Black, white, brown, or Cambodian; native or immigrant; young person or elder: We all believe in a Long Beach where everyone can succeed. But still today, certain politicians and the greedy lobbyists that support them hurt everyone by handing kickbacks to corporations, defunding our schools, undermining community services, and displacing our neighbors. It doesn’t have to be this way. We are long overdue to rewrite the rules and make our voices heard. Our vote is our power. From affordable housing to justice reform, and worker protections to equal opportunity for all: we make the future by joining together as voters.

Join the Long Beach Rising! coalition in this election cycle to build the future Long Beach we know is possible! Between October 5th and November 3rd, we ask you to join us in prioritizing working families by voting on these ballot measures at the city, county, and state level.

**MEASURE US - YES**
Holds oil companies drilling in Long Beach accountable to paying their fair share in oil production taxes. Revenue will go to communities most impacted by systemic and environmental racism.

**MEASURE J - YES**
Measure J would shift roughly $1 billion a year in the county budget from policies that harm Black and Brown communities into programs that improve those same communities—health, housing, and jobs. Measure J is how we begin to address the wrongs of racial injustice in L.A. County.

**PROPOSITION 14 - YES**
Authorizes $5.5 billion in state bonds for stem cell research. Public funding is the best way to support basic science and ensure that the public benefits from any research, instead of private investment and development which is motivated by profit.

**PROPOSITION 15 - YES**
Increases funding for K-12 public schools, community colleges, and local governments by requiring that commercial and industrial real property be taxed based on current market value. Proposition 15 is estimated to bring $33.7 million to the City of Long Beach General Fund every year so we can advocate for more resources towards community priorities like housing, health services, and youth and senior programming.

**PROPOSITION 16 - YES**
Proposition 16 will allow affirmative action in California as a concrete step we can take to begin removing barriers to equal opportunity for all. With affirmative action, women and people of color can earn higher wages, access higher education, and be able to compete on equal footing for state contracts.

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PROPOSITION 17 - YES
The measure would restore voting rights to nearly 40,000 Californians who have been released from prison but are still on parole, ensuring a more representative and effective democracy. California would become the 20th state to allow individuals on parole to participate in elections if passed.

PROPOSITION 18 - YES
Expands the electorate by allowing 17 year olds to vote. This reinforces our values of democracy by giving young people a voice earlier in the process and allowing them to engage in primary elections which decide candidates for the general election and creating a culture of civic engagement.

PROPOSITION 19 - NO
This measure is a real estate tax exemption that benefits wealthy homeowners in the purchase of a more expensive home while allowing them to keep their lower property tax assessment. This shifts the costs to new homeowners and increases the inequality in the housing market.

PROPOSITION 20 - NO
Rolls back community wins from Propositions 47 and 57 and increases racial injustice. The measure would increase the prison population by 10,000 people each year and increase prison budgets as California has moved away from mass incarceration over the last several years.

PROPOSITION 21 - YES
This measure allows rent control to be expanded in cities across the state, bringing much needed protections at a time when more communities of color and low income communities need them due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

PROPOSITION 22 - NO
Gig companies like Uber, Lyft, and Doordash refuse to follow the law by paying for the basic protections their drivers have earned. They wrote Proposition 22 to create a new law that only applies to them so they can treat their workers as contractors with no guaranteed rights or benefits.

PROPOSITION 23 - YES
This measure would require several health and safety protections at dialysis clinics for all patients, many of whom are low-income people of color.

PROPOSITION 24 - NEUTRAL
The measure completely rewrites the California Consumer Privacy Act, which governs how consumer data is protected or sold, and establishes a new state agency to enforce privacy laws. While the measure imposes more accountability on major corporations, it also creates more burdens on people of color and low-income people to protect their online privacy.

PROPOSITION 25 - NEUTRAL
This measure will decide whether SB 10 gets implemented or not, which is a state law that eliminates cash bail and replaces it with a risk assessment system that gets determined by judges through a set of algorithms.