

CONVENTION CENTER



Forever Green

Sustainability is key at the Convention Center, with a new effort towards a higher LEED-EB certification, and a recent forum held on solar power.



Rey Castro, Convention Center, helped to host the LABC Sustainability Series at the Convention Center.



The LABC Sustainability Series, held at the Convention Center.



Rey Castro (left) points out the Convention Center's new lights to Club CEO John Hawkins.

As the Convention Center continues to be the forerunner with regards to sustainability, environmental stewardship and energy conservation best practices, it's no doubt why more and more environmental and green venues are choosing the Los Angeles Convention Center as their place and location to host their events.

Recently, Councilwoman and Club Member Jan Perry lead a panel of keynote speakers in the Solar Voltaic industry at a solar sustainability forum. This summit was a continuation of a previous meeting held earlier in the year sponsored by the L.A. Business City Council, which is championing the cause of introducing a Solar Feed-in Tariff in the City of Los Angeles.

After the forum, Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, Convention Center, led the forum attendees on a tour of the Convention Center's green features, including its solar panels, which were installed in the 1990s.

Meanwhile, the Convention Center is in the process of becoming the only LEED-EB (Existing Buildings) O&M Re-Certified Convention Center, bumping up its level of certification from Green Certified to Silver LEED EB O&M Re-Certification status. The center staff is hopeful and optimistic about going higher than Silver and achieving the Gold Certification level. Rey Castro is also leading this effort. Good job, Rey!

On these pages are photos from the recent energy forum, and photos from a tour that Rey Castro gave *Alive!* after the Convention Center had achieved its initial LEED-EB certification.



Rey Castro (right) and Club CEO John Hawkins on the Convention Center's energy-efficient white roof.



Rey Castro (right) displays the Convention Center's efficient chillers to Club CEO John Hawkins.



Rey Castro holds a LEED certification guidebook. The Convention Center is seeking an even higher LEED-EB certification.



The Convention Center's 1990s-era solar panels were part of a tour given to attendees at a recent solar panel conference held at the Convention Center.

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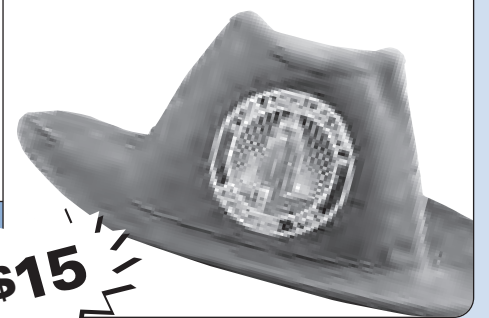
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Newsbriefs

SANITATION WINS AWARD:

The City of Los Angeles Terminal Island Renewable Energy (TIRE) biosolids (bio-slurry) injection project – featured in a previous *Alive!* cover story – was selected as the large agency to receive the California Association of Sanitation Agencies' (CASA) Technical Innovation and Achievement Award. The award, presented at the organization's 55th Annual Conference in Monterey in August, recognizes innovative application of existing technology or the development of new, cutting-edge technology applied to wastewater collection and treatment, wastewater and biosolids recycling and renewable energy production.

CASA acknowledges the rapidly growing importance of sustainability in sanitation, and TIRE is an excellent example of that practice. TIRE is the nation's first and only full-scale application of biosolids injection technology that adapts petroleum industry technology to convert biosolids into a new source of alternative green energy.

The City of Los Angeles has been granted a five-year demonstration permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to evaluate the viability of injecting biosolids into deep geological subsurface. The project has been in operation for more than 26 months.

The project site is located at the City's Terminal Island Water Reclamation Plant in San Pedro. TIRE is processing approximately 190 tons of biosolids per day, or 25 percent of all biosolids produced daily within the City. Until recently, these biosolids were trucked for land application at the City's farm 120 miles away.

CASA was formed in 1955 to provide leadership, advocacy and information to members, legislators and the public, and promotes partnerships on clean water and beneficial reuse issues that protect public health and the environment.

Public Works is focused on essential needs for a better quality of life and environmental protection. With 5,700 employees and a \$1 billion annual budget, the department is responsible for construction, renovation and operation of public facilities and infrastructure including: municipal buildings and treatment facilities; streets, street lights, and the urban forest; bridges and sidewalks; sewers, catch basins and storm drains; recycling and integrated solid waste management.

WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT:

The Los Angeles Women's Police Officers and Associates (LAWPOA) organization, in collaboration with Faircount Media Group, has released *100 Years of Women in Law Enforcement* commemorative magazine.

In announcing this first of its kind publication, depicting the rise of women in the law enforcement profession, LAPD Detective Deborah Gonzales, President of LAWPOA, said, "We are very excited to produce a magazine that truly represents women as the law enforcement professionals they have worked so hard to become over the past 100 years."

The commemorative magazine, available now, illustrates the changes and contributions that women have made to the policing profession. Included in the magazine are articles that focus on historical and contemporary issues such as the history of women in policing, sworn and civilian relationship building, the first women of Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT), female Chiefs of Police, bridging generational divisions, a day in the life of police psychologists, creating a whistle-blower friendly work environment, and other relevant issues.

In the 1920s, LAWPOA made its mark in history as one of two policing organizations created by, and for women. In 1925, Los Angeles Policewomen Marguerite Curley and Alice Stebbins Wells co-founded LAWPOA and in 1928, the two became key founders of the International Association of Women Police.

Det. Gonzales added, "With the rich history that the women of the LAPD began in the 1900s, it seems almost irresponsible, not to commemorate the 100 years of achievements made not only by the women of the LAPD, but in every police department around the world. It is our hope that this small glimpse into the lives of women who made such a difference will inspire both men and women to appreciate our differences and celebrate our similarities as criminal justice professionals."

To receive a copy of the *100 Years of Women in Law Enforcement* commemorative magazine, or for more information about LAWPOA, please visit: www.lawpoa.org, or contact Det. Deborah Gonzales, President of LAWPOA, at (213) 228-9199.