The landmark Vision Theater during the early morning hours on Tuesday April 21st, caught fire. Firefighters from the Los Angeles Fire Department extinguished flames that damaged only part of the historic Vision Theatre located in Leimert Park. Firefighters extinguished the fire in about 25 minutes. The first reports of the fire came in early morning hour around 4:00 a.m. Tuesday. There were no reported injuries and the cause of the fire is still under investigation. In an interview with the Los Angeles Sentinel, City Council President Emeritus Herb Wesson hinted that a houseless or a homeless individual may have started the fire but nothing was confirmed.

Ben Caldwell, who runs the Leimert Park Art Walk and manages the Kaos Network, a for-profit community media lab next door to the Vision, assessed the damage. "The damage on the property was mostly due to the homeless encampment that caught on fire. So, the box-wall that faced the vision theater burned down and the wall that faced the encampment burned down." Caldwell said in a social distanced interview with local Sentinel Newspaper. He says there may have been fires on the roof. "I just hate to see that happen to my friends, there." Caldwell says he appreciated watching the people come together during a hectic time. "It showed a community working together; we see how fast we were able to stop the fire," he said. "There are elements in the community during these hard times that are hard to work with because of the cycle of social trauma, but I think this is a good wake-up call for us all to see what we can do about taking care of emergency things." Read more at https://lasentinel.net/leimert-park-fire-damages-historic-vision-theatre.html?utm_source=Eblast+Thursday%2C+April+23%2C+2020+&utm_campaign=Newspaper+Headlines+4%2F23%2F2020&utm_medium=email
Clean and Safe Program
This program consists of clean streets programs including sidewalk cleaning, graffiti removal, trash collection and removal, tree trimming, and landscape maintenance and enhanced safety / Community Ambassador services.
- $180,668
- 72.7% of Budget

Branding and Marketing
This program will strive to tell the story of the District, its history, its cultural attractions, and its ongoing improvements, and will consist of developing a website, a newsletter and collateral material promoting the District. It will also include public and media relations and the development of District branding elements. This program adds value to property owners and businesses in district.
- $36,601
- 4.7% of Budget

Administration, Operations Cost & City Fees
Administration cost to oversee BID contracts, preparation of quarterly and annual reports, facilitation of community development and public policy efforts and promotion of the District.
Also includes costs for financial statement and tax preparation, city processing fees, printing, mailing and phones.
- $31,379
- 12.6% of Budget

TOTAL 2020 ANNUAL BUDGET: $248,648
Community Build, Inc.
Mr. Robert Sausedo, CEO/Executive Director
Managed by Community Build Inc. (CBI), the BID provides innovative approaches to activities, including street cleaning & beautification, marketing and administration to help Greater Leimert Park Village Crenshaw Corridor become a twenty first century community. Each of the programs are designed to increase building occupancy, to encourage new business development; and attract ancillary businesses and services for each individually assessed parcel within the BID. The parcel land uses within the boundaries of the BID are a mix of retail, restaurant, art, office, parking and mixed use commercial uses. Community Build Inc. is incubating Africa Town Enterprises as part of its Clean Streets Team and Ambassadors. www.CommunityBuildInc.org

Los Angeles Metropolitan Churches
Cheryl A. Branch, BID Manager and Pat Guillery, Administration and Board Support 323-238-0446 or email GLPVCCBID@gmail.com

Urban Design Center
Sherri Franklin, Business Improvement District Compliance Advisor | 213-447-9264 or visit www.UrbanDesignCenter.com

MANAGEMENT TEAM

REPRESENTATION
The Management Team attends the monthly Business Improvement District Consortium Meetings comprised of over 40 BIDs throughout the City to advocate on behalf of properties and businesses. Management also attends the Community Police Advisory Board meetings on a monthly basis to report incidents and to coordinate needed police follow-up with property owners.
Africa Town

Africa Town is charged with cleaning the streets throughout the district four days per week which includes sweeping the sidewalks and gutters, bagging the trash and wiping down street furniture and keeping the planters free of debris. They will also provide incident reports on homeless encampments, public health incidents and city street improvements services to 311.

A stakeholder in LPV for more than 10 years. Mr. Kevin Wharton Price is the supervisor for Clean and Safe Team in LPV Zone 1 area of the BID.

Giant Steps

Giant Steps is charged with managing trash pickup, power washing the sidewalks on a monthly basis and Graffiti removal will be handled within 48 hours of notification. Through the Giant Steps programs, adults with developmental disabilities are given the training and tools to become active and productive members of their community. Giant Steps is responsible for LPVCC Zone 2. GLPVCCBID is thankful that the Giant Steps program has joined the team!

Clean Street Services are provided Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday throughout the District.

Please email GLPVCCBID@gmail.com or call 323-238-0446 to Report Needed Services or an Incident.
BREATHE and Be WELL!

Coping with COVID-19

Stress levels and anxiety are on the rise as many of us struggle to deal with the impact and reality of COVID-19. Recently, LA Commons partnered with Leimert Park Native Brittani Bwell, a yoga instructor, and mental health and wellness coach to create a series of virtual mindfulness, breathwork, and sound healing tutorials. Now, more than ever it is imperative that we are more conscious and diligent about caring for ourselves and others.

Take a moment, pause, and breathe with Brittani.

Support local creative businesses,

Contact Britt Blackwell at brittanibwell@gmail.com or use link below.

https://www.lacommmons.org/post/breathe-and-be-well?mc_cid=e59ac56f91&mc_eid=c150cd45cf

Stress-Free Connections

Please fill out this survey during the current emergency.

A link to the City of Los Angeles' Covid-19 resource page will be provided at the end of the survey.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z58FGL9
Visit local shops.
Support mom-and-pop property owners in GLPVCC BID District.

Call BID MANAGEMENT for details glpvcc@gmail.com or 323-238-0446

As a reminder, CD 10 staff continue to telecommute. And if you have a constituent inquiry, do so via email and phone at 323-733-8233 or 213-473-7010.

For individual staff email addresses, please click here for staff emails.

Sylvia Lacy is assigned to GLPVCC BID.

Call BID MANAGEMENT if you have other questions about the District at glpvcc@gmail.com or 323-238-0446