







# **NOTE FROM CHAIRPERSON AND PRESIDENT**

#### Dear Angelenos, Partners, and Supporters,

During its first three years, the Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles has brought together the unique resources and expertise of public, private, and philanthropic organizations to launch partnerships and ventures that have reshaped Los Angeles. We continue to test new ideas, boost programs that work, and facilitate innovation and partnership that make government better.

Our impact can be seen and felt in every neighborhood of our city. In parks and on playfields, in museums and classrooms, in updates to our streets and to our bureaucratic structures, partnerships activated or facilitated by the Fund are helping Angelenos create a 21st-century metropolis with opportunities for all.

This year, in addition to the partnerships we've launched, we debuted SPARK grants. With our SPARK grants, the Fund provides seed funding for new ventures taking the risk to prove impact. It's the logical outgrowth of a role we've had since our start.

Read on for updates on Los Angeles's first State of Women and Girls conference; L.A.'s College Promise, building a bridge for high school graduates to attend college; and the work of the Operations Innovation Team, overhauling government procurement, employee safety, and city-owned real estate systems.

This Annual Report focuses on our third year, from July 2016 to June 2017. Our commitment to transparency and independence is highlighted side-by-side with our results and impact.

Of course, there's more to come. The start of FY2018 has seen the first recipients of LA's College Promise head to class and the rollout of SPARK programs that will develop cybersecurity and combat homelessness. We've seen art-goers flock to Pacific Standard Time: LA/LA and creative entrepreneurs join in the excitement of the #LAOriginal brand mark.

We thank you for your support and invite you to follow our efforts at **mayorsfundla.org** as we continue forward to deliver innovative programs with measurable impact.

- Marc I. Stern & Deidre Lind

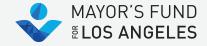


Chairperson



**DEIDRE LIND** President





# THE MAYOR'S FUND FOR LOS ANGELES



The Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles is an independent nonprofit uniquely situated to bridge the reach and scope of government with the expertise, nimbleness, and resources of the private sector. The Fund incubates 32 programs addressing topics as diverse as youth employment, public safety, water conservation, gender equity, transportation and homelessness. Its unique structure allows it to lead and implement programs, serve as a program fiscal agent, or act as a launchpad for new programs and innovative solutions.

### ACTIVATE

Lead innovative solutions to civic problems

BRAND LA + LA ORIGINAL DISASTER RELIEF SAVE THE DROP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND LA'S COLLEGE PROMISE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT OPERATIONS INNOVATION TEAM LOS ANGELES STATE OF WOMEN & GIRLS ADDRESS AND YOUNG WOMEN'S ASSEMBLY

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Serve as a steward of resources to civic programs

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### SPARK

Launch innovative, high-risk expansion and pilot programming

REENTRY CLINIC MADRID CULTURAL HUB MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL-POLICING LA CYBER LAB SPANISH BUSINESS PORTAL TRANSLATION COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ON HOMELESSNESS YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PILOT





## **SPARK**

SPARK grants help launch innovative projects demonstrate success before seeking ongoing public sector support. Through SPARK, the Fund provides "venture capital" that allows policymakers and program staff to pilot a new approach. Many SPARK programs are already showing great promise. They include L.A.'s tech-driven Youth Employment Pilot, the firstin-the-nation city-based cybersecurity lab, and a reactivated community hub for the arts in Canoga Park, among many more.

\$400,000 MFLA Investment



**Public Investment** 

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#### YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PILOT

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# **OPERATIONS INNOVATION TEAM**

For two years, the Operations Innovation Team worked to improve how City Hall operates, drawing on insights from cities and universities around the country. Through a deep dive into L.A.'s bureaucratic processes and outreach to other cities, the team successfully delivered on its mission of aspirational government reform. The O-Team introduced exciting new tools, helped reduce risk for City employees, and paved the way for procurement reform. While the O-Team's work has closed officially, its efforts live on as City government institutionalizes the reforms delivered by this cross-sector team, saving the City money and making its operations more responsive to its residents.





Staff Members

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**Projects** 

Years



## LOS ANGELES STATE OF WOMEN & GIRLS ADDRESS AND YOUNG WOMEN'S ASSEMBLY



L.A.'s inaugural women's conference brought together leaders from across the city with 600 Los Angeles Unified School District students for conversations and workshops on gender equity. Mayor Eric Garcetti and First Lady Amy Elaine Wakeland hosted the conference at USC on March 14, 2017. The Fund partnered with **L.A.'s Bloomberg Philanthropies Innovation Team (i-team)**, another MFLA Program, to make the event possible and raised funds for programs that empower young women and girls. A landmark on L.A.'s journey toward full gender equality, a follow-up conference is in the works.







# LA'S COLLEGE PROMISE

Nearly 4,000 young Angelenos are currently enrolled in tuitionfree community college because of this partnership program. L.A.'s College Promise brings together the Fund, the Mayor's Office, Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Community College District, the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, UNITE LA, and a host of donors. The Fund covered the costs of first year tuition for students. In an exciting development, the L.A.'s College Promise helped pave the way to successful passage of a Sacramento bill to give students throughout California access to a college education that was once out-of-reach.





## **SUMMER NIGHT LIGHTS**

For ten summers, this nationally recognized program has built and strengthened cross-sector partnerships, opening 32 city parks to family-friendly programming on summer evenings. With the Fund's help, Summer Night Lights (SNL) continued Fall Friday Nights to keep safe spaces that are strengthening communities across the City. The Fund serves as a crossroads, working with donors, city government, county government, federal government, and nonprofits to bring everything together. This year, the Fund won the Council on Foundation's HUD Secretary's Award for Public-Philanthropic Partnerships for our work on SNL, and for the first time, we're working with regional partners to make SNL's benefits available throughout Los Angeles County.

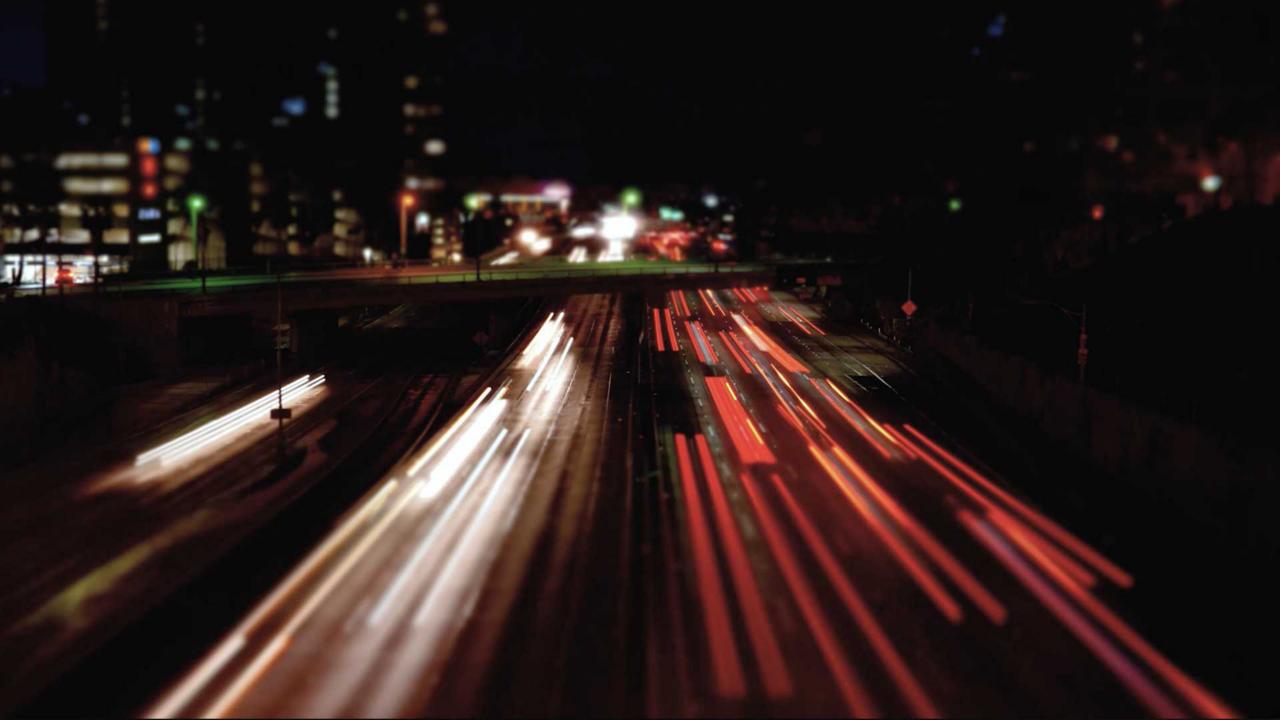




## **YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PILOT**

With underwriting from the Fund's SPARK grants program, the Youth Employment Pilot introduces a one-of-a-kind intervention – a career assessment and job matching technology – to help opportunity youth discover and embark on career pathways. In partnership with the L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce and the City's Economic and Workforce Development Department, the pilot is debuting **FindYourFuture.la**, a new platform to forge those connections and help youth find professional development opportunities.

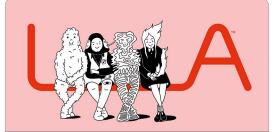






### Lead innovative solutions to civic problems





#### **BRAND LA + LA ORIGINAL** A platform for L.A.'s vibrant creative economy and diverse local makers with a brand that gives back.



**SAVE THE DROP** A bold, bilingual, water conservation awareness campaign that confronts drought and spans the city.



#### L.A.'S COLLEGE PROMISE

An education-pipeline partnership effort to expand college access, and now a model for all of California.



**OPERATIONS INNOVATION TEAM** Drawing on cross-sector expertise to reform the City's key operating systems.



**DISASTER RELIEF** Making L.A. more resilient with a fundraising hub and resources for

immediate disaster relief.



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND** Boosting small business and entrepreneurship with private sector expertise and public sector reach.



#### MAYOR'S OFFICE OF Volunteer engagement

Creating new solutions to support Angelenos who want to make a positive change in this city.



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**BLOOMBERG I-TEAM** A nexus for cutting-edge, data-driven techniques to make L.A.'s government more effective.



**CITIZENSHIP & IMMIGRATION** Support for programs that help L.A.'s many immigrants access services and integrate into life in this city.



**GREAT STREETS** Backing for a partnership initiative to support small businesses along the city's first fifteen Great Streets.



**HOMELESSNESS** Partnership efforts that confront housing shortages, help veterans and families, and turn lives around.



**L.A. BUSINESS PORTAL** An online destination making it easier for Angelenos to plan, start, manage, and grow local businesses.



**DOMESTIC ABUSE RESPONSE TEAM** Trained survivor advocates partner with police officers, providing vital services to Angelenos affected by domestic violence.



**HIRE LA YOUTH** Coordinating public and private resources to expand job opportunities for L.A.'s next generation of talent.



**LEONARD HILL ARTS PLAZA** Creating an arts plaza adjacent to the reconstructed Sixth Street Bridge.

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#### **PROMISE ZONE** The Young Ethnographers summer jobs program gave youth from L.A.'s Promise Zone a chance to survey their communities and build skills.



**PURPOSEFUL AGING** Finding ways to make L.A. a more welcoming place for people of all ages.



**SUSTAINABILITY PLAN** The pLAn lays out bold goals for collaboration between government, the private sector, and Angelenos to create a greener, healthier L.A.



**TRANSPORTATION TECH FELLOW** Embedded with LADOT, the fellow explored cutting-edge improvements to L.A.'s transportation infrastructure.



**PUBLIC ART & PST:** 

LA/LA: Partnering with the Getty Foundation and the City's Department of Cultural Affairs to produce a citywide exhibition of Latin American and Latino art.



**SUMMER NIGHT LIGHTS** An award-winning, nationally recognized model for effective civic partnerships that provides safety, space, and programming for youth and families.



**TECH & DATA/WATER FELLOW** A philanthropic partnership to track and improve L.A.'s water conservation efforts.



**US-CHINA CLIMATE SUMMIT** A 2015 summit brought together local and regional leaders from the U.S. and China to set goals and confirm emissions targets.





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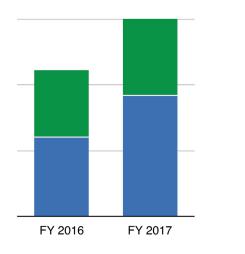
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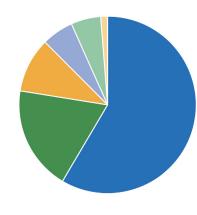


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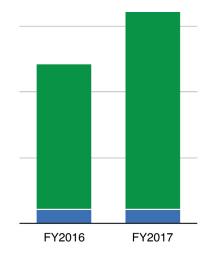
	FY2016	FY2017
Other Program Expenses	\$2,554,500	\$2,918,854
Grants	\$2,999,656	\$4,609,290
	\$5,554,156	\$7,528,144

#### **TOTAL EXPENSES BY PROGRAM**



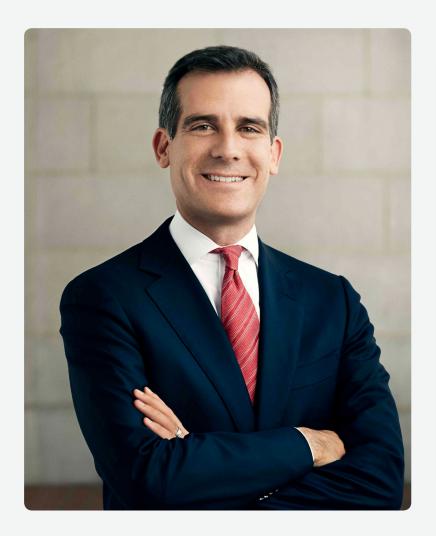
	\$8,068,130
Fundraising	\$101,503
Management & General	\$438,483
Spark Fund Program	\$466,383
Government Efficiency Programs	\$806,475
Economic Prosperity Programs	\$1,536,282
Quality of Life Programs	\$4,719,004

### **PROGRAM VS. OPERATIONS EXPENSE**



Program	\$5,554,156	Program	\$7,528,144
Operations	\$518,554	Operations	\$539,986
\$6,072,710		\$8,068,130	

# NOTE FROM THE MAYOR



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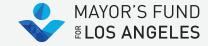
The Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles is an indispensable part of our work to build a stronger, more connected future. The Fund's partnerships allow us to bring our best ideas to bear, combining the flexibility of the private sector with the reach of the public sector.

Whether it's helping to make L.A.'s College Promise real for all high school graduates, expanding our Summer Night Lights programming, or launching new ideas with the SPARK pilot program, the Fund drives collaboration and is making a real difference in people's lives.

I want to thank the Fund's staff and board for their success, and I look forward to continuing our work together.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI Mayor





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