

THE POMONA BULLETIN

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LOCAL STORIES. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

There Is More to **Holt** Than What You Hear About

Inside our year-long look at prostitution, public safety concerns, and the people working to make Holt better.

*Real People.
Stronger Businesses.
A Brighter Pomona.*

Meet the businesses
investing in Holt right now

**Collective Acción & Above
Ground Art Gallery:**
Building community on
the corridor

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Why residents and business
owners need to get involved

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Loving Pomona means showing up.

We began by celebrating our city.
Now, we're asking what needs to change.



Mitch Stein
PUBLISHER



Dear neighbors,

I started *The Pomona Bulletin* for a simple reason: I wanted more people to see the Pomona I love. I wanted to introduce you to our local businesses, celebrate our community events, and give you more reasons to spend your time and money right here at home.

But the more we promoted Pomona, the more we heard another part of the story. Conversations about where to shop, eat, and take the family often came back to concerns about safety and prostitution, especially along Holt Avenue.

We couldn't ask people to support Pomona without listening to what was keeping some of them away.

So we started asking questions. What is being done? What isn't being done? What is standing in the way of progress? And where can residents and business owners make a difference?

Over the past year, we have researched these issues and met with city and state officials to better understand the response, the obstacles, and the options. **Now, we are ready to report our findings—and talk about what comes next.**

This issue is part of that conversation. We're highlighting businesses that continue to invest in Holt, sharing the work of Collective Acción at Above Ground Art Gallery, and examining the public safety concerns that cannot be ignored.

Celebrating Pomona and asking for change are not opposing ideas. They come from the same place: caring about our city and the people who call it home.

But publishing these stories is only a beginning. Real progress needs residents and business owners who are willing to get involved, ask questions, support local efforts, and keep showing up.

That is why I'm asking you to visit **www.takebackpomona.com**. Learn more about Take Back Pomona and how you can help. Whether you live here, own a business here, or simply care about this city, your voice matters.

I still believe Pomona is worth celebrating. I also believe its future is worth working for.

Let's do that work together.

Mitch Stein

Publisher, The Pomona Bulletin

POMONA NEEDS YOU.

Residents. Business owners. Neighbors.

Scan to learn how you can help.

www.takebackpomona.com



There is more to Holt than what you hear about.

Beyond the concerns are businesses and community efforts worth getting to know. Meet the people helping Holt move forward.

WRITTEN BY MITCHELL STEIN

Ask someone about Holt Avenue, and you may hear about prostitution, safety concerns and frustration over conditions along the street. Those issues deserve attention, especially for the people who live and work nearby. But they are not the whole story of Holt, and they should not be the only reason we talk about it.

So we went looking for the people making Holt better.



A Holt business owner.

We wanted to put faces to the businesses and community efforts that are so easy to overlook when a street becomes known mostly for its problems. Who is putting their time and money into Holt? What do they offer? And what might we discover by giving them a closer look?

That search brings us to the local businesses featured on the next pages. This is their turn to be known for their work, their ideas and the reasons customers choose them—not simply for the street on their business cards.



Jose, Manager of Pomona Tire Pros.

An address tells you where to find a business. It does not tell you why someone started it, what they do especially well or what a first-time customer should try. Those are the details we want to share. We want readers to finish these profiles with somewhere new to visit, not just another opinion about Holt.

These businesses are part of Holt today. Their owners are putting resources into this part of Pomona and working to bring customers through their doors. That investment belongs in the conversation about the street's future, too. Bettering Holt is not only about what needs to happen next. It is also about recognizing and supporting the people already working here.



A local storefront. A reason to stop, shop and stay.

**INSIDE ABOVE GROUND**

A place for creativity and connection on Holt.

For now, we want to introduce you to the people and places worth getting to know. Their efforts do not have to solve every challenge on Holt to deserve attention. A business can earn your visit through what it offers. A community space can give you a reason to come back. Together, they give us more of Holt's story to tell.

**ART IN THE MAKING**

A closer look at the work.

“Holt’s challenges need answers. Its businesses need customers.”

**POMONA NEEDS YOU.**

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Meet the people making Holt better.

The effort extends beyond business. Collective Acción's work at Above Ground Art Gallery brings art and community activity to Holt. It gives people another reason to visit and participate in something positive. Later in this issue, we will share more about that work and how the community can help it continue.

As you read the profiles, look for a business that could become part of your routine. Think about a service you need, a place you have been curious about or someone whose work you would like to support.

**NEIGHBORS SHOWING UP**

Community participation in action.

Perhaps you will recognize a name but learn something new about the people behind it. Perhaps you will discover a business you have passed without knowing what was inside. We hope these introductions turn into visits, recommendations and new connections between neighbors.

Holt's challenges need answers. Its businesses need customers. Both deserve our attention. Turn the page and meet some of the people making Holt better.

01 / FAMILY LEARNING

Created 4 The Kid

Books, confidence & community.

A good book can give a child somewhere new to go—without leaving the neighborhood. Created 4 The Kid helps families make reading part of everyday life through free events, read-alouds, word games and books to take home.

The nonprofit began with a family teaching its own children to read. Now it shares that encouragement with other families, including through events at the African American Museum of Beginnings on Holt.

I like that this work welcomes parents into the process, too. Reading can become something a family enjoys together, not just another task on a busy day.

FIND THE NEXT FAMILY EVENT

Museum / event location: 1460 E. Holt Ave.
created4thekid.org



AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM OF BEGINNINGS

THE AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM OF BEGINNINGS

Founded by longtime educators, the museum shares African and African American history, culture and art through exhibits and community programs. It is more than a backdrop for an event: It is another Holt destination worth discovering.

Explore the museum: theaamb.org



READING BUILDS CONFIDENCE



Static Ave. • From a school-supplied band poster.

As a parent, I see a school working hard to attract more families despite being tuition-free. I believe Holt's reputation is part of that challenge. But its address should not overshadow its teachers or what students are creating. Arrange a visit and see whether Village Academy is right for your child.

02 / ARTS EDUCATION

Village Academy

Art. Music. Film. Possibility.

My daughter attends Village Academy, so this one is personal.

At this tuition-free Pomona public high school, staff members are putting art, music and filmmaking into students' hands. T. Arthur Cottam teaches film and multimedia; Katherine Dinh teaches art and graphic design. The Rock and Roll Academy gives students another way to create, collaborate and perform.

These are not opportunities families need to travel out of town to find. They are right here on Holt.



VILLAGE ACADEMY

ASK ABOUT A VISIT & ENROLLMENT

1444 E. Holt Ave. • Pomona
 909-397-4900, ext. 1

villageacademy.pusd.org



03 / PARKS & COMMUNITY

Catalyst

Helping bring new life to Garfield Park on Holt.

Catalyst is helping support nearly \$1 million in improvements for Garfield Park, a neighborhood asset on Holt that deserves to be full of life. These investments will bring updated amenities, safer spaces and more opportunities for families to gather, play and connect.

This matters not only because parks need investment, but because a busy, active park can help change the feel of a corridor. When children, families and neighbors are using a park, it creates positive activity and can discourage the harmful behavior that keeps people away. Garfield Park is a place for our community — and with continued support, it can be a source of pride, safety and hope for years to come.

“A busy park can change the feel of a block.”



GARFIELD PARK / A COMMUNITY GREEN SPACE ON HOLT.

WHY GARFIELD PARK MATTERS

Garfield Park is a place for families, recreation and neighborhood pride. A vibrant park brings people together and helps create a safer, stronger Holt for everyone.

CATALYST CARES



catalyst-cares.com

04 / LOCAL BUSINESS

Macho Pollo

Great grilled chicken and a welcome that keeps people coming back.

One simple way to support Holt is to eat on Holt, and Macho Pollo is a place worth stopping for. The grilled chicken is excellent — flavorful, fresh and consistently good. But what stands out just as much is the kindness of the staff. They are so nice they call me by name, and that kind of welcome makes a real difference.

Places like Macho Pollo do more than serve great food. They create gathering spots, support local jobs and help build a stronger, more connected Holt. When we choose to eat local, we're investing in the people and businesses that make our community special.

Next time you're on Holt, stop in, say hello and enjoy a meal. You'll see why so many keep coming back.



MACHO POLLO / A HOLT BUSINESS STILL INVESTING IN POMONA.

VISIT MACHO POLLO

1245 E. Holt Ave., Pomona
(909) 622-2006

“The chicken is great — but the welcome is what brings you back.”

05 / FAMILY KITCHENS

Day Day's

BBQ & WAFFLE HOUSE

Southern comfort, made personal.

Day Day's BBQ & Waffle House is a reason to stop on Holt with an appetite. This family-owned restaurant puts Southern comfort food at the center of the table. To me, it offers something that is hard to put on a menu: a meal that feels personal. You can taste the love.

Chicken and waffles are a natural starting point, but the menu reaches further. Grandma Pang's Southern Fried Chicken, Aunt Toe's Pork Chops and Kayla's Jambalaya sit alongside breakfast combinations and omelettes. It is a menu with personality, not just a list of things to eat.

VISIT DAY DAY'S

994 E. Holt Ave. • Pomona

(909) 622-3217



SCAN FOR DIRECTIONS



Day Day's BBQ & Waffle House on Holt Avenue.

What makes it personal to me is knowing the owner is also the cook. The same person building the business is putting care into the meal in front of you. That is the part of Day Day's I want more neighbors to experience.



Inside Day Day's dining room.

"You can taste the love."



Tacos El Chino's storefront on Holt Avenue.

When I say you can taste the love here, I am talking about that personal connection between the owners and the food. Day Day's and Tacos El Chino serve different dishes, but both give me a reason to stop on Holt rather than just drive through.



Food from Tacos El Chino's menu.

Photo: DoorDash listing

06 / FAMILY KITCHENS

Tacos El Chino

A family's pride in every plate.

At Tacos El Chino, the family behind the business is also in the kitchen. That matters to me. There is something special about being fed by the people who have put their own work into a place, and it is why this restaurant belongs in our look at the people making Holt better.

Start with tacos, or explore the burritos, tortas, quesadillas and mulitas listed on the menu. There are breakfast burritos, too, along with horchata and a pan dulce and desserts section. It is worth looking beyond your usual order and asking the kitchen what to try.

VISIT TACOS EL CHINO

969 E. Holt Ave. • Pomona

(310) 972-1102



SCAN FOR DIRECTIONS

07 / AUTO CARE

Pomona Tire Pros

Free oil changes for Pomona residents with the Shop Pomona Card.

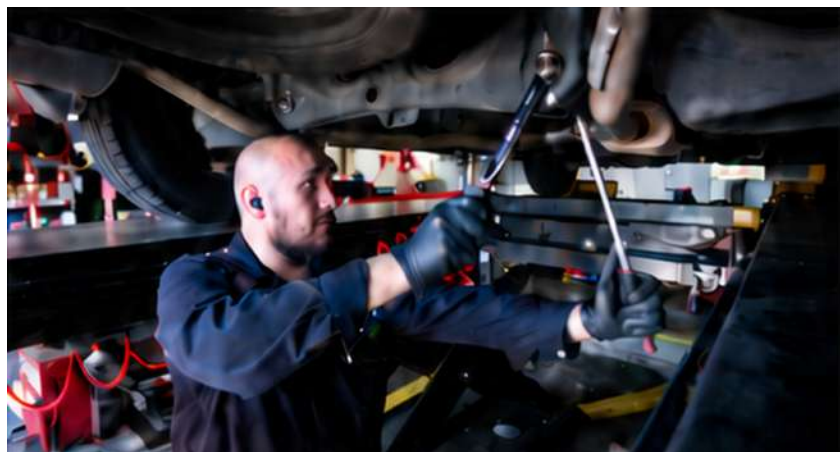
Pomona Tire Pros, located at 505 W. Holt Ave., has served the community for decades. According to the company's official site, it was established in the 1950s and remains a family-owned business under new ownership.

Jose is a Pomona native who loves Pomona and believes in giving back. Because of that, Pomona Tire Pros offers FREE OIL CHANGES to Pomona residents who have the Shop Pomona Card. In addition to oil changes, the shop offers tires, repairs and maintenance — and it's the kind of local business that invests back into the city.

"A local shop giving back to local drivers."

VISIT POMONA TIRE PROS

505 W. Holt Ave., Pomona
(909) 629-8473
pomonatirepros.com



POMONA TIRE PROS / LOCAL AUTO CARE ON HOLT.

FREE OIL CHANGES

For Pomona residents with the Shop Pomona Card.



Scan to register for the Shop Pomona Card.



SKILLED HANDS KEEPING POMONA DRIVERS ON THE ROAD.

08 / SEAFOOD

Mariscos Jalisco

A MICHELIN Guide favorite right here on Holt.

Mariscos Jalisco is located at 753 E. Holt Ave., Pomona, CA 91767. The MICHELIN Guide lists Mariscos Jalisco in Pomona, describing it as a modest but cherished spot from Raul Ortega, whose taco truck began in Boyle Heights in 2001.

This is the kind of restaurant most cities would be proud to have — a Holt destination known for Jalisco-inspired seafood, lime-kissed ceviche and the signature fried shrimp taco with salsa and avocado. You can taste the love because the owners are also deeply connected to the food they serve.

VISIT MARISCOS JALISCO

753 E. Holt Ave., Pomona
(909) 634-6808
mariscosjalisco.net



FOLLOW MARISCOS JALISCO
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"Most cities would love to have a MICHELIN Guide restaurant on their main street."



MARISCOS JALISCO — 753 E. HOLT AVE., POMONA



SIGNATURE SEAFOOD THAT MAKES HOLT A DESTINATION.

The Pomona Rewards Card

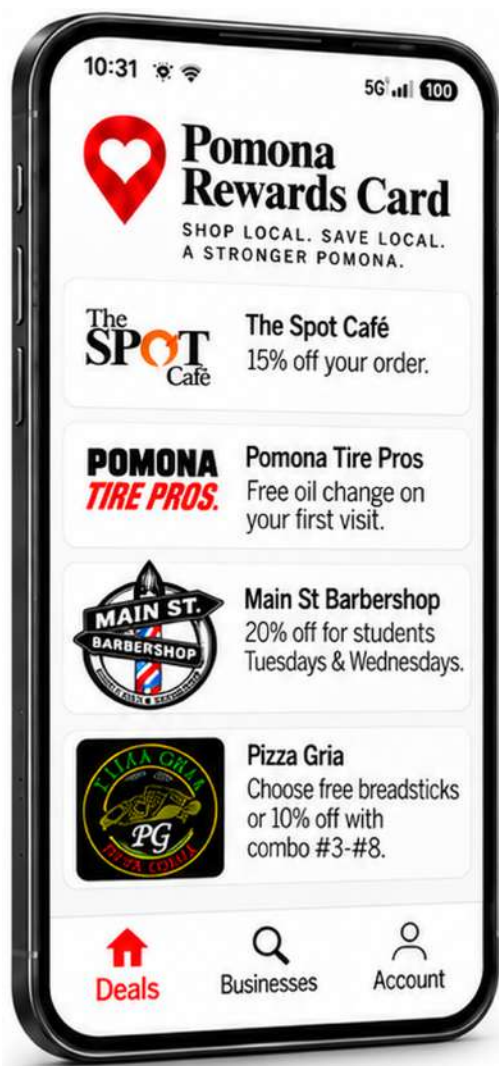
*Free local deals from Pomona businesses — all in one easy card.**

The Pomona Rewards Card helps residents discover discounts, specials and local favorites across the city. Many participating businesses are on Holt, and new locations keep joining. Download the card to explore the latest participating businesses and see all current offers available to Pomona residents.



FOX THEATER | POMONA

Sample Deals



*Local Deals.
A Stronger Pomona.*

Pomona Tire Pros
Free oil change on your first visit.
First time customer only.

Main St Barbershop
20% off for students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
15% off first-time clients.

Lions Den
\$29 per month membership with no enrollment fee for new members.

CleanMax Laundry
First wash free with the AirWallet app.

The Spot Café
15% off your order.
Not valid with any other offer.

Pizza Gria
With combo #3 through #8, choose free breadsticks or 10% off.

Miss Sichuan
10% off.
Not valid with any other offer.

Game Nights
15% off your purchase for first-time customers.



Scan to download the card

mitchstein.corporateplusclub.com
register/?cardnumber=486689314

Want your business on the Pomona Rewards Card?

Joining is FREE.
Call 909-255-1070.



MITCH STEIN

SHOP LOCAL
WITH NEIGHBOR
REALTOR,
COMMUNITY
LEADER

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What Happens When We Invest in a Block?

At Above Ground Art House on Holt, Collective Acción is turning creativity into connection — with free art programs, a men's circle, children's programming and a place where neighbors can gather.

On Holt Avenue, a vibrant creative space is helping to tell a different story about what a neighborhood can be. Above Ground Art House, home to Collective Acción, is creating positive activity and giving people a reason to come together — through art, community, and opportunity.

Founded by local residents who believe in the power of culture to unite people, Collective Acción offers free art opportunities because access matters. Families should not be priced out of belonging. Here, creativity is a right, not a luxury, and everyone is welcome — from curious first-timers to experienced artists, from children to elders.

The space hosts children's programming, free creative activities, community art experiences, and a men's circle. These programs are about more than making art. They create space for healing, connection and conversation. They give neighbors a chance to meet, share, and support one another. They remind us that a strong community is built when people feel seen, heard and valued.

“A free community space gives people something positive to walk toward.”

A busy, welcoming space like Above Ground Art House can help change how a block feels. When there is music, art, laughter and learning happening, the energy shifts. A place that once felt quiet or overlooked becomes a destination — a place where families bring their children, where neighbors run into each other, and where new ideas take root.

This work matters because it gives residents something positive to walk toward, not just something negative to avoid. It shows what's possible when we invest in people, in creativity, and in local spaces. A stronger Holt benefits everyone — safer streets, stronger relationships, and a greater sense of pride in where we live.

Collective Acción and Above Ground Art House are part of a growing movement in Pomona to reimagine our neighborhoods through arts, culture and community care. By offering free programs and opening their doors to all, they are planting seeds of hope — and helping Holt thrive.

As one neighbor shared, it's not just an art space, it's a community space. And that makes all the difference.

Follow the work on Instagram:

@aboveground_arthouse



PROGRAMS AT ABOVE GROUND

- Free children's art activities
- Free community programming
- Men's circle
- Creative gatherings
- Support for local artists

All are welcome.



CELEBRATING HIS FIRST PAINTING SALE.

WHY IT MATTERS

Free programs that make creativity accessible to everyone.

Family-friendly and community-based.

A welcoming space that brings neighbors together.

Positive activity that helps build a stronger, more vibrant Holt Avenue.



ART PEOPLE COMMUNITY A STRONGER POMONA



ARTIST @ASTRAL.GLITCH



ARTIST @ORIGIN_DOOM | ART IN THE MAKING.

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Everything Is Free. Support Makes That Possible.

At Above Ground Art House, Collective Acción is creating room for men, children, families, artists and neighbors to belong. To keep those doors open, the work needs community support.

At Above Ground Art House, everything is free — and that's by design. Founded by neighbors and driven by a belief in the power of art and community, Collective Acción removes financial barriers so everyone in Pomona can participate, create, and belong. From children's art activities to community gatherings, from the men's circle to opportunities for local artists, the space is open to all, at no cost.

Free programs matter. They give children a safe place to explore their creativity. They give adults a chance to connect, heal and support one another. They give local artists a platform to share their work. Most of all, they give neighbors a reason to come together — and to see what's possible when a community invests in people instead of walls.

“If we want free programs on Holt, we have to help keep them alive.”

But free does not mean effortless. Keeping Above Ground Art House open and active takes time, supplies, volunteers, planning and ongoing operational support. Art materials, children's programming, community events, and day-to-day expenses all require resources. Fundraising is not an extra — it's what makes free programming possible.

The September 26 Tacos & Tequila event is one way the community can help sustain this work. Hosted by local artist Erick Mora and M77 Tequila, the evening will bring people together for great food, tequila tastings, and a chance to support a space that gives so much back to Pomona. Every ticket helps keep programs free and doors open for the next child, the next artist, the next family and the next neighbor who needs a place to belong.

If Pomona wants more safe, welcoming, and creative spaces on Holt, these places have to be supported. Above Ground Art House is proof of what can happen when neighbors invest in neighbors — a stronger, more connected community where creativity leads to opportunity.

There are many ways to help: attend the fundraiser, spread the word, volunteer, make a donation, or simply show up to a program. However you choose to support, you are part of something bigger — a movement for a more vibrant Holt Avenue and a stronger Pomona.

Follow the work, get involved, and help keep the doors open. Together, we can make sure Above Ground Art House continues to be a place where everyone belongs.



Public art brings color, creativity and community to Holt Avenue.

SEPTEMBER 26 FUNDRAISER

Tacos & Tequila

Above Ground Art House
1063 E. Holt Ave., Pomona, CA 91767
September 26, 2026
5:30–9:30 PM

Hosted by local artist Erick Mora and M77 Tequila
\$50 advance ticket

Includes 3 M77 tequila tastings and 3 street tacos of your choice



ART PEOPLE COMMUNITY A STRONGER POMONA

WHY FUNDRAISING MATTERS

- Provides art supplies and materials
- Supports youth programming
- Funds community events and gatherings
- Keeps free access for everyone
- Helps maintain a safe, active and welcoming space

DONATE TO KEEP THIS WORK FREE



Scan to support
Collective Acción and
Above Ground Art House.

Help fund free
programs, art supplies,
youth programming,
and community events.



Neighbors, artists and friends come together to support a stronger, more creative Pomona.

Fund the team. Protect the people.

Fully funding SETT is an investment in safer streets and protection from exploitation—not another promise to file away.

BY MITCHELL STEIN

The people you have met in these pages are investing in Holt. Business owners, educators, artists and neighbors are doing their part. They should not have to do City Hall's part, too.

Pomona's Sexual Exploitation & Trafficking Team, known as SETT, has a specialized mission. Police describe a victim-centered approach that connects people to support through Project Resilience. [1]

More capacity. More follow-through.

The Take Back Pomona petition describes a March proposal to expand SETT from two officers to eight and increase scheduled coverage from 40 to 140 hours a week. That is the expansion we are asking the City to fully fund. [2]

More capacity would give the team more time for targeted enforcement, follow-up investigations and work with victim-service partners. The goal is sustained attention to exploitation, not simply another occasional operation.

Those are specialist-team hours—not the availability of all Pomona policing. And 140 hours is not 24/7: a week has 168 hours. The City must explain how remaining hours will be covered.

Full funding means money, filled positions, training and a start date. We are not asking officers to work miracles with limited resources. We are asking the City to provide the resources.

*A priority should have a place
in the budget.*



RALLYING TO END HUMAN TRAFFICKING ON HOLT.

THE EXPANSION OUR PETITION SEEKS

$$2 + 6 = 8$$

March baseline more officers team requested

March baseline and proposed team as described in the petition. Current filled positions require confirmation. [2]

A presentation is not a funded plan.

On March 2, 2026, Council received the East Holt report. The minutes state: "No action was taken for this item; this was a receive and file item." That meeting was not a funding vote. [3]

Residents now deserve to see what has actually been funded and filled—and a vote to close the remaining gap.

THE SIX-OFFICER EXPANSION

\$1.2 million

Publisher's working estimate—not a verified City budget total. [4]

The City must confirm annual and start-up costs, including pay, benefits, training, equipment and support.

Adopt the budget amendment needed to fund the expansion. Identify a lawful, ongoing funding source and publish the full cost. A one-time promise cannot sustain a permanent team.

No blank check. A funded plan, a staffing deadline and public results.

[1] Pomona PD, Feb. 26, 2026.

[2] Take Back Pomona petition, Sept. 4, 2026 (March proposal).

[3] City Council minutes, March 2, 2026, item 11. [4] Cost estimate supplied by the publisher.

Safety should not depend on income.

Would we accept the same conditions in a wealthier neighborhood? If not, why should we accept them on Holt?

Our neighbors deserve protection whether they own a business, rent a room, work two jobs or have no steady income. Poverty is not a reason to tolerate exploitation. It is a reason to make sure help reaches people with the fewest options.

Fewer resources should never mean less protection. Public safety is not a reward for wealth.

We should ask ourselves whether we listen as closely when a neighborhood has less money or political influence. A parent who cannot attend a Council meeting still deserves an answer. Children do not vote. Their safety still counts.

Protecting vulnerable neighbors also means protecting people being exploited. Our petition calls for enforcement focused on purchasers, traffickers and properties knowingly supporting illegal activity, alongside confidential help for potential victims—not public shaming. [2]

*“Children do not vote.
Their safety still counts.”*



ONE HOLT-AREA NEIGHBORHOOD

31.7%

Estimated people living below the poverty line.

Census Tract 4027.02, Los Angeles County.
2020–2024 ACS; margin of error ±11.8 percentage points.
This is not the poverty rate for all of Holt. [5]

What your signature demands

- 01 Fund the expansion.**
Approve a budget amendment for an eight-officer SETT team—or a fully funded alternative. Publish any funding already approved and the remaining gap.
- 02 Set a vote and a start date.**
Our petition asks for a public agenda item within 30 days of delivery, plus disclosure of positions funded and filled.
- 03 Show the results.**
Report coverage, enforcement and victim-service outcomes monthly, without exposing victims or sensitive tactics. [2]

TAKE BACK POMONA

SIGN THE PETITION

Sign for a fully funded
SETT team.

Read it. Add your name. Share it with a neighbor.

Scan the code or tap this panel in the digital edition.



SCAN TO SIGN

[5] U.S. Census Bureau, 2020–2024 ACS, via Census Reporter.
EDITORIAL / STAFFING, FUNDING & ACCOUNTABILITY REQUESTS ARE THE CAMPAIGN'S POSITION.

Petition: Action Network / Take Back Pomona.

GET INVOLVED

A few ways to support Pomona's children, families, art spaces, and neighborhood nonprofits.

If you want to see Pomona get stronger, one of the best ways is to show up for the people already doing the work. Our city is full of neighbors, nonprofit leaders, artists, educators and volunteers who create opportunities for children and families every day. Some of the most meaningful ways to get involved are family events, literacy efforts, and art-centered community gatherings—including several happening right here on Holt.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Pomona Children's Festival

A free day built just for kids.

The 7th annual Pomona Children's Festival is a free, superhero-inspired community event for children and families. Enjoy activities, learning experiences, sports sign-ups, free food and gifts for registered children, and a celebration of kids simply getting to be kids. It's a day to play, explore, and feel the support of a community that believes in its youngest residents.

 Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026 • 10 AM–2 PM
 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona • Free



LITERACY & FAMILY SUPPORT

Created4TheKid Game Day

Reading support, family fun, and confidence-building on Holt.

Created4TheKid helps children fall in love with reading through free family events, books, and parent support. The upcoming Game Day features interactive games, team challenges, prizes, and an Intentional Parenting session for adults. It's a family-centered event designed to encourage, inspire, and build brighter futures.

 Saturday, Sept. 26 • 12–2 PM
 African American Museum of Beginnings
1460 E. Holt Ave., Pomona

"Readers today, Leaders tomorrow."



Above Ground Art House at night.

ARTS & COMMUNITY

Tacos & Tequila for Above Ground

A fundraiser that helps keep free art programming alive.

Collective Acción and Above Ground Art House provide free community-centered art programming on Holt, including children's programming, a men's circle, and creative community events. This fundraiser helps keep those programs free and growing.

Hosted by local artist Erick Mora and M77 Tequila; tasting includes 3 varieties of M77 tequila and 3 street tacos.

 Sept. 26, 2026 • 5:30–9:30 PM
 Above Ground Art House
1063 E. Holt Ave., Pomona

\$50 advance
ticket

HOLT NONPROFITS TO FOLLOW

- Created4TheKid — free family reading events and parent support.
- Collective Acción / Above Ground Art House — free art programming and community-building on Holt.

Follow local pages online for current dates and sign-up links.

DONATE TO SUPPORT COLLECTIVE ACCIÓN

Scan to help support free art and community programming.



Also worth your calendar

AMOCA Clay Play

Hands-on clay activities for families every third Saturday. Pomona residents can attend free.

 Sept. 19 • 1–2 PM • AMOCA, 399 N. Garey Ave.

Family Friday Art Night

Pomona Unified and the dA Center for the Arts offer free family art nights during the school year, generally 6–8 PM, open to PUSD families, with food and hands-on activities.

 dA Center for the Arts • 252 S. Main St., Pomona

POMONA SHOWS UP

Moments from community events across the city — and how to share your next event with The Pomona Bulletin.

The Pomona Bulletin loves spotlighting community events, nonprofits, schools, neighborhood gatherings, service projects, sports, and the people who make Pomona stronger. From local festivals and cultural celebrations to clean-up efforts, public safety recognition, youth sports, and family events, our city is full of inspiring moments. If you're planning an event, we want to help you share it. Send us your upcoming events so we can keep spreading the word about the amazing things happening in Pomona.



Have an event to share?

 *Collaborate on Instagram*

Tag or collaborate with
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so we can help share
your event.



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