

PUBLIC WORKS

Big Week for Public Works

The Dept. celebrates National Public Works Week.



Participants of the Second Annual Public Works LIVE! employee talent show come together on stage after receiving their star-shaped awards in recognition of their Public Works spirit.

Public Works and its 5,800 employees celebrated National Public Works Week from May 17 through May 24. Throughout the week, the Department held an employee recognition event and other activities to educate residents and students about Public Works. These included the following:

- May 17:** Sanitation Open House, West Valley District Yard
- May 19:** Public Works Information Table, Van Nuys City Hall
- May 20:** Public Works Information Table, Braddock Elementary, Culver City
- May 21:** Wastewater Collection Worker Appreciation Reception
- May 22:** Public Works Employee Appreciation Event
- May 23:** Street Services and Street Lighting Presentation, Figueroa Elementary School, Los Angeles

Board of Public Works President Cynthia M. Ruiz said, "Public Works is a public service-oriented department, and it is important that we celebrate and thank our public works professionals for their commitment and continued service to the residents of this city. These men and women are the unsung heroes of Los Angeles who repair our streets and street lights, plant and maintain trees on the public right-of-way, build libraries, police stations and fire stations, pick up our trash, and clean storm drains. On National Public Works Week, we take the time to give them credit for their dedication, and tell the residents about the great work that they do."



The weeklong celebration of National Public Works Week was instituted by the American Public Works Association (APWA) and is observed every third week of May. It aims to acknowledge the public works professionals across America who build and maintain public infrastructure.

National Public Works Week is a public education campaign stresses the value and impact of public works to communities.

For more information about the National Public Works Week activities hosted by the City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, call the Public Affairs Office at (213) 978-0333 or e-mail pao@lacity.org. To learn more about the American Public Works Association, visit www.apwa.net.



Raed About-Hosn and Gil De La Cruz from Public Works/Street Lighting gave a presentation to students at Figueroa Elementary School during National Public Works Week.



Board of Public Works Commissioner Cynthia Ruiz (center) with Public Works/Sanitation employees from the Wastewater Collection Worker Appreciation Reception held during Public Works Week.

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