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### **RR/CC IS THE BEST “SOCIAL DEAL” ON VALENTINE’S DAY \$25 FOR A CIVIL MARRIAGE CEREMONY**

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan reminded couples planning to marry that the RR/CC will be issuing marriage licenses and performing marriage ceremonies on Valentine’s Day, February 14, 2012, at the seven RR/CC Offices conveniently located throughout Los Angeles County (see attached list for office locations information). No appointment is necessary for marriage ceremonies on Valentine’s Day.

“We are looking forward to Valentine’s Day which is our busiest day of the year for weddings,” Logan said. “To make the process more convenient and to provide couples the best service possible, we are providing them the opportunity to obtain a marriage license and to be wed in a civil marriage ceremony that same day.”

In an effort to accommodate and be accessible to the many couples anticipated on Valentine’s Day, our Norwalk Headquarters at 12400 Imperial Highway will have multiple spaces for performing wedding ceremonies. The last time the RR/CC offered expanded services for Valentine’s Day was February 14, 2011; 269 marriage licenses were issued and 291 marriage ceremonies performed.

#### **Marriage Licenses and Civil Wedding Ceremonies**

For couples wishing to obtain a marriage license and be married in a civil marriage ceremony that same day, there is no residency or citizenship status requirement, and blood tests are not necessary. Couples must be over 18 years of age. It is recommended, though not necessary, that couples submit the application for a marriage license online at <http://www.lavote.net/Clerk/Marriages.cfm>.

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After submitting the online application, the couple needs only to go to the RR/CC Headquarters in Norwalk or to any one of the RR/CC [Branch Offices](#) to obtain their marriage license, pay the license fee, which is \$90 for a public license and \$85 for a confidential license, and be wed. The fee for the civil ceremony is \$25. Payment can be made in cash or by check or money order, made payable to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk or RRCC. If paying by check, valid identification i.e., driver's license or passport, of the signer is required and must be presented at time of request.

The marriage license is valid for 90 days from the date of issuance. Walk in applicants are taken on a first come, first served basis. To complete the application for a marriage license a couple must:

- Appear together in person.
- Each present one form of valid non-expired photo identification (driver's license, passport).
- If divorced within the last 2 years, provide proof of divorce decree or dissolution/termination of a previous marriage is required. If spouse is deceased, please provide copy of death certificate.

Volunteer Deputy Marriage Commissioners will perform the ceremonies from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. at the Norwalk office. [Branch Offices](#) will perform the ceremonies from 8:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. No appointments will be made for February 14; however, couples are urged to arrive early. All couples are required to check in prior to the ceremony to obtain a license. **Couples are urged to arrive no later than an hour before closing at both the Headquarters and Branch Offices to allow processing time for marriage applications.**

### **Volunteer Deputy Marriage Commissioners**

Volunteer Deputy Marriage Commissioners, especially those who speak Spanish, are needed throughout the year to perform ceremonies at the seven RR/CC office locations, particularly the Norwalk, East Los Angeles, Florence-Firestone and Lancaster Branch Offices.

Beginning in 1997, volunteers began performing civil wedding ceremonies at the RR/CC Headquarters in Norwalk. Now volunteers perform ceremonies in all the RR/CC office locations.

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Volunteers enjoy being a part of this major event in the lives of loving couples. This very successful, award winning volunteer program provides citizens from all walks of life the opportunity to volunteer in public service while saving taxpayers money. RR/CC staff, which once performed marriage ceremonies before the volunteer program was in place, is now able to complete more specialized tasks. Those interested in becoming a volunteer Deputy Marriage Commissioner can write to:

Portia Sanders, Manager  
Public Records Division  
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk  
P.O. Box 389  
Norwalk, CA 90651-0389

For further information on obtaining a marriage license, civil marriage ceremony, or the Marriage Ceremony Volunteer Program, visit the RR/CC website [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) or call the Birth, Death & Marriage Records Section of the RR/CC Norwalk Headquarters at (562) 462-2189 or one of the RR/CC branch offices.

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For Multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino or Vietnamese call (800) 481-8683

## **ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

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**RR/CC OFFICE LOCATIONS INFORMATION**  
**VALENTINE'S DAY FEBRUARY 14, 2012 ONLY**

**ATTACHMENT**

<b>Beverly Hills</b>	9355 Burton Way, 1st floor	(310) 288-1261	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
<b>Lancaster</b>	1028 W. Avenue J2	(661) 945-6446	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
<b>LAX Courthouse</b>	11701 S. La Cienega Boulevard., 6th floor	(310) 727-6142	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
<b>East Los Angeles</b>	4716 East Cesar Chavez Avenue	(323) 260-2991	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
<b>Florence- Firestone</b>	7807 S. Compton Avenue	(323) 586-6192	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
<b>Norwalk</b>	12400 Imperial Highway	(562) 462-2137	Hrs: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
<b>Van Nuys</b>	14340 West Sylvan Street	(818) 376-3700	Hrs: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.