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Responding to Community Needs

Loma Alta Park Will Reopen With Critical Services To Help Altadena Residents

April Saturday Volunteer Days Enlists LA County Residents to Help Altadena Neighbors

LOS ANGELES (March 14, 2025) - With urging from Altadena residents, County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (LA County Parks) turned attention to the **recovery and re-opening of Loma Alta Park**, which will serve as a hub to provide critical community-support services for Altadena children, seniors and families. Loma Alta Park will support the Altadena families and residents who have moved back into Altadena, as well as the residents that want to stay connected to their beloved community.

Loma Alta, the first Altadena park to reopen after the Eaton Fire, will provide the following community services:

- Space for a satellite Altadena Senior Center, which was burned in the Eaton Fire.
- Space for after-school (child-care center) serving 100 youth ages 5 to 12 years old after 34 childhood education licensed facilities were destroyed in the Eaton Fire.
- Create 25 teen jobs (for ages 14 to 25)
- RE-open Our SPOT Teen Center
- Space for a satellite Altadena Library branch
- A new Altadena Chats neighborhood meet-up and conversation site with Adirondack chairs to serve as a mini 'town square'
- Provide trauma recovery programming for children, seniors and families
- Provide space for displaced community programming (Altadena Rotary summer concerts)
- And much more

LA County Parks is listening and meeting with various community-based organizations in Altadena to expand programs at Loma Alta Park needed by residents. The vision is for this park to serve as a hopeful sign of Altadena rising – to bring neighborhood residents together, to assist the community with critical services needed to help it heal and rebuild its future.

Also, the goal for April volunteer Saturdays (9 am to 2 pm) is to galvanize volunteers from across Los Angeles County to help green, re-plant trees, and create beautiful murals with local artists at Loma Alta Park. Rather than one Earth Day, April will be "Earth month" for Altadena and Loma Alta Park.

Registration required at: <http://bit.ly/3QIsyxK>

Only a small portion of Loma Alta Park was damaged by the Eaton Fire. Prior to the volunteer days, the US Army Corps of Engineers will remove debris (playground equipment, damaged plants/trees, a maintenance shed, and the Altadena Community Garden), followed by a certified contractor who will thoroughly clean the park.

About the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation

The County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation manages 183 parks. It also operates a network of 9 regional parks, 38 neighborhood parks, 20 community parks, 16 wildlife sanctuaries, 8 nature centers, 41 public swimming pools, 23 splash pads, 14 lakes including 3 with swimming beaches, more than 240 miles of multi-use trails for hiking, biking, and horseback riding, and the largest municipal golf system in the nation, consisting of 20 golf courses at 18 facilities. The department also maintains four botanical centers: The Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden, the South Coast Botanic Garden, Descanso Gardens, and Virginia Robinson Gardens. The department also owns the iconic Hollywood Bowl, and the John Anson Ford Amphitheatre, providing County residents with valuable entertainment and cultural resources. Visit: <https://parks.lacounty.gov/>

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