




**Date:** November 18, 2009

**To:** Federal Legislation Committee Members  
State Legislation Committee Members

**From:** Patrick H. West, City Manager 

**Subject:** Summary of 2009 State and Federal Funding Successes

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Attached for your review is a summary of the total amount of Federal and State funding successfully received by the City in FY 2009 through direct legislative efforts.

These successes are a result of the collaborative efforts of the Mayor and City Council, the Federal Legislation Committee, the State Legislation Committee, the City's Federal legislative advocates Van Scoyoc Associates, the City's State legislative advocate Mike Arnold and Associates, City staff, and of course our Long Beach State and Federal delegation.

This list does not include the numerous grant dollars that many departments receive (such as Section 8, CDBG, Homeland Security, Health grants, etc), rather it shows new funding sources identified and secured on behalf of Long Beach in 2009, either through direct efforts or in partnership with other groups.

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# FISCAL YEAR 2009: GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS BY THE NUMBERS

NOVEMBER 2009

## Direct Federal Dollars Received To Date

• Stimulus Funds (Long Beach and our government partners)	\$90,088,765
• Long Beach Youth Career Academy	\$1,189,000
• Ramona Park Improvement Project	\$142,500
• Breakwater Study Review Funds	\$90,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$91,510,265</b>

## Pending Federal Dollars (FY 10 Appropriations)\*

• Shoemaker Bridge (House Bill)	\$1,000,000
• Youth Career Academy (\$300,000-House; \$100,000-Senate);	\$300,000
• Forensics Equipment (House Bill)	\$100,000
• Senior Services Program (House Bill)	\$100,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>

\*Final funding is dependent on conference agreements and the ultimate approval of the federal appropriations bills

## State Dollars Lost as a Result of the State Budget\*\*

• Health Department (various funds)	(\$1,300,000)
• Prop 1A Property Tax Borrowing	(\$10,000,000)
• Police Department COPS funds	(\$298,715)
• Redevelopment / Housing Shift to School Districts	(\$29,487,696)
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>(\$41,086,411)</b>

\*\*Includes both FY 10 Budget sessions

## State Dollars Prevented from Being Lost as a Result of the State Budget\*\*

• Gas Tax Raid	\$8,000,000
• Proposition 42 Transportation Funding Proposed Borrowing	\$5,000,000
• Health Department Cuts (additional)	\$3,700,000
• Police Department COPS Grants (additional)	\$486,803
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$17,186,803</b>

\*\*Includes both FY 10 Budget sessions

## Other Successes This Year:

• Funding for 8 new C-17s (War Supplemental)	\$2,200,000,000
• Funding for 10 new C-17s (FY 10 Appropriations)	\$2,500,000,000
• Defeated effort to abrogate Transient Occupancy Tax lawsuit	\$3,000,000
• Defeated effort to eliminate the Long Beach Enterprise Zone	\$20,947,219
• Long Beach Exemption to Oil Severance Tax	\$3-4 million
• Approval of the Gateway Authority as an water planning agency allowing direct access to State water bond funds	Up to \$75,000,000
• Subsidence Fund Borrowing Language	\$10,000,000

## OVERVIEW OF STATE SUCCESSES

- **Enterprise Zone (\$20,947,219):** Defeated an effort to abolish the Long Beach Enterprise Zone, which generates a benefit to Long Beach businesses in the amount of \$39,25,612.
- **Oil Severance Tax (\$3-4 million):** Long Beach successfully included language to exempt our oil operations from the proposed State Oil Severance Tax, saving a potential \$3-4 million per year if the tax is implemented.
- **State Raids in February 2009 (\$23,000,000):** Successfully protected \$23 million in Prop. 42, Gas Tax and Prop. 1A property tax funds from raid in the February 2009 Special Session on the State Budget
- **State Raids in July 2009 (\$16,700,000):** Successfully prevented the raid of \$8 million in Gas Tax funds, \$5 million in Prop 42 funds, and an additional \$3.7 million in Health funds in the July 2009 passage of the State's Fiscal Year 2010 budget. The State eventually took \$41.3 million in funds from Long Beach, yet this number was predicted to be as high as \$58 million earlier in the year.
- **Subsidence Fund Borrowing (\$10,000,000):** During the State Budget discussions, Long Beach was the only city to receive special legislation allowing us to mitigate the impact of the Prop 1A property tax borrowing by allowing a short-term loan from the City's Subsidence Fund. This legislation saved the City's General Fund \$10 million.
- **State COPS Funds (\$486,803):** Worked with the League of Cities to save the State COPS program from complete elimination (15% reduction instead). This resulted in preserving \$486,803 for our Police Department.
- **Water Funds (\$75,000,000):** Long Beach played a key role in convincing the Department of Water Resources to approve the Gateway Authority as an Integrated Resource Water Management (IRWM) planning agency, allowing the 2 million residents in the region to apply directly water funds. The region will now be eligible to compete directly for up to \$40 million in water funds from Prop 84, and potentially up to \$35 million in the new proposed water bond to be considered by voters in November 2010.

## OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL SUCCESSES

- **Stimulus Funds (\$90,088,765):** This year, the City played a large role in convincing Congress to include funds for City infrastructure projects in the Stimulus bill that passed in February 2009. Long Beach was aggressive in assembling shovel-ready projects, and pursuing as many of those dollars as possible. To date, Long Beach and our government partners have secured \$90 million in Stimulus funds. Special projects to note include: Arlington Stormdrain, Colorado Lagoon, LA River Trash Separation Devices, Sidewalk Replacement, Local Street Repair, Municipal Building Energy Retrofits, Workforce Development Funds, Homeless Prevention, Front Line Law Enforcement and Radio Purchases, Bus Stop and Bus Capital Improvements, Diesel Emission Reduction of Port Equipment, and Catch Basin Inserts for all 16 upstream Gateway Cities.
- **Stormwater:** The City was active this year in working regionally to pursue funds to clean up the LA River. The Gateway Authority, which represents the Gateway COG cities, was awarded \$10 million in Stimulus funds to provide trash collection devices for over 12,000 catchbasins. This will eliminate more than 800,000 pounds of waste annually from the LA River, and provides a trash capture device for all stormdrains for the 16 Gateway cities that flow into the LA River. Additionally, Long Beach received \$1,494,679 in Stimulus funds for LA River pump station trash devices.
- **Breakwater Study:** In July 2009, the City completed the Long Beach Breakwater Reconnaissance Study using an unprecedented approach of conducting the study ourselves and turning it over to the US Army Corps to review. The City also secured the long-awaited \$90,000 for the Army Corps to officially review the study.
- **FY 09 Appropriations (\$1,189,000):** In May 2009, Congress approved their FY 09 Appropriations bill, which included a total of \$1,331,500 for Long Beach for the Long Beach Youth Career Academy (\$1,189,000) and the Ramona Park Improvement Project (\$142,500)
- **FY 10 Appropriations (\$1,690,000):** As of November 2009, Congress is still in the process of considering FY 10 Appropriations. However, Long Beach has secured a total of \$1.69 million in funds in either the House or Senate version of one of the appropriation bills for the following projects: Breakwater Study (\$90,000); Shoemaker Bridge (\$1,000,000); Youth Career Academy (\$300,000-House; \$100,000-Senate); Forensics Equipment (\$100,000); Senior Services Program (\$100,000)

- **Transient Occupancy Tax (\$3,000,000):** Successfully defeated legislative efforts by the online travel companies to insert language to bar local governments from imposing transient occupancy or other travel-related local taxes, and allowing those companies to abrogate the current lawsuit. If the current lawsuit filed by local governments against the online travel companies is successful, Long Beach may be able to recoup up to \$3 million in owed taxes.
- **Lehman Brothers:** Long Beach played a key role in a coalition of over 100 local government that loss highly-rated investments in Lehman Brothers. In 2009, the coalition was successful in getting both House and Senate legislation introduced to specially allow the Troubled Assets Relief Program (TARP) to reimburse local governments for their losses. These efforts could help Long Beach recoup the \$19.9 million lost when Lehman Brothers filed for bankruptcy.
- **C-17 Production Line Extension (\$4.7 billion):** Working together with Boeing and Congress, the C-17 production line received significant funding in 2009 to extend the closure date of the line from August 2010 until mid 2012. In June 2009, Congress approved 8 additional C-17s at \$2.2 billion in the Emergency Supplemental Appropriation, and in October 2009 Congress approved another 10 C-17s at \$2.5 billion in the FY 10 Defense Appropriations bill.
- **Energy Efficiency Funds:** In October 2009, Senator Boxer released the Senate version of the Climate Change Cap and Trade bill, which includes the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program. If passed by Congress and fully funded, this program could result in \$2.8 million per year to fund local energy retrofit projects.