



## **Join us! 2016 Congress of Neighborhoods + Pizza Social**

Please join the NCSA at the [2016 Congress of Neighborhoods](#), coming up THIS Saturday at Los Angeles City Hall! This free conference offers: 40 workshops addressing community quality of life issues and solutions; networking opportunities; exhibits; and breakfast and lunch. The NCSA will be speaking at a session on the city's [One Water LA](#) and [Cool Blocks LA](#) programs, and facilitating a workshop on the [Sustainable City PLAN](#) and the role of Neighborhood Councils in making LA a more sustainable city. Please register here: <http://www.nccongressla.com/>

Then, come unwind with us after the Congress. We'll be at Pitfire Pizza, just a block from City Hall. The NCSA will provide pizza, pasta, and salad; beer, wine, and other beverages will be available for purchase. Spaces are limited and going fast - we recommend you RSVP soon, [here](#).

Finally, we seek volunteers who can offer 45 to 90 minutes of their time to help us staff the NCSA outreach table at the Congress, or greet guests at our post-Congress pizza social. [You can sign up here](#). Thank you!

## **Support the NCSA's call for 100% renewable energy by 2030**

The board of the NCSA is asking both its member and all Neighborhood Councils to support our call for LADWP to reach 100% renewable energy by 2030, to refrain from any new investments in fossil fuel infrastructure, and to ensure that all residents of Los Angeles reap the benefits of the transition to renewable energy. [Learn more here](#).

We ask that you get this item on your agendas AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. The LADWP plans to begin taking public comment on its 20-year Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) in October, and will be finalizing the plan as soon as December. Also, stay tuned for a conference call on the issue, come to the Congress of Neighborhoods NCSA table or sustainability workshop with questions, and, if you are a representative of a Neighborhood Council to the NCSA, get ready to vote in the coming months. (Details forthcoming.)

## **Events and opportunities**

**Sept 20.** *Applications open:* [2016 Great Streets Challenge](#), City of LA

**Sept 20+.** [Sustainable Works Green Living Workshops](#), various locations

**Sept 24.** [Congress of Neighborhoods](#), Los Angeles City Hall

**Sept 25.** [River LA Urban Garden Party](#), The Viaduct at LA State Historic Park

**Sept 27.** [The True Cost Film screening](#), hosted by Sustainable Works, Santa Monica

**Oct 1.** [Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair 2016](#), Granada Hills

**Oct 1.** *Application deadline:* [Theodore Payne Native Plant Garden Tour seeks native gardens](#)

**Oct 7.** [LADWP La Kretz Innovation Campus Grand Opening](#), DTLA

**Oct 16.** [CicLAvia - Heart of LA](#), Boyle Heights, Chinatown, DTLA, and Westlake

**Oct 18-20.** [Earth Now: Earth 2050 Symposium](#), UCLA

### **Thanks for your Green Festival Expo and Community Award support!**

Many thanks to all who voted for NCSA to receive a [Green Festival Community Award](#), helped us staff our outreach booth at last weekend's [Green Festival Expo](#), or just stopped by to say hello! And a big congrats to Have A Heart Ranch Animal Sanctuary, whose important work earned them the award!

### **Stay connected with us!**

Want to find or share local sustainability events, resources, or opportunities for action? Need help with a community sustainability challenge? Join your peers and the NCSA today at our [Facebook Group](#) or [Facebook Page](#).

Also, to assure that NCSA emails land in your primary inbox, please take a moment to add our eNews email address ([admin@ncsa.emailnb.com](mailto:admin@ncsa.emailnb.com)) to your contacts. And we invite you to contact us at: [ncsa@empowerla.org](mailto:ncsa@empowerla.org).

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