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## **SHAREFEST PARTNERS WITH L.A. CITY IN SIXTH WORKDAY**

**By forming connections with community stakeholders, ShareFest sees the unique stories and needs in each area and will continue serving them in this annual event.**

Torrance, CA - ShareFest Community Development will partner with Mayor Villaraigosa and more than 100 other organizations all day on May 2 for its Sixth Annual Workday that will include more than 225 service projects and thousands of volunteers throughout the South Bay and Harbor areas. Because ShareFest has built relationships with communities it is able to complete hundreds of relevant, uniquely-tailored projects.

For instance, for three years, residents of Harbor Gateway have used a dirt lot at Del Amo Boulevard and Denker Avenue as a makeshift community center. After a racially-motivated gang shooting that devastated the neighborhood, residents decided to unify and start work on a community center. Last year, ShareFest participated by providing materials and volunteers for a mural. At this year's Workday, the LAPD Harbor Division will donate a module for the center and ShareFest will provide more than \$50,000 of free labor and turn it into a community center that will provide after school programs and services for youth and adults.

Other projects will include renovating Banning High School where more than 500 volunteers are expected to paint murals and landscape areas to beautify the school. ShareFest will also provide soap and detergent for families in need at four different laundromats in Wilmington. Projects like these will be completed all over the South Bay and Harbor Areas. This year, ShareFest is expecting 8,000 volunteers to participate.

ShareFest Community Development, Inc. is a non-profit charitable organization with the vision of creating a lasting imprint of positive change in the South Bay and Harbor areas. To donate or volunteer visit [www.sharefestinc.org](http://www.sharefestinc.org) or call 310-626-8106

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