

**Long Beach  
Community  
Action  
Partnership**

**About LBCAP**



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*Long Beach Community Action Partnership (LBCAP) is a proud member of a national Community Action Network assisting individuals and families as they strive to achieve self sustainability.*

*Often such success requires community partners working together to ensure holistic needs are met. LBCAP has established itself as an innovative agency that often takes a leadership role in matters of great importance to our community and families served. Our Board of Directors and staff act as ambassadors for quality programs, professional services and meaningful outcomes that are achieved with dignity and respect.*

*As we continue to grow in service our commitment to such core values remain grounded in the promise of community action!*

*We appreciate your interest and welcome your support as we work together in creating a better quality of life for all of those that live and work in communities we serve.*

*Respectfully,*

**Darick J. Simpson**  
Executive Director

**Mary Sramek**  
Board Chairperson

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## **Agency Mission**

*We are passionately committed to providing dynamic pathways to self-sustainability for low income individuals and families through advocacy, education and energy assistance.*

*With our collaborative partners, community resources and strength-based leadership, we coordinate and mobilize comprehensive training and technical assistance vital to building and sustaining an enriched community.*



## **Programs and Services**

**Energy Services**

Utility Payment Assistance

Home Weatherization

**Public Access Digital Network**

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**

**Youth Programs**

After School Education and Safety

Leadership Academy Mentoring Program

**Community Advocacy and Family Services**

# Energy Services

## DESCRIPTION

The Eastern Los Angeles Energy Assistance Team (ELEAT) helps households decrease their energy burden and provides support in three target areas: 1) Utility bill payments; 2) Weatherization services to improve energy efficiency; and 3) Critical heating and cooling repair/replacement services offered during severe weather emergencies.

## TARGET POPULATION

Low and moderate-income individuals and families residing in Eastern Los Angeles County

Some additional services available to households in Los Angeles, Orange and San Bernardino Counties

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Azusa Light and Water
- City of Long Beach
- City of Norwalk Senior Center
- Community Resource Center in Whittier
- Resident Advisory Council of San Pedro
- San Gabriel Work Source Center

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- \$11 million annually invested in the community
- Over 47,000 households assisted with utilities
- 5,300 homes weatherized and repaired to date

## PROGRAM NEEDS

- Community partners to expand services
- Operational funding
- Locations to hold Energy Workshops

## CONTACT

Energy Hotline (888) 351-4061  
energyhelp@lbcap.org

# Public Access Digital Network (PADNET)

The Long Beach Public Access Digital Network cablecasts on Charter Channel 32 and Verizon FIOS Channel 41. PADNET empowers Long Beach residents with quality resources to create and share locally produced news, information and entertainment. We offer production classes, equipment and facilities to our members and low-cost production services to the

## DESCRIPTION

All residents, nonprofits and businesses in the City of Long Beach

## TARGET POPULATION

- City of Long Beach
- John S. and James L. Knight Foundation
- Long Beach Community Foundation
- Long Beach Public Library
- Charter Communications and Verizon FIOS

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Production of the *Long Beach Lens* series featuring public officials and community leaders
- Over 1,200 residents trained in media production
- Three satellite locations with more on the way
- PADNET facilities have been used for over 2,600 hours of production and editing

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Station operations funding
- Underwriting for *Long Beach Lens*
- Host a PSA Day to benefit local non-profits
- Production crew, interns and outreach assistants

## PROGRAM NEEDS

PADNET Member Services (562) 216-4640

[info@padnet.tv](mailto:info@padnet.tv)

## CONTACT

# Leadership Academy Mentoring Program (LAMP)

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The Leadership Academy Mentoring Program is an innovative program designed to inspire and empower youth in the creation of unique personal and career development plans that enable self-sustainability. LAMP addresses the personal, social, educational and economic needs of our youth by combining leadership skills and the arts through four disciplines: music production, video production graphic design/silk screening and photography.</p>
<b>TARGET POPULATION</b>	<p>Youth ages 14-24, in local communities, with household income at or below the United States Department of Health and Human Services poverty guidelines</p>
<b>COMMUNITY PARTNERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dwight Stuart Youth Fund</li><li>• The GRAMMY Museum and GRAMMY Foundation</li><li>• City of Long Beach</li><li>• Long Beach Unified School District</li><li>• The California Endowment</li><li>• Building Healthy Communities Long Beach</li></ul>
<b>ACCOMPLISHMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 74% of interns have obtained employment after a summer internship</li><li>• PSAs and other content produced for Long Beach Symphony Orchestra, Leadership Long Beach and other community groups</li></ul>
<b>PROGRAM NEEDS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Operational funding for field trips and transportation</li><li>• Guest speakers for topics in leadership and skill development</li><li>• Academic tutors</li></ul>
<b>CONTACT</b>	<p>Christian Risquez (562) 216-4645 crisquez@lbcap.org</p>

# After School Education and Safety (ASES)

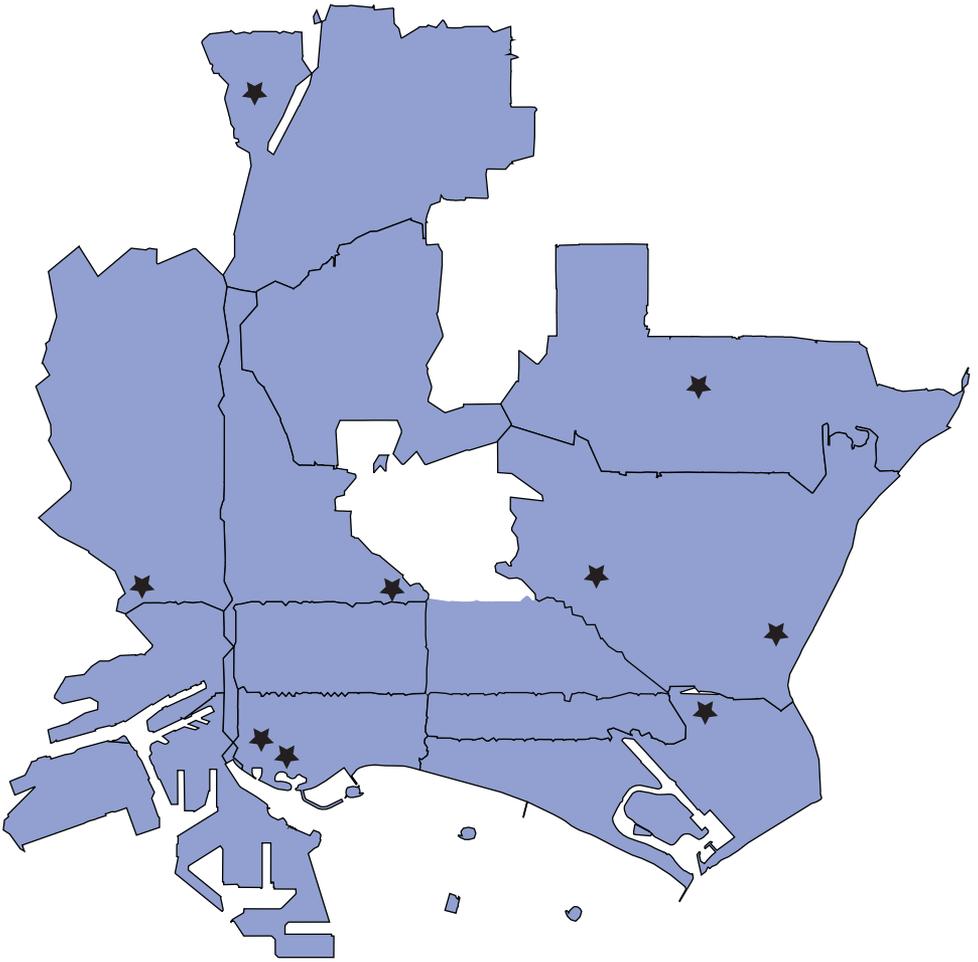
<p>The LBCAP After School Education &amp; Safety (ASES) Program helps students and families by providing free after school care. The program provides students with homework assistance, academic enrichment activities to supplement what they learn during the school day, as well as recreation time for students in grades 1- 8.</p>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<p>Students attending Alvarado Elementary, Bixby Elementary or Marshall Middle School in the Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD)</p>	<b>TARGET POPULATION</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Long Beach Unified School District</li><li>• City of Long Beach</li></ul>	<b>COMMUNITY PARTNERS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Over 500 students improve their social and physical development and academic skills annually</li><li>• 20 individuals employed at school sites and LBCAP headquarters</li><li>• Hundreds of parents receive free after school and summer track child care at ASES sites</li><li>• LBUSD test scores demonstrate the efficacy of after school academic programming</li></ul>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENTS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer hours and services</li><li>• Program funding</li><li>• Operational funding</li><li>• In-kind donations</li></ul>	<b>PROGRAM NEEDS</b>
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# Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program helps individuals and families save money by providing free income tax preparation services and access to federal and state tax credits. Trained, certified volunteers prepare current and prior-year state and federal returns at no charge, with expert assistance available for complex returns.</p>
<b>TARGET POPULATION</b>	<p>Individuals and families in Los Angeles County earning less than \$61,000 annually</p>
<b>COMMUNITY PARTNERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internal Revenue Service</li><li>• California Franchise Tax Board</li></ul>
<b>ACCOMPLISHMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2,010 California and Federal income tax returns prepared to date</li><li>• Over \$400,000 in tax preparation fees saved by program clients</li><li>• Over \$2 million in tax credits and refunds returned to the community</li><li>• Recognized regionally as a top VITA site</li></ul>
<b>PROGRAM NEEDS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IRS-Certified Tax Preparers</li><li>• Greeters/Receptionists</li><li>• Translators</li><li>• Volunteer Coordinator</li></ul>
<b>CONTACT</b>	<p>Appointments Volunteer Inquiries</p> <p>(562) 216-4600 theath@lbcap.org</p>

# Community Advocacy and Family Services (CAFS)

<p>LBCAP partners with local non-profits to enhance and expand existing strengths, assets and resources. By investing in innovative programs and strong program delivery models, LBCAP influences the culture of service provision; supports low-income individuals and families to break the cycle of poverty; and helps guide them to self sustainability.</p>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<p>Individuals and families, residing in Long Beach and surrounding cities, with income at or below the United States Department of Health and Human Services poverty guidelines</p>	<b>TARGET POPULATION</b>
<p>Long Beach nonprofit agencies that serve individuals and families who are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Children age 0 - 5</li><li>• Senior citizens</li><li>• Disabled</li><li>• Victims of domestic violence</li><li>• Homeless</li><li>• Mentally ill</li><li>• Veterans</li><li>• Adults facing barriers to employment</li></ul>	<b>COMMUNITY PARTNERS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$150,000 in annual funding provided to our community partners</li></ul>	<b>ACCOMPLISHMENTS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Operational funding</li><li>• In-kind donations</li></ul>	<b>PROGRAM NEEDS</b>
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Long Beach Community Action Partnership's primary service delivery area is the City of Long Beach, with energy programs extending throughout Los Angeles County.

Celebrating over 35 years of service to low-income residents, the vision of LBCAP is to be the **recognized leader** creating the **standard for service excellence** in the fight against poverty.

We collaborate with a cohesive alliance of partners and stakeholders offering **innovative programs** and services that **promote self-sustainability** and **celebrate community diversity** and cultural differences while preserving the dignity and integrity of each individual.



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