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A New Chapter: Homeless Seniors Moved from Trailers at Friendship Auditorium to Permanent Housing

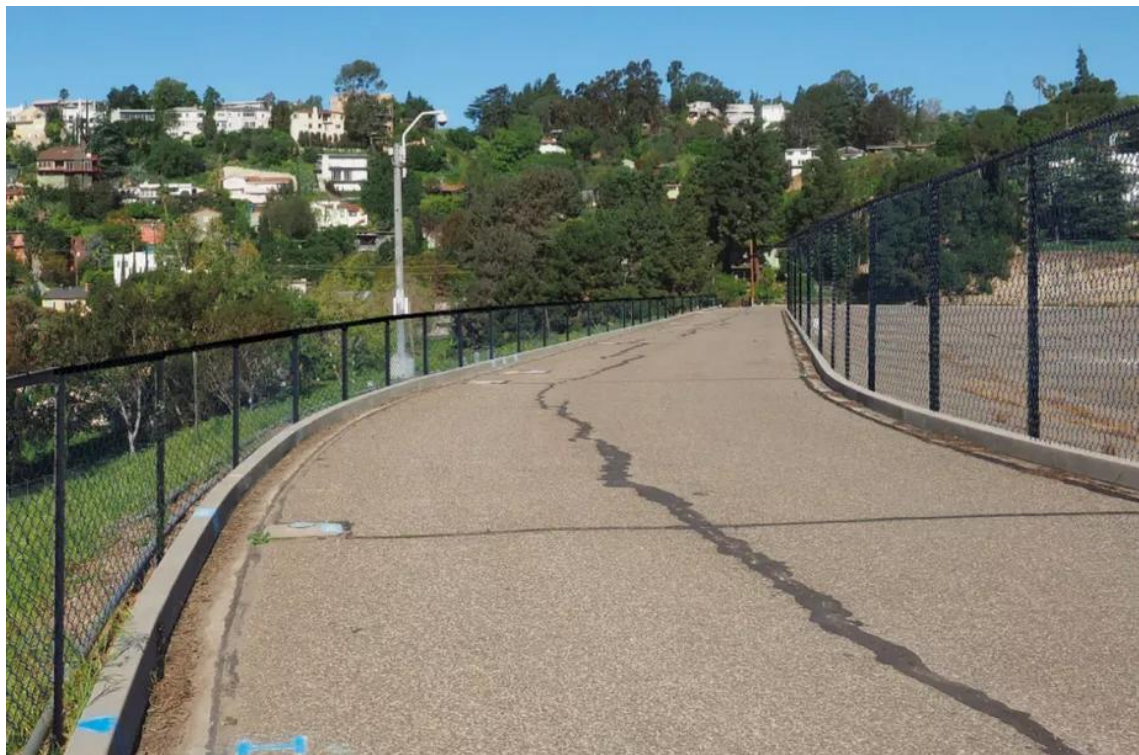
Residents in a nearby village of trailers that provided temporary, emergency shelter for unhoused individuals over the age of 60, or those with health issues, are being moved to permanent housing. The now-vacant trailers, which were located in the parking lot of Friendship Auditorium and the Griffith Park Adult Community Center (GPACC), were moved in late January and are being stored at a lot across from the zoo. The trailers, part of Project Roomkey, a combined state, county and city program to house people not showing symptoms of COVID-19, were installed in March 2020 as part of the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to the GPACC newsletter, the parking lot is expected to be rehabilitated. The facility, which accommodated staff providing supervision and care of the seniors living in the trailers, will undergo deep cleaning before the adult center is reopened.



CD 13 Clean Team to the Rescue

CD 13 Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell's "Clean Team" responds to reports of locations in the 13th District in need of trash removal and cleaning, including a recent clean up along Silver Lake Boulevard between Edgewater and Glendale Boulevard and at the Silver Lake Library. Based on Ring Cam footage, the trash originated from an area known as "the farm" in the 2300 block of Silver Lake Boulevard. Nearby residents assisted in resolving the trash situation. If you see a location in need of attention, please contact the CD 13 District Office at (213) 207-3015.



A walking path across the south dam of the Silver Lake Reservoir was opened in February 2018. (Photo: L.A. Curbed)

L.A. Times Article Shows Vulnerability of State's Aging Dams

Although the dam that contains 795 million U.S. gallons of water in the iconic Silver Lake Reservoirs Complex has not been cited for safety issues, a recent feature in the *Los Angeles Times* provides insight into the vulnerability of the state's aging dams. According to the article, the 1971 San Fernando earthquake and the near failure of the Lower Van Norman Dam gave rise to construction improvements, but "... the majority of California dams are decades past their design life span... and many older dams were built using construction methods considered outdated by today's standards." The article notes that about 75% of the 1,250 dams regulated by the state Department of Safety of Dams are more than 50 years old.

California's Natural Resources Agency, Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams lists the Silver Lake Reservoir as dam number 6-51.

[READ THE LOS ANGELES TIMES ARTICLE](#)

[SEE THE LIST OF ALL DAMS IN CALIFORNIA](#)



Cash for CD 13 Caregivers

CD 13 recently announced that The National Council of Jewish Women has launched a guaranteed income program for 12 female caregivers in Council District 13. Eligible applicants will be randomly selected to receive \$1,000 every month for 12 months. Caregivers have until the end of February to apply.

[Click here to apply](#) or contact Michelle@ncjwla.org or at (323) 852-8506.



Images show the front of Tenants of the Trees before and after the city covered the unsightly graffiti.

Tenants of the Trees Eyesore Covered Up

After almost a year of complaints and unanswered and ignored notices of compliance sent by the City of Los Angeles, the city has painted the tag-covered building of troubled bar Tenants of The Trees. The building has been abandoned since the county issued orders in March 2020 for bars and restaurants to shutter their doors. Tenants of the Trees, which opened in 2015, has consistently been a nuisance business and bad neighbor to other businesses and residents on or near Hyperion Avenue.

[SEE PREVIOUS STORY ON TENANTS OF THE TREES](#)



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