

A stylized, low-poly illustration of a city at night. In the foreground, a multi-lane highway is filled with cars, represented by simple geometric shapes with glowing headlights and taillights. A green train or bus is visible on the right side of the highway. In the bottom right corner, two deer are shown in profile, looking towards the left. The background features a city skyline with various buildings and a large, bright sun or moon in the sky. The overall color palette is dominated by warm tones like orange, red, and purple, with cooler blues and greys for the highway and wildlife.

OUR NEIGHBORS, OUR WILDLIFE

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IN A CITY LIKE LOS ANGELES, WE TEND TO FORGET HOW
WILDLIFE IS ALL AROUND US.

INDIAN PEAFOWL



YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON PARROTS



FROM NEIGHBORHOOD TO NEIGHBORHOOD, A VARIETY OF WILDLIFE SPECIES CAN BE FOUND LIVING AMONG US. TAKE A MOMENT, AND IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE EASY TO SPOT LOCAL ANIMALS- DAY OR NIGHT!

AMERICAN BLACK BEAR



MOUNTAIN LION



CALIFORNIA MULE DEER



HUMMINGBIRDS + BEES



MEXICAN FREE-TAILED BATS



COYOTE

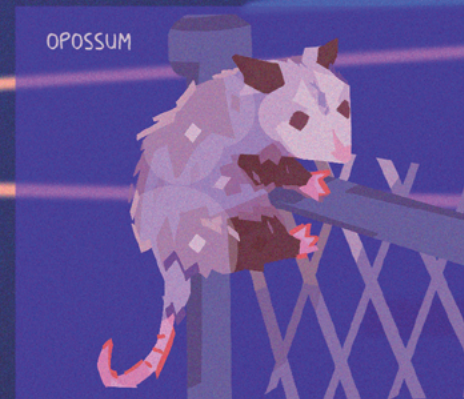


BOBCAT



A DIVERSE RANGE OF INTRODUCED SPECIES, NATIVE POLLINATORS, MIGRATORY BIRDS, COMMON URBAN DWELLERS, AND LARGER MAMMALS ALL CALL LOS ANGELES HOME.

OPOSSUM



RACCOON





THE WILDFIRES IN JANUARY IMPACTED EVERYONE IN LOS ANGELES, PEOPLE AND WILDLIFE ALIKE. IN LESS THAN ONE MONTH, THE PALISADES FIRE, THE EATON FIRE, AND A DOZEN SMALLER BREAKOUT FIRES TORE ACROSS THE CITY, DESTROYING THOUSANDS OF BUILDINGS, HOMES, AND LIVING THINGS IN ITS WAKE.



WHERE THERE IS LOSS, THERE IS ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO REGROW AND REBUILD.



ACROSS LOS ANGELES, LOCAL NONPROFITS REACTED TO THE DEVASTATION BY WORKING TOGETHER TO REHABILITATE NATIVE PLANT LIFE AND TO RELEASE INJURED ANIMALS BACK INTO THEIR NATURAL HABITATS.



OUR COMPASSION TOWARD THE NATURE SURROUNDING US IS WHAT MAKES LOS ANGELES ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST WILDLIFE-FRIENDLY CITIES.



WHERE THE 101 FREEWAY CUTS BETWEEN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS, THE BIGGEST WILDLIFE CROSSWAY IN THE WORLD HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED. THIS CROSSWAY ABOVE THE 101 CONNECTS TWO PROTECTED WILDLIFE LANDS AND CREATES A SAFE PASSAGEWAY FOR ANIMALS.

ROAD
WORK
AHEAD



WILDLIFE
~~AHEAD~~
ABOVE!

WHILE REBUILDING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS,
WHAT IF WE CAME UP WITH EVEN MORE WAYS TO BE
BETTER NEIGHBORS TO NATURE?

GARDEN PLANS



WE COULD LEARN ABOUT THE WILDLIFE
THAT EXISTS AROUND US...

...CREATE MORE NATURAL SPACES FOR THE
PLANTS AND ANIMALS WHO SHARE OUR CITY...

...AND ADOPT HABITS THAT
NURTURE OUR ENVIRONMENT.

GLASS

PAPER

METAL



TOGETHER, WE COULD INVITE NATURE INTO OUR LIVES AND HOMES...

...AND CREATE A CITY WHERE WE LOOK AFTER OUR NEIGHBORS, OUR WILDLIFE.



BECAUSE EVEN THE SMALLEST GESTURE CAN MAKE THE BIGGEST
DIFFERENCE IN ACHIEVING OUR WILDEST DREAMS.

FROM ONE NEIGHBOR TO ANOTHER...

TOGETHER, WE ARE LOS ANGELES!

NONPROFIT SPOTLIGHT

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FROM THE CREATOR

"The non-profit that I'm highlighting is Pasadena Humane. They've always been a local resource for me. During the Eaton fires, I was proud to see them actively rescuing and rehabilitating lost pets and wildlife. Pasadena Humane is a great resource for anyone who wants to be a better neighbor to all the animals who call LA home."

--Kristen Wang, Creator of "Our Neighbors, Our Wildlife"

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