

SPONSORSHIP

In addition, Long Beach Cares partners and works with other non profits through event sponsorships that support common goals of serving the community through prevention and education.

- Grand Opening of the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services 2525 Grand Avenue location (1993).
- Annual Health Department Children's Health Fairs and Red Ribbon Events (1994-2006)
- Community Baby Shower Giving Campaign for Health Department Prenatal Patients (1994 & 2008)
- Assistance with fundraising and hosting of holiday dinners for homeless and economically disadvantaged individuals and families (1994 - 2008)
- Donated funds to purchase video equipment for use in training volunteers for the Long Beach Sexual Assault Crisis Agency (1995)
- Co-sponsored fundraising for the Health Department Children's Vision to the Sea aquarium and ocean environment educational display for the lobby and hallways of the Health Department's Grand Avenue location (1995 - 1999)
- Partnered with Long Beach Memorial Medical Center through a \$30,000 donation to restore Senior Health Services cut during the 1995 City Budget Process (1995)
- Co-sponsored and hosted with Kaiser Permanente the Champions of Public Health Lecture Series for the Health Department's Centennial (2006 - 2008)

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c/o City of Long Beach Department
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**A non-profit 501(c)(3) organization promoting
Public Health and Human Services**

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

- Margaret Mead



MISSION STATEMENT

Long Beach Cares fosters and promotes public health and human services programs that are dedicated to improving the quality of life for those who live and work in Long Beach.

BACKGROUND

Established in 1993 as a non-profit tax exempt organization, Long Beach Cares is governed by a volunteer board of directors committed to promoting the health and well-being of the community. Long Beach Cares has provided the opportunity for concerned individuals to volunteer their time, talents and financial resources to assist the Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) in promoting public health, community wellness, prevention programs, and scholarship opportunities.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1993

Since its founding, Long Beach Cares has partnered with Health Department staff and members of the Board of Health & Human Services to promote and support the important work of public health and to raise awareness about the Health Department and its mission. Long Beach Cares has supported the attendance of staff and/or board members at important community events, conferences, leadership trainings and celebrations in order to educate elected officials, key stakeholders and the greater community about the Health Department and its mission.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Long Beach Cares provides competitive scholarships, small stipends, grants and internships for community college and university students in public health and allied health fields. Long Beach Cares works with the Long Beach Health Department in placing students in meaningful internships that benefit the community.

FISCAL AGENT SERVICES

Long Beach Cares serves as a fiscal agent for donations to Health Department programs and many community groups that need a 501 (c)(3) to access project funds. These projects enhance our mission and our ability to serve target populations in need. Some of these include:

Hurricane Katrina Relief

Long Beach Cares served as the fiscal agent for the City of Long Beach and community groups whose efforts raised and provided emergency funds and donations in 2006 to Hurricane Katrina victims in our sister city of Long Beach Mississippi.

Focus on Early Child Care Advocacy and Training

Long Beach Cares provides funding management to the Long Beach Early Child Care Community Collaboration for their annual Early Child Care Symposium. This event promotes quality and affordable child care for economically disadvantaged and working families. The collaboration brings in funding for advocacy for early child care issues.

Community Education and Emergency Assistance Funds

Long Beach Cares manages donations for community health education programs that are brought in through the Health Department or through community groups that need the assistance of a non profit. Long Beach Cares also assists Department staff with fiscal management of contributions for short-term emergency assistance to families in crisis that are clients of Public Health Nursing, Senior Links, Family and Youth Services, Black Infant Health, Youth Health Education Services, and HIV Prevention Programs.

Homeless Prevention, Housing and Shelter Assistance

Long Beach Cares provides fiscal management for community and corporate donations to the Health Department Homeless Services Division to provide eviction prevention, emergency crisis shelter and rental deposit assistance for individuals, seniors and families facing homelessness.

Youth Leadership

Long Beach Cares has provided fiscal services for Health Department programs and community groups' efforts to educate, train and mentor middle and high school students and at-risk youth through educational activities, field trips, sports events, art projects and conferences. Some of these projects also include substance abuse prevention like Red Ribbon Week, conflict resolution, peer counseling and violence prevention activities such as Peacemotors.

