

DOWNTOWN LOFTS

Find Long Beach history reborn as this stroll through Downtown reveals over a dozen department stores, office buildings and garages repurposed into residential lofts.



DISTANCE 3.03 MILES

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Start at the edge of the Downtown at Alamitos Avenue and 3rd Street in front of the **PALACE LOFTS** [former ice skating ring] before heading east to Cerritos Avenue for the **1 EBELL LOFTS** [former theater]. Head back toward Downtown and up Alamitos Avenue until 7th Street. Just one block to the west are three former auto garages, now live/work loft conversions: **2 ARMORY LOFTS, JET STUDIO** and **MUNSON LOFTS**. Continue west on 7th then 8th Street for a half mile before heading up Locust Avenue to the **3 MASONIC TEMPLE LOFTS**. Looping around Pine Avenue goes by the American Institute of Architects award-winning **COURTYARD LOFTS**, which combines two former commercial buildings into an intimate residential community oriented around a lush green space. Walk down Pine Avenue towards 3rd Street past the three former department stores, converted into high-end residential lofts: **4 KRESS LOFTS, NEWBERRY LOFTS** and **WALKER BUILDING**. Jog one block over to the Promenade at 3rd Street to the **INSURANCE EXCHANGE BUILDING** [former clothing store and then juvenile court]. Go east on Broadway up Elm Avenue past 3rd Street to see the two live/work loft conversions: **5 312 ELM AND BAY HOTEL**, which are occupied by interesting independent businesses including the appropriately located **LONG BEACH DEPOT FOR CREATIVE REUSE**. Take a right onto 4th Street where the creative office complex **4TH+LINDEN** [former SST Recording Studio] encompasses the half block. Head south on Lime Avenue, continuing east on 3rd Street until reaching the beginning of this tour of new beginnings.

