OIL DRILLING: A threat to our health, safety, and justice

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THE BACKGROUND

There are over 7,000 oil wells across Los Angeles endangering the health and safety of its residents. The Inglewood Oil Field, located next to Kenneth Hahn Park, is the largest urban oil field in the country! Due to decades of redlining and environmental racism, these oil wells are predominantly found in Black and Latine communities.

Black Women for Wellness (BWW) is a proud member of STAND LA, a coalition working to bring an end to neighborhood oil drilling. Community advocates like BWW and STAND LA have been fighting for decades to address these injustices, and push for a healthier Los Angeles for all! **RECENT WINS**

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NO DRILLING

People power is winning! Big Oil recently spent \$61 million on deceitful efforts to repeal SB 1137, a law to protect communities' health. Yet in June 2024, in response to community organizing and advocacy, they dropped these efforts. Justice prevailed, and it is now illegal to drill new oil wells near people's homes across California.

Also, in December 2022 and January 2023, LA City and LA County passed ordinances to kickstart the phase out of oil drilling across Los Angeles. This is a historic win! BWW and STAND-LA organized thousands of residents like you to make this win possible, and are now working to ensure that oil sites are cleaned up in line with community needs.



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Visit **bwwla.org/no-drilling** or scan the QR code to take action, find out if you live near active oil drilling, and learn more about our work!

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THE HARM

A growing list of scientific studies – and accounts from local residents – indicate that living close to oil wells is associated with short and long term health impacts. This is especially true for vulnerable groups like children, pregnant people, and the elderly.



- More severe headaches & nosebleeds
- Asthma and reduced lung function
- Low birth weight
- Premature births
- Cancer

Oil wells don't belong in our neighborhoods, and the health of our communities isn't disposable. The time for action is now.

"Big Oil makes messes that they don't clean up. They harm residents, but don't have to pay for hospital bills or lost school time. They make all their gains at the expense of people like me and my neighbors."

Regina Martin Community Outreach Worker, Black Women for Wellness



Join BWW and STAND-LA's grassroots movement to put your community's health above Big Oil's profits! The power of the people is winning.

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Opt in to our newsletter to receive updates about our work, and to get involved in current campaigns.

Learn more about problems caused by toxic drilling in LA. You can also check out an interactive map, to see how close you live near active oil drilling!

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