

Beyond the waterfront

The Port's Community Partnerships



Port Planting Neighborhood Trees

The Port of Long Beach has begun a multi-year tree-planting program to beautify schools, parks and open spaces and reduce air pollution in neighborhoods surrounding the Long Beach (710) Freeway transportation corridor.

To celebrate the start of the program, the Port hosted a community event at Coolidge Park attended by about 300 people and a student assembly at Hudson Elementary School. Coolidge and Hudson are the first two project sites in the "Harbor Arbor" urban reforestation program.

A total of 12 sites have been selected, including several elementary schools, parks, two "open spaces" owned by the City of Long Beach, the Wrigley Green Belt and the Los Angeles River Bike Trail. The Port will spend \$200,000 for each project and nearly \$2.5 million on the entire program during the next six years.

The projects will provide trees, shrubs and other sustainable landscaping to improve air quality, reduce noise, decrease summer temperatures and beautify neighborhoods surrounding the 710 Freeway, one of the primary transportation corridors for goods movement at the Port of Long Beach.



Port Scholars: Class of 2006

The Port of Long Beach awards annual scholarships to outstanding Long Beach City College students enrolled in trade programs related to the maritime industry and to California State University Long Beach students in the international business program and Master of Arts in global logistics program.

Since 1993, the Port of Long Beach Scholarship Program has awarded more than \$151,000 to 148 students to assist with college expenses.

“The Port is very proud to support these deserving students,” said Harbor Commission President James C. Hankla. “We congratulate them and wish them all the best in their education and future careers.”



This year's scholarship winners:

From the CSULB international business program:

- Alex Berg
- Michelle Daley
- Brian Tran
- Duy Bui
- Justin Peterson

From the CSULB Master of Arts in global logistics program:

- Daniel Lee
- Ray Corbell

From the LBCC School of Trades and Industrial Technologies:

- Jose Ayala (Sheet Metal)
- Keyia Davis (Welding)
- Hany Ham (Alternative Fuels)
- Chauncey Etchison (Air Conditioning and Refrigeration)



From upper left, counter-clockwise: Harbor commissioners Doris Topsy-Elvord and Mario Cordero at the Hudson Elementary School ceremony; Hudson student assembly; face painting at the Coolidge Park celebration; skateboarding demonstration; tree giveaways courtesy of Weyerhaeuser; arts and crafts.