

**CONGRESSWOMAN  
NANETTE BARRAGÁN**  
REPRESENTING CALIFORNIA'S 44TH  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



## *Team Barragán 2023 Constituent Services Report*

### Helping CA-44 Constituents

- **Assisted over 1000 constituents** with casework inquiries, and resolved more than 700 cases.
- Worked with an array of federal agencies: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Social Security Administration (SSA), Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and more.
- Across federal agencies, we helped our **constituents save and receive more than \$949,000** in benefits and services.

### Funding for CA-44 Community Projects

- Rep. Barragán **secured over \$20 million** in federal funds for 15 community projects in CA-44.
- All the funds will strengthen existing organizations that serve our constituents. Projects include:
  - Expansion of community health centers,
  - Development of a new park along the LA River,
  - Modernization of a shelter for homeless families,
  - Construction of a new Boys & Girls Club, and
  - Improvements and renovations at two local Senior Centers.

### Federal Grants & Letters of Support

- Provided **over 40 letters of support** to various organizations to assist efforts to obtain a grant.
- Helped **secure \$537 million in grants** for nonprofits, local governments, and public agencies to create good-paying jobs, improve critical infrastructure, reduce pollution, and address other critical needs in CA-44.
- **\$4.5 million in grants** so far for CA-44 from the Inflation Reduction Act, supported by Rep. Barragán and passed by Democrats in 2022:
  - The cities of Carson, Long Beach, and Bellflower each received a **\$1 million USDA grant** for urban greening and tree planting.
- **Millions in grants** so far from the Infrastructure Law, supported by Rep. Barragán in 2021, including:
  - California received a \$1.2 billion DOE grant to develop a hydrogen hub; Up to **\$600 million** is expected to come to the Ports of LA and Long Beach.
  - LA County Sanitation Districts received a **\$1.83 million EPA Brownfields Program grant** to cleanup the former Fletcher Oil refinery in Carson.
  - RCAM Technologies in San Pedro received a **\$4 million Department of Energy grant** to develop a marine pumped hydroelectric storage system and test the technology in deep-water ocean off of the Port of LA.
  - Caltrans received a **\$1.52 million Department of Transportation grant** to upgrade traffic signals in Wilmington.
  - City of Long Beach received a **\$2.82 million DOT grant** for pedestrian safety improvements.
  - City of Bellflower received a **\$1.36 million DOT grant** to install bike lanes.
  - City of Paramount received a **\$319,000 EPA grant** for air monitoring.
  - City of South Gate received a **\$1.92 million DOT grant** to improve pedestrian safety.

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### **Community Events & Briefings**

Team Barragán hosts regular and annual events to engage, educate, and provide resources to our constituents. In 2023 we hosted:

- **Black History Commemorative:** celebrated Black History Month with 50 community members & recognizes four outstanding Black leaders for the great contributions they have made to our communities.
- **Interfaith Prayer Breakfast:** brought together nearly 40 faith leaders & congregants to celebrate their hard work and service to our communities.
- **Congressional Art Competition:** recognized the creative talent of dozens of local high schoolers and awarded 3 participating students with scholarships.
- **Small Business Resource Session:** brought together 80 local business owners and entrepreneurs with the U.S. Small Business Administration, LA County Department of Economic Opportunity, and Bet Tzedek Legal Services to learn about various funding opportunities and free resources available to help our small businesses succeed and grow.
- **Senior Briefing & Luncheon:** over 1,200 older Americans came together for access to over 50 health fair vendors with health screenings, resources, vaccines, a legislative briefing, a hot meal, and fun and games!
- **Service Academy Day:** brought together representatives from each of the U.S. Military Service Academies to meet with prospective students, share information about the service academy application and nomination process, and answer questions.
- **Jobs Fair:** Connected over 300 constituents with more than 1,000 open job positions at all levels with interviews on the spot, as well as professional development workshops and a professional clothing drive.
- At **Barragán on Your Block community events**, we've met with over 100 constituents in Paramount, North Long Beach, Harbor Gateway, & Lakewood to discuss community issues, our work in Washington, and services available in our District office.