

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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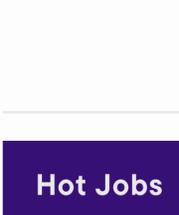
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Happy President's Day! Monday, February 16, 2026

Presidents' Day is a reminder of the responsibility and vision that leadership requires. As project leaders, we can reflect on how we guide our teams with clarity, integrity, and a focus on meaningful impact.

Chapter Announcements



[Volunteer Spotlight on Jennifer Shetland](#)

Since May 2025, Jennifer has supported PMI-LA through Metrics Reporting and the Membership Committee. She values the chapter's diverse, supportive community and encourages members to get involved and ask for help. "Everything happens for a reason," she shares, and volunteering is a great way to grow.

Congratulations, Jen!
Read the full article [here](#).

Hot Jobs



[INFORMATION RESOURCE SPECIALIST, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS](#)

Equivalent to: IT Project Manager
The Executive Office (EO) of the Board of Supervisors (Board), County of Los Angeles

Los Angeles County seeks a motivated Information Resource Specialist for the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors. You'll analyze, design, and implement complex systems to support County governance. The role offers a flexible hybrid work environment. Ideal for experienced professionals in systems analysis and project management. This is an emergency hire.

Learn more and apply [here](#) to shape the digital infrastructure of one of the nation's largest local governments.

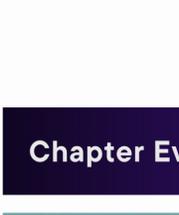
This Week



[Multi-Chapter | Navigating PMBOK 8: Principles, Systems Thinking & Value \(Online\)](#)

Thursday, February 19th, 2026
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm PT
1 PDU's Ways of Working (Technical)

Melia Abreu, a strategic facilitator and PMP® certified leader, has 25+ years in healthcare, education, aviation, and nonprofits. At Mana'olana International, she offers project management training, cultural transformation, and leadership development. Join her to explore the 12 PMBOK® principles, learn systems thinking, and shift to value-driven project leadership. [Learn more](#)



[PMI-LA 2026 Volunteer Recruiting Event \(In Person\)](#)

Saturday, February 21st, 2026
10:45 am to 1:30 pm PT

Location: Manhattan Beach Library - 1320 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA, 90266

PMI-LA is an avenue to forming meaningful connections and expanding your professional network. Embrace this mutually beneficial process of supporting our activities and get a glimpse into our exciting volunteer opportunities! Log on to the PMI-LA website as a member, navigate to [Members Only/Volunteer Positions Available](#), and let your journey of discovery begin!

WAITLIST
A waitlist is available. If you already registered but can't attend, please let us know right away so someone else can take your spot.

Chapter Events Updates



[BOOK CLUB | "Atomic Habits" by James Clear \(Online\)](#)

Saturday, February 28th, 2026
11:00 am - 1:00 pm PT
3 PDU's Ways of Working (Technical)

This month, the PMI-LA Book Club will discuss "Atomic Habits" by James Clear. Earn PDUs by sharing your thoughts on this popular book with fellow and future project managers. Additionally, there will be a presentation on a project management topic. [Learn more](#)

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[PMI-LA New/Prospective Member Orientation \(Online\)](#)

Wednesday, March 25th, 2026
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm PT

This orientation is designed for both members and non-members to explore how the Los Angeles Chapter supports professional and personal growth, offering an overview of membership benefits, upcoming events, and volunteer opportunities. Participants will have the chance to connect with board members and chapter representatives to learn how to maximize their membership. [Learn more](#)



[PMP® Prep Course - Spring 2026 Session \(In-Person\)](#)

Every Saturday, March 28th - April 25th, 2026
08:30 am - 05:30 pm PT
35 PDUs

Location: Mt. Saint Mary's University Doheny Campus, 22 St. JamesPark W, Los Angeles, CA 90007

PMI-LA is excited to bring back our in-person, authorized PMP® Prep Course! This five-day experience gives project managers the everything they need to prepare for the PMP exam – from the required 35 contact hours to insider tips, practice exams, and study aids created by the same experts who helped shape PMP exam content. This session is a special 2026 offering at pre-pandemic rates. [Learn more](#)

Early Bird deadline is March 7th, 2026, 11:59 PM.

Professional Community Events



[PMI-CIE | Brand and Land Hybrid Event \(Hybrid\)](#)

Saturday, February 21st, 2026
8:00 am - 1:00 pm PT
5 PDUs

The PMI California Inland Empire Chapter is excited to bring back the Brand and Land Main Event! Following the overwhelmingly positive feedback we received last year, we're thrilled to partner once again with John Signo and his team to deliver an unforgettable learning experience. Whether you're actively job hunting or simply looking to sharpen your professional edge, this event will equip you with the skills and confidence to take your career to the next level. [Learn more](#)

Cost: \$35 PMI-LA Members in-person, \$25 Virtual - select PMI-CIE Member at registration.

This is a professional community event not organized by the PMI-LA Chapter.



[Exploring AI Integration in Project Management | Call for Research Volunteers](#)

In a **one-time, 45-60 minute interview**, participants will be asked to discuss their experiences using AI within project management contexts.

This qualitative research study examines how project management professionals are integrating artificial intelligence (AI) into project monitoring and control workflows. As AI-driven tools, as predictive analytics, automated dashboards, and risk forecasting, become increasingly prevalent in project environments, the study seeks to understand how these technologies are applied in practice, the challenges professionals encounter during implementation, and the strategies that support effective adoption. [Learn more](#)

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[Innovative Leadership | Leadership Development Program \(Online\)](#)

Self-Paced
60 PDUs

Join the Innovative Leadership Institute in a transformative leadership journey.

Why This Class?

Depth: We go beyond the 'what' of leadership, exploring the 'how' and facilitating an introspective look at your leadership behaviors. You move beyond talking about leadership to becoming a highly effective leader. [Learn More](#)

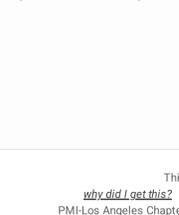
\$50 off with a discount code for PMI-LA Chapter members.

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Additional Resources



VOLUNTEER: No matter where you are on your PM or BA career journey, we've got opportunities to match your interests. Make a difference and earn PDUs volunteering with PMI-LA!
Applications to volunteer with the chapter will open in January 2026 – stay tuned!



BOOK CLUB: Improve your project management skills, gain PDUs, and interact with fellow members by joining the [Project Management Book Club](#). You don't have to be PMP-certified, nor a member of PMI to join.



PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY EVENTS: Every now and again, your hardworking board negotiates a special event for our members and their families.
[Check Out The Upcoming Events!](#)

PMI x AI: Stay Ahead. Lead the Future of AI in Project Management. PMI X AI eLearning. Stand out when you elevate your project management skills with AI
[Learn More About It Here!](#)

JOBS BOARD: The PMI jobs board provides a consolidated view of some of the more popular job search sites, and it gives you the power to sort for the level of employment and industry that you are most interested in! [Check Out Jobs!](#)

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