

# SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Summary - Session 3  
Saturday, August 15, 2015





# SESSION 3: GOAL & OBJECTIVES

SUMMARY



# GOAL

Lay the foundation of community leadership of the Southeast Los Angeles Civic Leaders Network.

# OBJECTIVES

1. Identify different actors and your roles with respect to the decision-making process of your local government.
2. Understand the process through which your local government makes decisions.
3. Get to know the basic categories of a budget from a local government.
4. Analyze budgets from local governments (city).
5. Select key community problems based on the interviews.

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# TALLER DE CIUDADANIA

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Campaña

“Ahora es Cuando-Quiero ser Ciudadano”

## Es Usted elegible para la Ciudadania?

- Determine si usted es elegible
- **AYUDA GRATUITA EN EL LLENADO DE LA FORMA N-400**

**Sábado, 29 de Agosto**

**9:00 am—12:00pm**

**Plaza Mexico  
Frente al Kiosko  
Lynwood, CA 900262**

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# DECISION-MAKING LOCAL GOVERNMENT

BUDGETS



# Learnings

1. All the budgets represent priorities: you cannot give money to everything.
2. The priorities of interest groups are usually reflected in the budgets.
3. Budgets are developed formally and informally, through communication with the city councilmembers and city manager.
4. If you want to influence the budget during the deliberation process (in other words, public comments), that is too late.
5. The funds within each category are destined for certain programs and projects.





# PROFILE: BELL, CA

<b>Total Population</b>	<b>35,477</b>
<b>Number of Hispanics/Latinos</b>	<b>33,028</b>
<b>Registered voters</b>	<b>10,333</b>
<b>Number of Hispanic/Latino registered voters</b>	<b>8,668</b>
<b>Number of Foreign born population</b>	<b>15,868</b>
<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$35,985</b>

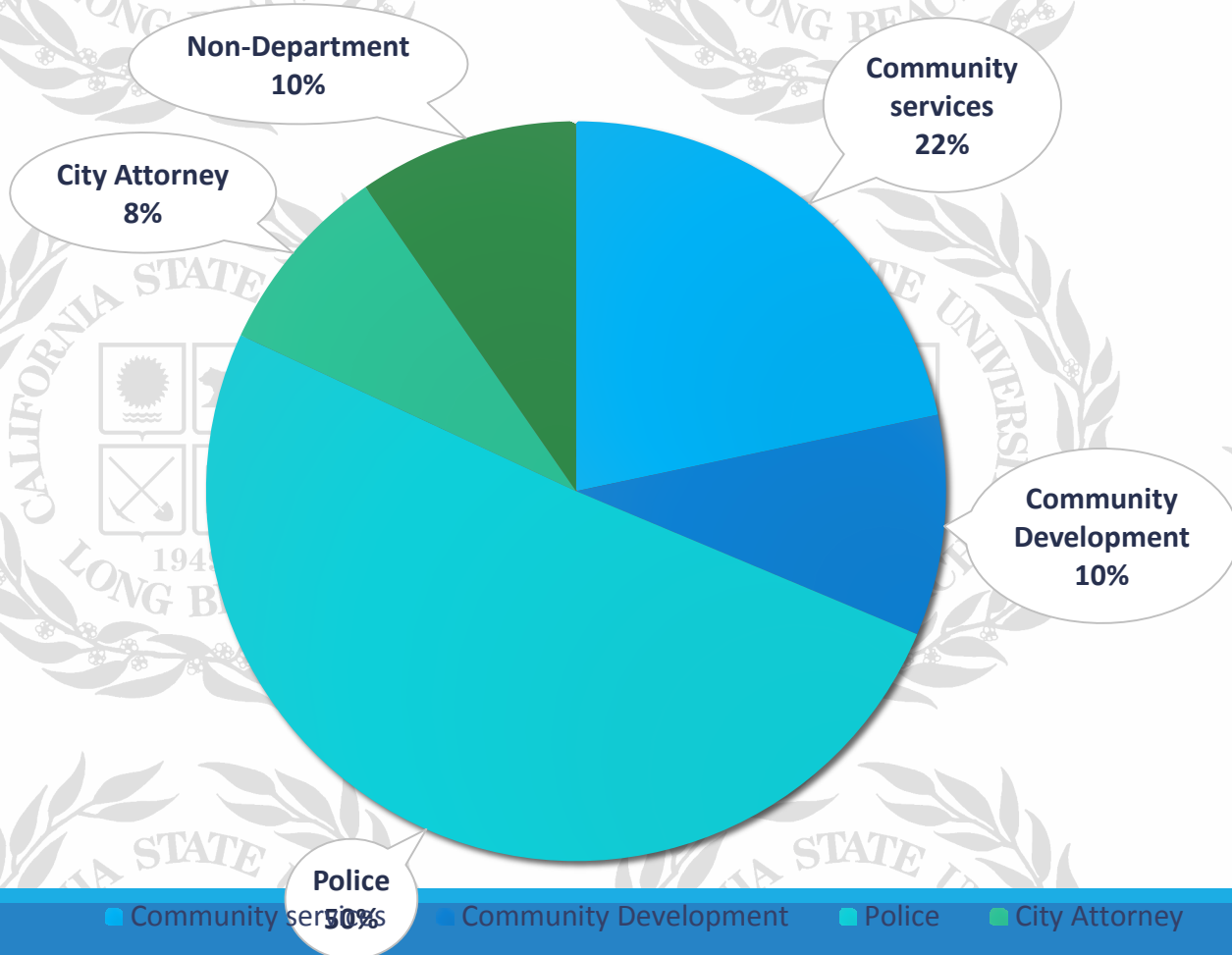


# PROFILE: BELL, CA

Administration	\$1,323,269
Finance	\$926,288
Community services	\$2,381,884
Community Development	\$1,058,615
Police	\$5,557,730
City Attorney	\$926,288
Non-Department	\$1,058,615
TOTAL	\$13,232,690

# PROFILE: BELL, CA

FY 2012-2013



Community services 22% Community Development 10% Police 50% City Attorney 8% Non-Department 10%



# PROFILE: HUNTINGTON PARK, CA

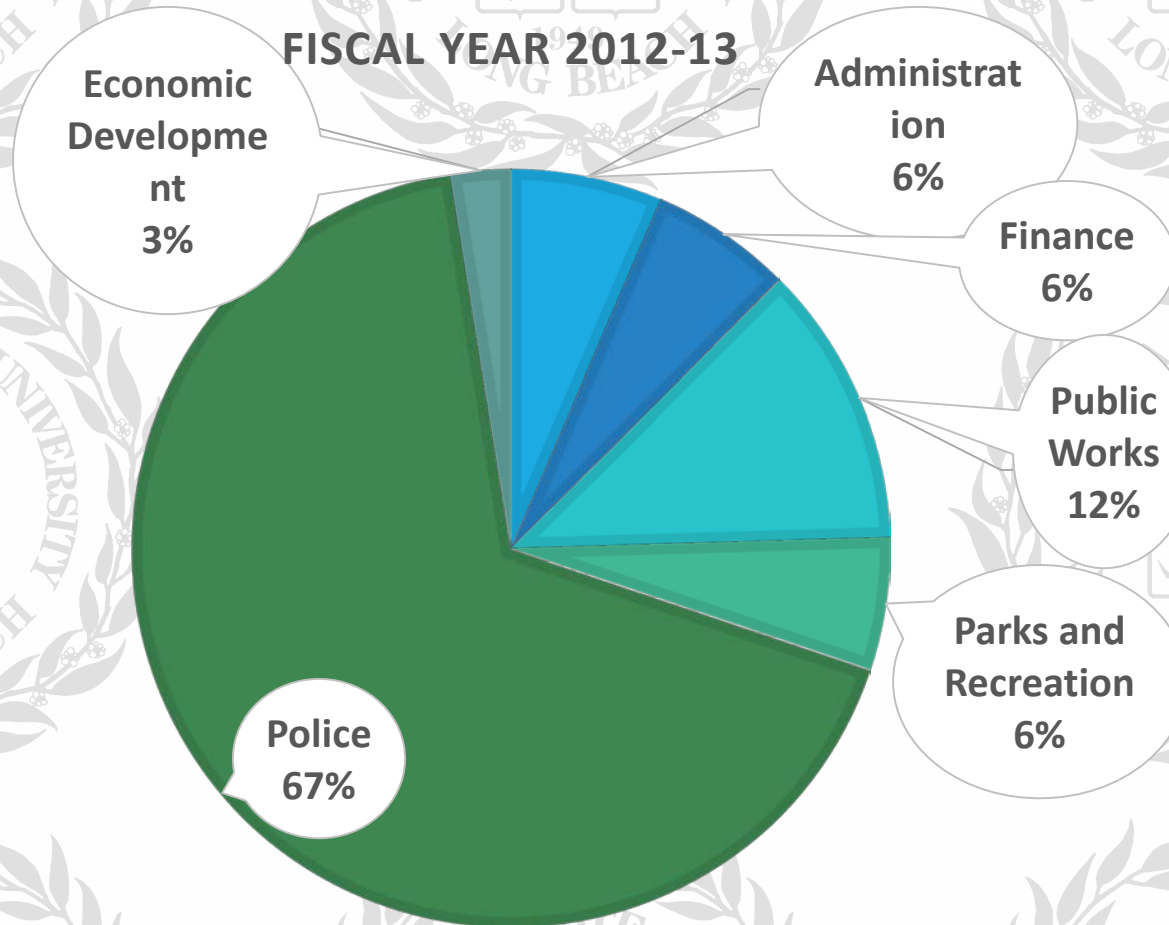
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>58,114</b>
<b>Number of Hispanics/Latinos</b>	<b>56,445</b>
<b>Registered voters</b>	<b>15,199</b>
<b>Number of Hispanic/Latino registered voters</b>	<b>13,462</b>
<b>Number of Foreign born population</b>	<b>29,552</b>
<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$36,397</b>

# PROFILE: HUNTINGTON PARK, CA

Administration	\$ 1,695,694
Finance	\$ 1,594,259
Public Works	\$ 3,167,002
Parks and Recreation	\$ 1,479,692
Police	\$ 17,705,945
Economic Development	\$ 673,280
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 26,315,872</b>

# PROFILE: HUNTINGTON PARK, CA

FISCAL YEAR 2012-13





# PERFIL: SOUTH GATE, CA

<b>Total Population</b>	<b>94,396</b>
<b>Number of Hispanics/Latinos</b>	<b>89,442</b>
<b>Registered voters</b>	<b>32,557</b>
<b>Number of Hispanic/Latino registered voters</b>	<b>27,385</b>
<b>Number of Foreign born population</b>	<b>41,171</b>
<b>Median Household Income</b>	<b>\$42,776</b>

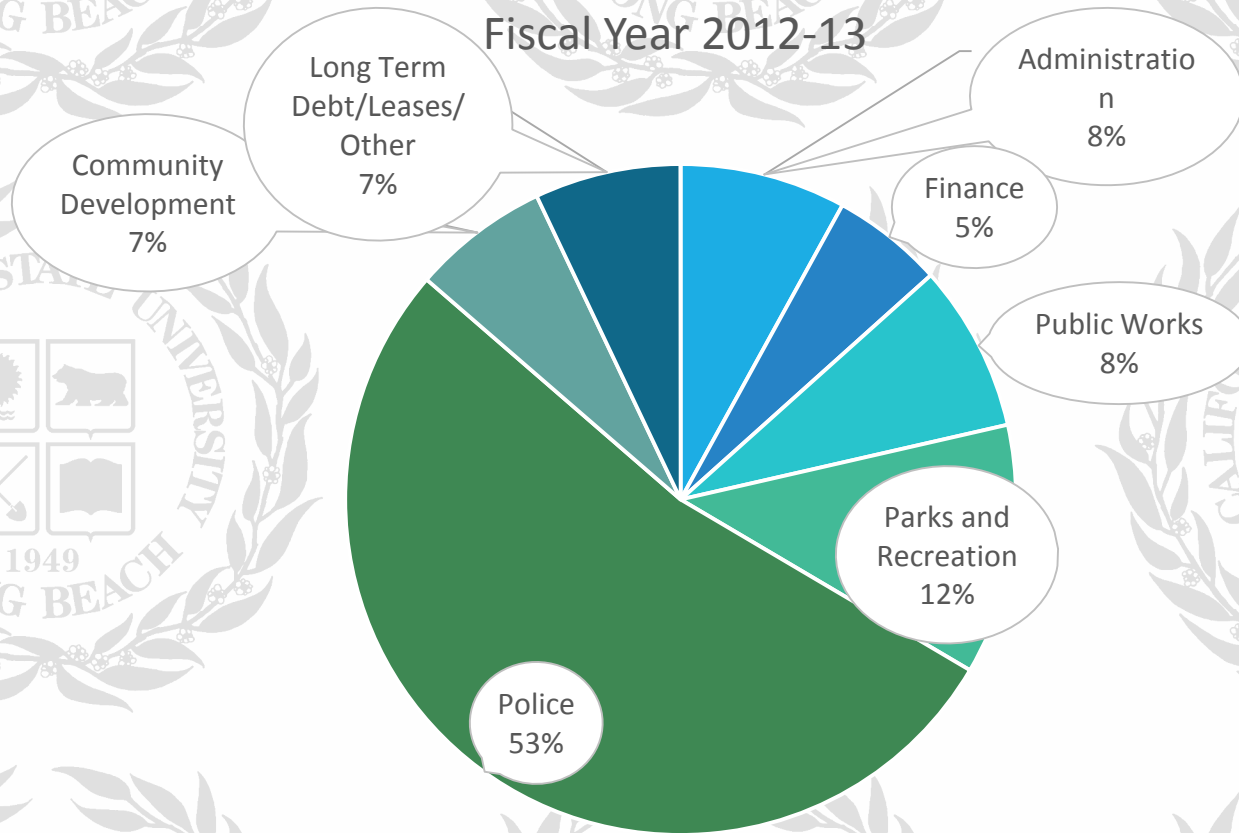
# PROFILE: SOUTH GATE, CA

Administration	\$ 3,020,434
Finance	\$ 2,028,898
Public Works	\$ 3,040,666
Parks and Recreation	\$ 4,553,737
Police	\$ 19,959,622
Community Development	\$ 2,488,046
Long Term Debt/Leases/Other	\$ 2,661,866
TOTAL	\$ 37,753,269



# PROFILE: SOUTH GATE, CA

Fiscal Year 2012-13



# REVIEW OF KEY CONCEPTS

## Budget

- What is a Budget?
- What is a fiscal year?
- Where do funds come from?
- What are funds use don?
- How are budgets developed?
- How are budgets implemented?

# REVIEW OF KEY CONCEPTS

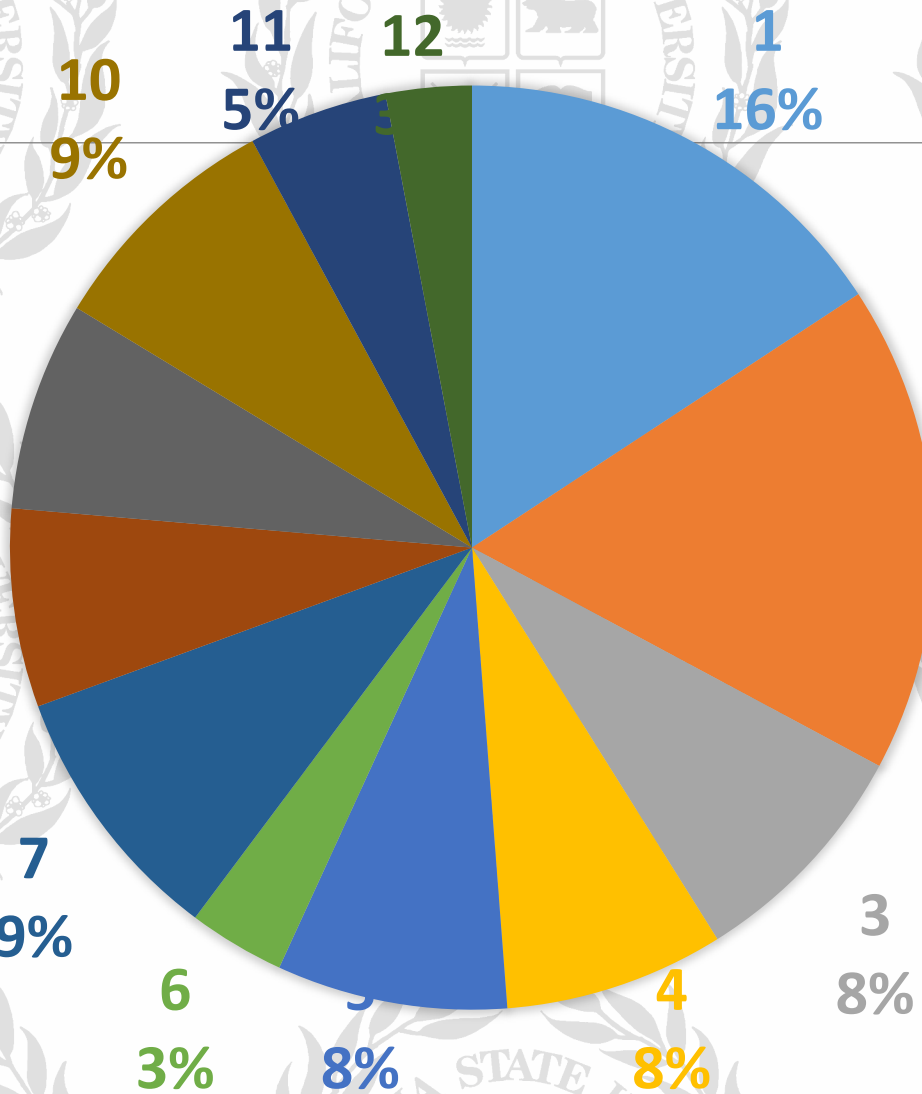
## Transparency:

- The Brown Act is a law that promotes transparency in politics and attempts to reduce corruption through certain rules in the decision-making process.
- Some cities have passed more laws/policies to promote transparency. For example, the City of Santa Ana (Sunshine Ordinance)

# INTERVIEW ANALYSIS

PROBLEMA	#	%
1	84	16%
2	91	17%
3	44	8%
4	41	8%
5	43	8%
6	18	3%
7	49	9%
8	37	7%
9	39	7%
10	45	8%
11	26	5%
12	16	3%
TOTALES	533	100%

# INTERVIEW ANALYSIS



# HOMEWORK #1: QUESTION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

For each problem or need prioritized in your city, what would you ask your local elected official in regards to how address this problem or need?

Use the list of information you learned on:

- Budget,
- What you heard in the interviews,
- Demographic data
- Other themes that emerged during your participation in a local government meeting.

Please write down your questions on your workbook and bring your questions to the next session on August 29th.

# HOMEWORK #2: CIVIC PARTICIPATION

Attend a local government meeting and bring the agenda of the meeting. ***You should assist a meeting before Saturday, August 29, 2015.***