacific Gateway Workforce Development Board

Glenn Agoncillo
Kim Armstrong
Bradford Barto
Regina Cash
Connie Chan
Xochitl Cobarruvias
Tommy Favvae
Reginald Harrison
Ted Hiatt
Vernard A. Johnson
Fredrick Johring
Weston Labar
Sandy King
Rosi Pedersen
Byron Reed
G. Larry Rice
Peter Santillan
Vivian Shimoyama

Technology and Innovation Commission

David Ferrell
Cindy Hanks
Juan Lopez
Andrew Schrock
Dr. Gwen Shaffer

The Long Beach Community Investment Company

Diane Arnold
Russell Doyle
Stacy McDaniel
Sabrina Sanders
John Thomas
Jan Ward
Patrice Wong

Board of Examiners, Appeals, and Condemnation

Diane Arnold
Michael Hamilton
Christina Mandac
Michael McCarthy
Jim Thompson
Eric Witten

Citizens' Advisory Commission on Disabilities

Anthony Bell
Ciara Calsita
David Gauthier
Richard Hernandez
Chris Karadjov
Jennifer Kumiyama
Deaka McClain

Board of Health and Human Services

Ralph Brooks
Jose Carrillo
Gisele Fong
Troy Ha
Christine Petit
Jody Rawles
Chris Robson
Renee Simon
Milton Smith
William Stuart
Sabira Tejani
Kelley Tenny

Airport Advisory Commission

Jeffrey Anderson
Wayne Cheney, Sr.
Hal Gosling
Glenn Ray
Jeff Rowe
Roland Scott
Karen Sherman

Human Relations Commission

Dr. Elaine Bernal
Elisa Buchanan
Nikole Cababa
Shane Devins
Desmond Fletcher
Otis Hogan
Rohida Khan
Miles McNelley
Veronica Quincy

Senior Citizen Advisory Commission

Winifred Carter
Laura Claveran
Don Darnauer
Dianne McGinnis
Mary Alice Sedillo

Cultural Heritage Commission

Alan Burks
Shannon Carmack
Jan Robert van Dijs
Karen Highberger
Louise Ivers
Julianna Roosevelt

Sustainable City Commission

Sona Coffee
Kathleen Irvine
Nicholas Lind

Marine Advisory Commission

Jerry Avila
Ted Kuhn
Richard DuRee
Tom Mayes
Eric Peterson
Michael Schachter
Peter Schnack
David Thornburg
Mark Turpin