City of La Mirada
Legislative Platform

The City of La Mirada is dedicated to safeguarding our residents' quality of life by advocating for policies that protect local decision-making, encourage economic growth, and enhance public safety. This legislative platform outlines the City's priorities for addressing current challenges and seizing opportunities to strengthen our community.

Guiding Principles

- **Collaborative Advocacy**: Partner with regional, state, and federal organizations to align legislative efforts that benefit the City and our residents.
- **Community-Centric Solutions**: Ensure legislative positions are consistent with the City's commitment to meeting the needs of its diverse population.
- **Transparency and Accountability**: Maintain open communication with residents regarding legislative actions and advocacy priorities.
- **Support for Balanced Governance**: Advocate for fair and balanced regulations that empower local governments to address community needs without undue interference.

The City of La Mirada remains committed to fostering a thriving, safe, and prosperous community. This Legislative Platform serves as a roadmap for advocating policies that empower the City to address local needs effectively while preserving its unique identity and values. These priorities will guide the City's efforts at the regional, state, and federal levels.

Preserve Local Control

- **Protect Local Authority**: Support legislation that reinforces the City's autonomy in land use, zoning, and public service delivery. Oppose measures that undermine local authority or impose unfunded mandates.
- **Decision-Making Flexibility**: Advocate for state and federal policies that preserve the unique needs of La Mirada and allow the City to implement customized solutions deemed best for our community.
- **Local Revenue Protection**: Oppose the diversion of local revenues to other government agencies and support efforts to maintain municipal control over budgeting and resource allocation.

Promote Economic Development and Fiscal Stability

- **Business Attraction and Retention**: Support legislation and funding opportunities that enhance the City's ability to attract and retain businesses, encourage entrepreneurship, expand job opportunities, and enhance the local economy.
- **Infrastructure Investments**: Advocate for funding to improve and maintain local infrastructure, including roads, facilities, utilities, and broadband.
- **Fiscal Responsibility**: Oppose policies that create financial burdens on local governments, such as unfunded mandates or restrictions on municipal revenue generation. Support measures that enhance the City's fiscal stability through equitable and predictable funding mechanisms.
- **Workforce Development**: Promote regional partnerships and programs that provide workforce training and employment opportunities to La Mirada residents.

Support Public Safety

- **Enhance Law Enforcement Resources**: Support measures that provide funding for local law enforcement, including grants for personnel, technology, and training to improve community safety and crime prevention efforts.
- **Emergency Preparedness**: Advocate for resources and policies that enhance disaster preparedness and response capabilities, including funding for emergency services and public education initiatives.
- **Crime Prevention**: Support stricter penalties for property crimes and measures that address emerging threats, such as cybercrime, while promoting community-based crime prevention programs.
- **Safe Streets Initiatives**: Advocate for legislation that funds traffic safety projects, including pedestrian pathways and generally accepted traffic calming measures.

Secure Funding for Cultural Programming

- **Arts and Community Events**: Advocate for state and federal resources that support local arts programs and cultural events that enhance civic engagement and community identity.
- **Historical and Cultural Preservation**: Support legislation funding to protect and restore historical sites and cultural landmarks that contribute to La Mirada's unique character.
- **Youth and Senior Cultural Programs**: Facilitate partnerships to provide access to cultural programming for residents of all ages, fostering a sense of community and inclusivity.

Support Infrastructure Modernization

- **Fiber Optic Expansion**: Support the installation of high-speed broadband infrastructure to enhance digital connectivity for businesses, schools, and residents, ensuring access to reliable internet services.
- **Advance Transportation Solutions**: Advocate for local funding that improves public transit accessibility, pedestrian-friendly pathways, and modern transportation initiatives such as electric vehicle charging stations.
- **Streets, Roads and Maintenance**: Support legislation that provides and protects funding for local streets and roadway maintenance.