

HACK THE BEACH: THE CONTEST KICKOFF



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About The Contest



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The Contest: What it's Not



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The Contest: What it is



- A contest with a four month incubation period with the City of Santa Monica, and the brightest minds in local tech.



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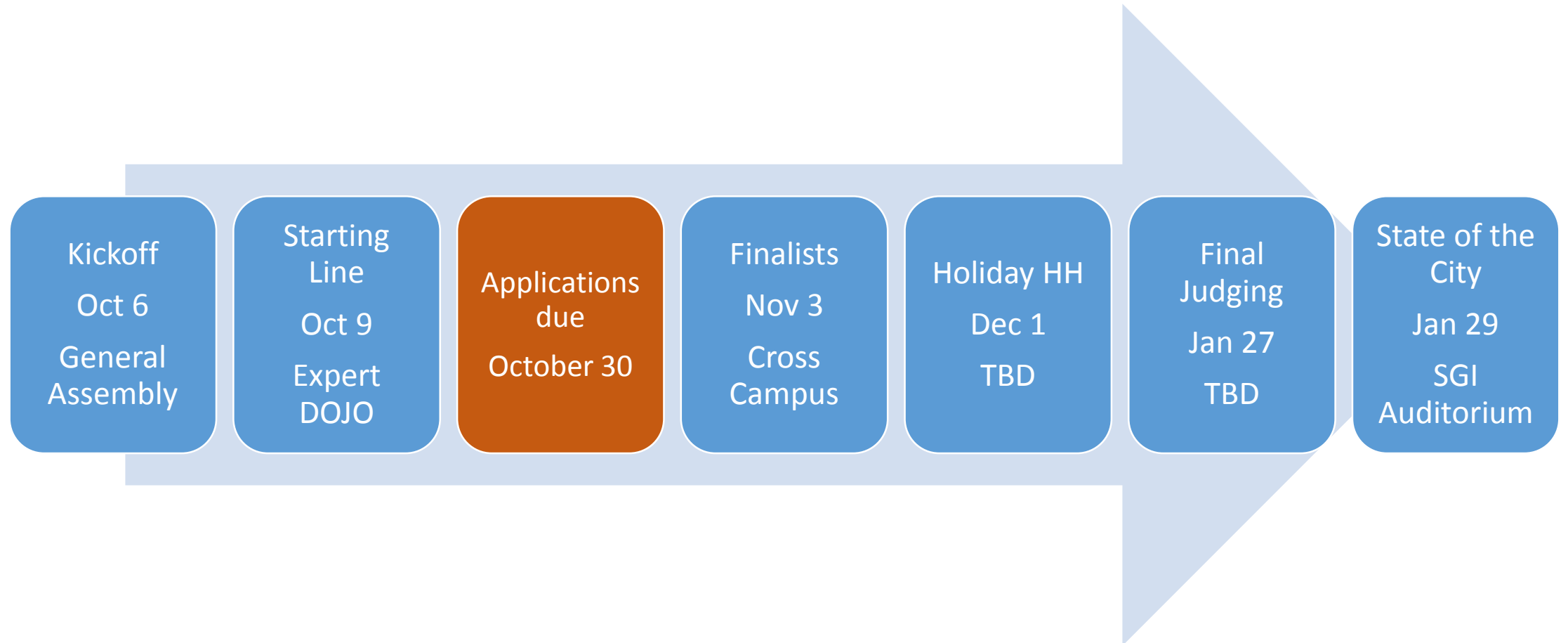
The Contest: What it is



- A call to action to build *real solutions* around community, mobility, and civic engagement.
- Have an idea now? Tweet @hackthebeach and be heard. Tweeters tonight will be entered into a raffle, with one lucky winner receiving prizes from GA, the Chamber, and Equinox.

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Timeline



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Potential Solutions



Community - Maintaining an inclusive and diverse community means increasing *housing affordability*, addressing *homelessness*, and supporting Santa Monica as a *learning community*.

- Create a search platform for subsidized housing in our region.
- Connect Santa Monicans to services available in their neighborhoods
- Present an exciting new way for Santa Monicans to access housing or social services!

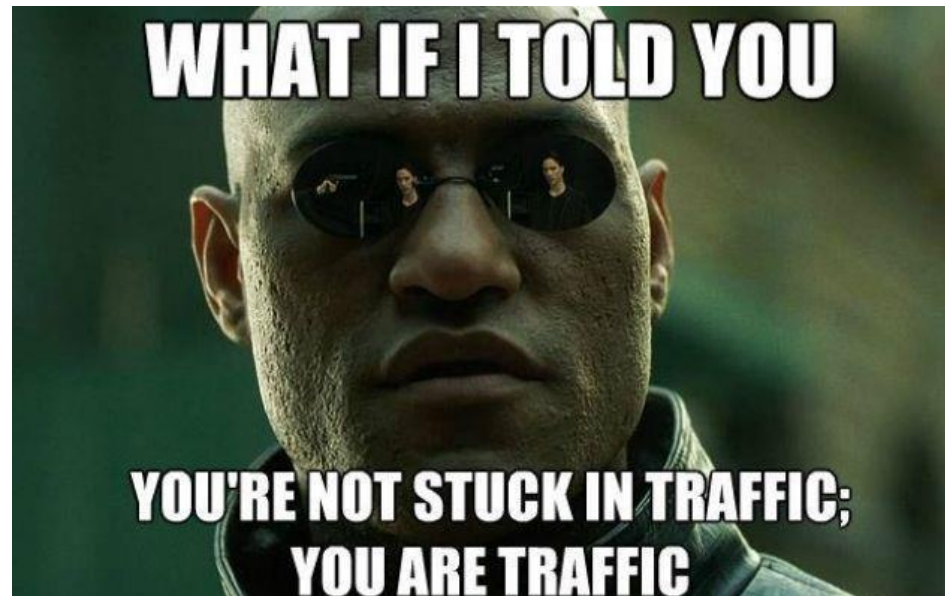
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Mobility - How can we integrate multi-modal transportation, both here and across Los Angeles, to establish a new model of mobility for the future?

- Connect local workers to carpool.
- Develop an app to alert when peak hour traffic has slowed.
- Build an outreach tool to get residents, commuters, and visitors informed and excited about the Expo Light Rail.



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Civic Engagement - Santa Monica has an exuberant resident community and firm grounding in civic engagement. Now it's time to take that to the next level.

- Create an interactive City Council Agenda
- Connect Santa Monicans with each other and their government.



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Selecting a Winner



- Submit an application, available October 9 through October 30, via hackthebeach.com.
- A select few will be invited to continue work on their product. Mentoring will be provided along the way.
- Final presentations made live, before judges, on January 27, 2016.
- Winner named on January 29, 2016.

Judging Criteria

- Value (40%) – will the product be used?
- Viability (40%) – can the product be built in a reasonable time and with a reasonable budget?
- Future Outlook (20%) – can the product grow and prosper over time?

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Prizes



- Course credit from General Assembly up to \$5,000 per team.
- Work area credit from Cross Campus up to \$5,000 per team.
- Invitation to meet the Mayor, City Manager, and other City of Santa Monica VIPs.
- Backstage passes, VIP treatment, and public recognition at Twilight Concert Series.

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Next Event



This Friday October 9th, 2014 10am-1pm

Expert DOJO – Investor Festival

- Mingle with judges, city experts, and other HTB teams.
 - Detailed applications made available.
- Register via hackthebeach.com or investorfestival.com

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