



Rex Richardson

Member

Appointing Authority - Cities of Los Angeles County, Western Region

Vice Mayor Rex Richardson is a city councilmember and regional leader, known for advocating for our most vulnerable communities and taking innovative approaches to address local government challenges.

Richardson represents the 9th District in North Long Beach and was recently re-elected to serve as Vice Mayor by the Long Beach City Council. Regionally, Richardson is the President of the Southern California Association of Governments, the largest Metropolitan Planning Organization in America, representing 191 cities, and in December 2020, Richardson was elected to the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Governing Board.

As a councilmember, his record of accomplishment includes championing the Long Beach 'Everyone In' Economic Inclusion Initiative, establishing the City's Office of Equity, expanding shelter capacity to address homelessness, creating the PATH Young Adult Diversion Program, and leading the Long Beach My Brother's Keeper initiative. Vice Mayor Richardson has also secured major investments to support the revitalization of North Long Beach, such as the Michelle Obama Neighborhood Library, the new Houghton Park Community Center, and hundreds of millions of dollars in private commercial and industrial investment along the Atlantic Avenue and Artesia Boulevard corridors.

As our nation faces a crisis on multiple fronts, Richardson has led the local and regional response to the coronavirus pandemic, its economic impacts, and the longstanding effects of systemic racism. Vice Mayor Richardson remains focused on delivering a comprehensive economic recovery plan for the City of Long Beach and the Southern California region, identifying vulnerable sectors, support for affected industries, opportunities for growth, and recommended actions for future resources and stimulus.

Vice Mayor Rex Richardson, his wife Nina, and two daughters, Alina and Mila, are residents of the Collins neighborhood in North Long Beach.