



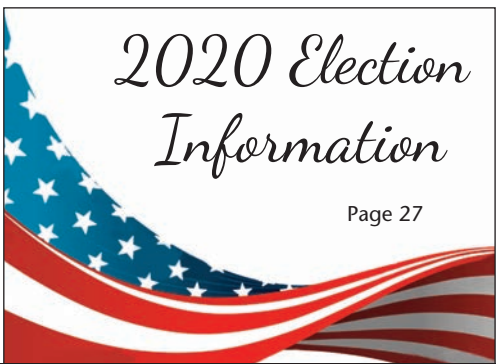
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SN Inclusion

## Neurodiversity in the Workplace



*Individuals with special needs have incredible strengths, passions, and abilities that are immensely valuable in the workforce. Isabella hopes to use her experience in working with individuals with special needs to make SN Inclusion a truly valuable program to improve neurodiversity in the workplace.*

SUBMITTED BY ISABELLA HE

Isabella He, a junior at Mission San Jose High School in Fremont, California, started nonprofit organization SN Inclusion to bring career-technical education to individuals with special needs.

SN Inclusion (sninclusion.org) is dedicated to preparing individuals with special needs for careers through integrated career-technical education (CTE). With

unemployment rates for individuals with autism at approximately 90%, SN Inclusion's mission is to tap into the unique strengths, passions, and abilities of special needs individuals to enable them to join the workforce. SN Inclusion is a non-profit program; all courses and assistance are free. With this free assistance, Isabella hopes to make SN Inclusion as impactful for the special needs community as possible.

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## Oakland Zoo vets treat mountain lion cub for burns

SUBMITTED BY ERIN HARRISON

Only four to six weeks old, an orphaned mountain lion cub suffering from severe wildfire burns was discovered and rescued by a Cal Fire firefighter September 30 in an area the Zogg Wildfire that burned near Redding in the northern Central Valley.

Upon discovering and capturing the lone cub, Cal Fire contacted the Shasta County Sheriff's Department, who in turn contacted the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). CDFW veterinarians, who are working to save the lives of many wildlife victims trapped by the recent fires throughout California, then contacted

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## Tak Fudenna Stadium Gets Makeover

SUBMITTED BY LINH PHUONG DANG

On a sunny afternoon in September, local Fremont boys gathered to begin a landscaping project of Tak Fudenna Stadium. Anderson Dang, a senior at Washington High School, is spearheading the project. When considering a project to earn his Eagle Scout Rank, he wanted to create something special for the whole community.

Tak Fudenna was an obvious choice as it is the venue for sports activities and graduation events of public high schools in Fremont. As a member of the track and field team for the last three years, Anderson has passed by a barren piece of land by the bleachers quite often. Ben Vose, his track coach, inspired him to give “Tak” a beautifying makeover.

The landscaping project will create a rock garden with drought tolerant plants. Dang planned the project to coincide with the upcoming rainy season to help the plants become well established.

The goal is to create something special to welcome the community back once the shelter-in-place orders are lifted. This project combines his graphics, construction, and creative skills, and has been months in the making. With donations from the community and help from a team of volunteers, the stadium will be enjoyed by thousands.

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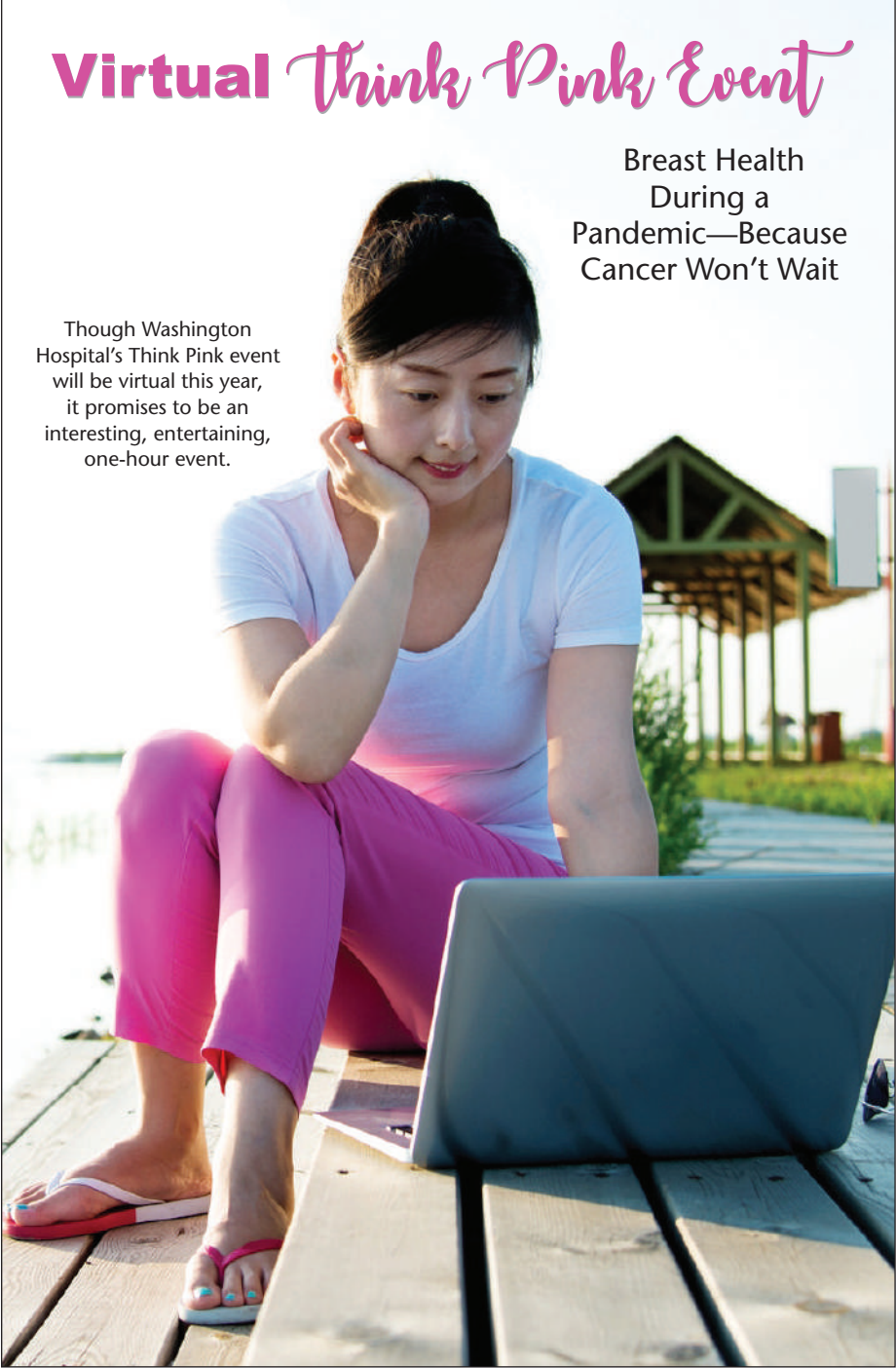
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# Virtual Think Pink Event

## Breast Health During a Pandemic—Because Cancer Won't Wait

Though Washington Hospital's Think Pink event will be virtual this year, it promises to be an interesting, entertaining, one-hour event.



COVID-19 has stretched the bounds of the tolerance for all of us, and this may be especially true for patients going through breast cancer treatment. This is one of the many reasons promoting breast health is important—even with a global pandemic. Since 2008, Washington Hospital has hosted Think Pink, a breast health awareness program where community members—including cancer survivors—have an opportunity to socialize and hear from physicians and other experts on self-care and updates to the services provided at Washington's Women Center.

Keeping with COVID-19 precautions, this year, Washington Hospital's Think

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### Agenda

- 6 p.m., "Welcome and Women's Center Update," by William Dugoni Jr., MD, General Surgeon, Washington Township Medical Foundation, Medical Director, Washington Women's Center
- 6:10 p.m., "Navigating Health Challenges in the Time of a Pandemic," by Nicolas Prionas, MD, PhD, Radiation Oncologist
- 6:30 p.m., "Tomosynthesis (3D Mammography)," by Sunil Upender, MD, Radiologist
- 6:45 p.m., Cooking Demonstration by Kimberlee Alvri, MBA, RD, CNSC, Director of Food and Nutrition Services, Chief of Patient Experience; and Alfredo Macias, Catering Manager

### Featured Speakers

William Dugoni Jr., MD, will kick off the event with a welcome message and an update on Washington Women's Center a nationally accredited breast center, including the center's new 3D mammography capabilities.

Nicolas Prionas, MD, PhD, will then speak about navigating health challenges during a pandemic. Dr. Prionas is a radiation oncologist at Washington Radiation Oncology Center, who is part of the UCSF affiliation with Washington Hospital.

Sunil Upender, MD, will focus on the importance of tomosynthesis, or 3D mammography. Tomosynthesis catches breast cancer very early, which changes the treatment protocol dramatically.

Kimberlee Alvri, MBA, RD, CNSC, will cook up a nutritious meal online, all in 15 minutes.

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The full schedule of InHealth programs listed below can also be viewed in real time on the Washington Hospital website, [www.whhs.com](http://www.whhs.com)

|                      | TUESDAY                                                                      | WEDNESDAY                                                                         | THURSDAY                                                        | FRIDAY                                                                            | SATURDAY                                                               | SUNDAY                                                                             | MONDAY                                                                |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                      | 10/6/20                                                                      | 10/7/20                                                                           | 10/8/20                                                         | 10/9/20                                                                           | 10/10/20                                                               | 10/11/20                                                                           | 10/12/20                                                              |
| 12:00 PM<br>12:00 AM | Diabetes Health Fair 2019:<br>Diabetes & Stroke:<br>What's the Connection?   | Washington Township<br>Health Care<br>District Board Meeting<br>September 9, 2020 | Diabetes Matters:<br>Latin Foods                                | Intro to Radiation<br>Oncology Therapy                                            | Solutions for Weight<br>Management                                     | The Signs and Symptoms<br>of Sepsis                                                | Mental Health<br>Education Series:<br>Understanding<br>Mood Disorders |
| 12:30 PM<br>12:30 AM | Gastrointestinal<br>Disorders                                                |                                                                                   | Updated Treatments<br>for Knee Pain<br>& Arthritis              | Diabetes Matters:<br>Asian Fusion                                                 |                                                                        |                                                                                    |                                                                       |
| 1:00 PM<br>1:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Don't Let<br>Hip Pain Win                                                         | Early Detection<br>and Prevention<br>of Female Cancers                 | Strategies to Reduce<br>the Risk of Cancer<br>Recurrence                           | Metabolic<br>Disorders                                                |
| 1:30 PM<br>1:30 AM   | How to Talk<br>to Your Doctor                                                | Not A Superficial<br>Problem: Varicose<br>Veins & Chronic<br>Venous Disease       | Mental Health<br>Education Series:<br>Crisis Intervention       |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Washington Township<br>Health Care<br>District Board Meeting<br>September 9, 2020  |                                                                       |
| 2:00 PM<br>2:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Diabetes Matters: Dining<br>Out Around The World                                  | Caregiver Series:<br>Securing Care Preferences<br>Through AHCD         |                                                                                    | Aortic Valve Disease:<br>Treatment Options<br>Including TAVR          |
| 2:30 PM<br>2:30 AM   | Women's Health Conference:<br>Women & Stroke:<br>Are You at Risk?            | 11th Annual Women's<br>Health Conference:<br>Patient's Playbook                   | Diabetes Matters: Diabetes:<br>Is There an App for That?        |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Vitamins & Supplements:<br>How Useful Are They?                                    |                                                                       |
| 3:00 PM<br>3:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Digestive Health:<br>What You Need<br>to Know                                     | Sports Medicine<br>Program: Why Does<br>My Shoulder Hurt?              |                                                                                    | Obesity: Understand<br>the Causes, Consequences<br>& Prevention       |
| 3:30 PM<br>3:30 AM   | Mental Health<br>Education Series:<br>Family Support                         | Diabetes Matters:<br>Asian Indian Cooking                                         | Advancements in Lung<br>Cancer Detection<br>and Treatment       |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Caregiver Series:<br>Codependency<br>and the Caregiver                             |                                                                       |
| 4:00 PM<br>4:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Washington Township<br>Health Care<br>District Board Meeting<br>September 9, 2020 | Colon Cancer                                                           |                                                                                    | Peripheral Vascular<br>Disease: What You<br>Need to Know              |
| 4:30 PM<br>4:30 AM   | How To Stop Disease<br>Before It Starts                                      | Washington Township<br>Health Care<br>District Board Meeting<br>September 9, 2020 | Keeping Your Brain<br>Healthy                                   |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Wildfire Smoke<br>and Your Lungs:<br>Do You Need to Worry?                         |                                                                       |
| 5:00 PM<br>5:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Wildfire Smoke<br>and Your Lungs:<br>Do You Need to Worry?                        | Diabetes Matters:<br>Filipino Food<br>Made Healthy                     |                                                                                    | Sick Feet?                                                            |
| 5:30 PM<br>5:30 AM   | FB Live: Maintaining Your<br>Mental Wellness During<br>the COVID-19 Pandemic | Weight Management:<br>Stopping the Madness                                        | Wildfire Smoke<br>and Your Lungs:<br>Do You Need to Worry?      |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Advance Care Planning:<br>Five Wishes                                              |                                                                       |
| 6:00 PM<br>6:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Strategies to Help<br>Lower Your Cholesterol<br>and Blood Pressure                | Laugh without Leaking:<br>Understanding Female<br>Urinary Incontinence |                                                                                    | Suffer From Sinus<br>Problems?                                        |
| 6:30 PM<br>6:30 AM   | Women's Health:<br>Planning for Pregnancy                                    | Mental Health<br>Education Series:<br>Understanding<br>Psychotic Disorders        | Hepatitis B<br>and Liver Cancer:<br>Prevention<br>and Treatment |                                                                                   |                                                                        | FB Live: Reduce Your Risk<br>When Phasing Out<br>of Shelter In Place               |                                                                       |
| 7:00 PM<br>7:00 AM   |                                                                              |                                                                                   |                                                                 | Wound Care:<br>The Latest<br>Treatment Options                                    | FB Live: Reduce Your Risk<br>When Phasing Out<br>of Shelter In Place   |                                                                                    | Healthy Eating:<br>Prescription for Health                            |
| 7:30 PM<br>7:30 AM   | Diabetes Health Fair 2019:<br>Standards of Medical<br>Care in Diabetes       | Women's Health: Depression,<br>More Than a State of Mind                          | FB Live: Noontime<br>in the COVID-19 Kitchen                    |                                                                                   |                                                                        | Women's Health Conference:<br>Quality of Life Before<br>and After Cosmetic Surgery |                                                                       |

# Renowned Shoulder Expert to Present Free Live Webinar

Most people don't think about their shoulders much until they feel pain when lifting, grabbing or reaching for something. As you age, you're more likely to experience shoulder pain stemming from a variety of conditions. You are invited to learn about the most common shoulder problems and available treatments in a free online seminar presented by one of the country's foremost shoulder experts.

John G. Costouros, MD, FACS, FAAOS, is a board-certified, fellowship-trained, orthopedic surgeon who has devoted his career to harnessing the latest techniques from around the world to provide patients the best possible care for shoulder conditions and injuries. He has authored pioneering research, worked extensively with medical technology companies to develop shoulder implants, trained other surgeons, and he regularly speaks at medical conferences around the world.

Dr. Costouros will present "Shoulder Pain: Causes and Treatment Options," on Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 6:30 p.m. This free, live presentation can be viewed on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/WashingtonHosp](https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonHosp), or YouTube at [www.youtube.com/whhsInHealth](https://www.youtube.com/whhsInHealth). Those watching on Facebook will have the opportunity to ask questions live. If you do not have a Facebook account you can watch on YouTube, but the question and answer feature is not offered on that platform. If you cannot watch it live, a recording of the webinar will be available for viewing following the event.

In this webinar, Dr. Costouros will discuss anatomy of the shoulder and the most common shoulder conditions including rotator cuff disease, bursitis, arthritis, instability problems and frozen shoulder as well as injuries to the shoulder. "The shoulder is the most complex joint in the human body," he said. "Chronic pain,



Through Facebook or YouTube, viewers have an opportunity to hear from orthopedic surgeon and shoulder expert, Dr. John G. Costouros.

weakness and loss of range of motion can cause problems when participating in sports, sleeping, and performing everyday activities which can severely diminish a person's quality of life."

Shoulder injuries can happen as a result of an automobile or household accident. They also occur from injury or overuse in sports, especially baseball, football, tennis, golf and swimming. Dr. Costouros treats all levels of athletes, including weekend warriors, high school and college athletes, as well as professionals on local teams like the 49ers, Warriors and Giants.

Arthritis is a common shoulder disorder that affects people as they age, causing pain, stiffness and limited range of

motion. Arthritis of the shoulder can make everyday activities like combing your hair or reaching in a cabinet a challenge. If you or a loved one has shoulder pain or has experienced any of these symptoms, this webinar will be of interest.

Dr. Costouros currently practices at the Institute for Joint Restoration and Research (IJRR) at Washington Hospital, performing more than 40 types of traditional and arthroscopic surgeries including reverse total shoulder replacement, which he helped bring to the U.S. when it was first approved by the FDA in 2004.

During the webinar, Dr. Costouros will discuss the wide range of treatments

available to address shoulder issues. In addition to his extensive surgical experience and acumen, he is an expert in nonsurgical rehabilitation, from physical therapy to cortisone injections and other advanced approaches. "Treating pain and loss of function is not just about surgery. Many shoulder problems can be resolved through nonsurgical methods," he added.

To learn more about the IJRR or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Costouros, go to [www.whhs.com/IJRR](https://www.whhs.com/IJRR) or call 510.818.7304. Advance registration is not required, but for more information on this, or other upcoming seminars, visit [www.whhs.com/Events](https://www.whhs.com/Events) or call 800.963.7070.

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### EARTHTALK

## West Coast wildfires



Some landscapes need occasional forest fires to germinate seeds for new plants' growth.

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FROM THE EDITORS OF E --

THE ENVIRONMENTAL MAGAZINE

Dear EarthTalk: I am sickened by all the death, destruction and misery resulting from the West Coast wildfires, but aren't these blazes actually beneficial to the environment?

-- B.T., Helena, Montana

Some landscapes evolved with periodic wildfires as an influential force, and people have been using "prescribed burns" (the controlled application of fire under specified weather conditions) to restore health to certain types of ecosystems for millennia. But while some fires in some places might be beneficial, the wholesale torching of the forests of the American West right now is far from beneficial overall -- not to mention a sure sign that our profligate ways with carbon emissions are coming back to haunt us.

On the plus side, forest fire does clear away the tinder-like overgrown understory that has resulted from years of forest management that avoided fire at all cost. Hundreds of years ago, many of the forests now on fire in California, Oregon and Washington had fewer yet larger and healthier trees. But these days, partly thanks to fire suppression regimes as well as other factors, forests are more crowded today with smaller, less healthy trees. It's also harder for those remaining mature, established trees to compete for nutrients and space with all the undergrowth that's built up in recent decades. In these situations, small manageable fires (or even better, prescribed burns) can not only be beneficial, but can help prevent larger fires down the road by clearing the weaker, smaller trees.

Another benefit of wildfire is the clearing of overgrown underbrush to make room for new grasses, herbs and regenerated shrubs that provide food and habitat for many wildlife species. Also, the removal of thick stands of shrubs increases the water supply for the remaining larger plants and trees -- and also allows streams and rivers to swell, further benefiting ever-thirsty native flora and fauna.

Yet another benefit of fire is that it kills off fungi, bacteria, viruses and insects that can decimate tree and plant communities and entire forest ecosystems. According to CalFire, California's statewide wildfire management agency, more trees die from insect infestation and disease than from wildfire; some fire actually helps keep forests devoid of such pests and healthier overall than without fire. CalFire points out that vegetation burned by wildfire provides a rich source of nutrients that nourish surviving trees and soil.

And periodic fire can be an important way to keep certain ecosystems in balance. Many trees have evolved with fire and some even require it for seed germination; a few species even sport leaves covered with flammable resins (manzanita, scrub oak, chamise) to encourage fires that help seed the next generation.

National Geographic reports that, surprisingly, wildlife casualties tend to be low during wildfire events, as animals -- especially those native to the areas on-fire and evolved to respond to the threat -- either burrow in the ground or flee to safer areas instinctively. But invasive plants and animals may not fare as well given lack of genetic imprinting to be on alert for the threat.

Once the smoke clears on 2020's horrific fire season, mass human and wildlife casualties could be the new normal. Global warming certainly has thrown the fire season into overdrive this year across California, Oregon and Washington, whether or not the Trump administration cares to admit it.

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# Virtual Think Pink Event

## Breast Health During a Pandemic—Because Cancer Won't Wait

Pink event will be virtual. But while they may be "... bringing Think Pink to you," it promises to be a memorable event. Washington Women's Center Coordinator and Nurse Navigator Laura Constantine, RN, has been working with Community Outreach Manager, Lucy Hernandez to create an engaging and informative health fair for the community that is completely virtual.

"In past years, this event has been in a beautiful tent, with chandeliers, a photo booth, prizes and gifts. It usually takes place over three hours," said Constantine. "Our challenge was to create a one-hour event that is educational and lively to help community members feel part of the event, even though they are watching on their computer screens."

Rising to the challenge, Washington Hospital has an informative and action-packed hour planned. Instead of a photo booth, there will be a photo contest prior to the event. Participants are

encouraged to take photos of themselves in pink outfits and send to [CommunityOutreach@whhs.com](mailto:CommunityOutreach@whhs.com). In the spirit of a virtual photo booth, the pictures will be shown in between speakers. A random selection of one entrant will be awarded a prize and announced at the end of the event.

In addition to three presenters, a cooking demonstration is planned. The virtual Think Pink event will be held live on Facebook Thursday, Oct. 15, from 6 to 7 p.m. To attend, go to Washington Hospital's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/WashingtonHosp](https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonHosp). If you do not have a Facebook account, the event will also be live on YouTube on the Washington Hospital YouTube page, [www.youtube.com/whhsInHealth](https://www.youtube.com/whhsInHealth).

## Online instruction to continue at Ohlone College

SUBMITTED BY TINA VOSSUGH

Officials from the Ohlone Community College District have confirmed that classes during the spring 2021 term will be held online as a precaution related to ongoing coronavirus COVID-19 concerns.

"The health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff are always at the forefront of all of the decisions we make, and, given the current environment, we believe this to be the best choice in safeguarding the community," said Superintendent/President, Dr. Eric Bishop.

While most classes will be fully online, via Canvas or via ConferZoom, or labeled as hybrid, there may be some courses that will need to be conducted in-person with the strictest safety measures in place. This information will be included in the course descriptions in WebAdvisor for spring 2021.

"We realize this is a tough time for students and that it's hard to feel connected," Bishop added. "That's why we

have worked hard to provide our students limited in-person student services, have provided study centers with social distancing on both campuses, and have been able to provide technology support and equipment to those students with the most need. We are doing everything we can to make sure our students know that we are here for them."

The college's Fremont campus is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays at its Newark campus to provide limited in-person student services and safe, quiet, and socially-distanced study centers with campus Wi-Fi for all students. For those students that do not need to come to campus, the majority of student services and resources are available through the college website at <https://www.ohlone.edu/>.

Everyone working or visiting the campus is required to wear a face mask and will be subject to a health screening upon entry. The college enforces social distancing guidelines of six-feet or more.

## Community Cleanup Day is Back

SUBMITTED BY NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Free Community Cleanup Day will take place for Newark residents on Saturday, October 10. Residents must bring recent residential collection bill with matching ID. City of Newark and Republic services are providing debris boxes to help residents properly dispose of recycle bulky items.

Accepted Items: appliance, carpeting electronics (e.g. TVs, computer monitors, VCRs), furniture, mattresses, metals, reusable household goods, tires, and wood

Not Accepted Items: dirt, construction or demolition rubble, household hazardous wastes (e.g. paint, batteries, motor oil), household trash, propane tanks / gas cylinder

Paint and hazardous materials can be dropped off at Fremont Recycling and Transfer Station. Furniture and large items must be broken up. It is recommended that you recycle all items that have potential for future use to help preserve the environment.

Service is by appointment only. For details, email [mainreq@newark.org](mailto:mainreq@newark.org).

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#### SPREADING LITERACY TO CHILDREN

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Gaps in society continue to grow, causing more underprivileged children to not have access to learning material. With their entrepreneurial mindsets, Shriya Gattapally and Jheel Gandhi, of Washington High School in Fremont, were able to create SLTC. SLTC (or Spreading Literacy to Children!) is a teen-led nonprofit based in the Bay Area whose goal is to provide underprivileged children with learning resources, and to spread awareness of this need.

From research, Shriya and Jheel learned that 65% of all jobs will require post-secondary education. However, students who aren't at a proficient reading level by 4th grade aren't likely to continue their education after high school. In order to get to that goal, students need to build a strong foundation at a young age by developing their reading and writing skills. However, there are many

children without access to learning materials, or who lack the motivation to read and write. Shriya and Jheel immediately realized they needed to help bridge gaps in literacy, which is when they got the idea of starting a local nonprofit. They knew that with the help of their community, they could make a huge difference.

SLTC was officially created on March 27, 2020, and since then, they have branched out to Monterey; Stockton; Dallas, Texas; and Orlando, Florida. They also communicate with children in Morocco and Nigeria. Due to COVID-19, they have had time to reach out to many authors and ask for donations. SLTC donates books to libraries, elementary schools, hospitals, and shelters. When safe, they also want to hold workshops at local libraries where they read to children to plant a seed of interest so they're motivated to take that extra step to grab a book and read it!

Across all branches, the organization has gathered and donated 300+ books. SLTC hopes to increase this number, with the help of the people of the Bay Area! SLTC's primary branch in Fremont, California is hosting their first annual book drive (thru) on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at the Always Dream Play Park in Fremont. They are accepting any books intended for children, and any quantity! All books donated will be distributed to local elementary schools, shelters, and hospitals. Literacy is extremely important in achieving proper education and building one's future. With SLTC, you can help create a better future for us all.

If you don't have books lying around but would still like to help, check out our website <https://sltcorganization.wixsite.com/sltc> for ways to help or to donate to the nonprofit's GoFundMe. All proceeds will be used to purchase books for donation.

For additional information about SLTC or their upcoming book drive, check out @spreadingliteracy on Instagram and Facebook, or email questions to [sltc.organization@gmail.com](mailto:sltc.organization@gmail.com).

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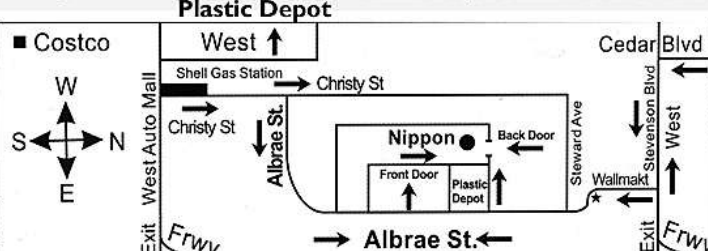
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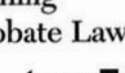
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SUBMITTED BY MONICA LEON

Officials from the Fremont Police Department (FPD) are asking residents to keep the spirit of National Night Out alive by tuning in to their virtual event at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6.

Historically National Night Out has been one of the largest events hosted by the Fremont Police Department. The annual campaign is an effort designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, strengthen neighborhood spirit and community partnerships with police. Last year FPD visited more than 150 parties and connected with thousands of community members around the city. The Fremont celebration last year was recognized by the National Association of Town Watch and the Nextdoor online community for excellent community participation.

During this year's celebration, FPD will be showcasing special messages from Fremont Police staff along with various City of Fremont departments. Participation is free and people are invited to tune in online at [www.fremontpolice.gov/NNO](http://www.fremontpolice.gov/NNO).

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SUBMITTED BY CASTRO VALLEY SCIENCE

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Chief Scientist at Berkeley SETI Research Center,

will describe the rationale for past and future searches and will show how new technologies are revolutionizing SETI.

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# BUSINESS

## Kiwanis Club San Leandro installation ceremony recap



SUBMITTED BY URSULA MACHADO-BEITO

On Saturday, September 19, the Kiwanis Club of San Leandro hosted its 97th Installation Ceremony, and its first “Tailgate” celebration thanking the outgoing Club Officers and welcoming in the new ones. It was the first time in six months the club reunited at Kiwanis West at 2777 Alvarado Street with social-distancing and masks safety protocols in place to celebrate a year of service.

Due to COVID-19, the club (along with most of the world) has become savvy Zoom users and embraces the new life of virtual meetings. Despite changes, the club's commitment has remained steadfast with service projects to support the San Leandro community especially during a dire time of need. If you're looking for an opportunity to make an impact within our local schools and organizations, we'd love to hear from you!

We meet every Tuesday at 12 p.m. via Zoom. To connect, contact us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/SLKiwanis>. Thank you and stay safe!

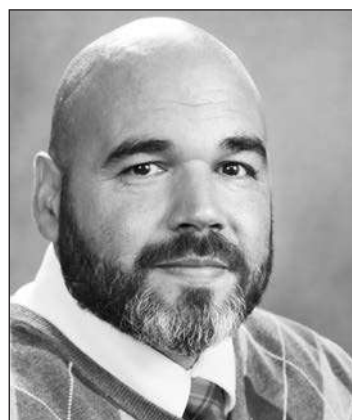
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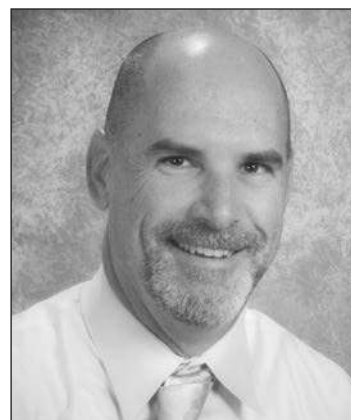
Judy Nye



Corey Brown



Edward Velez



Greg Bailey



Christie Rocha

SUBMITTED BY  
BRIAN KILLGORE

Three principals and two directors representing the Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) are among the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) list of 2020 “Administrators of the Year”

for Region 6.

ACSA Region 6 represents school administrators from Alameda and Contra Costa counties and serves educational leaders in the pursuit of equity and excellence to meet the diverse needs of all California students.

Honorees from FUSD are:

- Elementary Principal: Judy

Nye, Grimmer Elementary

- Middle Grades Principal: Corey Brown, Hopkins Junior High School

- Secondary School: Edward Velez, Kennedy High School

- Student Services Administrator: Greg Bailey, Director Student Support Services

- Curriculum and Instruction

Administrator: Christie Rocha, Director Federal & State Programs

“We congratulate these five outstanding individuals for their work in support of our students,” said FUSD Superintendent CJ Cammack. “Following my recent arrival at FUSD, I was immediately impressed by their

commitment to education and the leadership they demonstrate with their staff. We are lucky to have them all as part of FUSD management. Thank you also to ACSA for its support of administrators across the state and advocating for public school students and staff throughout California.”

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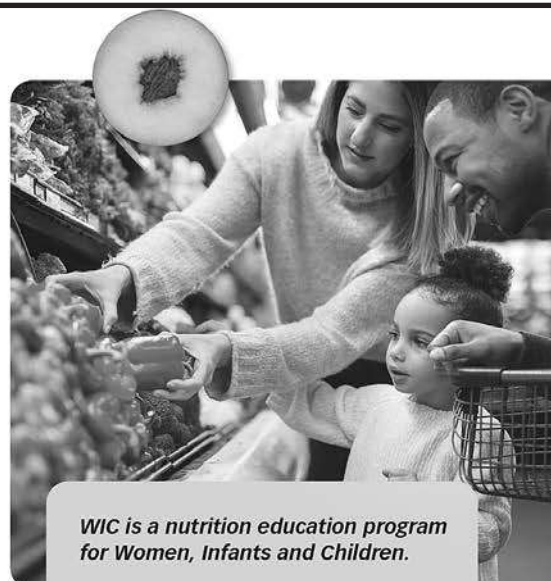
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• **Fremont WIC**  
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Fremont, CA 94538  
8:30am-12pm; 1pm-5:30pm  
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• **San Leandro WIC**  
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## Newark eGift Cards Support Small Businesses

SUBMITTED BY ANNE STEDLER

Public Health Orders may have changed the way the way we go to stores, restaurants, hair and nail shops, but the orders will never change how important these businesses are in our lives and how much they contribute to our community. However, many stores and retailers are suffering from reduced service capacity and months of partial and complete shutdown.

The City of Newark in collaboration with the Newark Chamber announcing Newark eGift Cards, a way to support local small businesses now and throughout the 2020 holiday season. The eGift Card delivers cash and online marketing capacity to small businesses to help counter months of pandemic – related losses.

Newark EGift Cards offer customers an easy way to patronize businesses we love and support and want to support more at this time. This includes our unique local chefs, shops, and hair stylists. Using the eGift Card customers can buy and deliver gift cards online within minutes -- for friends, family, neighbors, employees, and – even ourselves. It works electronically with no hard copy, no touch required. And there is no expiration date on the eGift Cards.

The on-line Marketplace shows customers one store after the other – a virtual business district, with a terrific range of unique choices! [https://app.yiftee.com/gift?start\\_with=gift&aff=98#/merchant](https://app.yiftee.com/gift?start_with=gift&aff=98#/merchant) Gift Fremont is Live!

“This is a unique opportunity for small businesses in our community to keep their businesses alive,” stated Richard Lipsit, member of Newark’s Chamber.

This eGift Card program delivers two big benefits to businesses: it gets cash to businesses when the card is purchased (not at redemption) AND, it is an online marketing tool. “This is the first program I’ve seen that truly benefits small business owners,” said Lion Center property manager Fallon Tran. “It really helps because the small business holds the money, not a third party.”

“The City of Newark chose this program because it helps businesses who are suffering in the pandemic and because everyone in our community can safely buy gifts and support our merchants,” said Steven Turner, Community Development Director. “This is a time to pull together, realizing that the pandemic has hit many retailers, services and hotels with eight months of losses and the pandemic isn’t over. EGift Cards are one way to get money to merchants. They are one way the City can help, too.”

A gift of \$20 qualifies for a \$5 bonus gift to the buyer! That means at least two customer visits to redeem the cards. A gift of \$45 dollars qualifies for a \$15 bonus gift to the buyer. Community groups and associations find this a great alternative to traditional holiday gatherings. One employee association in Newark has acted to buy gift cards for each of its members in lieu of the traditional holiday party.

More information on the Newark eGift Cards is available from Newark Economic Development Manager Anne Stedler at [anne.stedler@newark.org](mailto:anne.stedler@newark.org)

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## Park Business Operating Permit Program to assist fitness businesses

**SUBMITTED BY CITY OF FREMONT**

On September 29, Fremont City Manager Mark Danaj signed Executive Order 2020-08, establishing an emergency Park Business Operating Permit program (P-BOP). This executive order will allow commercial businesses that provide fitness classes to use the city's parks during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The program will be managed by the Community Services Department and is modeled after the city's Pop Up Patio program. The P-BOP program is specifically developed to allow commercial fitness businesses with additional capacity to serve customers by granting park space to conduct fitness classes. The program is a free streamlined process for applicants with a two-day turnaround for permit issuance.

"City of Fremont is committed to supporting Fremont businesses in their economic recovery efforts and the fitness industry in particular, has been significantly impacted by the pandemic," said Danaj. "As local county emergency regulations begin to ease, and we transition through the state's Color Coded Four Tier Blueprint for a safer economy, gyms and fitness facilities will likely be required to operate with restricted capacities. I am hopeful that fitness businesses will take advantage of our large outdoor park spaces and this program will

help provide financial relief as well as longer term sustainability."

The emergency adoption of this executive order will allow business activity and park permits to be issued for gatherings of any size, both which are currently regulated under Fremont Municipal Code (FMC) sections 12.20.060(q) (prohibits business being conducted in City parks) and 12.20.040 (requires permits be issued to gatherings of twenty-five (25) people or more).

Fremont City Council is scheduled to ratify the emergency executive order on October 6. All emergency park business operating permits will expire upon the date that the city council terminates the local emergency related to COVID-19 unless an earlier expiration date is stated in the permit.

Applicants must comply with all applicable local and state regulations and are required to hold a Fremont Business License. Additional details, guidelines, and the online application can be found on [www.fremont.gov/3712/Park-Business-Operating-Permit-P-BOP](http://www.fremont.gov/3712/Park-Business-Operating-Permit-P-BOP) along with an interactive map displaying approved locations at Central Park and other smaller community parks throughout the city.

Park Business Operating Permit program  
[www.fremont.gov/3712/Park-Business-Operating-Permit-P-BOP](http://www.fremont.gov/3712/Park-Business-Operating-Permit-P-BOP)

## Lufthansa pulls more big jets, issues gloomy outlook

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German airline Lufthansa, already bailed out by the government, says it will have to make more staff cuts and mothball more jumbo jets than originally planned because the outlook for air travel is worse than the company first predicted.

The company said Monday it would have to drop more than the already announced 22,000 full-time positions, without saying how many more. The airline will also pull its remaining eight Airbus A380 jets out of service and put them in long-term storage, along with 10 four-engine A340-600 aircraft.

Overall, it said that a modest rebound in air travel had petered out after the end of the summer vacation travel season. It expects to offer only 20-30% of its normal capacity in the last three months of the year, compared with the same period in pre-virus 2019.

The final number of job reductions will be negotiated with employee representatives. It said it was hoping to reduce cash burn to 400 million euros (\$470 million) a month this winter from 500 million euros a month presently. Management is staying with its prediction that it will return to positive operating cash flow sometime in 2021.

Lufthansa has secured a 9 billion euro (\$10.6 billion) bailout from the German government.

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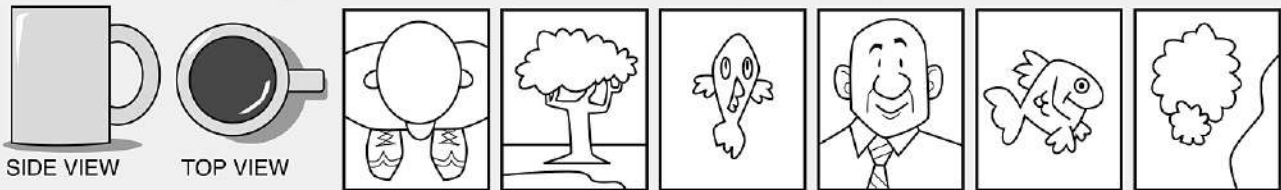
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## Depends On How You Look At It

Objects, people and buildings look different from different points of view or **perspectives**.  
Look at the two pictures of the coffee cup. Then, match each top view in the pictures below to its side view.

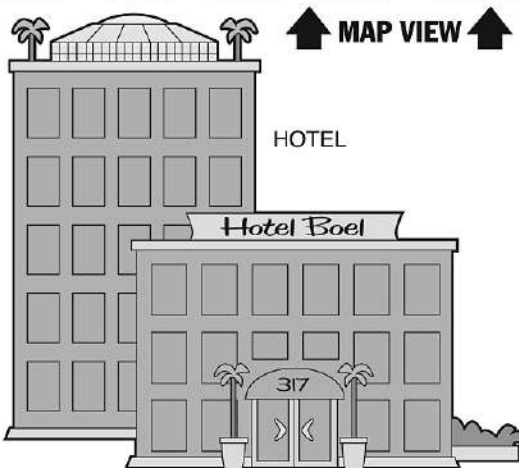
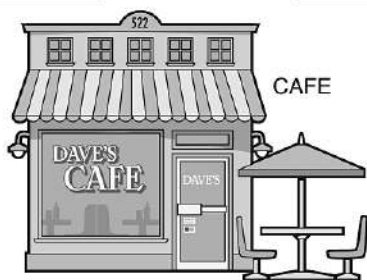


### From On High

Imagine you are a bird, flying above your school and its surrounding neighborhood. What would the area look like from your bird's-eye view?

Here are some pictures of places in Kid Scoop City. Can you match each side view to the view from above on the map?

**Standards Link:** Visual Arts: Students know how different media, techniques and processes are used to communicate ideas.



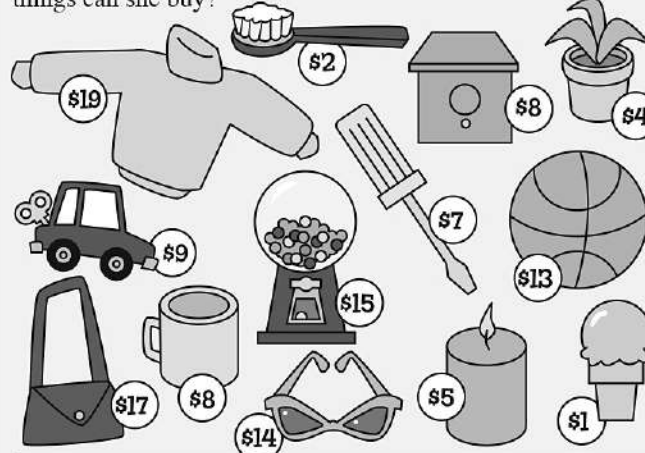
**Extra!**  
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Find a picture in the newspaper. Redraw it as if you were looking at it from above.

**Standards Link:** Visual Arts: Know how various concepts and principles are used in the arts.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Cathy has \$43. She wants to buy **five things** at five different stores in Kid Scoop City and spend exactly **\$43**. Which five things can she buy?



**Standards Link:** Number Sense: Solve problems using money.

### Double Double Word Search

POINTS  
VIEW  
PLACES  
COFFEE  
CITY  
OBJECTS  
MARKET  
HOTEL  
PEOPLE  
SCHOOL  
CAFE  
MATCH  
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HIGH

Find the words in the puzzle.  
How many of them can you find on this page?

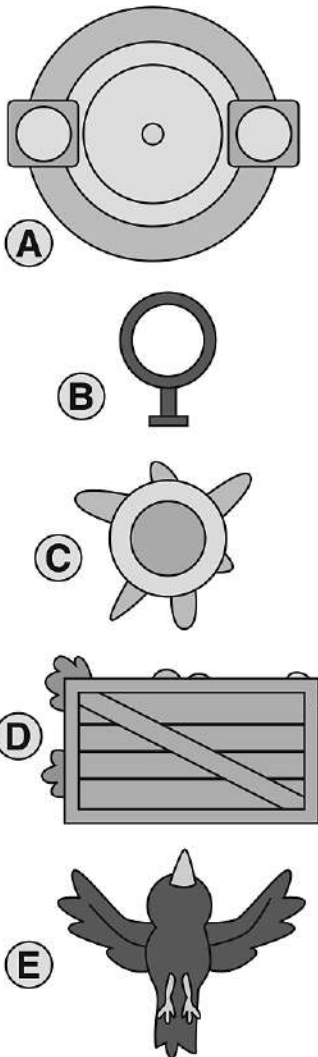
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**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

**Kid Scoop Together:**

## Upside Down Town

What if some of the things on today's page were viewed from below, rather than from above? Can you identify each object?



**ANSWERS:**  
A: Table at Dave's Cafe  
B: Light at fire station  
C: Potted palm at Hotel Boel  
D: Fruit crate at K&S Market  
E: Flying bird

**Standards Link:** Visual Arts: Understand how different organizational principles cause different responses.

### Kid Scoo-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word **HOTEL** in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

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### Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:  
**PERSPECTIVE**

The noun **perspective** means the way things look from a particular point of view.

The **perspective** from an airplane made things below seem tiny.

Try to use the word **perspective** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Point of View

Newspapers provide people with a place to express different points of view. Read a letter to the editor and summarize the writer's point of view. Write a letter expressing a different point of view.

**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Understand written point of view.



**What airline do English rabbits prefer?**

**ANSWER:**  
British Airways!

### Write On!

#### My Home Geography

Describe the geography of where you live. Do you live near a body of water? In a desert? In a valley? Describe the landforms, weather, colors and feel of the place in which you live.

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# Oakland Zoo vets treat mountain lion cub for burns



Oakland Zoo veterinarians for help in treating the cub. Receiving the urgent call by CDFW Oakland Zoo's veterinary team was standing by to receive and treat the cub, which was driven from Redding by a CDFW worker.

"We are so grateful for the Oakland Zoo's expertise, world-class facilities and willingness to step up -- on extremely short notice -- to help wildlife in need," said CDFW's senior wildlife veterinarian Dr. Deana Clifford. "Partnerships like this are absolutely critical to our state's efforts to provide emergency care. California's wildfires are erupting on a scale that we've never seen before, and we expect that we'll have more burn patients than we have the capacity to treat in our own veterinary facility. Unfortunately, a lion this size is too small to be released back into the wild, but we are hopeful that under the zoo's care, it will get a second chance as an ambassador for its species."

Oakland Zoo's Dr. Lynette Waugh, along with staff veterinary technicians immediately examined and treated the very young male cub, weighing only 3.75 pounds -- and reported he was badly burned, especially his paws. His whiskers are completely singed off, and there is severe irritation to his eyes as well.

The cub is currently eating on his own and acting feisty -- both promising signs for his recovery. Zoo veterinarians performed x-rays earlier to determine if there is damage to the cub's lungs from smoke inhalation and bone damage to his paws, and results were positive. Aside from severe burns to the soft tissue of the paws, there is no damage to bones or lungs.

The zoo's veterinary team is also working with UC Davis Veterinary Medicine Teaching

Hospital for their expertise in providing the most advanced care in treating the cub's burn wounds.

Herman, Director of Oakland Zoo's Veterinary Hospital said "We're grateful to be part of this amazing little cub's rescue and rehabilitation. It's an amazing effort between Cal Fire, the Shasta County Sheriff's Department, and of course our partners at the California Department of Fish & Wildlife. In the past two years, this marks our 13th mountain lion cub rescue for Oakland Zoo in partnership with CDFW. We're cautiously optimistic that this cub will now survive and thrive, our dedicated team at Oakland Zoo is fully committed to do everything we can for him and for his beautiful species."

Aside from wildfires, Mountain lions are facing numerous threats in California; often struck by cars and illegally poached. These factors culminate in the human-wildlife conflict, putting them at odds with humans in encroaching urban areas and developments. Oakland Zoo partners with conservation organizations like the Mountain Lion Foundation and the Bay Area Puma Project to educate the public on the issue and help conserve the species in the wild.

Oakland Zoo helped found BACAT (Bay Area Cougar Action Team) in 2013, an alliance with the Bay Area Puma Project and the Mountain Lion Foundation, to help support the CDFW to save mountain lions caught in the human-wildlife conflict.

In the wild, Mountain lion cubs stay with their mothers until they are around 2-years-old in order to learn the skills to survive on their own. Because this cub is orphaned and now unable to learn how to survive in the wild, he will be placed in a suitable forever home once he's ready to leave Oakland Zoo's Veterinary Hospital.

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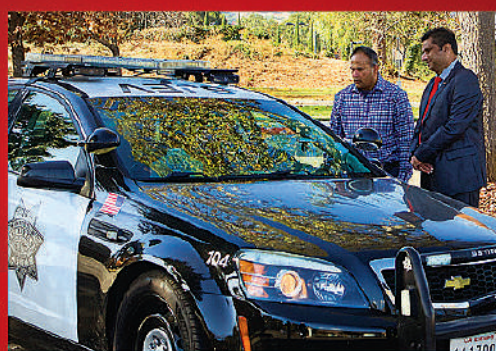
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About 20 years ago, Ritesh met his wife, Zurica Dhar, while studying at Santa Clara University. They married, and now have two beautiful children. In 2018, together, they were bit by the valley start-up bug, and pursued a hardware design company.

Ritesh has been a person who finds happiness in giving back to the community. He worked as an executive council member of a well-known charity foundation called Sankara Eye Foundation, which is instrumental in treating people at minimal to no cost. He helped to build nine new hospitals, which perform over 150,000 surgeries a year now. He helps people of our district by serving on humanitarian organizations like UPMA, which funds education for children of poor parents. Over 600 children have been funded every year. He also works with the Latino community to help them with housing and domestic issues in the Bay Area.

**Ritesh has a strong desire to expand on his existing humanitarian work for the community, and help constituents of the 17th congressional district improve their take-home pay, housing, health, kids' education, safety, and quality of life.**

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**Please consider my brief position statements above. I also invite you to examine more policy details on my website [tandonforcongress.com](http://tandonforcongress.com). Hopefully you will find them aligned with your values and reasonable to cast your vote for me.**

Thank you,

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# Home & Garden

## TOMATO TROUBLES

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You waited all season for that first red ripe tomato only to discover less-than-perfect fruit. Do not worry, you can still have a great harvest and improve things for next season.

Blossom end rot is a common problem on the first set of fruit. The bottom of the tomato turns black. This is not caused by a disease but is the result of a calcium deficiency in the developing fruit. This deficiency is usually caused by fluctuations in water uptake by the plant. Fluctuating soil moisture, damage to the roots, excessive nitrogen fertilizer and high humidity can all impact water and calcium uptake and result in blossom end rot.

The first set of fruit is the most susceptible because young tomato plants are growing rapidly and require more water and

calcium. As plants mature, the problem is less common.

Avoid the problem by watering thoroughly to encourage deep roots. Mulch the soil to help conserve moisture and suppress weeds. Avoid excessive fertilization and be mindful when weeding near plants. And consider growing more blossom end rot resistant tomatoes like All-America Selections winner Early Resilience. Don't pitch blossom end rot tomatoes in the trash. Just cut off and compost the black portion and enjoy the rest.

Cracked fruit is another problem that worries gardeners. Fluctuating temperatures, moisture, high humidity, and improper fertilization result in irregular development of the fruit and cracking. These cracks often occur when heavy rains follow a dry spell. The rapid change in soil moisture causes the fruit to expand faster than the skin of the tomato. Vertical splits on the side



of the tomato are called radial cracks. These are the most serious and commonly occur during hot and humid weather. Concentric

cracking appears as rings of cracks around the fruit's stem.

When cracks appear on green tomatoes the fruit usually rots

before it ripens. Since this is not caused by a disease, the rotten fruit is safe to compost. Save affected fruit by harvesting cracked tomatoes immediately and finish ripening them inside. The flavor is not as good as tomatoes that ripened on the vine during sunny weather, but you will still be able to enjoy the harvest. If tomatoes develop a sour smell or begin to ooze, toss them in the compost pile.

Catfacing is another disorder you may discover when harvesting your tomatoes. The blossom scar on the bottom of the fruit becomes enlarged or perforated. It is not clear what causes the problem, but it appears to be more common when cold temperatures occur during flowering, there are extreme fluctuations in day and night temperatures, excessive pruning has occurred or there has been an over application of nitrogen fertilizer. If fruit is otherwise undamaged, it is safe to eat.

When these problems occur make notes to correct your garden maintenance to avoid them in the future.

Melinda Myers is the author of more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally-syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and her web site is [www.MelindaMyers.com](http://www.MelindaMyers.com).



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**MURAL PROGRAM PARTNERSHIP** - To consider an update from staff regarding the possibility of establishing a mural art program in partnership with the Fremont Unified School District, receive direction from the Board, and consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act, per CEQA guideline 15061(b)(3), General Rule, which states that where it can be seen with certainty that the activity will not have a significant effect on the environment, that activity is not subject to CEQA.

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## BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the seller(s) are: KKR AUTOMOTIVE, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 37300 CEDAR BLVD., SUITE E, NEWARK, CA 94560, AND 21295 MISSION BLVD., HAYWARD, CA 94541

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The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: GENUINE PARTS COMPANY, A GEORGIA CORPORATION, 5675 CLINTON AVENUE, FRESNO, CA 93727

The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND GOODWILL and are located at: 37300 CEDAR BLVD., SUITE E, NEWARK, CA 94560, AND 21295 MISSION BLVD., HAYWARD, CA 94541

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the anticipated sale date is OCTOBER 27, 2020

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be OCTOBER 26, 2020, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

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File No. 252077

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I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

S/ CHERYL A SOUZA-ESCOBAR  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk-Recorder of Alameda County on SEP 18, 2020, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27/20

CNS-3402517#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572732

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
ELEGANT WEDDING DESIGNS, 37561 BREAKERS RD., NEWARK, CA 94560, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
AGNES VELASQUEZ, 37561 BREAKERS RD., NEWARK, CA 94560

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ AGNES VELASQUEZ  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on SEP 09, 2020

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The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20/20

CNS-3400306#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572474

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
DNC EXPRESS, 896 LESTER AVE., HAYWARD, CA 94541, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
NORMA CRISTINA GOMEZ LANDEROS, 896 LESTER AVE., HAYWARD, CA 94541

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section

17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ NORMA CRISTINA GOMEZ LANDEROS  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on AUG 28, 2020

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CNS-3400303#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572503

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
BUILDING INNOVATIONS GROUP, 36124 FANSHAWE CT, FREMONT, CA 94536-4635, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
TUJIMO CORPORATION, 36124 FANSHAWE CT., FREMONT, CA 94536-4635

Business conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ JIMMY KANG  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on AUG 28, 2020

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CNS-3399469#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572536

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
WATER EMPORIUM-FREMONT, 3918 WASHINGTON BLVD., FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
NEETA J RUPANI, 2223 GROUSE WAY, UNION CITY, CA 94587

Business conducted by: MARRIED COUPLE

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/1/2011

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ NEETA J RUPANI  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on AUG 31, 2020

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CNS-3397471#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572431

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
QUEENDOM, 39605 STEVENSON PL #203, FREMONT, CA 94539, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
TINA BROWN-PRUITT, 39605 STEVENSON PL #203, FREMONT, CA 94539

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ TINA BROWN-PRUITT  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on AUG 25, 2020

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14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6/20

CNS-3397469#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572486

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
DREAM HOME INTERNATIONAL GROUP, 39465 PASEO PADRE PKWY #1500, FREMONT, CA 94538, County of ALAMEDA

Registrant(s):  
BRYAN DUONG, 39465 PASEO PADRE PKWY #1500, FREMONT, CA 94538

Business conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on N/A I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ BRYAN DUONG  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on AUG 28, 2020

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CNS-3396760#

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT

File No. 572579

Fictitious Business Name(s):  
RC SIDING / RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL SIDING, 45570 INDUSTRIAL PLACE #4, FREMONT, CA, County of 94538

Registrant(s):  
TRE CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT, INC., 45570 INDUSTRIAL PLACE #4, FREMONT, CA 94538

Business conducted by: A CORPORATION

The registrant began to transact business using the fictitious business name(s) listed above on AUGUST 12, 2020

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars [\$1,000].)

/s/ PAUL QUALLS  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Alameda County on SEP 1, 2020

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CNS-3396749#

## GOVERNMENT

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received in the Office of Purchasing Services at 3300 Capitol Ave., Bldg B, Fremont, California, up to the hour of 2:00 PM on October 28, 2020. Due to the extension of the Shelter in Place there will not be a public bid opening for this project. The bids will be opened by Purchasing and the initiating department representative. A preliminary bid result will be posted on the City's website the same day.

POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERATOR  
REPLACEMENT

**A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:** A mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** at: Fremont Police Department, 2000 Stevenson Blvd for the purpose of acquainting all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the worksite. The bidders' conference is mandatory. A bidder who fails to attend a mandatory conference may be disqualified from bidding.

The City of Fremont Police Department is a secure facility. COVID temperature screening is required for entry, and visitors are required to check-in with a valid ID in order to be issued a visitor's pass. Please limit the amount of social interaction. Each potential bidder will be limited to a maximum of two (2) representatives, and to mitigate the amount of time this would normally take prior to the conference, potential bidders will need to pre-register by notifying the City as to the names of their attendees by emailing [asimoes@fremont.gov](mailto:asimoes@fremont.gov) (510) 494-4620 by 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, October 13, 2020. Any changes or corrections in previously submitted attendees will be required to be sent in advance, by this deadline. Potential bidders are advised to arrive as early as one hour prior to the meeting to allow time for the check-in process and attaining a visitor's pass. All attendees will be escorted into the building at 9:00 a.m.

Potential bidders who attend the conference will be required to furnish and properly don their own protective gear (the use of a face mask at a minimum) as well as follow all social distancing requirements per the latest COVID-19 Alameda County Guidance. Given the current environment, this may change. If so, potential bidders will be advised by the issue of an addendum.

Plans, special provisions and standard proposal forms to be used for bidding on this project can be obtained for a non-refundable fee at ARC Solutions located at 821 Martin Avenue, Santa Clara, CA 95050 or through Planwell at [www.e-arc.com/location/santa-clara](http://www.e-arc.com/location/santa-clara). Phone (408) 295-5770. No partial sets will be issued, cost is non-refundable. Call to confirm availability of copies before coming to pick up documents. For more information on this project, contact the City of Fremont Purchasing Department at (510) 494-4620 or [jbecerra-scola@fremont.gov](mailto:jbecerra-scola@fremont.gov)

JANICE BECERRA  
PURCHASING DIVISION  
CITY OF FREMONT  
10/6, 10/13/20

CNS-3404185#

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WATER PARK VA CONCRETE CONVERSION  
PROJECT 8501 (PWC)

**A NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:** A non-mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.** at: In front of the Laguna Grill Concession Building, located at 40520 Paseo Padre Pkwy, Fremont, CA 94538 for the purpose of acquainting all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the Worksite. The bidders' conference is not mandatory. Potential bidders who attend the conference will be required to furnish and properly don their own protective gear (the use of a face mask at a minimum) as well as follow all social distancing requirements per the latest COVID-19 Alameda County Guidance.

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494-4620 or [jbecerra-scola@fremont.gov](mailto:jbecerra-scola@fremont.gov)  
JANICE BECERRA  
PURCHASING DIVISION  
CITY OF FREMONT  
10/6/20

CNS-3404175#

PUBLIC NOTICE AND SUMMARY  
OF ORDINANCE NO. 524

**ADDING CHAPTER 15.55 (EXPEDITED STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS) TO TITLE 15 (BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION), ARTICLE II (MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS), OFFICE NEWARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXPEDITED, STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS**

On September 10, 2020, the Newark City Council introduced an ordinance adding Chapter 15.55 Expedited Streamlined Permitting Process for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations to the Newark Municipal Code. This expedited streamlined permitting process includes establishment of a checklist containing objective requirements for the installation of an electric vehicle charging station and a process for electronic submittal of permit applications. The content of the checklist corresponds to Government Code 36593 (c) (1) features of the existing electrical service such as rating in amperes, system voltage, connected or calculated load, spare capacity in amperes, voltage and ampere rating of the electric vehicle supply equipment, circuit rating of the electric vehicle supply equipment, location of the electric vehicle supply equipment, if ventilation is or is not required, and clearances of the charging equipment to comply with all applicable building and fire safety laws. The checklist also assists the applicant in confirming that the location of the electric vehicle supply equipment will comply with any vehicle clearance requirements in the City's Zoning Ordinance.

This ordinance was adopted at the regular meeting of the Newark City Council on September 28, 2020. Council Member Hannon moved that it be adopted and passed, which motion was duly seconded, and said ordinance was passed and adopted and ordered a summary published pursuant to Government Code 36593 (c) (1) within 15 days of the date of adoption in The Tri City Voice by the following vote: AYES: Hannon, Collazo, Freitas, and Nagy, ABSENT: Buccì. The full text of this ordinance is available for public examination on the City website at <https://www.newark.org/departments/city-manager-s-office/agendas-minutes> and posted by the City Hall bulletin board at 37101 Newark Boulevard, California.

Sheila Harrington, City Clerk  
10/6/20

CNS-3403873#

NEEDINES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AND  
MEASURE PP TO BE VOTED ON AT THE  
NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL MUNICIPAL  
ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following persons have been nominated for the offices designated to be filled at the General Municipal Election in the City of Newark on Tuesday, November 3, 2020:

**For Mayor Vote for One** Cornelius Lopes, Alan L. Nagy

**For Member of the City Council Vote for Two** Tania "Singh" Gujral, Jason Miguel, Luis L. Freitas, Maria "Suci" Collazo Jason Miguel rejected the City of Newark Voluntary Expenditure Limit. The rest of the candidates accepted the Voluntary Expenditure Limit.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** of Measure PP to be voted on: "To maintain critical city services, including 911 emergency response/fire protection/public safety; streets/pothole repair; parks/recreation; neighborhood police patrols, crime prevention, drug/gang-prevention programs; and other city services; shall the measure extending the City of Newark's existing voter-approved utility users tax 9 years at the current 3.25% rate, providing \$2,750,000 annually, exempting seniors and low-income residents, requiring audits, with no increase in tax rate and no money for Sacramento, be adopted?" YES or NO?

SHEILA HARRINGTON, CMC, City Clerk  
10/6/20

CNS-3403133#

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MAINTENANCE CENTER ADA PATH OF  
TRAVEL PROJECT (PWC) 8877

## A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE:

A mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for **October 15, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.** at the following location: 42551 Osgood Road, Fremont, CA, at the parking lot to acquaint all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the Worksite. A bidder who fails to attend a mandatory conference will be disqualified from bidding. The bidders' conference is mandatory. Contractors who elect to attend the conference are required to furnish and properly don their own protective gear (face mask at minimum), as well as follow all social distancing requirements per the COVID-19 County Guidance.

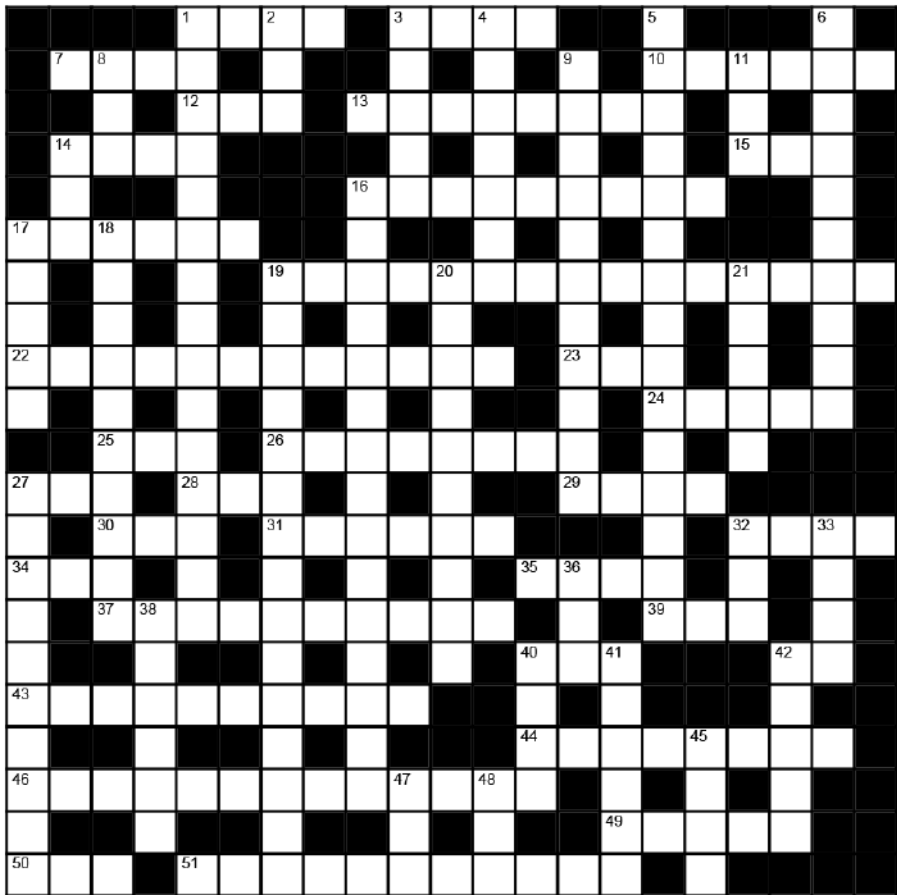
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JANICE BECERRA  
PURCHASING DIVISION  
CITY OF FREMONT  
10/6, 10/13/20

CNS-3403043#

# Mind Twisters

## Crossword Puzzle



- Across

1Clip (4)

3Stickers (4)

7\_\_\_ erectus (4)

10Ahead (2-4)

12German pronoun (3)

13Loafer (8)

14Stravinsky ballet (4)

15Word div. (3)

16Painkiller (9)

17Married (6)

19Takes risks (6,2,4,3)

22See circled squares (12)

23Little toymaker (3)

24At the right time (2,3)

25"Sweet as apple cider" girl (3)

26Digs (8)

27Alliance that includes Ukr. (3)

28Scottish refusal (3)

29Evergreens (4)

30Cable inits. (3)
- 31Sublet (6)

32Weirdo (4)

34Deli bread (3)

35Cry in a mudslinging contest (4)

37Put down (10)

39Downturn (3)

40Swelter (3)

42... (2)

43Bad spelling? (5,5)

44Add-on (8)

46Drink (4,4,5)

49Flubbed (5)

50Former French coin (3)

51Forbes 400 listee (11)

Down

1Offsets (15)

2C.I.A.'s forerunner (3)

3Toast (5)

4Iterates (7)

5Direct (15)

6Modest (10)

8E-mail address ending (3)

9Relaxed (4-3-4)

11Parts of finan. portfolios (3)

14Curry of "Today" (3)

16Choice words (2,2,11)

17City on the Mohawk (5)

18Tyrannical (10)

19Hard to grasp (8,2,2,3)

20Fair (10)

21"Eraserhead" star Jack (5)

27Surprises (10)

32Across the street from: Abbr. (3)

33Actress Mazar (4)

36Suffix with cash (3)

38Egg on (6)

40Imperfection (4)

41Winner's cry (6)

42Snooped (5)

45Cliff's pal on "Cheers" (4)

47Pathet \_\_\_ (3)

48River to the Volga (3)
- ## Sudoku:
- Fill in the missing numbers (1 – 9 inclusive) so each row, column and 3x3 box contains all digits.
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- ## Tri-City Stargazer
- FOR WEEK: OCTOBER 6, 2020
- All Signs: Mercury retrograde is back. This week it is slowing down before it goes retrograde next Tuesday. Nevertheless, because it is slowing down, avoid purchasing “Mercury-related items” like cars, trucks, bikes, computers, cellphones, and printers.
- This week, silly mistakes will occur more than usual; we will hear from people we have not heard from in ages. Mercury retrograde helps us to finish old business. It is the perfect time to reassess things and refine our approach to something.
- Aries the Ram (March 21-April 20):** Partnerships and relationships are still your focus. Keep an eye on bills, inheritances, and insurance issues because something surprising might impact these areas on Wednesday. By Friday, power struggles with an authority figure are almost unavoidable. Do not push your luck because the harder you push, the more you will create opposition to you. Fortunately, by Saturday, surprising news about your health, or a pet, or something related to your job will please you.
- Taurus the Bull (April 21-May 20):** You are still keen to get better organized and work efficiently. Midweek, someone might throw you a curveball. It could be a fun surprise or not. By the end of the week, something going on behind the scenes might upset you or turn into a power struggle. Try to let this go. By the weekend, a surprise invitation will please you. Something unexpected related to sports, social outings, or your kids will occur. It might also be an accident-prone time for your kids, so be alert.
- Gemini the Twins (May 21-June 20):** This continues to be a lighthearted and playful week! However, expect a few surprises Tuesday/Wednesday. Computer glitches, misplaced paperwork, unexpected news about a staff member, something unusual to do with your health, or a pet, or your job might occur. This could be why a power struggle with a friend, or a group takes place on Thursday/Friday. Use your high
- energy to get work done instead of arousing opposition to you. By the weekend, something unexpected will impact home and family.
- Cancer the Crab (June 21-July 21):** Home and family continue to be your focus, which is why you are happy to cocoon at home. You might interact with a parent more than usual. Be vigilant with kids midweek to avoid an accident. Keep your eyes peeled! However, a surprise invitation might please you. By the end of the week, a power struggle with a parent or someone in position of authority might occur. Things could get nasty, so don't push your luck. Keep your cool. By the weekend, a fun and unexpected event might occur.
- Leo the Lion (July 22-August 22):** This continues to be a fast-paced, busy time! You have a full agenda and you are keen to express your opinions to others. Midweek, something unexpected might impact home and family. Something unusual might be introduced into your home or a family member might have surprising news. Toward the end of the week, power struggles, especially about politics, religion or racial issues might take place. Do not take the bait! Instead, get ready for a pleasant surprise by Friday/Saturday that might be a gift of money. A boost to your earnings. A clever, moneymaking idea.
- Virgo the Virgin (August 23-September 22):** Money is on your mind right now. In addition, you are thinking
- about your values, which is a good thing. This is great week to buy wardrobe goodies for yourself. Be careful on Wednesday because something unusual and unexpected might occur. It could be fun news or a surprise. However, it could also be an accident, so pay attention to everything you say and do. On Friday, power struggles about shared property, insurance issues or debt could arise. They could be nasty. By Saturday, something fun and unexpected will make your day!
- Libra the Scales (September 23-October 22):** With the Sun in your sign, you are still empowered! You attract people and favorable situations to you. (Make the most of this.) On Wednesday, something unusual might affect your earnings or your possessions. Keep your eyes open so your possessions are not lost, stolen, or damaged. Money might come to you or you might have a clever moneymaking idea. A power struggle with a partner or close friend by the end of the week will test your patience. A pleasant surprise on Saturday will make you happy.
- Scorpio the Scorpion (October 23-November 21):** You are keeping a low profile because your year is ending, and your birthday will soon arrive. Enjoy this time out. Nevertheless, brace yourself for a surprise on Wednesday. You might encounter someone you least expect to see, especially from your past, or your schedule might go haywire. Power struggles at work or related to your health (or even a pet)
- might occur at the end of the week. Be careful, because if you come on too strong, you will regret it. On Saturday, you are surprised to hear from someone you like – someone creative or artistic.
- Sagittarius the Archer (November 22-December 21):** You continue to be popular and, yes, everyone wants you on their team. This is a good week to think about your goals and how you can make some of your dreams come true. You might feel unsettled about something on Wednesday because things are not turning out the way you thought. You might have to regroup. Avoid ego battle with your kids or with a romantic partner on Friday. On Saturday, a parent, boss, teacher or even a member of the police might do something that pleases you.
- Capricorn the Goat (December 22-January 19):** You continue to look good to everyone because the Sun is still at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight. Since you look so competent and capable – make your pitch. A friend or a member of a group might do something that surprises you on Wednesday. However, be careful because power struggles at home or with a family member are likely toward the end of the week. On Saturday, an unexpected chance to travel might drop in your lap. Or you might hear from someone from afar.
- Aquarius the Water Bearer (January 20-February 18):** You are still keen to travel or do something different because you
- are hungry for stimulation. Well, this might happen because on Wednesday, something unexpected related to parents, bosses or authority figures will catch you off guard. Unfortunately, power struggle with siblings, relatives or neighbors might take place on Thursday/Friday. Be careful driving. This energy can engage others in a negative way. This could morph into a pleasant surprise on Saturday when an unexpected gift or money comes your way.
- Pisces the Fish (February 19-March 20):** This continues to be an intense week for you; fortunately, fair Venus is opposite your sign and this modifies any emotions that might escalate to be over-the-top. Wednesday is a mildly accident-prone day so be careful. Pay attention to everything you say and do. Unexpected travel plans, or a surprise related to politics, religion or racial issues might catch you off guard. Fortunately, by Saturday you will enjoy unexpected, fun times with a close friend.
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- By Georgia Nicols  
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| CASTRO VALLEY   TOTAL SALES: 13 |       |          |     |                     |       |         |  |
|---------------------------------|-------|----------|-----|---------------------|-------|---------|--|
| Highest \$: 1,380,000           |       |          |     | Median \$: 870,000  |       |         |  |
| Lowest \$: 656,000              |       |          |     | Average \$: 897,615 |       |         |  |
| ADDRESS                         | ZIP   | SOLD FOR | BDS | SQFT                | BUILT | CLOSED  |  |
| 19983 Santa Maria Ave #104      | 94546 | 656000   | 0   | 1498                | 1979  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 21919 Vernetti Way              | 94546 | 670000   | 2   | 1172                | 1959  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 18449 Vernon Court              | 94546 | 700000   | 3   | 1437                | 1952  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 5400 Briar Ridge Drive          | 94552 | 700000   | 0   | 1619                | 1979  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 20659 Maria Court               | 94546 | 715000   | 3   | 1569                | 1993  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 22061 Vergil Street             | 94546 | 745000   | 4   | 1906                | 1949  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 17218 President Drive           | 94546 | 870000   | 3   | 1784                | 1947  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 4119 Veronica Avenue            | 94546 | 870000   | 3   | 1330                | 1958  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 2734 Stanton Heights Ct         | 94546 | 875000   | 3   | 1888                | 1974  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 19116 Parsons Avenue            | 94546 | 1123000  | 4   | 2184                | 1936  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 20382 Glenwood Drive            | 94552 | 1150000  | 3   | 2160                | 1991  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 5876 Cold Water Drive           | 94552 | 1215000  | 4   | 1891                | 1972  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 25671 Secret Meadow Ct          | 94552 | 1380000  | 4   | 3526                | 1999  | 7/29/20 |  |

| FREMONT   TOTAL SALES: 45 |       |          |     |                       |       |          |  |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|-----|-----------------------|-------|----------|--|
| Highest \$: 2,149,000     |       |          |     | Median \$: 1,060,000  |       |          |  |
| Lowest \$: 440,000        |       |          |     | Average \$: 1,189,789 |       |          |  |
| ADDRESS                   | ZIP   | SOLD FOR | BDS | SQFT                  | BUILT | CLOSED   |  |
| 1024 Walnut Ave #91       | 94536 | 440000   | 1   | 732                   | 1984  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 3263 Foxtail Terrace      | 94536 | 490000   | 2   | 840                   | 1986  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 3530 Oakwood Terr #101    | 94536 | 560000   | 2   | 1083                  | 1984  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 3768 Capitol Ave #416b    | 94538 | 618000   | 0   | 0                     |       | 07/27/20 |  |
| 40314 Condon Street       | 94538 | 815000   | 3   | 950                   | 1955  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 249 Felicio Common        | 94536 | 860500   | 3   | 1440                  | 1973  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 39423 Blue Fin Way        | 94538 | 881000   | 3   | 1200                  | 1962  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 44939 Insight St #1002    | 94538 | 889000   | 0   | 0                     |       | 07/31/20 |  |
| 43511 Hopkins Ave         | 94538 | 909000   | 3   | 1112                  | 1954  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 28 Silk Oak Terrace       | 94536 | 935000   | 3   | 1673                  | 2006  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 33004 Lake Bluestone St   | 94555 | 940000   | 3   | 1629                  | 1970  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 4250 Hardwood Street      | 94538 | 950000   | 3   | 950                   | 1959  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 40154 Urban Street        | 94538 | 955000   | 3   | 1833                  | 1957  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 40789 Stockton Way        | 94538 | 956500   | 3   | 2184                  | 1977  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 37512 Conductor Terr      | 94536 | 963000   | 0   | 0                     |       | 07/29/20 |  |
| 4579 Piper Street         | 94538 | 985000   | 3   | 1158                  | 1960  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 42241 Osgood Road         | 94539 | 990000   | 2   | 890                   | 1952  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 4767 Boles Court          | 94538 | 1010000  | 3   | 1158                  | 1959  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 42611 Everglades Park Dr  | 94538 | 1040000  | 4   | 1551                  | 1962  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 4892 Regents Park Ln      | 94538 | 1049000  | 3   | 1296                  | 1961  | 7/29/20  |  |
| 253 Chase Court           | 94536 | 1050000  | 0   | 1614                  | 1977  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 39542 Dorrington Ct       | 94538 | 1055000  | 4   | 1577                  | 1966  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 38802 Helen Way           | 94536 | 1060000  | 4   | 1413                  | 1962  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 4801 Ridgewood Drive      | 94555 | 1088000  | 3   | 1398                  | 1988  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 35616 Terrace Drive       | 94536 | 1130000  | 3   | 1589                  | 1989  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 41403 Timber Creek Terr   | 94539 | 1142000  | 3   | 1620                  | 1984  | 7/29/20  |  |
| 36053 Cripps Place        | 94536 | 1200000  | 5   | 2326                  | 1965  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 4323 Torres Avenue        | 94536 | 1240000  | 4   | 1740                  | 1962  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 33931 Sagrantino Terr     | 94555 | 1260000  | 4   | 1930                  | 2016  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 3682 Kay Court            | 94538 | 1280000  | 4   | 1683                  | 1958  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 35235 Cornish Drive       | 94536 | 1290000  | 3   | 1688                  | 1972  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 34175 Duke Lane           | 94555 | 1320000  | 4   | 1608                  | 1986  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 1538 Gilbert Place        | 94536 | 1324000  | 4   | 2206                  | 1985  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 34125 Finnigan Terr       | 94555 | 1350000  | 3   | 2102                  | 1990  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 35783 Augustine Pl        | 94536 | 1351000  | 3   | 1688                  | 1970  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 38125 Paseo Padre Ct      | 94536 | 1386500  | 0   | 2218                  | 1977  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 3437 Hudson Place         | 94536 | 1400000  | 4   | 1830                  | 1971  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 43638 Skye Road           | 94539 | 1575000  | 4   | 2071                  | 1988  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 33155 Falcon Drive        | 94555 | 1710000  | 4   | 2762                  | 1979  | 7/27/20  |  |
| 40784 Laguna Place        | 94539 | 1781000  | 4   | 1902                  | 1964  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 804 Bedford Street        | 94539 | 1960000  | 4   | 2435                  | 1963  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 33515 Maverick Loop       | 94555 | 2043000  | 4   | 3051                  | 2018  | 7/31/20  |  |
| 44223 Lupine Place        | 94539 | 2060000  | 5   | 3810                  | 2003  | 7/28/20  |  |
| 46974 Zapotec Drive       | 94539 | 2100000  | 4   | 3379                  | 1977  | 7/30/20  |  |
| 42448 Areca Palm St       | 94539 | 2149000  | 0   | 0                     |       | 07/31/20 |  |

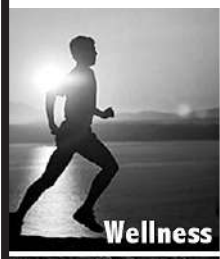
| HAYWARD   TOTAL SALES: 47 |       |          |     |                     |       |         |  |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|-----|---------------------|-------|---------|--|
| Highest \$: 1,450,000     |       |          |     | Median \$: 725,000  |       |         |  |
| Lowest \$: 380,000        |       |          |     | Average \$: 753,468 |       |         |  |
| ADDRESS                   | ZIP   | SOLD FOR | BDS | SQFT                | BUILT | CLOSED  |  |
| 725 Auburn Place #109     | 94544 | 380000   | 2   | 1000                | 1980  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 945 Fletcher Lane #A313   | 94544 | 435000   | 2   | 946                 | 1986  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 722 Kino Court #4         | 94544 | 440000   | 2   | 1070                | 1982  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 2359 Arf Avenue           | 94545 | 475000   | 2   | 988                 | 1970  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 27525 Stromberg Court     | 94545 | 526000   | 4   | 1474                | 1970  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 742 Oneil Commons         | 94544 | 540000   | 2   | 1333                | 2007  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 21103 Gary Drive #114a    | 94546 | 545000   | 2   | 1100                | 1993  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 21228 Gary Drive #202     | 94546 | 550000   | 2   | 1049                | 1982  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 369 Tippecanoe Avenue     | 94544 | 580000   | 4   | 1851                | 1951  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 140 Hermes Court          | 94544 | 590000   | 3   | 1517                | 1951  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 31213 Tepic Place #33     | 94544 | 605000   | 3   | 1435                | 1981  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 116 Mero Street           | 94541 | 618000   | 3   | 1026                | 1951  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 27639 La Porte Avenue     | 94545 | 620000   | 3   | 1119                | 1955  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 27954 Biscayne Avenue     | 94544 | 632000   | 3   | 1240                | 1954  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 29894 Chance Street       | 94544 | 643000   | 3   | 1156                | 1986  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 1204 Mcfarlane Lane       | 94544 | 650000   | 3   | 1159                | 1955  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 31142 Oakhill Way         | 94544 | 650000   | 3   | 1092                | 1955  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 25390 Parklane Drive      | 94544 | 660000   | 0   | 0                   | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |
| 25341 Parklane Drive      | 94544 | 667000   | 0   | 0                   | 0     | 7/30/20 |  |
| 22567 Arlette Avenue      | 94541 | 670000   | 2   | 1080                | 1912  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 340 Annette Lane          | 94541 | 703000   | 3   | 1032                | 1951  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 28669 Roanoke Street      | 94544 | 708000   | 3   | 1134                | 1961  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 24760 Verlor Court        | 94545 | 715000   | 3   | 1227                | 1954  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 1842 Hill Avenue          | 94541 | 725000   | 3   | 1823                | 1898  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 362 Balmoral Way          | 94544 | 745000   | 3   | 1233                | 1956  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 25350 Parklane Drive      | 94544 | 759500   | 0   | 0                   | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |
| 1323 Cathy Way            | 94545 | 760000   | 3   | 1359                | 1959  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 3318 Shawn Way            | 94541 | 760500   | 4   | 1164                | 1978  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 25400 Parklane Drive      | 94544 | 761500   | 0   | 0                   | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |
| 30237 Treeview Street     | 94544 | 775000   | 3   | 1540                | 1959  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 21867 Prospect Street     | 94541 | 780000   | 3   | 1952                | 1959  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 25336 Parklane Drive      | 94544 | 795500   | 0   | 0                   | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |

|                        |       |         |   |      |      |         |  |
|------------------------|-------|---------|---|------|------|---------|--|
| 24248 Nora Circle      | 94545 | 800000  | 3 | 1632 | 2018 | 7/28/20 |  |
| 25360 Parklane Drive   | 94544 | 807500  | 0 | 0    | 0    | 7/31/20 |  |
| 25322 Parklane Drive   | 94544 | 818500  | 0 | 0    | 0    | 7/31/20 |  |
| 25422 Parklane Drive   | 94544 | 820000  | 0 | 0    | 0    | 7/31/20 |  |
| 86 Middleton Place     | 94544 | 826000  | 3 | 2043 | 2015 | 7/31/20 |  |
| 26540 Hayward Blvd     | 94542 | 860000  | 3 | 1928 | 2017 | 7/27/20 |  |
| 1574 Welford Circle    | 94544 | 865000  | 3 | 1871 | 2004 | 7/28/20 |  |
| 25151 2nd Street       | 94541 | 899000  | 2 | 1498 | 2017 | 7/31/20 |  |
| 25348 Rick Way         | 94541 | 980000  | 0 | 3352 | 1946 | 7/29/20 |  |
| 27953 Edgecliff Way    | 94542 | 1000000 | 3 | 1887 | 1971 | 7/30/20 |  |
| 26920 Aberdeen Place   | 94542 | 1080000 | 3 | 2300 | 1972 | 7/29/20 |  |
| 162 Cherry Way         | 94541 | 1149000 | 0 | 2311 | 1955 | 7/27/20 |  |
| 30276 Cedarbrook Road  | 94544 | 1294000 | 5 | 3625 | 1999 | 7/27/20 |  |
| 2527 Spindrift Circle  | 94545 | 1300000 | 5 | 3228 | 2005 | 7/29/20 |  |
| 30131 Mountain View Dr | 94544 | 1450000 | 0 | 0    | 0    | 7/31/20 |  |

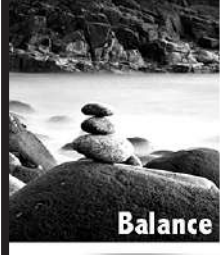
| MILPITAS   TOTAL SALES: 12 |       |          |     |                       |       |         |  |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|-----|-----------------------|-------|---------|--|
| Highest \$: 1,550,000      |       |          |     | Median \$: 1,142,000  |       |         |  |
| Lowest \$: 742,000         |       |          |     | Average \$: 1,126,167 |       |         |  |
| ADDRESS                    | ZIP   | SOLD FOR | BDS | SQFT                  | BUILT | CLOSED  |  |
| 475 Cascadita Terrace      | 95035 | 742000   | 2   | 1165                  | 1992  | 8/28/20 |  |
| 600 South Abel St #220     | 95035 | 782500   | 2   | 1259                  | 2007  | 8/28/20 |  |
| 476 Folsom Circle          | 95035 | 1030000  | 2   | 1459                  | 1983  | 8/26/20 |  |
| 398 Manferd Street         | 95035 | 1040500  | 3   | 1130                  | 1960  | 8/28/20 |  |
| 372 Hearst Drive           | 95035 | 1065000  | 3   | 1708                  | 2018  | 8/25/20 |  |
| 1551 Canal Street          | 95035 | 1134000  | 3   | 1715                  | 2014  | 8/27/20 |  |
| 772 Vasona Street          | 95035 | 1150000  | 3   | 1277                  | 1960  | 8/26/20 |  |
| 1235 Calle De Cuestanada   | 95035 | 1180000  | 3   | 1528                  | 1992  | 8/28/20 |  |
| 1482 Hidden Creek Ln       | 95035 | 1230000  | 3   | 2318                  | 2017  | 8/25/20 |  |
| 227 Houret Drive           | 95035 | 1260000  | 3   | 1887                  | 2018  | 8/24/20 |  |
| 1714 Butano Drive          | 95035 | 1350000  | 4   | 1504                  | 1968  | 8/26/20 |  |
| 698 Canterbury Place       | 95035 | 1550000  | 4   | 3126                  | 1985  | 8/28/20 |  |

| NEWARK   TOTAL SALES: 12 |       |          |     |                       |       |         |  |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|-----|-----------------------|-------|---------|--|
| Highest \$: 1,517,500    |       |          |     | Median \$: 992,750    |       |         |  |
| Lowest \$: 812,000       |       |          |     | Average \$: 1,045,542 |       |         |  |
| ADDRESS                  | ZIP   | SOLD FOR | BDS | SQFT                  | BUILT | CLOSED  |  |
| 5746 Souza Avenue        | 94560 | 812000   | 4   | 1064                  | 1955  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 5049 Abbotford Court     | 94560 | 825000   | 3   | 1186                  | 1971  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 5681 Pandorea Terrace    | 94560 | 860000   | 3   | 1503                  | 2017  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 36271 Colbert Place      | 94560 | 925000   | 3   | 1126                  | 1962  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 36293 Cedar Boulevard    | 94560 | 950000   | 3   | 1136                  | 1961  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 36301 La Salle Drive     | 94560 | 985000   | 5   | 2244                  | 1960  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 6121 Honeysuckle Dr      | 94560 | 1000500  | 3   | 1417                  | 1965  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 5095 Nottingham Ct       | 94560 | 1061000  | 3   | 1610                  | 1967  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 6576 Flanders Drive      | 94560 | 1100000  | 4   | 1878                  | 1962  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 6262 Benecia Avenue      | 94560 | 1120500  | 4   | 1718                  | 1978  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 36343 Tunbridge Drive    | 94560 | 1390000  | 4   | 2589                  | 1992  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 39688 Mule Deer          | 94560 | 1517500  | 0   | 0                     | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |

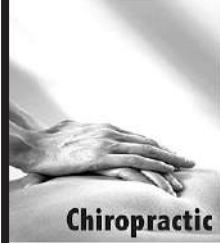
| SAN LEANDRO               |       | TOTAL SALES: 21     |     |      |       |         |  |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------------|-----|------|-------|---------|--|
| Highest \$: 1,160,000     |       | Median \$: 710,000  |     |      |       |         |  |
| Lowest \$: 495,000        |       | Average \$: 726,905 |     |      |       |         |  |
| ADDRESS                   | ZIP   | SOLD FOR            | BDS | SQFT | BUILT | CLOSED  |  |
| 16066 Carolyn Street      | 94578 | 495000              | 3   | 1534 | 1949  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 13755 Jib Road            | 94577 | 540000              | 2   | 1062 | 1978  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 1112 Dutton Avenue        | 94577 | 564500              | 2   | 680  | 1925  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 14443 Flagship St #163    | 94577 | 570000              | 2   | 1346 | 1984  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 15055 Alexandria St       | 94579 | 630000              | 3   | 1076 | 1948  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 14422 Corvallis Street    | 94579 | 654000              | 3   | 1459 | 1951  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 1247 Benedict Court       | 94577 | 663500              | 3   | 1491 | 1955  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 15057 Dewey St #102       | 94579 | 670000              | 3   | 1020 | 1950  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 1253 Lillian Avenue       | 94578 | 670000              | 3   | 1317 | 1947  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 1330 148th Avenue         | 94578 | 690000              | 2   | 1592 | 1939  | 7/30/20 |  |
| 927 Figueroa Drive        | 94578 | 710000              | 3   | 1195 | 1955  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 1723 Vining Drive         | 94579 | 725000              | 3   | 1470 | 1956  | 7/27/20 |  |
| 1209 Breckenridge St      | 94579 | 735000              | 3   | 1207 | 1958  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 16317 Ridgehaven Dr #1203 | 94578 | 757000              | 0   | 0    | 0     | 7/31/20 |  |
| 1881 Washington Ave       | 94577 | 790000              | 4   | 1809 | 2003  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 318 Melven Court          | 94577 | 805000              | 2   | 1110 | 1928  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 16333 Ridgehaven Dr #1001 | 94578 | 806000              | 0   | 0    | 0     | 7/27/20 |  |
| 22 Sunnyside Drive        | 94577 | 810000              | 2   | 1192 | 1927  | 7/31/20 |  |
| 140 Begier Avenue         | 94577 | 900000              | 3   | 1266 | 1940  | 7/29/20 |  |
| 737 Cary Drive            | 94577 | 920000              | 3   | 1588 | 1936  | 7/28/20 |  |
| 951 Collier Drive         | 94577 | 1160000             | 4   | 2313 | 1936  | 7/28/20 |  |



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#### **Parenting During COVID R**

Mon: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Wed: 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Virtual support group to help families  
cope with challenges encountered  
during COVID*

To register:

[www.fremont.gov/3060/Caregiver-Support](http://www.fremont.gov/3060/Caregiver-Support)

Support

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### **Tuesdays**

#### **Free Virtual Sing-Along**

7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

*Zoom choir meeting hosted by Mission  
Peak Chamber Singers*

<https://www.chambersingers.org/>

Contact: [info@chambersingers.org](mailto:info@chambersingers.org)

### **Wednesdays and Sundays**

#### **McNevin at The Mudpuddle**

6 p.m.

*Dinner time tunes, oddservations, and  
bad jokes*

Via Facebook Live:

[www.facebook.com/mudpuddlemusic](http://www.facebook.com/mudpuddlemusic)

### **Thursdays**

#### **First Presbyterian Church of Newark Virtual Youth Group**

6:30 p.m.

*Youth and young adults, students  
welcome*

Contact: [brian@newarkpres.org](mailto:brian@newarkpres.org) for

Zoom Meeting ID#

[www.newarkpres.org](http://www.newarkpres.org)

### **Sundays**

#### **First Presbyterian Church of Newark Virtual Sunday School**

11:00 a.m.

*Sunday School, Ages K – 6th grade*

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#### **Virtual 10K on the Bay \$R**

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anywhere!*

<https://10konthebay.org/>

### **Mondays and Wednesdays, September 28 – October 28**

#### **A Matter of Balance R**

10 a.m. – 12 noon

*Online pilot program designed to  
manage falls and increase activity*

To register: email

[hallstp@sutterhealth.org](mailto:hallstp@sutterhealth.org) or call

(510) 727-8485

### **Friday, October 1 – Sunday, November 1**

*Pirates of Emerson Drive-Thru  
Haunted Theme Park \$*

Thursdays – Sundays, 7:05 p.m. –  
11:00 p.m.

Extended hours on 10/24, 10/30,

10/31: 7:05 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Alameda County Fairgrounds

Bernal and Valley Ave, Pleasanton

[www.piratesofemerson.com](http://www.piratesofemerson.com)

# Arts & Entertainment

## Hayward Animal Shelter



Hayward Animal Shelter

# 510-293-7200

[www.HaywardAnimals.com](http://www.HaywardAnimals.com)

**16 Barnes Court, Hayward  
(Near Soto & Jackson)**

*Connecting rescued animals  
with loving homes!*



Chapo is a 4 year old male who loves going on walks! He's pretty laid back and takes treats gently from your hand. He would like to go to a home with older children, other dogs okay too.



Pablo is a 4 year old male who loves playing with toys, especially tennis balls! He loves getting attention and pets, and enjoys walking with his brother, Chapo. He would like a home with older children, other dogs okay too.

### **October 1-31**

#### **Arts & History Online Auction**

\$

*Fundraiser for the Hayward Arts  
Council and the Hayward Area Historical Society*

<https://www.haywardareahistory.org/celebrate-arts-and-history>

### **Fridays, October 9 and 23**

#### **SAVE Domestic Violence Stories R**

9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

*Learn about common stereotypes and  
systemic injustices*

Via Facebook Live

<https://www.facebook.com/save.dv>

### **Mondays and Wednesdays, October 19 – November 18**

#### **Food Entrepreneurial Training Academy**

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

*Free info session on succeeding in  
the food business*

To register: [www.acsbdc.org](http://www.acsbdc.org)

## UPCOMING Events

### **Wednesday, October 7**

#### **Get To Know US-CIS**

4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship  
and Immigration Services*

Webex Link: <https://bit.ly/2FuMvax>

Meeting number (access code): 199

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Meeting password: US200!CIS#yes

### **Thursday, October 8**

#### **Town Hall with Rep. Ro Khanna**

12 noon

Via Facebook Live

<https://www.facebook.com/RepRoKhanna/>

<https://khanna.house.gov/>

### **Friday, October 9**

#### **John Lennon Beatles Birthday Show**

7 p.m.

*Groovy Judy & Pete duet live stream*

[Facebook.com/GroovyJudyRocks/Live](https://www.facebook.com/GroovyJudyRocks/Live)

### **Friday, October 9 & Saturday, October 10**

#### **Drive-In Movies \$**

Fri: Hairspray

Sat: Mission Impossible

8 p.m.

*Park and watch from the comfort of  
your own car. Snacks for sale*

Alameda County Fairgrounds

Gate 8 or Gate 12, Corner of Valley

Ave, Pleasanton

(925) 426-7600

<https://bit.ly/2ZOTba6>

### **Saturday, October 10**

#### **Santa Clara Virtual Parade of Champions**

*Watch video of local groups and  
businesses, plus yard decorating contest*

Deadline to submit entries:

September, 26

<https://www.scpardcofchampions.org/>

# Farmers’ Markets

## CASTRO VALLEY:

**Castro Valley Farmers' Market**  
**Saturdays**  
**10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Castro Valley Bart station lot off of Redwood Road  
equipped to accept EBT and Market Match funds to CalFresh customers.  
uvfm.org

## FREMONT:

**Kaiser Permanente Fremont Farmers’ Market**  
**Thursdays**  
**10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**  
Year-round  
39400 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont  
800-949-FARM  
www.pcfma.org

**Irvington Farmers’ Market**  
**Sundays**  
**9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Bay Street and Trimboli Way, Fremont  
800-949-FARM  
www.pcfma.org

**Niles Farmer's Market**  
**Saturdays**  
**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Niles Town Plaza  
37592 Niles Blvd., Fremont  
bestfarmersmarkets.org

## HAYWARD:

**Hayward Farmers’ Market**  
**Saturdays**  
**9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Hayward City Plaza  
777 B. St., Hayward  
415-472-6100  
www.agriculturalinstitute.org

## SAN LEANDRO:

**Bayfair Center**  
**Saturdays**  
**9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
Year-round  
15555 East 14th Street  
San Leandro  
(925) 465-4690  
www.cafarmersmkts.com

**Kaiser Permanente San Leandro**  
**Wednesday**  
**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Merced St and Fairway Drive  
www.pcfma.org

**Downtown San Leandro**  
**Wednesdays**  
**4 - 8 p.m.**  
March 27 - October 9  
Parrott Street and East 14th Street  
San Leandro  
www.pcfma.org

## MILPITAS:

**Milpitas Farmers’ Market at Great Mall Parking Lot**  
**Sundays**  
**8 a.m. – 1 p.m.**  
Year-round  
GREAT MALL  
882 Great Mall Drive., Milpitas  
800-949-FARM  
www.pcfma.org

## NEWARK:

**Newark Farmers’ Market**  
**Sundays**  
**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**  
Year-round  
NewPark Mall  
2086 NewPark Mall, Newark  
415-472-6100  
www.agriculturalinstitute.org

## UNION CITY:

**Kaiser Permanente Union City Farmers’ Market**  
**Tuesdays**  
**10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**  
April 9 - November 12  
Kaiser Permanente Medical Offices  
3553 Whipple Rd., Union City  
800-949-FARM  
www.pcfma.org

**Union City Farmers’ Market**  
**Saturdays**  
**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**  
Year-round  
Old Alvarado Park  
Smith and Watkins Streets, Union City  
800-949-FARM  
www.pcfma.org

## BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

**Alameda County**  
**Renew books by phone**  
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**For more information**  
**about the Bookmobile call**  
**(510) 745-1477 or visit**  
**www.aclibrary.org/book-**  
**mobile**  
**Times & Stops subject to change**

**Tuesday**  
4:30 – 5:20 Weibel School,  
45135 South Grimmer Blvd.,  
FREMONT  
5:50 – 6:40 Booster Park,  
Gable Dr. & McDuff Ave.,  
FREMONT

**Wednesday**  
12:45 – 2:15 Glenmoor School,  
4620 Mattos Dr., FREMONT  
6:00 – 6:30  
Camellia Dr. & Camellia Ct.,  
FREMONT

**Thursday**  
11:30 – 12:30 Our Lady of  
Grace, 19920 Anita Ave.,  
CASTRO VALLEY  
2:15 – 3:15 Cherryland School,  
585 Willow Ave., HAYWARD

**Monday**  
1:45 – 2:45 Delaine School,  
34901 Eastin Dr.,  
UNION CITY4:15 – 4:45  
Contempo Homes,  
4190 Gemini Dr., UNION CITY  
5:15 – 6:45 Forest Park School,  
Deep Creek Rd. & Maybird  
Circle, FREMONT

**Tuesday**  
4:45 – 5:30 Baywood  
Apartments, 4275 Bay St.,  
FREMONT  
5:50 – 6:30 Jerome Ave. &  
Oholones St., FREMONT

**Wednesday**  
1:00 – 2:00 Del Rey School,  
Via Mesa & Via Julia.,  
SAN LEANDRO  
2:30 – 3:00 Eden House  
Apartments, 1601 165th Ave.,  
SAN LEANDRO  
3:30 – 4:00 Baywood Court,  
21966 Dolores St.,  
CASTRO VALLEY  
6:00 – 6:30  
Camellia Dr. & Camellia Ct.,  
FREMONT

**Milpitas Bookmobile stops**  
**Renew books by phone**  
**(800) 471-0991**  
**For more information**  
**(408) 293-2326 x3060**

**Wednesday**  
1:50 – 3:00 Foothill School,  
1991 Landess Ave., MILPITAS  
3:30 – 4:00 Friendly Village  
Park, 120 Dixon Landing Rd.,  
MILPITAS

**Saturday, October 10**  
**Virtual Top Hat XXXIV R**  
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
*Fundraiser for Washington Hospital.*  
*Auction, entertainment*  
To register: email tophat@whhs.com  
(include name and cell phone #)  
https://bit.ly/33CmxtJ

**Saturday, October 10**  
**Psychological and Spiritual Resources for Coping with the Pandemic R**  
10 a.m. – 12 noon  
Find answers and ways to cope during these trying times. RSVP by 10/9  
http://bit.ly/TheseTimes2020  
(510) 933-6360

**Sunday, October 11**  
**A Glorious Journey of Gujarati Sangreet R**  
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.  
Live online concert  
Via Zoom  
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/12044688887

**Monday, October 12**  
**Milpitas Rotary**  
12 noon  
Via Zoom  
https://bit.ly/33mfczA  
Meeting ID: 896 1186 2310  
Passcode: 760442

**Wednesday, October 14**  
**SAVE Garden of Self-Care R**  
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
*Create and nurture your inner garden*  
Via Zoom  
To register: https://bit.ly/3k5MwAj

**Wednesday, October 14**  
**The Naturalization Process**  
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*  
Webex Link: https://bit.ly/33HfSyc  
Meeting number (access code): 199 900 5020  
Meeting password: DVqvV4kuV6\*4

**Wednesday, October 14**  
**4 Steps to Emergency Preparedness R**  
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
*Online workshop. Be prepared for disaster. Adults 60+*  
To register: email  
njordan@fremont.gov or call  
(510) 790-6602

**Tuesday, October 20**  
**Music & Movement Time for Kids R**  
3:30 p.m.  
*Enjoy Halloween and Fall songs*  
Via Zoom  
To Register:  
www.musicforminors2.org

**Wednesday, October 21**  
**Petitioning for Relatives and Permanent Resident Status**  
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*  
Webex Link: https://bit.ly/33ABTPn  
Meeting number (access code): 199 555 5174  
Meeting password: NYhgHrpD3\*32

**Thursday, October 22**  
**National Nut Day - Let's Get Crazy!**  
7 p.m.  
Groovy Judy & Pete duet live stream  
Facebook.com/GroovyJudyRocks/Live

**Friday, October 23**  
**Iliza’s Comedy Tailgate Tour \$**  
6:30 p.m.  
*Join us in your car for an evening of laughs*  
Alameda County Fairgrounds  
4501 Pleasanton Avenue, Pleasanton  
https://bit.ly/3caSehu

**Friday, October 23**  
**Cleantech Open Virtual Awards & Expo R**  
8 a.m. – 12 noon  
https://hopin.to/events/global-forum-2020

**Wednesday, October 28**  
**Immigration Overview**  
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*  
Webex Link: https://bit.ly/33BtNpD  
Meeting number (access code): 199 317 7870  
Meeting password: CIS100!us#join

**Friday, October 30**  
**SAVE Open Mic R**  
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
*Share stories, songs, poems, and more!*  
Via Zoom  
To register: https://bit.ly/3hqDwnw

**Friday, October 31**  
**Halloween Drive Thru Parade**  
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
*Decorate your car, wear a spooky costume, receive a treat*  
Fremont Senior Center  
40086 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont

**Wednesday, November 4**  
**The Naturalization Process**  
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  
*Free info session from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services*  
Webex Link: https://bit.ly/35KsZBq  
Meeting number (access code): 199 974 8724  
Meeting password:  
KGiRpN9WG@65

**Saturday, Nov 7**  
**FCSN Relay Gala \$R**  
4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
*Music, honoree recognition, fundraiser for Friends of Children with Special Needs*  
(510) 739-6900 ext. 3305  
http://fcsn1996.org/gala-page/  
Tickets: \$20

# Cocktails & Conservation: Bornean Sun Bear

## SUBMITTED BY OAKLAND ZOO

This virtual happy hour series features some of the world’s most incredible conservationists. These heroes are working on the ground every day to save endangered species and their habitats. The October 14 session will focus on the Bornean Sun Bear Conservation Centre. Guests will join us on Facebook Live to learn, ask questions, and be a part of the solution to preserve our planet’s rich and diverse wildlife. This series is hosted by Amy Gotliffe, VP of Conservation at Oakland Zoo.

Each episode will feature a custom cocktail, so we can toast to a safe world for wildlife. Look out for the recipe, mix your cocktail, and join us live! (This event is for adults.)

Watch previous broadcasts of Cocktails & Conservation: https://www.oaklandzoo.org/programs-and-events/cocktails-conservation

**Cocktails & Conservation: Bornean Sun Bear**  
**Saturday, Oct 14**  
**6 p.m. – 7 p.m.**  
**Via Facebook Live**  
**https://www.oaklandzoo.org/**

## Fall Seedling Sale

### SUBMITTED BY LOCAL ECOLOGY & AGRICULTURE FREMONT (LEAF)

LEAF’s fall plant sale is ongoing and has a selection of brassicas, root veggies, and leafy greens seedlings.  
Did you know that all brassicas originated from the mustard plant and that, through artificial selection, a diverse group of veggies emerged? The sale has broccoli and cauliflower that were selected from the flower buds, cabbage from its leaves, Brussel sprouts from the leaf axils, arugula, kale, chard, collards, napa cabbage, pak choi, mizuna from the leaves and stalks, and radish, turnip, rutabaga from the roots. Beets, carrots, parsnips, mustard, lettuce, spinach, curry leaf trees, narcissus paperwhite bulbs, and honey are also among the many items available.  
This year, LEAF has a new streamline online no-contact sales process. Plants can be purchased online with credit cards. Instructions for picking up items will be provided upon placing your order at www.fremontleaf.org/shop/.

## Honor Roll

**Ohio Wesleyan University**  
**Spring 2020 Dean’s List**  
• Bella Hintzman of Fremont  
• Jasmine Lew of Fremont

**Ohio University**  
**Summer 2020 Dean’s List**  
• Stephen Owens-Wong of Hayward

**California State University, Stanislaus**  
Spring 2020 Dean’s List  
• Kaleigh Taylor of Fremont  
• Prabhdeep Beesla of Hayward  
• Mykayla Glisson of Newark  
• Julio Sandoval of Union City

**Biola University, La Mirada, California**  
**Spring 2020 Dean’s List**  
• Kyle Alcosiba of Newark  
• Abijah Crawford of Fremont  
• Keren Godwin of Fremont  
• Lauren Graham of Fremont  
• Micah Jue of Castro Valley  
• Meonah Kwan of Union City  
• Quennie Liu of Fremont  
• Madeleine Prater of Fremont  
• Rachel Anne Sevilla of Hayward  
• Han Eul Song of Milpitas  
• Hannah Stockinger of Hayward  
• Kiana Truong of Union City  
• Brandon Ung of Fremont  
• Brittany Ung of Fremont  
• Tony Yang of Fremont

## Alabama man finds alligator swimming in his backyard pool

### AP WIRE SERVICE

Alabama homeowner woke up to an unexpected visitor swimming in his backyard pool: an alligator.  
WALA-TV reports that Steven McCulland of Mobile recorded the unwanted guest on video and posted it on social media.  
In the video, McCulland shows the alligator and sounds stunned as he says: ``How is there an alligator in my pool, swimming around in my pool?

What in the blue blazes is this?"  
And he told those watching the video: "If you own an alligator and you are missing one, he in my backyard in my pool. Come get him."  
McCulland told the news station he had no idea how the alligator got into his backyard Friday, but he'll be double-checking now before he enters the pool. The reptile eventually retreated to McCulland's fence line, and a wildlife agent removed it.

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The organization has achieved partnerships with local businesses such as the embroidery company Turtleworks, as well as with Friends Coffee and Tea, a Cafe operating under the nonprofit organization Friends of Children with Special Needs (FCSN). SN Inclusion has advisors including board-certified experts on autism and other leading entrepreneurs in neurodiversity inclusion in the workplace

After writing a research paper about the benefits of career-technical education for



all secondary students, Isabella realized the particular benefits CTE can provide for students with special needs. She combined her expertise on CTE and training for individuals with special needs to create her passion project, SN Inclusion.

Isabella interned at Chengdu's Hospital for Women and Children's program for children with special needs and taught these children firsthand, gaining valuable experience in working with individuals with special needs. She incorporated the knowledge she learned at the hospital program into SN Inclusion's vocational training program.

As program coordinator for FCSN, Isabella and her team of FCSN directors, coordinates the "Flexible Subject Virtual Tutoring" program to provide individuals with special needs with 1:1 virtual tutoring, especially valuable during the COVID-19 pandemic. She also leads the "Starting FCSN Clubs at Your School" program to start multiple FCSN clubs at various high schools and colleges. Isabella is able, through this program, to give guidance and supervision while assisting volunteer teams to form FCSN clubs at their own school.

Individuals with special needs have incredible strengths, passions, and abilities that are immensely valuable in the workforce. Isabella hopes to use her experience in working with individuals with special needs to make SN Inclusion a truly valuable program to improve neurodiversity in the workplace.

SN Inclusion courses and assistance are FREE. Sign up for the embroidery course in collaboration with local business Turtleworks at <https://sninclusion.org/slides/embroidery-9!>

**Learn more about the organizations here:**  
<https://sninclusion.org/>  
<http://turtleworks.co/>  
<https://www.friendscoffeetea.com/>

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# Unitopia Foundation

## ally for neurodiverse people

By **ALFRED HU**

The word “neurodiversity” usually has negative connotations such as “different” and “mentally challenged.” In reality, neurodiversity is simply variation in the brain affecting sociability, attention, learning, and mood functions. People with neurodiversity can be gifted in some areas, have trouble focusing in school, over-focus on special interests, display learning differences, and have challenges in social settings or in simply making new friends. Neurodiversity advocates promote support programs that allow neuro-divergent people to live as they are, rather than being forced to adapt to accepted ideas of normality.

Meet one such advocate, Aaryan Shah of Fremont.

Since elementary school, Shah had exposure to neurodiversity and visited special education classrooms. As the neurotypical and neurodiverse students became increasingly segregated throughout Shah's elementary and middle school years, he felt a need to promote their inclusion and acceptance. This led Shah to establish the Unitopia Foundation – an international non-profit that helps neurodiverse students through peer-to-peer interaction – after graduating from 8th grade in 2018.

Unitopia began as a school-based initiative focused on interacting with neurodiverse and even physiodiverse students through fun and meaningful social interaction and forging new friendships. Over time, the organization built a strong partnership with families across the Bay Area and soon created a worldwide movement of inclusivity and empowerment. Two years later Unitopia has more than 25 volunteers helping over 60 families across eight countries. As

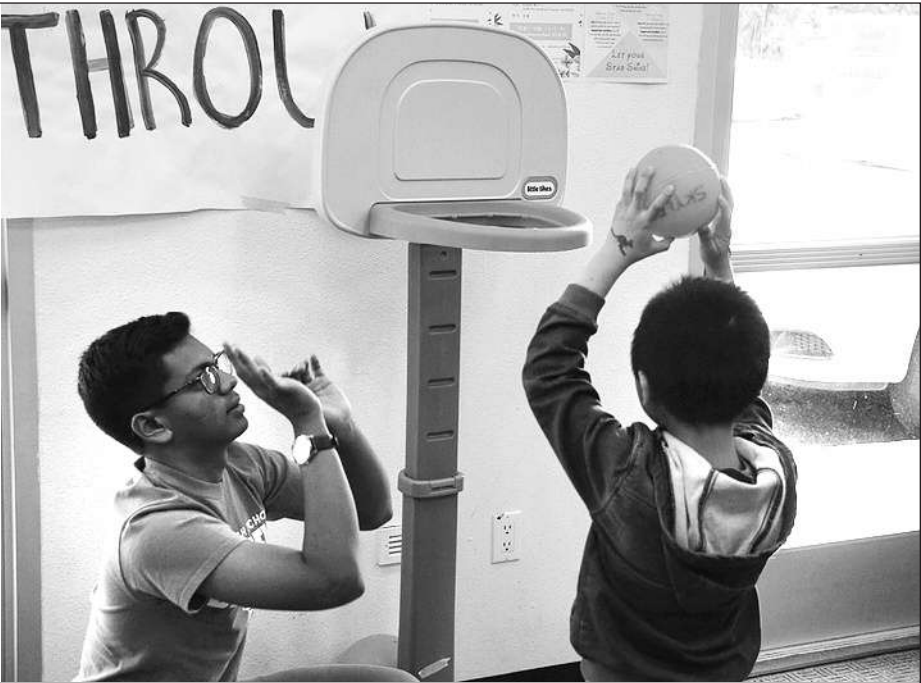
Unitopia continues to grow, it is partnering with organizations such as Amazon Smile and Friends of Children with Special Needs to reach out to even more neurodiverse people and create a more inclusive environment for them.

Since its inception, Unitopia has seen many of its students grow and mature from the social interaction its volunteers organized. Shah remarked, “Unitopia has played an instrumental role in my own development; not only that, but it has been a surreal experience watching the impact of myself and the entire team on students, families, and organizations across the globe.” A parent of a student (Askari) with learning differences mentioned, “Aaryan's work through Unitopia has benefited Askari heavily, especially because of the one-on-one interaction that they provide to kids. It has helped Askari grow immensely, along with the ability to make new connections and friends!”

Unitopia sparked new interests for

students to explore. For example, autistic students developed new interests such as playing sports, watching new video games, improving literacy and even forging new friendships. Unitopia's arts and crafts sessions have also brought together many friends on the neurodiverse spectrum and supports lifelong bonds past adolescence. Unitopia also had a positive impact in Africa. “Unitopia has helped us serve many families here in Mbata with training guides and assistive technologies of all types,” said Benson Oswago (Founder of Viagenco, Unitopia partner in Kenya).

Unitopia has displayed innovation during the COVID-19 pandemic. When one-on-one interactions between volunteers and students stopped, the organization introduced Zoom Tutorials to make sure students got the same level of interaction with high schoolers as before. For one Zoom class, kids had kits delivered free of charge so they could sculpt and paint flowers from air-dry clay with a



*Unitopia began as a school-based initiative focused on interacting with neurodiverse and even physiodiverse students through fun and meaningful social interaction and forging new friendships*

volunteer. So far, Unitopia had great success and interaction with new events hosted every other week.

Unitopia is funded by donations and to date, about \$19,000 has been raised with the money directed to support neurodiverse children around the world. Visit <https://www.unitopia.foundation/> to find out how you can become a volunteer or to donate to this wonderful organization. Their podcast “Neurodiversity in a Nutshell” is available on Spotify, Google Podcasts, and Anchor.

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- More than 10,000 websites sued nationwide in 2019 for their website not being ADA compliant, including celebrities. This number is expected to exceed 100,000 by 2021.
- Most business & website owners sued for non-compliance pay between \$20K - \$200K as out of court settlement. A recent settlement was \$6M.

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# OPINION



WILLIAM MARSHAK

In 1953, the Memorial Day Indianapolis 500-Mile automobile race began with the now well-known announcement by racing legend Wilbur Shaw... “Gentlemen, start your engines.” Although modified to incorporate additional venues and participation by women, the phrase aptly describes the month of October in 2020.

This week, ballots are circulating for early voting; advertisements, commercials and endorsements are rising like a king high tide of historic proportions. Along with intense interest in the presidential and state elections, activity on the local scene is increasing as well.

Efforts at the local level are critical for our daily lives since they affect allocation of resources and direct action to address issues of education, traffic, development, recreation and the immediate environment. Without local staff and elected representation, decisions would be relegated to a completely different set of priorities more attuned to regional, state and national issues that, although valid, do not address the complexities and diversity of neighborhoods.

It is important for voters to understand that local representation does not automatically equate to an unregulated use of funds collected from taxpayers. Local government is responsible for fund management, but does not receive all of its

tax money without strings attached. This is, in part, due to directives from fund sources that focus on a particular need or desire such as roads, transportation, social programs or construction expenses. Although some latitude is given to local officials, primary directives must be followed and choices may be limited no matter what other needs exist. Just as a household budget has certain fixed expenses such as rent or mortgage, so do cities, districts and organizations. It may not be a matter of what funds are spent on, rather how they are allocated and dispersed. For example, use of money designated for capital expenditures such as construction is often subject to restrictions when addressing operating expenses.

Discretionary or “General” funds are in most budgets, but limited by competing priorities. Public safety is often included in this category. We all want to feel safe and secure in our homes and within the daily patterns of our lives so, as a group, codes of behavior – laws – are instituted and require some type of enforcement. The goal is the same for the vast majority of people: a desire to live in harmony with their neighbors in peaceful coexistence.

Law enforcement personnel are often faced with situations that call for a variety of skills that may or may not be in their armamentarium. The ideal circumstance would be a host of ready response teams, available at a moment’s notice, to address any legal, social or diplomatic challenge. However, the ability and practical aspect of maintain and training such a force while continuing to address purely criminal activity is daunting and difficult, if not financially impossible without massive additional funding. Are we willing to pay for this?

How to achieve this outcome may be disputed and debated, but methods are tempered by resources available and a complex set of factors that can arise in a given situation. Which of these is most important? Police services, fire and paramedic services, building code enforce-

ment, environment, recreation, education, etc.? The answer lies in the situation and what assistance is necessary at any given moment. There is no perfect answer; we ask our elected leaders to make these decisions and must judge them on whether they have the mental acumen to do so in an intelligent and thoughtful manner.

Holding elected representatives accountable for the use of available resources is fair and should be questioned, but competing priorities and restricted funding can be a limiting factor. Removing or “defunding” does not eliminate the primary need but can result in addressing an established circumstance without any practical solution. When judging the actions of elected officials, total agreement with all decisions in a complicated situation is probably not realistic. Voting to retain a candidate in office or remove and replace should be based on an understanding of competing priorities, source of funds and restrictions placed on them.

This issue of Tri-City Voice has expanded to include statements of candidates for local elected office who are asking for your vote. We feel that it is our responsibility to provide information to the electorate to make rational decisions. In this issue, followed by another to present measures and propositions on the 2020 General Election ballot, an honest attempt has been made to contact all candidates and offer this opportunity at no cost to them. We hope our readers will take the time to read these statements and visit websites or other sources of information to make informed decisions. And, following election results, support those elected.

William Marshak  
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## Fremont Housing Navigation Center Welcomes Residents

SUBMITTED BY NORA DALY

First residents of the new Fremont Housing Navigation Center (HNC) have moved into the program and out of homelessness. The HNC, located near Fremont City Hall, is a pivotal partnership between the City of Fremont and Bay Area Community Services (BACS) to provide unhoused community members with rapid re-housing services and a path to securing permanent housing.

The program was designed for 45 people at a time, which has been temporarily limited to a reduced 25 participants to comply with COVID-19 safety guidelines. Once the pandemic ends and restrictions are lifted, BACS intends to open the program at full capacity.

“BACS is very honored to rapidly open its door to the Fremont Community and to do so with care, courage, and special attention paid to keep our community members, staff, and all of us safe during COVID,”

said Jamie Almanza, MBA, CEO of BACS. “The phased opening took in to account locating and intensively outreaching to individuals and inviting them to come inside.”

### Program Model

This is a “low-barrier” shelter, meaning there are no curfews; people do not have to be sober to stay there, they can bring their pets, and there is storage for accumulated belongings. BACS seeks to support individuals in building and maintaining their independence, in a nurturing environment. Unlike the “shelter” model, people can sleep as long as they like, and there are no strict times people have to be on or off site. There are casual places to sit, and plants, trees, and murals. There are washers and dryers, bathrooms with showers, and a common room with a mini-kitchen.



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www.fremont.gov

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Hayward officials apologize for Trump letter

SUBMITTED BY CHUCK FINNIE

In a statement issued Thursday, October 1, City of Hayward officials acknowledged that a letter included with boxes of food distributed to the needy included a political letter that may have been unlawful.

“Several hundred boxes of food distributed on Thursday, October 1 during the weekly City of Hayward No-Contact Food Distribution contained something they shouldn’t have: a letter on White House stationary containing language deemed to be political propaganda and carrying the signature of President Trump. We apologize.”

Hayward moratorium on commercial tenant evictions extended

SUBMITTED BY CITY OF HAYWARD

The Hayward City Council has voted to extend by four months until Jan. 31, 2021, an emergency city moratorium that bars evictions of commercial tenants for nonpayment of rent due to COVID-19.

The Council action, which took place Tuesday, amends a broader city moratorium that was scheduled to end on Sept. 30 and that prohibited evictions of both residential and commercial tenants, as well as homeowners, in which COVID-19 was a factor in failure to make rent or mortgage loan payments.

The amended legislation approved by the Hayward Council on Tuesday extends until Jan. 31 the city’s eviction protections for commercial tenants only. A new state law enacted on Aug. 31, called the Tenant, Homeowner and Small Landlord Relief and Stabilization Act, put in place a new statewide moratorium on residential evictions, also until Jan. 31, 2021. At the same time, the state measure precluded Hayward and other local governments from extending local moratoria on residential evictions beyond already enacted expiration dates.

The extension of the city moratorium on commercial evictions responds to the double bind faced by small businesses during the pandemic in which they’ve experienced a complete collapse of revenue followed by a delayed, halting and uncertain recovery, while fixed costs such as rent, insurance, healthcare, financing and taxes have largely remained unchanged.

Nothing in the city ordinance relieves commercial tenants of an obligation to pay rent, and unpaid back rent still accumulates. Rather, it bars evictions while the moratorium is in place and during a 180-day repayment period following the moratorium’s expiration.

Governor Signs Consumer Financial Protection Watchdog Legislation

SUBMITTED BY GOVERNOR’S PRESS OFFICE

Governor Gavin Newsom today signed twelve bills on September 25 to protect consumers from financial predators and abusive business practices.

Central to the package is AB 1864, a law that significantly expands the state’s ability to protect Californians against abusive and predatory financial products and services. The bill establishes the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation (DFPI), adding 90 positions over the next three years to transform the agency into California’s version of the federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the agency championed by President Obama and Senator Warren. The DFPI will:

- Significantly expand the state’s consumer protection capacity by adding dozens of investigators and attorneys to supervise financial institutions and crack down on financial predators;
- Create a team to monitor markets to proactively identify emerging risks to consumers;
- Create a team dedicated to consumer education and outreach, listening and responding to consumers in specific communities, including veterans, immigrants, and older Californians; and
- Create a new Office of Financial Technology and Innovation, which will cultivate

financial technology to serve – not exploit – consumers.

The law also expands the state’s power to target unfair, deceptive and abusive acts and practices by financial service providers – such as debt collectors and emerging financial technology products. The creation of the department was a key idea in the Governor’s January 2020-2021 budget proposal.

The Governor was joined at the virtual signing ceremony by Congresswoman Katie Porter, Assemblymember Monique Limón (D-Santa Barbara), Senator Holly Mitchell (D-Los Angeles), and Senator Bob Wieckowski (D-Fremont).

“While the federal government is getting out of the financial protection business, California is leaning into it,” said Governor Gavin Newsom. “It’s at this moment especially – when so many Californians are strapped for cash and struggling to pay their bills – that families are likely to fall victim to predatory and abusive financial products. These bills ensure that financial predators are subjected to alert oversight and agile enforcement.”

"This historic bill will strengthen our state's economy by adding guardrails to our capitalist system so that it creates prosperity for all Californians," Congresswoman Porter said. " As the California Monitor for the National Mortgage Settlement and a longtime consumer protection attorney, I know how

Union Sanitary District Board of Directors

September 28, 2020

The USD Board unanimously approved the following at its regular Sept. 28, 2020 board meeting:

- The minutes of the Sept. 14 regular meeting and the Sept. 16 special meeting.
- Construction contract of the Aeration Blower No. 11 project to Western Water Constructors, Inc., in the amount of \$1,652,000. Funds for the project have been budgeted in the Capacity Fund.
- Job descriptions and salary range for Environmental Health and Safety Specialist and Senior HR Analyst; job description, salary range, and side letter agreement between the District and Service Employees International Union Local 1021 (SEIU) for Control Systems Specialist.

The Board also heard several informational reports:

- August 2020 monthly operations report.
- Status report on computer purchase and student loan program.

The program allows an employee to borrow up to \$3,300 for up to three years, and to repay the loan through payroll deductions. There are currently 21 outstanding loans for a total of \$26,738 with an average outstanding loan balance of \$1,273. During this year there were eight new loans granted and five loans paid off.

- The Board discussed the possibility of implementing video meetings. The prospect was tabled until early 2021; further discussion will depend upon how long the pandemic distancing orders will continue.
- Annual report to Union City, fiscal year 2020.
- A COVID 19 update. The District is continuing its limited staffing arrangements and PPE supplies are currently sufficient.
- General Manager reported a failure in both generators recently. Possible cause was moisture and dust; staff is arranging for a forensic engineer to examine the generators to determine cause. A 25-year-boiler is also deteriorating so a backup boiler will be put online.

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| President Tom Handley   | Aye |
| Vice President Pat Kite | Aye |
| Anjali Lathi, Secretary | Aye |
| Manny Fernandez         | Aye |
| Jennifer Toy            | Aye |

important it is to have a watchdog to shield working families from corporate abuse. We’re fortunate to have Governor Newsom and Assemblymember Limón leading the way in cracking down on scam artists trying to take advantage of California families."

"I applaud Governor Newsom for signing this first-in-the-nation consumer protection legislation. As the Chair of the Banking and Finance Committee, I have continued to work to protect consumers from predatory lenders, high-interest rates, and aggressive debt collectors, which is especially critical to do during these challenging times,” said Assemblymember Limón. “As the fifth largest economy in the world, the consumer protection standards we establish in California can ripple across the country, benefiting all consumer and families in our State.”

“As chair of the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, I am pleased to be part of the signing of AB 1864, which is an important measure to protect consumers in our state that was deliberated through the Legislative budget process this year. Because of AB 1864, the Department of Business Oversight will be rebranded as the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation and the powers of the department will be expanded to ensure that there is proper oversight of all financial products and services in California. This is even more critical during tough economic times as low-income and

minority communities are often targeted by bad actors,” said Senator Holly Mitchell.

“I applaud the Governor for stepping up and having consumers’ backs by signing the California Consumer Financial Protection Law. At a time when the President is weakening the federal bureau, Governor Newsom is filling that leadership void for Californians. The law will crack down on those who seek to abuse consumers, disregard their rights, and strip them of their hard-earned money. I am proud to say I supported AB 1864,” said Senator Bob Wieckowski.

Other bills signed by Governor Newsom today protect students from abusive practices. AB 376 creates the Student Borrower Bill of Rights and provides borrowers with enforceable protections against abusive lending practices. AB 70 prevents for-profit colleges from using shell non-profit corporations to skirt state student protections and state regulations.

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Park It

By NED MACKAY

Dogs and dog-related rules are the focus of a new informational campaign just launched by the East Bay Regional Park District. Because of COVID-19, the park district has asked dog owners to keep their pets always on leash while visiting the regional parks.

However, as of Friday, October 2, the district has reverted to the normal rules. In summary, these rules require dogs to be on leash in picnic areas and other developed park sites. Dogs are also supposed to be leashed on paved inter-park trails such as the Iron Horse Regional Trail in central Contra Costa and the Alameda Creek Regional Trail in Fremont. Some areas exclude dogs altogether, such as swim

beaches (state law) and the Tilden Nature Area in Tilden Regional Park near Berkeley. Watch for signs and check information in park brochures.

Dogs are okay off leash in the backcountry away from developed areas if they are under their owner’s control. This means the dog will come when called. Dogs should be back on leash when grazing cattle are nearby. They should also be leashed if they start chasing wildlife or have uninvited interaction with other park visitors. At Point Isabel Regional Shoreline in Richmond, dogs are allowed off leash throughout the park if they are under their owners’ control.

The informational campaign is called “Be a Pup Pro.” In a recent survey, the park district found that dog walking is the preferred activity among 39 percent of the respondents, second only to hiking.

You can follow several tips to be a Pup Pro:

- Bag then bin your dog’s waste. Please do not just bag it and leave it on the trail.
- Leash your pup in designated areas such as parking lots, trailheads, wildlife protection areas, etc.
- Keep your dog safe: leash up around cattle and horses.

“Being out in nature with our dogs is a huge benefit, for us and for them,” says Mary Barnsdale, a board member of Point Isabel Dog Owners. “It’s on us to keep the parks clean, respect wildlife, and be sensitive to the needs of other park users.”

For detailed information about the park district’s dog rules, visit www.ebparks.org/PupPro.

As of this writing, several regional parks remain closed or limited in service, because of fire-related issues. Round Valley, Morgan Territory, Sunol, and Ohlone

Wilderness are still closed due to the impact from recent wildfires. Mission Peak reopened in mid-September. However, the Ohlone Wilderness Trail, which heads east from the summit of Mission Peak, is still closed.

The better news is that boat launching and fishing by boat are available as of October 2 at Del Valle Regional Park, Quarry Lakes, and Lake Chabot. Boat rentals are available at Del Valle and Lake Chabot. The family campgrounds are available with reduced capacity at Del Valle and Anthony Chabot, and the Sibley backpack camp is open. Del Valle is also open to day use on the lake’s east side only.

Of course, any park situation can change rapidly if more fires break out. For the most up-to-date information, visit the district website at www.ebparks.org, and check at the top of the page for “COVID-19 & Wildfire-Related Closures.”

Google unveils latest Pixel phone, rolls out new TV service

By MICHAEL LIEDTKE  
AP TECHNOLOGY WRITER

Google will try to make a bigger splash in the smartphone market with a cheaper high-end model while it also aims to expand its presence on bigger screens with a new TV service.

The products unveiled Wednesday focus on two areas where Google has struggled to make significant inroads. Google also used a half-hour showcase streamed online to introduce a \$99 speaker that is says has better acoustics for playing music than the cheaper ones that it has been selling primarily as a command center for its voice-activated assistant.

Google’s latest smartphone represents the fifth generation of a device that was supposed to prove the Mountain View, California, company can make hardware as well as it does software after the brand made its 2016 debut.

Although Google’s software is used by billions of people on their smartphones, its Pixel phones have barely made dent in the market. Sales have been disappointing despite mostly positive reviews, especially for camera technology that has prompted Apple to introduce similar features in iPhones.

But perhaps the Pixel 5’s biggest selling point will be its price – \$700, a markdown of \$100 from last year’s model.

The phone, available October 15, is coming out two months after Google introduced a budget version, the Pixel 4a, that sells for \$350. Google also revealed Wednesday that it will make a 5G version of the Pixel 4a that will sell for \$500 aimed at consumers who want faster connections while they also watch their budgets during a recession brought on by the pandemic.

Google has had more success with a hardware lineup called, Chromecast, that streams online video on TVs. But Chromecast also faces a wide array of competition from similar streaming devices made by Roku, Amazon, and Apple.

In an attempt to differentiate itself from the rest of the pack, Google’s next Chromecast will include a new service tying together many of its services in a way that’s designed to make it easier for viewers

sift through TV channels and streaming services to find something they want to watch.

The service, called “Google TV,” includes the company’s other big-screen software, Android TV, as well as its industry-leading search engine, Chrome browser and YouTube TV, a bundle of programming like what cable and satellite providers have long provided. The new Chromecast, which will cost \$50, also will come with a small remote control for the first time.

Google has been trying a variety of ways to make its services more accessible and appealing on TVs for more than a decade, but so far hasn’t enjoyed the same success on the biggest screens in households as it has on the personal computers and phones that have become the main vehicles for showing the digital ads that brought in \$135 billion in revenue last year.

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Stephen Habal de Jesus

November 30, 1934 - September 11, 2020



Stephen Habal DeJesus Sr, passed away on the 11th of September 2020. He was born on November 30, 1934, in Sor-sogon, Philippines. He was a Civil Engineer (Highways) in the Philippines. When he migrated to Toronto, Ontario, Canada in November 1975, he worked as a printer while for 9 years. He became a Canadian citizen and then later migrated to San Jose,

California in June 1983. He worked at QuickSilver Printing Company in Palo Alto, CA for about 15 years. In May 1988, he and his favorite girl, Flordeliza, both became citizens of the United States. He is survived by his wife, Flordeliza de Jesus of 55 years, 4 children - Carlos Ariel de Jesus, Stephen M. de Jesus Jr., Carol Aceves, Tony Aceves (son-in-law), Edwin de Jesus, and Katrina de Jesus (daughter-in-law). 14 grandchildren - Analiza Quintans, Ashley Kokame, Arianne de Jesus, Ariel de Jesus Jr., Albert de Jesus, Andrew de Jesus, Stephen de Jesus III, Mariah Aceves, Robert Aceves, Jessica Aceves, Jacob Aceves, Dane de Jesus, Kyle de Jesus and Noah de Jesus and 7 great-grandchildren - Justine Quintans, Joshua Quintans, Xavier Kokame, Sinaya Brown, Torrian Brown Jr., Israel de Jesus, and Everly de Jesus.

Frank Keith Steele

Frank Keith Steele entered into eternal life surrounded by his family on September 22, 2020 in Danville, California at the age of 62. Frank is survived by his wife, Carolyn; children, Adrienne (Alec), Alyssa (Andrew), and Amanda (Cameron); mother, Dottie; three brothers, Don (ZoeAnn), Mike (Susie), and Dave (Debby); and many nieces and nephews. Frank was born on November 25, 1957 in Oakland, California to Don and Dottie Steele. Frank married Carolyn in 1987, and together they had three daughters. Frank was the Vice President at Aura Hardwoods and worked there for 40 years. Frank was proud to be a 3rd degree member of the Knights of Columbus, Council #7987. Frank will always be remembered for his kindness,



generosity, and welcoming spirit. Frank was faithfully devoted to God, his family, and the Raiders. He will be missed dearly by all those who loved him. Funeral services were held at St. Raymond Parish, Dublin. Please visit https://www.bergepappassmith.com/obits/frank-keith-steele/ for more information.

Shirley A. Buchanan

Resident of Newark

August 6, 1935 – September 29, 2020



It is with great sadness that the family of Shirley Buchanan announce her passing on September 29, 2020. Shirley was a dedicated

member of the Jehovah Witnesses for over 60 years and loved everyone dearly. Shirley will be lovingly remembered by her children Shelly Yeto, Wendy Bean, Scott Buchanan, Mary Buchanan and Samantha Edell. Shirley was predeceased by her husband William Buchanan and eldest son William Buchanan. There will be a private service.

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Marc Arthur Gamez

Resident of Union City

October 2, 1962 – September 7, 2020

Marc Arthur Gamez, 57, of Union City, CA, passed away on September 7th, 2020. He was born to parents Jerry Gamez and Diane Francis Bradley, on October 2nd, 1962 in Oakland, CA. He graduated from James Logan High School in 1981 and went on to enlist in the US Army in 1983, where he served until 1989, being disabled-discharged. He enjoyed sports, especially baseball, football, and basketball. There was never a day where he would not talk about his Cleveland Cavaliers and Atlanta Falcons. He also coached little league baseball at UC National for many years, as well as coached



soccer in Union City, CA. You could always catch him at the field, on the side lines or in the

dugout, umpiring or just even spoiling your kids with snacks at the snack bar. Marc was a loving, caring, and generous man. He always checked up on others, even if it was just a quick phone call. Marc was a loving father, grandfather, and friend to everyone. Marc is survived by his daughters, Melissa, Anna, and Alejandra, as well as his granddaughter, Gianna. Private Service will be held with burial at Sacramento National Cemetery in Dixon, CA at a later date.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Carefully Consider Whom You Elect

We write to urge you to carefully consider this election cycle. This city needs more parks, greater access to pedestrian and bicycle paths and a stronger vision for what our city can become. We represent citizens who rely on our parks and open spaces for exercise, access to nature and an escape from our urban environment. Park users represent all sectors of society but are overwhelmingly young, poor, and non-white. With the Covid pandemic, it has become clear how critical our parks are to our mental and physical health.

Recently the city of Fremont forced the closure of a major regional park over concerns of Covid. They then reimposed parking restrictions on weekends that serve to block access. Finally, the city increased the number and scope of parking citations imposed, further constraining access. Our city leaders provide almost no leadership in representing park users but choose to focus their attention on a small-gated community and its wealthy inhabitants. It is clear, they do not understand how important access to nature is for the well-being of all members of our community: walkers, joggers, the elderly, people with disabilities, children, and those with dogs.

We need elected leaders that listen, build consensus, and support the entire community. But unfortunately, our elected officials have a history of blocking access, using parking restrictions, reduced hours, thousands of dollars in fines and an increased police presence. These actions have cost park users hundreds of thousands of dollars in citations and prevented their enjoyment of our open spaces. They refuse to meet with members of the public in liaison meetings with EBRPD which are supposed to be held quarterly. Instead, there has been no meetings for over a year and a half.

Some politicians have no sense of the importance of balancing preservation and recreation. Their approach has been divisive and shortsighted. They oppose parking in the neighborhood but do not work with our regional Park District to build parking inside the park. We need elected politicians who serve the entire community, not robotic stand-ins who create barriers to our parks. We need unfettered access that invites everyone to experience nature, first-hand.

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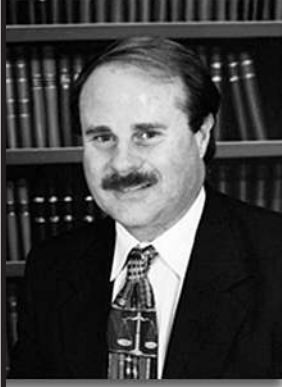
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Alameda County receives nearly \$14.5M under Homekey program

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On September 28, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the third round of awards for Homekey, California’s \$600-million program to purchase and rehabilitate housing – including hotels, motels, vacant apartment buildings and other properties – and convert them into permanent, long-term housing for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. HCD, which administers Homekey, awarded more than \$137 million for 19 projects in 15 California communities, totaling 938 units. Alameda County has been awarded nearly \$14.5 million to purchase an existing hotel and operate it as permanent supportive housing for extremely low-income individuals who have been homeless and who need support. Once purchased,

repairs to common areas and vacant rooms will be completed before the end of the year. Newsom also announced he has asked the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) to approve his request for an additional \$200 million in Coronavirus Relief Funding for Homekey. If approved, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) will provide funding for approximately 20 more Homekey projects now on a waitlist pending additional funds. “Not only is Homekey unprecedented in providing capital to house people experiencing homeless, but we are moving with unprecedented speed,” said Newsom. “Most of these projects will be ready to house people very soon after the acquisitions are complete, providing immediate help to our most vulnerable residents.”

Governor signs bills to expand access to quality behavioral health care

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Governor Gavin Newsom signed a package of bills on September 25 that will improve access to quality mental health and substance use disorder services for all Californians, as well as measures that help homeless Californians suffering from behavioral health challenges access the help they need. Governor Newsom devoted the entirety of his 2020 State of the State address to the interwoven challenges of homelessness, housing insecurity and behavioral health and proposed a number of specific reforms – some of which he is signing into law today.

“The bills I am signing today will help Californians access the behavioral health services they need to recover,” said Governor Newsom. “Earlier this year, I pledged to put these critical services within reach of more Californians, through reforming our Mental Health Services Act and laws that allow loved ones and service providers to ask courts to compel those who need treatment into community-based outpatient care. Today, we do just that.” In his 2020 State of the State address, Governor Newsom directly called for reforms to behavioral health laws that were ahead of their time when originally implemented decades ago, but now require improvements. Specifically, the Governor stated his support for removing conditions imposed on counties trying to implement Laura’s Law. AB 1976 by Assemblymember Susan Talamantes Eggman (D-Stockton), which Governor Newsom signed today, accomplishes this by

expanding county use of court-ordered outpatient treatment. “The Assisted Outpatient Treatment demonstration project started by Laura’s Law has shown for many years that we have the tools to provide effective, community-based mental health treatment to those with the greatest need. As a social worker I’ve long fought for the extension of these critical services, and expanding this program and finally making it permanent will ensure greater care for the people of California,” said Assemblymember Eggman. In his State of the State address, the Governor said Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds should be used for substance abuse treatment and not just mental health care. The Governor today signed AB 2265 by Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva (D-Fullerton), which clarifies that specified MHSA funds can be used for treatment of co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Counties will now be able to use MHSA funds to assess and treat individuals with a co-occurring disorder, increasing access to substance use disorder treatment, improving care coordination and leading to a more integrated behavioral health care system. “The effects and uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, economic loss, and devastating wildfires, have brought upon a crisis of stress, depression, and anxiety to Californians. Today Governor Newsom took an important step forward by signing AB 2265, which will provide much needed clarity to existing statute in order for counties to treat those who are experiencing mental health issues in addition to substance use or alcohol

disorders,” said Assemblymember Quirk-Silva. Bills in this package will also divert, when appropriate, individuals in crisis at emergency rooms to sobering centers and mental health facilities and encourage the creation of a state office to identify and address causes of suicide. SB 803 by Senator Jim Beall (D-San Jose) supports statewide standards for behavioral health Peer Support Specialists and adds these services as an option in Medi-Cal. Peer Support Specialists are people with lived experience with mental health and/or substance use disorders and are in a unique position to earn trust and build bridges for people on the path to recovery. Statewide standards will ensure consistency and quality of service while offering a level of validity and respect to the position, while satisfying a federal requirement to allow Medi-Cal billing. “Peer support services are evidence-based, and a cost-effective model of care proven to reduce cost and increase participation in treatment. Forty-eight other states have seen the benefit and value of peer support services; now it is time for California to catch up and establish a peer support specialist certification process,” said Senator Beall. In addition, the Governor signed SB 855 by Senator Scott Wiener (D-San Francisco), a long-sought reform that strengthens California’s mental health parity statute by requiring commercial health plans and insurers to provide full coverage for the treatment of all mental health conditions and substance use disorders and establishes specific standards for what constitutes medically necessary

treatment and criteria for the use of clinical guidelines. “Mental healthcare is essential to a person’s overall health, and today, we reaffirmed that people must have access to care for mental health and addiction challenges. California’s mental health parity law has huge loopholes — which the insurance industry has used to deny critically important care — and today that loophole was closed. SB 855 sends a powerful message to the nation that California prioritizes the mental health of its residents. I’m proud of my colleagues and the Governor for getting it and enacting this legislation into law,” said Senator Wiener. This legislation builds on Governor Newsom’s efforts to improve the state’s behavioral health delivery system and help better serve individuals experiencing mental illness. In January, the Governor formed a Behavioral Health Task Force to address the urgent mental health and substance use disorder needs across California. Additionally, the 2020-2021 state budget approved strategies to strengthen enforcement of behavioral health parity laws including focused investigations of commercial health plans regulated by the Department of Managed Health Care to further evaluate plan compliance with parity and assess whether enrollees have consistent access to medically necessary behavioral health care services. In his State of the State address earlier this year, Governor Newsom said Mental Health Services Act funds should be used for substance abuse treatment and not just mental health care.

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# Early morning fire claims two lives

SUBMITTED BY AISHA KNOWLES

A mother and her teenage son died Saturday, September 26 in an early morning house fire in a residential area on Serra Place in Fremont south of Mowry Avenue. The Alameda County Sheriff’s Office Coroner’s Bureau confirmed the identity of the two victims as Feda Almaliti, 43, and her son Muhammed Almaliti, 15.

Officials from the Fremont Fire Department (FFD) said the cause of the 1:44 a.m. blaze is under investigation, but it may have started near the downstairs kitchen area. Firefighters arrived within

minutes to find the two-story residence with heavy smoke billowing out of the front door and fire showing from the rear of the property.

Prior to the arrival of firefighters, two adult females and one teenage female exited the residence. Realizing a teenage male remained inside of the house, one of the adults, later determined to be Feda Almaliti, re-entered the residence in an attempt to rescue him as flames and heavy smoke rapidly advanced from the first floor to the second floor.

Crews began an aggressive interior attack with simultaneous search and rescue efforts due to confirmed reports

two people were still inside the residence. During the primary search of the home, firefighters located Feda and her son together on the second floor in a rear bedroom. Both sustained life-threatening injuries and were rescued by firefighters and taken to a nearby hospital. Despite persistent lifesaving efforts by Fremont Fire and Falck paramedics, both died.

“We are deeply saddened by this devastating incident and send our condolences to the family and friends of the Almaliti family. “This is a tragic and heartbreaking incident. Feda Almaliti courageously risked her life to save her son’s,” Fremont Fire Chief Curtis Jacobson

said. “Her actions were selfless and valiant.”

The one-alarm fire was fully contained to the building and extinguished within 25 minutes of firefighters arriving at the scene. One firefighter sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was taken to the hospital for medical evaluation and released shortly thereafter. The adult female and teenage female who exited the residence prior to the arrival of firefighters were also taken to a hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

FFD officials said these were the first fire related deaths in Fremont since 2010.

## BART Police Log

SUBMITTED BY  
LES MENSINGER AND  
BART PD

**Wednesday, September 30**

- At 3:22 p.m. a man identified by police as Rashad Abdullah, 40, of San Francisco was arrested at the Bay Fair station in San Leandro on suspicion of corporal injury and child neglect. He was booked at Santa Rita Jail.

**Thursday, October 1**

- At 5:57 a.m. a person identified by police as Qwency Garcia, 20, of Modesto was arrested at the Hayward station on a \$10,000 felony warrant and booked at Santa Rita Jail.

## Newark Police Log

SUBMITTED BY NEWARK PD

**Saturday, September 26**

- At 12:40 a.m. officer Swadener arrested a 40-year-old Fremont man at Cherry Street and Auburn Avenue on suspicion of possessing drug paraphernalia. He was cited and released.
- At 6:34 p.m. Officer Smith responded to a report of a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed in the area of Broadway Avenue. He located the vehicle and made a traffic stop. The juvenile driver did not have a license. Meanwhile, as a juvenile passenger exited the vehicle, Smith saw a gun sticking out of his pocket. The gun was safely taken from the juvenile who was issued a notice to appear in juvenile court where he will face various weapon-related charges. He was later released to his parents and the vehicle was towed.

**Sunday, September 27**

- At 2:42 a.m. Officers Slavazza and Quinonez arrested a 21-year-old Belmont man on Central Boulevard on suspicion of driving under the influence after spotting his vehicle being driven the wrong way. He was booked at Fremont Jail.

## Fremont Police Log

SUBMITTED BY GENEVA BOSQUES,  
FREMONT PD

**Tuesday, September 22**

- Early in the day detectives responded to a report about a man standing naked in front of Bay Area Community Services, 40963 Grimmer Blvd. Later in the day employees at the Safeway store, 3902 Washington Blvd., reported a man masturbating in the parking lot. The description matched the man in the earlier report. The man, identified by police as Lloyd Grant, 44, a Hayward transient, was arrested and faces three counts of indecent exposure, failure to register as a sexual registrant and a parole hold.

## Milpitas Police Log

SUBMITTED BY MILPITAS PD

**Sunday, September 27**

- At 10:37 a.m. an officer found a stolen BMW near the 700 block of Bellew Drive and stopped to investigate after calling other officers to the scene. Inside the vehicle they found methamphetamine, a digital scale and a replica firearm. A 35-year-old suspect inside the car was arrested and faces charges of possession of a stolen vehicle, possession of illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia.
- At 4:18 p.m. a sergeant spotted a stolen Toyota 4Runner pull into a parking lot on the 60 block of Ranch Drive. Officers made a stop and took a 29-year-old suspect from Los Gatos into custody. The suspect will face charges of possessing a stolen vehicle, illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia.
- At 6:13 p.m. an officer noticed two people looking into vehicles near the 1100 block of Great Mall Drive. The suspects, a 36-year-old Milpitas resident and a 40-year-old San Jose resident were found to be in possession of burglary tools. A record check showed the Milpitas resident had a felony warrant for theft-related charges; he was arrested and booked into jail on suspicion of possession of burglary tools. The San Jose resident was issued a criminal citation for possession of burglary tools.

**Friday, September 25**

- Early in the day officials at Walters Middle School, 39600 Logan Dr. reported one of their classroom doors had been shot at. An officer and crime scene investigator responded to investigate. The specific time of the shooting was not immediately determined; no one was injured. The caller told police the school was previously vandalized, but the crime was not reported.
- Officers responded to Peet’s Coffee, 39000 Paseo Padre Parkway on a report that a man entered the store and asked for a free coffee, which he was given. Then, the man stole a register and an iPad and fled the scene. Officers located the man, identified by police as Ravon Taylor, 25, a Fremont transient, nearby with the stolen items and arrested him on suspicion of petty theft.

# Residents eligible for federal aid due to SCU Fire damage

SUBMITTED BY JANICE ROMBECK

On September 29, Santa Clara County joined eight other counties in California included in a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration, opening the door to federal aid for cattle ranchers and residents who have lost an estimated \$26 million in the SCU Fire.

A Presidential Major Disaster Declaration helps people in the impacted counties through eligibility for support, including individual financial support and reimbursements, crisis counseling, housing and unemployment assistance and legal services. It also provides federal assistance to help state, tribal, and local governments fund emergency response, recovery, and protective measures. FEMA can also provide psychological counseling and resources to thousands of residents who were impacted by evacuation orders.

“I am relieved that Santa Clara County residents will have access to federal funding to help them recover from this disaster,” said Supervisor David Cortese. “Although the SCU Fire area was not as populated as other fire areas, the damage is devastating to cattle ranchers who have lost grazing land, their homes, and livelihoods.”

The first step in applying for FEMA aid is to register at [www.fema.gov/disaster/4558](http://www.fema.gov/disaster/4558). For more information, contact the Office of Supervisor Dave Cortese at 408-299-5030.

## Union City Police Log

SUBMITTED BY UNION CITY PD

**Sunday, September 20**

- At about 7:18 p.m. officers responded to a report about an assault in the area of Seventh Street and Decoto Road. Witnesses said they saw a female attempt to run a male over with a vehicle; he avoided being hit by taking cover behind a pole. The female then exited the vehicle and began to hit the man. Later, both were seen getting into the vehicle and leaving the scene. Officers spotted the vehicle nearby and attempted to make a traffic stop, but the driver evaded police and collided with a parked vehicle. The female driver, later identified by police as a juvenile, then fled the scene on foot and was later found attempting to return to her nearby home. She was arrested on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon and failure to yield to a police officer.

**Friday, September 25**

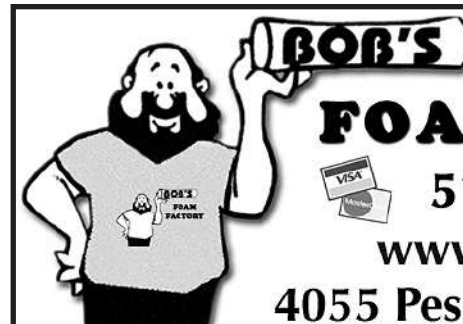
- At about 6:07 p.m. officers responded to a report about a female slumped at the wheel of a vehicle in the parking lot of a Union Landing business. Upon arrival, officers found a woman, identified by police as Stephanie Heckman, 25, conscious and breathing inside the vehicle. A record check showed Heckman was on probation for theft and drug-related offences and had an active misdemeanor arrest warrant. A search showed she was in possession of suspected heroin. She was cited for possession of a controlled substance and the warrant.

**Saturday, September 26**

- At about 1:22 a.m. officers responded to a call about a stabbing in the 30000 block of Industrial Parkway. The caller said a group of people were drinking and loitering in a parking lot. A suspect, described by the caller as a Hispanic male in his 30s, began attacking another male and biting him in the face. A witness who tried to intervene was stabbed in the face by the suspect who then fled the scene in a vehicle. The victim was taken to a hospital with a non-life-threatening wound. Officers did not locate the suspect.

**Sunday, September 27**

- Officer DeJong made an investigative traffic stop in the 33900 block of Railroad Ave. and found the vehicle was reported stolen. When other officers arrived the driver, identified by police as Stacey Holloway, 49, was detained. A record check showed she was on active probation and narcotics were found. Holloway was arrested on suspicion of vehicle theft and possession of a controlled substance.



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Alameda County  
Supervisor District 1  
Includes Pleasanton,  
Livermore, Sunol

David Haubert



For the past 18 years, I have proudly served my community as a school volunteer, School Board Trustee, Councilmember, and Mayor. I've earned the trust and endorsement of Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Supervisor Nate Miley, dozens of local Mayors, Councilmembers and School Board Trustees, Alameda County Sheriff Greg Ahern, the Deputy Sheriff's Association of Alameda County, Livermore Police Officers Association, former Alameda County Fire Chief David Rocha, Alameda County Firefighters, and the Livermore Firefighters. I'm proud to be supported by working men and

women in the Teamsters, Laborers, IBEW, and Building Trades associations. I have also earned the endorsement of the Fremont Chamber of Commerce Business for Good Government, many business leaders, and small business owners. They trust me because I'm the only candidate with mayoral experience and a proven 18-year track record of success. They support my independent leadership, not tied to any political party, and my hallmark accessibility to the community. I have an MBA degree that I use to practice good fiscal policy and balance the budget every year. The Supervisor

position is critical. We need someone who has the experience to find the best solutions for our district, and will fight hard to get our fair share of the resources we need to implement those solutions. Today, we're facing the largest public health crisis of our lifetime, the COVID-19 pandemic, in addition to economic turmoil, rising unemployment, and increased homelessness. I will (1) work with medical professionals to reopen our economy without jeopardizing public health; (2) use my 18-Point Social Justice Action Plan to combat systemic racism and move us towards

racial equity; and (3) address homelessness by ensuring affordable housing and improving mental health and substance abuse treatment. I love Alameda County, where my wife of 29 years and I raised our three daughters, and I've always fought hard to represent the best interests of my community. I would be honored to earn your vote. For practical solutions, please visit [davidhaubert.com](http://davidhaubert.com).

To Tri-City Voice Readers:

As a service to our readers, Tri-City Voice has offered to publish brief statements submitted by candidates for elected positions of regional, local county, city, special district and school governing boards.

This effort will conclude in the October 13, 2020 edition of Tri-City Voice with information about measures and propositions that affect our readers.

We attempted to send an invitation to participate, at no cost, to all candidates. Those who responded are listed by office and in alphabetical order without prejudice.

15th Congressional District includes Hayward and Fremont

**Eric Swalwell**  
No Statement submitted.



**Alison Hayden**

I entered the race because I recognize signs of the decay of our country’s high standards and lowered international reputation. I will advance the Pleasanton and the Tri-Valley area as a progressively developed region of the nearby Silicon Valley’s technology frontier of the USA.

Traffic congestion is the ongoing angst of residents who daily conquer commutes. We should rethink these and benefits of our \$400M in tax dollars funding the surface Valleylink extension to Tracy and San Joaquin county, and instead look to a more innovative approach to development.

Intelligent development and growth would erase the sprawl of the Dublin-like cities. It’s likely that we will see Stoneridge Mall close and need to think progressively about its redevelopment—land use? What kind of housing? schools? Who will pay for them? A range of senior care services and residences and day-care centers built nearby could enable natural alliances with mutual support and benefits.

Cutting taxes, regulations and costs: President Trump just made great stride in cutting out the middle-man to cut drug costs that will benefit everyone. I will support such cost-cutting measures.

Jobs and training: While not a direct Pleasanton/Tri-Valley concern, I would look into bringing Opportunity zones benefits to Hayward, that will ultimately benefit and spill over to the area and other surrounding cities and communities

I have lived in Hayward for nearly a decade and the Bay Area for the twenty years. I have several clients and friends who live in the Pleasanton/Tri-Valley regularly patronize the restaurants and stores of areas. The wealth of our whole 15th district is its vibrant cacophony of numerous ethnicities, religions, races that provide the variety of delightful foods, products and services that we enjoy.

My first and only elected office was to the Central Committee of the Alameda County Republican Committee. I qualify to serve as a concerned citizen who is committed to our communities’ safety, prosperity and well-being. My professional experience in the areas of business, finance, and education together with life experience abroad in Asia and EurAoPe give me distinctive skills, abilities and insight to translate our needs and desires to the legislative process.

17th Congressional District Includes Fremont, Newark and Milpitas

**Ro Khanna**  
No Statement submitted.



**Ritesh Tandon**

I came to California to study engineering/business, and like many of us, to live the American Dream with my family. Currently, this dream is under serious threat from extremist ideologies. Our community wants to move to the center, where trustworthy representatives can focus on important issues.

CA-17 is a diverse community with healthy race relations and does not believe in race-based discriminatory Prop-16 policy for admissions to colleges, jobs, and contracts. I oppose Prop-16 and am the only candidate who will not change positions for political expediency. I don’t believe in defunding police. Instead, I believe in better police training and closer interaction with the community for safer neighborhoods.

I want to expand on my 20-year record of community service by helping CA-17 residents to afford housing, reducing commute time, getting quality healthcare, and paying fewer taxes.

- I promise to:
- Restore House Tax (SALT) deductions.
  - Reduce taxes for start-up employees; encourage innovation & reward risk-taking.
  - Support small businesses - the backbone of our economy.
  - Promote school choices and narrow opportunity gaps: Access to technology, tools, personalized counseling, healthy meals, and early apprenticeships with industry to reduce student loans.
  - Reform healthcare: Focus on reducing costs, while improving access & quality.
  - Procure funding for better transit, environmentally smart housing, and work places.
  - Reform Immigration: Support legal immigration, reduce wait times for skilled workers, and promote compassionate policies.
  - Improve Security: Devise comprehensive cooperation between federal and local authorities.
  - Practice progress-oriented politics with common sense solutions on issues important to us.
- Please visit [www.tandonforcongress.com](http://www.tandonforcongress.com)

16th Assembly District covers Dublin, Livermore, and Pleasanton



**Rebecca Bauer-Kahan**

As the representative in the California State Assembly for the 16th District, I have been focused on getting our community and state through the health and economic impacts of

COVID-19, ensuring we have the resources we need to keep us healthy and safe – including personal protective equipment (PPE) for medical professionals, help for individuals in need, and support for small businesses. This is not a time for partisan politics, it is time to work together regardless of party.

That’s how I’ve approached my time in the Assembly, putting party aside to get things done. I have authored 15 bills, all of which received bipartisan support, including bills to fund our public schools, protect the environment, improve regional transportation options, safeguard the right to choose, protect consumers, keep our community safe, keep our kids safe from gun violence, and streamline government spending. I have also helped get our community our fair share of funding, securing millions in funding for local governments and agencies to provide essential services.

As we move forward, we must improve health care, safely get back to school and work, and rebuild our economy so it works for everyone, including those who have lost their jobs, essential workers, seniors, and small business owners. We are making tough decisions to continue balancing our budget, while protecting education and essential services.

Our community is always my priority in the Assembly. I am not afraid to stand up to the special interests such as PG&E, tobacco, and oil companies to do what is right. To learn more, sign up to volunteer or contribute to our effort, please visit [www.RebeccaforAssembly.com](http://www.RebeccaforAssembly.com). I would be honored to have your vote.



**Joseph Rubay**

My name is Joe Rubay and I am running to represent the Tri-Valley in the State Assembly. The 16th Assembly district reaches from Orinda to Livermore and includes the following cities: Orinda, Moraga, Lafayette, Walnut Creek (82% of Walnut Creek), Alamo, Danville, Diablo, Blackhawk, San Ramon, Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore. I have lived in Alamo since 1973 and went to Monte Vista High School in Danville. Currently I, serve on the Alamo Police Advisory Board.

- My top priorities and how they benefit the Tri-Valley are:
1. To represent the Tri-Valley with a common sense, independent voice that will work to repeal our Sanctuary State Law. It is a tragedy that the legislature passed this law after the tragic death of Kate Steinle.
  2. Get our children back to school and our small business up and running. Recent numbers from our county health officials have proven we can do this safely.
  3. Reduce regulation and government over control. Our school system needs the challenge that charter schools bring out. Our healthcare system needs a bit of market-based sanity. Our housing situation can be improved not by adding more restrictions (i.e. Rent Restrictions) but by less

restrictions and aiding smart local planning

Please visit me on my website at [www.JoeRubay.com](http://www.JoeRubay.com) and join the fight to take back our state. I will be honored by your vote.

18th Assembly District Incudes San Leandro

**Rob Bonta**  
No Statement submitted.

**Stephen Slauson**  
No Statement submitted.

20th Assembly District Includes Ashland, Castro Valley, Cherryland, Fremont, Hayward, San Lorenzo, Sunol and Union City



**Bill Quirk**

My #1 goal is COVID-19 recovery. I fight every day for that hit hardest by the pandemic: essential workers, risking their lives; working families, suddenly without income; and others who are struggling. Since the pandemic began, we’ve responded to residents unjustly denied unemployment insurance, helping many individuals and families secure the benefits they need and deserve.

As a Ph.D. and the only scientist in the State Assembly, science drives my work, not the Trump agenda of hatred and dishonesty. I’m a leader in fighting global warming. I have successfully fought for increased funding for public schools, colleges, and universities to better prepare Californians competing for 21st Century jobs. I’ve helped secure \$1 billion to help cities reduce homelessness across the state. I wrote police reform legislation to expedite release of police body camera footage. My goal is helping people, not special interests.

Please join working families, health-care workers, teachers, firefighters, environmentalists, community activists, labor and business leaders in supporting me - Bill Quirk - for Assembly. If you re-elect me, I will continue to lead with the values we share. I’ll fight to prohibit police from using chokeholds, continue championing increases to our grossly underfunded UC, Cal State, and community college higher education systems, help solve our homelessness and affordable housing challenges, and provide leadership to move California to a greener future.

My #1 goal will continue to be helping families recover from the COVID-19 crisis.

Learn more at [www.reelectbillquirk.com](http://www.reelectbillquirk.com). Thank You.

**Alexis Villalobos**  
No Statement Submitted.

25th Assembly District Includes Fremont, Newark and Milpitas

**Alex Lee**

My name is Alex Lee, and I am working hard to be your next assemblymember. My roots are here in the Bay Area; I grew up in San José and Milpitas in an

immigrant family. I love my home, but the rising cost of living has priced families out of the Bay Area. I am running to keep our community affordable and sustainable.

Bay Area’s wealth inequality has worsened due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While this is a once-in-a-century challenge, it also offers an opportunity to protect and rebuild what was working, and to reinvent and improve the things that weren’t. In the Assembly, I will fight for rent and mortgage relief, safe school reopening plans, and healthy working conditions for all.

As we rebuild our economy, my focus is on you: everyday working families—not those with wealth and power. That is why I don’t accept money from corporate special interest groups that have historically bought politicians and prevented real progress.

I am more than just a bold vision—I have served in the State Assembly and Senate as a legislative policy advisor where I developed the knowledge to excel from day one. This November, we need to vote for a leader who will bring modern solutions to the problems of today. We need progressive values in Sacramento to ensure Trump’s damaging agenda stays out of California. We need effective leadership to secure an affordable and safe Bay Area for all.

Learn more at [www.VoteAlexLee.com](http://www.VoteAlexLee.com) or call/text my cell (408) 459-8873.

**Bob Brunton**

The pandemic and the recent fires have demonstrated how poorly prepared our state government is. I am asking for your vote to do two things. Repair our Broken State Government and Prepare our State Government for a better future.

I promise to work in a non-partisan way and to treat you with candor and respect. I will use my experience to find ways to make California the Best Again. We can improve education, mass transit, civil justice and our state economy without raising taxes.

This election has become more important since the primary because California economy and budget have changed dramatically. At the beginning of the year California had a surplus, now it has a deficit. Tough thoughtful decisions must be made.

I am the best qualified person to represent you for the following reasons:

- Experience, public sector: I have been elected three times and served 12 years as a Trustee for Ohlone Community College. Ohlone improved dramatically during my tenure. I have learned from both my successes and mistakes to better prepare me for the state assembly.
- Experience, private sector: I have started, owned and operated several businesses in the district ranging from electronics manufacturing, and financial planning. I know and respect the high standards and special challenges of operating a business in California and the difficulty of finding good employees and meeting payroll.
- Connection to the community: I have lived in the district for more than 40 years. I raised my family here and my children attended local public schools. I have been involved with numerous civic and charitable activities and organizations in every city in the district.
- Preparation and character: I have taken the time to learn

about each of the cities and counties of this district. I have demonstrated that I will act with creativity, courage, compassion and communication. I will always act with the knowledge that it is your money that is being used and your dreams for the future that are to be fulfilled.

I welcome your input and you can text me anytime at (408) 946-7300 or visit [www.votebobbbruntonforassembly.com](http://www.votebobbbruntonforassembly.com)

#### **State Senate 15 Includes San Jose**

##### **Dave Cortese**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Ann Ravel**

No Statement Submitted.

#### **Alameda County Supervisor District 1 Includes Pleasanton, Livermore, Sunol**

##### **Vinnie Bacon**



You deserve a leader with integrity and independence who does not take money from special interests, and who will put voters ahead of big corporations. For my entire political career, I have never taken donations from real estate developers, and I have consistently opposed irresponsible development.

In 2008, I saw how developer contributions were leading to overdevelopment. I ran for City Council pledging to never take money from developers. I have supported other candidates that have taken the same pledge and as of 2018, we now have a majority of our City Council members that have never taken developer money. Now in 2020, it is standard practice for Fremont candidates to not accept any developer money. I am proud to have started the trend by being the original Clean Money Candidate.

I began my political career fighting to protect our communities and open space from irresponsible profit-driven development. I will continue to fight against development that contributes to school overcrowding, gridlock traffic, and environmental degradation.

As a Fremont City Councilmember, I have fought for affordable housing, voted to create a homeless navigation center, won an acceleration of the \$15 minimum wage, and stated unequivocally that Black Lives Matter. I'm the only candidate who has consistently stood up for a woman's right to choose, advocated for LGBTQI equality, and supported immigrant's rights. I will fight to provide the health-care and social services we need to get through the COVID crisis.

I have master's in city planning and transportation engineering from UC Berkeley. I will implement intelligent regional planning and transit options and creative policies to reduce traffic and better our quality of life.

My endorsements include Alameda County Democratic Party, Sierra Club, Alameda County Central Labor Council, East Bay Times / San Jose Mercury News, Fremont Mayor Lily Mei, Congressperson Ro Khanna, County Supervisor Richard Valle, and Assemblymember Kansen Chu. I would be honored to earn your vote. For more information, visit <https://www.bacon4supervisor.com>.

#### **Alameda County Board of Education 2nd Trustee Area Includes Oakland and San Leandro**

##### **Amber Childress**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Angela Normand**

No Statement Submitted.

#### **Alameda County Board of Education 6th Trustee Area Includes Newark and Fremont**

##### **Lisa Brunner**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Janevette Cole**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Luis Reynoso**

No Statement Submitted.

#### **Judge seat 2, Alameda County Superior Court**

##### **Mark Fickes**



I became an attorney out of a passion for fairness and equality, and that is why I hope to serve as a judge. In my 25-year legal career, I have appeared in court on virtually every type of case a judge is called upon to decide. I am the only candidate in this race who has significant criminal law and civil law jury trial experience.

My life experience taught me to always stand up for the underdog and ensure that justice isn't reserved for the rich and powerful. As a gay man, court cases in my lifetime have affirmed my right to marry my partner and raise our children with full legal protections. I have seen and lived justice denied, but also seen how the law can create positive social change. I started my career prosecuting cases including domestic violence and sexual assault. I have defended low-income individuals and helped people recovering from addiction rebuild their lives. I have gotten justice for victims of corporate fraud.

Currently I represent many people in civil rights and workers' rights cases. For example, I represented a woman who was fired for reporting workplace misconduct by powerful and politically connected men. I represented an immigrant who subjected to racist mistreatment from government officials.

I also fight for the civil rights property owners subject to unfair government treatment. Judges and lawyers who know me appreciate my deep knowledge of the law, my integrity, and my desire to fight for justice for everyone I represent.

I am endorsed by the Democratic Party; Alameda Labor Council; SEIU Local 1021; Sheet Metal Workers Local 104; assemblymembers Buffy Wicks, Rob Bonta, and Bill Quirk; Dublin Mayor David Haubert; Dublin City Council members Arun Goel and Shawn Kumagai; Pleasanton School District trustees Valerie Arkin, Mark Miller, and Jamie Yee; and dozens of judges and legal professionals.

You have my solemn promise that I will respect the rights and dignity of everyone who enters my courtroom. [www.FickesforJudge.com](http://www.FickesforJudge.com)

##### **Elena Condes**

I am Elena Condes, candidate for Alameda County Judge. I am running because I believe in both justice and compassion. My 26 years of courtroom experience in



the county, my reputation, and my community support resulted in my garnering the largest percentage of votes in the March Primary.

Diversity matters in culture and perspective. In Alameda County, 80 percent of judges have a background in either prosecution or civil law. I am not more of the same. I am a defense attorney, who has spent an entire career in the courtrooms of Alameda county as a trial attorney.

I understand the importance of having judges who make their decisions based on their depth of knowledge of the law while maintaining an awareness of the lived experiences of those who appear before them. As the first Latinx to run for judge in Alameda County, I will be the first Latina lesbian to serve if elected.

The opportunity for meaningful change exists. The perspective of a defense attorney on the bench is more important than ever. Our community cries out for reform and something different. That is what I bring to this race.

My endorsements span a wide range of community leaders who know my work, integrity, temperament, and experience. They include Alameda County Public Defender Brendon Woods, retiring incumbent Carol S. Brosnahan, and Congressperson Eric Swalwell along with 32 other Alameda County judges.

I would be honored to have your vote. For more information, visit [www.Elena-CondesForJudge.com](http://www.Elena-CondesForJudge.com).

#### **AC Transit District Director at Large**

##### **Victoria Fierce**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Dollene C. Jones**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Chris Peeples**



I am your AC Transit at-large director and am running for re-election. I have helped see AC Transit through three recessions, including the "Great Recession" of 2008 – useful experience for these times. I am the lead director on AC's Environmental Justice in Transportation work and AC's Zero Emission Bus Program. I have chaired every board committee. I think I do a fairly good job and the other directors agree – they have elected me president of the board five times. Since I retired from the practice of law, I have been doing my AC Transit Director job full time.

I have lobbied extensively for AC Transit in Washington and Sacramento and testified often before California Air Resources Board (CARB) and California Energy Commission (CEC). When the director for the Tri-City area (Ward 5) has been incapacitated, I have served as the Ward 5 Director. You now have a great director, Diane Shaw, and I follow her lead in Ward 5, but I am still always down for AC's meetings in Fremont and Newark, Art and Wine and the

Festival of Globe (in non-pandemic times). I am always happy to talk with my constituents in the Tri-City area.

I have endorsement of Alameda and Contra Costa Labor Councils, Sierra Club, League of Conservation Voters, Bob Wieckowski, your state senator, Lily Mei, Al Nagy, and Carol Dutra-Vernaci, Tri-Cities Democratic Forum, hundreds of other organizations, elected officials, and community leaders from throughout the AC Transit District. If you have any questions, I can be reached at [chris\\_peeples@yahoo.com](mailto:chris_peeples@yahoo.com) or (510) 854-8856. I would appreciate your vote.

#### **BART District 5 Director Includes Hayward, Pleasanton, and Livermore**

##### **Steven Dunbar**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **John McPartland**

No Statement Submitted.

##### **Mike Wallace**



I am Mike Wallace and I hope to become the District #5 Director of BART this November because I firmly believe all constituents deserve a voice in how BART is run and in fulfilling the mission of this transit agency.

BART has lost its luster, its purpose and its way. I will help make BART Safe, Clean Financially stable.

My experience of over ten-years working in the finance arena within government, preceded by twenty-years of private sector management has prepared me to handle the tough decisions needed to make BART a transit agency serving the public once again.

I also believe that many elected officials become stale in their energies and can become mis-directed in their focus as they strive to maintain their continued elected status. Also, many new candidates, individuals with too narrow life experience, serve the district with neither the depth, nor sincerity relative to the weight of this elected office.

Allow me to help make BART a great transit choice for you. Vote for Mike Wallace.

#### **Alameda County Water District**

##### **Aziz Akbari**



It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your representative on the Alameda County Water District's Board of Directors for the past four years. Over this period, I have championed the voices of residents on key decisions for our District. I have a cohesive vision, a practical plan, and an unmatched passion for providing safe, clean, and affordable water. I continue to advocate for a tiered rate structure, which, when combined with our existing

low-income rate assistance program, will offer relief to many of our District's customers. I have supported the District's investments to modernize our IT systems, which will offer new methods of engagement between customers and the District, and to complete seismic upgrades to our infrastructure as part of our Main Renewal Program. I also believe that ACWD must continue its environmental stewardship programs. These efforts will protect our water resources for generations to come.

My background in Industrial Engineering and Resource Planning informs my fight for these positions. As a strong consumer advocate on the Board of Directors, I do not accept campaign contributions from special interest groups, lobbyists, or political action committees. With your support, I pledge my continued leadership to move ACWD forward. This November, I hope you will consider casting your ballot for Directors Aziz Akbari and James Gunther so we can continue to work on your behalf.

##### **Ramesh Gopalan**



I am a 34-year resident of Alameda County and Fremont homeowner with two children in local public schools. After graduating with BA, MA, and PhD in physics from the University of California at Berkeley, my career experience as a senior technology manager for over 22 years, has taught me the importance of listening to customers to provide them with products of consistent quality at low cost.

As a lifelong Democrat, I strongly believe in social inclusivity and civic, fiscal responsibility - which is why I object to the 33 percent increase in water rates over the past four years, particularly when consumption has fallen by up to 27 percent of pre-drought levels. Meanwhile, two of the three incumbents on the ballot who allowed this huge increase have both been on the Alameda County Water District Board for 25 years each. It is time for new leadership!

As a native of California and someone who grew up near desert in India, I am keenly aware of the importance of water as our most important natural resource on this only planet we all have. I support drought-tolerant landscaping, restoration of native fish – steelhead trout and salmon – back to Alameda Creek and development of hiking – biking trails and public parks in Niles Canyon.

As a member of the Water Education Foundation, I am keen on outreach to our diverse community's vibrant younger generation as the future stewards of our beloved Golden state now facing unprecedented challenges in the pandemic, drought, and wildfires.

My priorities:

- Speed up seismic and other overdue critical upgrades to water supply infrastructure
- Stop water rate increases to below inflation.
- Reduce costs and create local jobs by employing graduates of local schools and training programs
- Plan for climate change – drought, wildfires, sea-level rise
- Revisit efforts to improve taste and quality of water

I will bring a unique perspective to how our community can better interact with

changing nature around us while combining engineering knowledge and business experience to provide real sustainable solutions.

I would appreciate your vote to the Alameda County Water District Board.

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Jim Gunther



I have the honor of serving as one of five directors of the Alameda County Water District (ACWD), and I commit to you that I will continue my promise to provide a safe, reliable, high-quality water supply at a fair price. As your director, I stand ready to continue working to secure the water needs of our future.

My background as a graduate from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy with a degree in Ocean Engineering, 12 years as a coast guard engineering officer, and my present job as a supervisor/trainer with Transit America Services Inc. provide me the skills, knowledge, experience, and foresight necessary for this position. We face many challenges ahead. Securing water from the ecologically sensitive Delta, protecting fish habitat, replacing aging infrastructure, completing seismic improvements are all front and center now.

Climate change and economic uncertainty make solving these challenges more critical than ever. Amidst this, one current director continues to push to double your fixed charge, which would disproportionately impact the most vulnerable members of our society. He calls our Fish Passage program superfluous and wants to abandon Alameda Creek as a source of water, even though it represents 40 percent of our supplies. Moreover, he proposes to spend \$68 million of your dollars to buy land, construct dams and flood parts of Del Valle Regional Park and one of the largest pieces of remaining open space in the greater Bay Area. These destructive ideas need to be stopped.

This November, please vote to send directors Gunther and Akbari back to the ACWD Board to continue to work for you and the environment. We both know what it is like to not have a safe reliable water supply; our commitment is to ensure you never have to experience what that is like.

Marty Koller



I'm a former director seeking re-election to the Alameda County Water District (ACWD) Board. The chief reason I'm running is to put a halt to the alarming rate increases we've seen during the past four years -- collectively amounting to 33 percent. During my previous tenure on the board, rates were kept reasonable -- near the bottom of water charges in the Bay Area -- and rate increases were kept nominal. Here is the truth folks: ACWD management convinced the public these rate increases were necessary to

complete major engineering projects in our service area. However, the fact is only a fraction of this work has been completed.

The result is tens of millions of dollars of unspent ratepayer monies going into reserve accounts that are then invested into the stock market. We need to stop this! ACWD needs to get its work commitments done on time and within budget. I'm committed to revamping ACWD's engineering department, and I support outside contract engineering design efforts to help speed up projects, like seismic main renewals needed on our 900-mile aging pipeline system.

Lastly, I'd like to use this opportunity to talk about future water supply reliability. Forty percent of our drinking water comes from the Alameda Creek Watershed, primarily the area behind Calaveras Reservoir and Lake Del Valle. Much of this property sits on the N3 Ranch (80 sq.mi.) which is currently up for sale.

I advocate ACWD purchase this property as the singular owner. N3 Ranch can be purchased with 30-year bonds at historically low interest rates, and where ACWD has the capability to pay the annual debt service with non-water revenues (mostly property tax revenues received from the county). This is a win-win for everyone: No water bills are affected; shared equity over generations to make this investment; open space for public enjoyment; and watershed protection for hundreds of years to come. The last thing we need is for this land to be developed into another Beverly Hills of Silicon Valley.

I respectfully ask for your vote this fall.

John Weed



Alameda County Water District (ACWD) serves a population of over 350,000 with high quality water at a reasonable price Fremont, Newark, and Union City. The 2020-2021 budget for ACWD is over \$175 million. ACWD enjoys a AAA rating from Standard and Poors' Credit Service. It is important that land use planning and development decisions be made by the cities, with ACWD providing the needed water.

Water is not and need not be a development constraint. I strongly support ACWD's commitment to protecting the environment and assisting economically disadvantaged customers. It is critical that ACWD protect our water supplies, to include the purchase, as sole owners, of the N3 Ranch, and reoperation of the Del Valle Reservoir. I believe that ACWD water rates should be modified to match variable cost with variable income, and fixed cost with fixed income. I do not support a proposed \$550-million project to place treated Union Sanitary District water into the Niles Cone Groundwater Reservoir, source of 40 percent of our water supply.

My first professional employment was engineer technician with Santa Clara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. As a civil engineer officer, United States Air Force Reserve, I authored numerous water and environmental compliance studies, at locations worldwide.

Since 1995, It has been my

honor to serve as a director of ACWD. Currently, I am chairperson of ACWD Board Finance Committee; director, Joint Power Insurance Authority of Association of California Water Agencies; director, Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (Hetch Hetchy suburban customers), Federal Affairs Committee, Association of California Water Agencies.

Chabot - Las Positas Community College District Trustee, Area 1

Dr. Luis Reynoso

My education and qualifications for election to Chabot - Las Positas Community College District Trustee, Area 1, are my career as a University Business Professor for Master level courses, and my current service as an elected member of the Hayward Unified School District Board of Trustees advocating for strong fiscal transparency, excellence in education, and safety in schools.

My earlier background as a real-estate lease analyst for major multi-national corporations gives me the ability to evaluate the bottom line which is rare in education budgeting, and in most government work. I have presented useful approaches on cost cutting to put more taxpayer dollars into classroom teaching and less into sweetheart contracts. Prior to serving in elective office, I was also a classroom teacher, holding a BS in Computer Science, a Multi-Subject Teaching Credential, MS in Educational Leadership, and a Doctorate in Education.

I pledge to provide strong fiscal oversight. Due to the fiscal crisis that is now facing the State we will have to work even harder to control our expenses. Also, I will optimize student access and success in higher education. I will focus on providing educational opportunities and supports that meet the needs of the community, especially those individuals who are underserved. I will establish a tradition of leading the region in the number of students transferring to the UC and Cal State university systems. Also, I will increase workforce development by promoting nanodegrees as a course of study which is much shorter than a university or college degree and focuses on the skills you need for a job, especially technology-related skills as an alternative to more conventional degree paths.

Born in Mexico, I became a U.S. citizen at the age of twelve, when I entered public school in California. Bilingual in Spanish and English, I want to give every student in the Chabot-Las Positas College District the keys to a path of life success through higher education. I pledge to help community college education rebuild prosperity, to reduce government waste, and to listen to you. Please give me your vote for the Chabot-Las Positas College District Trustee, Area 1. Thank you.

Robert Carlson

No Statement Submitted.

Ohlone Community College District Trustees Area 2

Greg Bonaccorsi



I am Greg Bonaccorsi, and I serve as a trustee on the Ohlone Community College District

Board of Trustees. I am respectfully asking for your support and your vote for re-election. Scarce resources from the state and a faltering economy threaten to weaken Ohlone College. As a trustee, I have been vigilant ensuring our community college sustains a comprehensive program during these uncertain times.

Our economy cannot improve without a strong public education system that includes a strong community college. As a lifelong Fremont teacher and a product of our public schools, I will continue to be a strong voice on the Ohlone Board.

Ohlone College is our community college. It is the responsibility of the board of trustees to see to it that students graduating from our high schools in the area look to Ohlone College as an institute of higher education that meets their academic needs while doing everything possible to maintain affordability.

We must not forget that our community college is a gateway for providing students with career and vocational training. In a period of economic uncertainty, the community college must be the choice for those who desire to be retrained. It is also important that local business entities play a role in making career and vocational training an attractive path to those seeking these objectives.

Lastly, good governance relies on the collective goodwill of all stakeholders to work together to come up with solutions to the difficult problems that will confront the board over the next four years. I understand that my role as a trustee is to establish policy and not do the work of the college. Therefore, I have received the support of Alameda County Democratic Party Central Committee, Business for Good Government, PAC of the Fremont Chamber of Commerce, to name a few. I look forward to being part of the future for Ohlone Community College District.

Lance Kwan



Ohlone Community College Board of Trustees needs to continue to have community advocates lookout for the best interest of our student's. As a second-generation immigrant and a lifelong Fremont resident, I feel I bring a generational diversity to our current board towards the three seats this election cycle.

I have grown up through Fremont's education system from Warwick Elementary to American High School. Between a high quality FUSD education and Saturday classes at Ohlone Community College (Ohlone), I was able to graduate from UC Davis in three years and then returned home.

Upon coming back home, though I found Fremont as one of the greatest cities to live in, I recognized that the equitability of all of Fremont's diverse residents could still use improvement. Hence, I involved myself into our community by taking a job with Spectrum Community Services, a nonprofit focused on assisting low-income communities of Alameda County. I also have the honor of serving as a Fremont human relations commissioner for six years as the now sole LGBTQ member on that commission. Since 2012, I have also been involved in Fremont elections helping elect community advocates best represent us.

I want to make sure to advocate for the educational opportunities for our current Fremont, Newark, and Union City students by utilizing Ohlone's robust programs. I want to promote Ohlone's trade school programs for non-traditional students as well as Ohlone's partnership programs with local high schools to challenge our student's through college level curriculum. I want to advocate for change in the state funding formula so Ohlone can provide more mental health services.

I want to continue my service for our community, ensuring that Ohlone Community College continues its legacy of fostering future students into the leaders of tomorrow. So, please vote Lance Kwan for Ohlone Community College Board of Trustees, Area 2.

Richard E. Norris



I earned a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Civil Engineering, and then Doctor of Engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. I went on to do research at the Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory and then to teach at North Carolina A&T State.

For the last 15 years, my civil engineering firm has been headquartered in the Mission District of Fremont. I tutored students for Ivy Boost and is proud to have the endorsement of its founder Tony Tong. I also work as an expert witness, helping attorneys and insurance companies settle claims.

- "As an experienced professor and licensed civil engineer Richard will be a good addition to the Ohlone Board." - Fremont Mayor Lily Mei
- "University Professor, Doctorate in Civil Engineering, Businessowner and Mentor to disadvantaged students, Ohlone needs Norris."- John Weed, a former member and chairperson of the Ohlone Board of Trustees.

The Ohlone slogan "A World of Cultures United in Learning" rings true for me. I have lived overseas during my childhood and have worked with people from many cultures. I appreciate the diversity of our great city and region.

Please elect me: Candidate for Candidate for Ohlone College Board of Trustees.  
www.richardenorris53.wixsite.com/norrisforohlone

Amit Patel

No Statement Submitted.

Rakesh Sharma



I have been Fremont resident for over 30 years. For past 15 years, I have been actively supporting Ohlone College. Presently, I am chairperson of the Ohlone College Foundation and Chair of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (Measure G, \$349 Million). I founded Indo-Americans for Better Community. I have been planning commissioner for City of Fremont; president of Niles Rotary; Board Member,

Life ElderCare, Salvation Army, and Indo-American Chamber of Commerce; and trustee, American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin. I am a product of public education. My education includes Pre-Med, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil., and Ph.D. in clinical biochemistry.

I worked at Stanford University as Cancer Researcher for 18 years. I retired as a professor and department chair of Biochemistry from Saba University School of Medicine in Caribbean. I have worked in academic environment all my professional life. I am passionate about education, helping students to succeed and create a better community. I understand primary responsibilities of the Ohlone College Board.

As an Ohlone Community College Trustee, I will: 1) work to increase participation of minorities and underrepresented; 2) use all resources available to effectively and efficiently maximize student learning; 3) promote environment sustainability; 4) create funding resources for College that are not dependent on State budget.

I am qualified and committed to serving students as a trustee of your Ohlone community college. I request your support and vote. Thank you.  
Votesharmaforohlone@gmail.com  
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**Alameda Unified School District Governing Board Members**

**Beth Aney**

No Statement Submitted.

**John Casselberry**

No Statement Submitted.

**Verna Castro**

No Statement Submitted.

**Heather Little**



As an early childhood advocate with the First 5 Association of California and a former special education teacher, I understand how important it is that children of all backgrounds and abilities are supported to thrive--especially during challenging times.

I bring collaborative problem-solving skills to the table through serving on Alameda's Open Government Commission and Girls Inc of the Island City board, and a deep understanding of children's social-emotional needs through 16 years at Seneca Family of Agencies. As the parent of two teenagers in Alameda schools, I am devoted to public education, and passionate about continuing to build a district of equity, inclusion, excellence, and innovation. I want all my decisions to be thoughtful, well-researched, data-driven, and culturally responsive with the goal of better educational outcomes for all students.

I know families can be frustrated by systems that are meant to support them, and I have learned to ask of every proposal: which children will benefit, which will be left out, and which will be harmed if this proposal passes? I am prepared for the challenging discussion and decisions ahead and will listen to stakeholders every step of the way.

I am honored to be endorsed by the Alameda Education Association, Alameda's CSEA Local 27, The Alameda County Democrats, Alameda Progressives, Alameda Labor Council, and Alameda's Building

and Construction Trades.  
www.little4ausd.com

**Megan Sweet**



My experience as a parent, educator, and school district leader is needed as Alameda navigates the changes ahead. In my roles as a classroom teacher and administrator, I have supported student achievement for a wide range of learners, including English learners and those who receive Special Education services.

I have a doctorate in educational leadership, with a focus on education finance, and used that expertise to help the state transition to our new funding formula. I have also guided districtwide strategies for school redesign, budget allocation, facilities upgrades, and development of facilities master plans.

As a parent of a middle school student, I have watched my child navigate our system, and was active on the School Site Council and PTA at my son's school. Finally, I am an ally who strongly believes that it is time for our district to take active measures to include diverse voices at all levels of our system. With the uncertainty due to the pandemic, and with the many changes the district is seeking to make, we need experienced leadership on our school board that will be ready on day one to roll up their sleeves and get to work. I am that person.

**Leland Traiman**

No Statement Submitted.

**Jennifer Williams**

No Statement Submitted.

**Castro Valley Unified School District Governing Board Members**

**Dolly Adams**



I believe I am the best candidate for this position because of my qualifications and dedication to service. As a parent, a longtime educator and 31-year resident of Castro Valley, I am excited for this opportunity to give back to the community. Simply put, I moved to Castro Valley because of the schools, then I worked for Castro Valley Unified School District because it is a great district to work for, and now I would love to shape policy for the schools that make Castro Valley a great place to thrive. I hold a B.S. in Physical Science - Geology and an M.S. as an Education Specialist from CSU East Bay. I was a board member with the Castro Valley Teachers Association, as well as past president and current treasurer for the Castro Valley Democratic Club. I have worked as a political activist for more than 25 years, most ardently for issues in education, housing, and the environment. I am a board member on the CV Municipal Advisory Council (MAC Board).

As a Castro Valley School Boardmember, I plan to work

with people cooperatively. Solutions to pressing issues such as budget constraints, supporting our teachers and navigating our district through the pandemic continue to be my priorities. I have more than 28 years of experience, 21 of which are with CVUSD. I have taught students from every school in the district, from grades 2 through 12, gen ed., special ed., ESL, students whose parents had a concern with the district, and every subject- particularly at the secondary level with teens from Creekside, Canyon and CVHS. I am supported by a wide variety of community leaders, parents and educators.

I am also supported by the California Democratic Party, the Castro Valley Teachers Association, the Castro Valley Democratic Club, Assembly-member Bill Quirk, Supervisor Nate Miley, Lavender Whitaker, Castro Valley School Board President, Aisha Knowels, School Board Member and Trustee, District 4 and Monica Lee, Castro Valley School Board Vice President. I hope to earn your support this November 3rd.

**Mike Kusiak**

No Statement Submitted.

**Monica Lee**



I have had the honor of serving on the Castro Valley School Board for almost four years. I am currently vice president of the board. As a trustee on the Board, I have worked with the other board members to balance the budget so as to maintain the fiscal solvency of the district, to manage finances so as to provide a modest raise to staff each year, to react quickly to the COVID-19 school closures, including providing meals and technology to students in need, and to improve all campuses using Measure G funds in a fiscally responsible manner.

I have lived in Castro Valley for over 20 years. I am an attorney and have a B.S. in Business and a J.D. from Cal. I am married and have two adult sons. Throughout my children's school years, I was active as a parent volunteer, serving on PTA Boards, school site councils, and Parent Leadership Group. I have spent countless hours volunteering in classrooms and working for the benefit of students in Castro Valley schools, including canvassing for Measures G and I. I am also a member of the Castro Valley Rotary Club.

**Sharon R. Parker**

No Statement Submitted.

**Lavendar Whitaker**

No Statement Submitted.

**Kristy (Dooman Woerz)**

No Statement Submitted.

**Fremont Unified school District Governing Board Member, Area 1**

**Desrie Y. Campbell**

My education and qualifications are: I have had the pleasure of serving students and their families for the past eight years on the Fremont USD Board of Education. As President of the Board, I remain committed to working to ensure a high-quality education for all students. While the conditions of learning have changed, due to COVID-19, and distance learning, we are faced



with additional challenges, in an unprecedented time in school history. That is why we need experienced, knowledgeable and strong leaders on the Fremont Board of Education.

I am a strong leader, who will make tough decisions to advocate for all students, including high achieving students, students with special needs, English language learners, and students that face educational challenges. This means working closely with Teachers and Administrators to evaluate programs, policies and systems for best practices and equity. As a Community Engagement Manager, I have seen the need for programs focused on health services, especially social and emotional health. I am a proven public servant, with a Master's Degree in Public Administration and Governance. I have worked diligently with purpose and focus to get positive results. I would be honored to receive your vote! Thank you.

**Hiu Ng**

No Statement Submitted.

**Fremont Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 4**

**Jhansi Kalapala**

I am Jhansi Kalapala, and I care deeply about our Fremont community and schools. If elected, I will work to address the overcrowding crisis and increase facilities capacity, attract, and retain quality educators and support staff, and ensure that our schools are inclusive and safe for every student in Fremont Unified School District (FUSD).

As a school board trustee, I will pledge to work with parents, educators, administrators, support staff, and students to address our challenges and build on our strengths. Every student in FUSD deserves support and educational opportunities to empower them to pursue further education, enter the job market, and become engaged citizens and community members.

My goals:

- High Quality Education
- Mental Health Issues
- Safety & Equity

My vision:

- Students Challenge to achieve with confidence
- Parents Inspire your Children for higher goals with healthy competition
- Board Members Accountability and Transparency
- Teachers Educate for 21 century job market

For more information, please visit [www.jhansi4schoolboard.com](http://www.jhansi4schoolboard.com) or [www.facebook.com/jhansi.kalapala.5](https://www.facebook.com/jhansi.kalapala.5).

**Yajing Zhang**



I came to the US for my Master's in Science and attended a PH. D program at UCLA. I worked in the Silicon Valley High Tech industry for nine years. I became a successful investment business owner. I have been a resident of Fremont for 16 years

and am a parent of two children studying at Fremont Unified. Having a solid foundation in education in addition to strong values and determination is essential for my journey in life. I currently serve on the school site council at Horner and volunteers regularly for students.

Quality education is a key element for student success and an important foundation upon which leadership is developed. In this economic downturn, while there is a budget shortfall, there are also many opportunities for more technologies to be applied in classrooms. With creativity, careful attention, and flexibility, we can grow with the changes to resolve and overcome. Our students will also become better independent thinkers, problem solvers, and community-minded citizens.

I will listen to and work with all stakeholders in Fremont to implement policies that will lead to a better education system, a narrower performance gap, and a healthier learning environment which will help students reach their true potential.

As a successful investment business owner, I know how to focus on critical issues such as budget. To me, seeking consensus and building collaboration is the most efficient way to cut down costs and solve many problems. I am ready to use my analytical and practical skills to serve Fremont Unified School District.

Please vote for me for FUSD School Board D4.  
[www.zhang4schools.com](http://www.zhang4schools.com)

**Fremont Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 5**

**Michele Berke**



Since I started on the school board in 2015, I have fought to ensure that our students are educated through the most current curriculum and taught by highly qualified educators. I have advocated for inclusion opportunities for all students and more recently, the need to examine how we maintain safe schools while providing the mental health and social-emotional supports that our students deserve. At the same time, I have remained committed to ensuring that your taxpayer dollars are spent in accordance with our promise: to convert our junior high schools to middle schools, upgrade technology infrastructure and modernize many of our aging campuses.

We are living through uncertain times. As we contemplate what a return-to-school means in the midst of a pandemic, my work as an educator and school principal informs the decisions I will make as a Board Trustee. While our ultimate goal is to return students physically to school, we cannot do so until we know that their safety and that of our staff can be guaranteed. Knowing that our students have experienced learning loss and emotional stress, I will push for more mental health supports throughout our district.

As we re-evaluate curriculum with an equity lens, my commitment to honoring student voice is steadfast. We need to provide training to all stakeholders on the effects of systemic racism and evaluate how we shift our pedagogy, curriculum and materials to be inclusive.

As we consider school safety, I

share the concerns of my fellow parents and understand what it means to send a child to school and expect that they will return unharmed. I am committed to the re-evaluation of the role of school resource officers and re-allocating funds as appropriate.

As a parent and educator, I am personally and professionally committed to maintaining the quality education that has made Fremont the place to live. Our representatives, Senator Bob Weickowski and Assemblyman Bill Quirk, the Tri-City Democratic Forum, Retired Superintendent Dr. Jim Morris, teachers and parents and I ask for your support and vote for Fremont School Board, Trustee Area 5.

For more information, please see [www.berkeforgreatschools.org](http://www.berkeforgreatschools.org)

Vivek Prasad



I am a candidate for Fremont School Board from District 5. I am a parent of Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) graduates from Mission San Jose High School and a member of your community.

I was an active volunteer at FUSD, culminating in a 4-year tenure as the President of Mission Possible Parent and Faculty Association (MPPFA). Our team successfully advocated for offering AP Computer Science, introduced a crossing guard program by working with the School Resource Officer (SRO), upgraded facilities, and supported music, art, and sports programs.

Our team accomplished this through effective collaboration with teachers, administrators, and parents. I am also a technology executive with strong experience in handling large budgets similar in size to FUSD and negotiating major agreements for my organization.

The quality of education in FUSD has dropped sharply in recent years and we are falling behind similar school districts. Course offerings, music, and art programs are being cut due to budget constraints. Our curriculum lacks diversity and our campuses need to be more inclusive and support equality. A rift has been created as the voices of the community are not being heard. New leadership with experience in addressing such complex issues is needed at the board.

As a school board trustee, I will focus on student success; enabling students to achieve their aspirations. We need flexibility and diversity in course offerings, focus on prevention of mental health issues, and enhanced inclusion and equality. We must retain the SRO program for campus security and deliver facility improvements while staying cost-effective. We can extend our existing courses and programs across schools and permit more at community colleges and MVROP for credit. I will partner with industry and alumni to increase funding and seek internship opportunities for our students.

As your candidate, I assure you that your voices will be heard and represented on the board. I humbly ask that you enable this voice with your vote. Together, let us build a strong and vibrant community by making Fremont schools better than ever. [www.vote4vp.com](http://www.vote4vp.com).

Lucy Shen

Hi, I'm Lucy! I'm running for Fremont Unified School District's Area 5 to bring a



focus on health and safety, transparency, and diversity to the school board. As the daughter of bilingual immigrants, I grew up in Fremont learning about the value of education and of giving back to the community, and I know I have a valuable voice to offer. I'm the only candidate in Area 5 who was born in Fremont and attended Fremont schools, so I have a deep understanding of the FUSD student experience and what can be improved.

As an FUSD-appointed member and secretary for the CHPSE Task Force, I worked to understand the views of all stakeholders—parents, teachers, staff, and students—to recommend a high quality curriculum that addressed everyone's needs. As a youth mentor with StandUp for Kids, Girls who Code, and Spark, I created spaces that empowered at-risk and minority youth to achieve their full potential. As a software engineer and former MIT researcher, I understand how to use technology to increase board transparency and efficiency. These skills and experiences make me the best candidate to work with parents, students, and teachers on the following priorities:

- Health & Safety: ensuring every student has the resources for effective distance learning, ensuring that COVID-19 tests will be available across the district, and increasing the capacity of custodial and sanitation staff in preparation for reopening.
- Community Accessibility & Transparency: actively soliciting parent and student feedback, pushing for data and policy transparency, and streamlining the process for community engagement.
- Mental Health: improving mental health resources, by pushing FUSD to hire mental health professionals who can truly address our community's needs and allocating funding for student-led initiatives.

Diversity in Education: pushing for culturally supportive, diverse curricula that will allow students to see themselves in community role models, historical movements, and a variety of career paths, preparing our next generation for leadership.

Hayward Unified School District Governing Board Members

Peter Bufete



As a lifelong Hayward resident, I am running for the Hayward Unified School District School Board for a single but powerful reason: to ensure our students receive a quality education. If elected, I would be the only board member that is an alumnus of Hayward schools, having attended Treeview Elementary, Bret Harte Middle School, and Hayward High School. I believe it is important to have firsthand experience and knowledge of our schools as a student. If elected, every decision

I make will always be based on careful analysis of the issues, keeping in mind what is best for the students.

As a Hayward Library Commissioner and Friends of the Hayward Public Library Board member for the past eight years, I helped bring a brand new, state of the art library and community learning center to Hayward. As a Board member, I supported initiatives that helped to fund scholarships, expand the homework help centers, support literacy programs, and promote a variety of programs geared at enriching the lives of Hayward youth. I have also served as a Board member for the Hayward Education Foundation and the Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth.

My work and contributions to my community over the years has led to a campaign endorsement from Congressman Eric Swalwell as well as Mayor Barbara Halliday. I am also proudly endorsed by the Hayward Education Association (HEA), our Hayward teachers!

Please join me to prioritize the health and safety of our students and teachers, create an equitable, safer learning environment, and creatively collaborate to keep the district fiscally solvent. I would be honored to have one of your three votes on November 3rd for HUSD School Board.

Please visit [www.peterbufete.com](http://www.peterbufete.com) for more information and like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/peter4hayward](https://facebook.com/peter4hayward).

Robert Carlson

No Statement Submitted.

Maria del Carmen Espinoza

No Statement Submitted.

William L. McGee

No Statement Submitted.

Eufemia Del Carmen Meynard

No Statement Submitted.

Sara Prada



I am a bilingual mother of three school-aged children, wife of 13 years, business owner, a former DC photojournalist, educational leadership graduate student, and an award-winning community activist. I am endorsed by major school unions, including HEA and SEIU, Democratic Party, congressperson Swalwell, and leaders throughout Hayward.

My plan is to make sure the board and the superintendent better communicate with teachers, families, and students. I plan on working to ensure we have safe and inclusive schools for all our students. It also means making sure we spend our money wisely on what really matters to kids and teachers. To learn more, please visit [www.votemrspada.com](http://www.votemrspada.com).

Dr. Luis Reynoso

My education and qualifications for re-election as your Hayward Unified School Board trustee are my career as a University Business Professor for Master level courses, and my current service as an elected member of the Hayward Unified School District Board of Trustees advocating for strong fiscal transparency, excellence in education, and safety in schools. This district, which comprises an area much larger than the city of Hayward, presents distinctive challenges in its cultural and

academic diversity.

My earlier background as a real-estate lease analyst for major multi-national corporations gives me the ability to evaluate the bottom line which is rare in education budgeting, and in most government work. I have presented useful approaches on cost cutting to put more taxpayer dollars into classroom teaching and less into sweetheart contracts. Prior to serving in elective office, I was also a classroom teacher, holding a BS in Computer Science, a Multi-Subject Teaching Credential, MS in Educational Leadership, and a Doctorate in Education. My research evaluates the dollarization of the currency in Ecuador and highlights the importance of the economic and financial literacy we all need.

I am proud to have introduced computer technology to my third-grade Hayward students and raised their test scores 30%. In my tenure serving the community through collaboration I have been able to increase the rate of high school graduations, promote and raise the minimum wage for district employees, develop procedures for competitive bidding on contracts, renovate and upgrade district schools, guarantee that all children regardless of immigration status receive a quality education, coach low income families on business startups, and provide investing instruction for stocks, options, and futures to underemployed parents.

Born in Mexico, I became a U.S. citizen at the age of twelve, when I entered public school in California. Bilingual in Spanish and English, I want to give every K-12 student in Hayward Unified School District the mastery of the English language and a knowledge of economics and finance to become successful and productive. I pledge to help education rebuild prosperity, to reduce government waste, and to listen to you. Please give me your vote for the Hayward Unified School District, Trustee. Thank you.

Tami Rossell



As a mother of seven and a grandmother of one, I have been a bold advocate for high quality and equitable education for years.

In addition to serving as a Hayward Unified School District parent ambassador at multiple schools, I helped implement the African American Student Achievement Initiative within the district (bringing educational resources and historical awareness to both students and parents), along with Puente which focuses on the academic achievement of Latinx scholars.

I have earned multiple awards and recognition for her service to education and City of Hayward. As a graduate of Hayward Promise Neighborhoods, a Community Leadership Initiative at CSU East Bay, Tami believes all scholars have the right to achieve excellence and will fight for the tools and resources to make that happen for the students in Hayward.

New Haven Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 1

Lance Nishihira

I am a New Haven parent with over 15 years of district experience. As a former Marine and local Eagle Scout, I have always centered my work around service. I am on the board of two local non-profits focusing on



public education, food insecurity, and environmental sustainability. I have served on school site councils at several sites in ou district.

For the last four years, I have had the honor of serving on the New Haven Unified School District (NHUSD) Board of Trustees. Compared to my challenger, I am better qualified. I currently serve as the board president and have earned my master's in governance from the California School Boards Association. I have over 22 years of career experience in Silicon Valley, doing my best to design technology that is relevant, useful, and delightful for people.

As an executive, I am well-positioned to understand the traits, competencies, and skills needed for our students to be successful in the future that they will create. Now is not the time for inexperienced hands. As we face new challenges, one thing you can count on from me is experienced leadership and stability. Investing in our children's education makes the entire community better, and I am here to get to work. I will engage directly with the community to ensure that all students, regardless of their background, are at the center of every decision we make.

I will focus on pushing to reduce class sizes, fighting to ensure that Area 1 gets its fair share of district resources, and ensuring that the technological foundation of our school system supports students, staff, and families. I believe in strong fiscal management and will do my best to live within our means and secure sustainable revenue from the state before asking local taxpayers to pay more. I would appreciate your vote in November. [www.lance4nhusd.org](http://www.lance4nhusd.org)

Jatinderpal Kaur Sahi



My name is Jatinderpal Kaur Sahi, and I am a candidate for New Haven Unified School District Trustee Area 1. I am running to be an active voice for the parents. The strike of 2019 affected parents, children, and teachers. Concerns of the teachers were raised; concerns of district employees were raised, but the voice of the parent was left out.

There was so much misinformation. Parents were also affected as well as the kids. I want to be a voice of the parents and bring their concerns to the table and see transparency of information. My priorities are: Investing in teachers is investing in our children; Promoting educational equity across all schools; Promoting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) learning as early as first grade. Let's rise together by investing in our future.

New Haven Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 2

Michelle Parnala

No Statement Submitted.

Melissa Shuen-Mallory



My name is Melissa Shuen-Mallory, I am running for New Haven Unified School District Governing Board Member, Trustee Area 2. As the Chair of the Union City Human Relations Commission, a member of the Policing and Community Engagement Committee and a former educator, I am a proven leader who can make real change in our community.

I was inspired to run for school board recently during the New Haven Teachers’ Strike. I saw a lack of leadership on the school board and disrespect to our teachers. I am running to put our classrooms first and give teachers the resources they need to give our students the best education possible. We can do this by supporting Proposition 15. I would be the only LGBTQ+ member of the school board and I want to be there to support and advocate for our LGBTQ+ and age appropriate puberty and sex education because representation matters. I want to make sure that we have a plan to come back to schools safely after shelter in place. I want to end the school to prison pipeline and I want to give a voice to my community of Decoto and to Fairview Park by listening to my community’s concerns on a regular basis. I want to use my experience as a commissioner to build a bridge between the city and the school district to better serve our families.

As the candidate who is endorsed by the Teachers’ Union, I would be honored to have your support for this upcoming election in November and I would be honored to serve as your elected school board member for New Haven Unified School District in Trustee Area 2.

New Haven Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 3

Michael Gonzales



Many people go their entire lifetime not knowing their purpose, whereas I am fortunate because I know exactly why I am here: to advocate for education on behalf of students, families, and educators. From the top of my head to the soles of my feet, I am an educator.

Throughout my career in the Los Angeles Unified School District, I have had some amazing organizing experiences. I have been at the epicenter fighting the good fight, learning many lessons, and meeting some incredible people. I have been part of movements that changed the course of education for the better. My proudest experience was serving as a lead organizer during the 2019 UTLA strike. We won; smaller class sizes, a nurse at every school, more librarians, more counselors, more psychologists, more social workers, green spaces at schools for kids to play, more services for special education, and more

dignity for educators. So, what does the next chapter of my life entail? I am running for school board and I am a third to fourth grade teacher at Hayward Unified School District. I am successful because of the staff in schools and the people in my community. I want to be a role model and give back to the community that has given me so much.

This past year has brought many challenges to public education. In these uncertain times, we need expert leaders skilled in education policy and instruction. We need coalition builders that bring people together. We need the school district to be transparent with their decision-making and be held accountable. If there must be budget cuts it should not be directly in the classroom. We need school leaders who will retain good educators and provide a quality education to all students. That is me!

I am a 14-year classroom teacher, proudly endorsed by the New Haven Teachers Association (NHTA). I am a third generation Union City resident, and I am going to continue to fight for the next generations. I, Michael Gonzales, am running for School Board Trustee, Area 3, and I appreciate your support.

Sharan Kaur



My name is Sharan Kaur and I am seeking re-election for New Haven Unified School District, Trustee Area 3. I have been a resident of Union City for over 25 years and have been a product of New Haven Unified School District (NHUSD) and a graduate of James Logan High School. After finishing my education and working as a program manager in Silicon Valley, I was driven to give back to the community and to the schools that made me who I am today.

Beginning as a community organizer passionate about educational initiatives and support for under-resourced communities, I ran and won a seat on the New Haven Unified School District Board of Trustees in 2016. Since then I have hit the ground running, and taken an active role in promoting student success.

Compassion drives my vision, strong insight allows me to tackle challenging and ambiguous issues, and my analytical skills and data driven approach allows me to make decisions that are in the best interest of the district. I am dedicated to ensuring our students have a safe and supportive environment where they can continue to engage in rigorous academics and extracurricular programs.

New Haven Unified School District has been facing ongoing and draconian budget cuts, resulting in fewer resources for students and classrooms. The board has many fiduciary responsibilities, amongst which is to ensure that NHUSD prioritizes student learning while maintaining strong fiscal solvency of the district to benefit our current and future generations. My four years on the board has equipped me with the experience, training, and perseverance to help get the district through challenging times ahead.

The current pandemic has reinforced the value of families and our communities. I am even more hopeful and determined to continue to make our

community more robust and provide our students safe, equitable and better future. Please learn more about my platform and accomplishments by visiting [www.sharantkaur.com](http://www.sharantkaur.com). I humbly request for your vote of confidence for a passionate, dedicated, and experienced community leader.

Newark Unified School District Governing Board Members, full term

Christine Clinton

No Statement Submitted.

Aiden Hill

No Statement Submitted.

Phuong Nguyen

No Statement Submitted.

Bowen Zhang



Two years ago, I was appointed to serve on Newark School Board at a troubled time. Confronted with the looming budget crisis, instead of kicking the can down the road further, I worked with a brand new school board and together we made difficult but necessary decisions to reduce our structural deficit. We turned a projected budget deficit in the year of 2019-2020 into a budget surplus of 1.6 million. And for the new school year, despite the unusual economic time, our budget is projected to have another solid surplus.

When I first got onto the school board, there was little communication between our district and our community. Today, our board members are attending Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meetings at various sites to listen to the concerns and complaints from our parents. And our new superintendent is hosting “Dr Mark in the Park” on a weekly basis.

I come from Silicon Valley. As a tech worker, I see the employment opportunities the tech industry offers every day. Unfortunately, most of our graduates are not prepared for these jobs. I will work with the new superintendent to focus on subjects in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, which prepare our students for the 21st century economy.

Lastly, the pandemic has caused hardships to our students and their families. However, we are a resilient community. We will continue to work for a safe learning plan for our students, one that meets the needs of our most underserved students. Together, we will emerge stronger than before. We might be apart, but we are not alone.

I humbly ask for your vote to serve another term on the Newark School Board.

Newark Unified School District Governing Board Members, short term

Amanda Chagoya

My name is Amanda Chagoya, and I am asking for your vote for Newark Unified School District (NUSD) Board (short term). As a parent of two NUSD students, the success of Newark schools is extremely important to me. After years of wanting to get involved in local government, I am running because I recognized a communication gap in the district. I believe closing this gap can strengthen the relationship



between the district, parents, students, teachers, and the community.

Here are some of the challenges NUSD faces:

- Deciding whether and how to consolidate (close) school sites to address low enrollment and the impending budget deficit in coming years
- Deciding how to allocate developer funds, including weighing whether to build a new school
- Ensuring the health and safety of Newark students and teachers, by weighing whether, when and how to return to in-person learning

If elected, I promise to approach the above decisions, and all decisions that come to the board with the following values in mind:

Communication is Key. I will actively seek and be responsive to community input—and will constantly strive to understand Newark student and parent challenges, concerns and needs.

Equity and excellence. Each student in Newark deserves a high quality, equitable education. Every decision should be weighed with all of Newark’s students in mind.

Students and Teachers First. I believe that students’ and teachers’ best interests are closely aligned, and reductions in faculty or increases in class size should be a last resort.

I believe parents directly impacted by district decisions should have a voice on this school board. With your vote, I promise to be an advocate for you and your children.

Terrence Grindall



I am running for the school board because I believe that Newark students deserve a world class educational system and that my experience, skills, and vision can help our schools achieve this goal.

I am a proud father of two and a longtime Newark resident. I have a strong interest in seeing that Newark schools are worthy of our children. I have supported Newark students by guiding the Newark Educational Foundation to secure corporate support for education. I have 30 years of professional experience including 16 years leading economic development and planning for Newark and other cities.

I will bring my professionalism, integrity, and vision to this position. The school board should be focused on providing policy direction, hiring qualified administrators, and holding them accountable. I will constantly strive to see that the schools provide a challenging and welcoming learning environment to all students no matter their background or resources. First and foremost, education must be safe for our students and staff. We must provide students and teachers with the tools, including internet access, they need to be successful in this challenging time.

My immediate priorities are:

- Assuring effective and equitable on-line learning. Needed technology should be provided.
  - Re-opening of schools.
- School reopening decisions need to be carefully planned based on science and parent and teacher input.

• Raising enrollment by better communication of the district’s successes and vision. We must tell our story of success and our vision for the future.

Please review my website to learn more:

[www.terrence4newark.org](http://www.terrence4newark.org). I want to help our schools, and I think my vision and energy can make a difference. I’m asking for your vote, so I can help Newark Schools to excel.

San Leandro Unified School District Governing Board Member, Area 5

Richard D. Chennault



Family and continuous learning are my core values. As a husband, father, veteran, and technologist I will bring a fresh perspective to a school board that needs to represent parents with school-age children today. My wife and I have three children in the San Leandro Unified School District starting from kindergarten through high school.

Dedicated to public service, I have served on educational bodies such as the Local Control Accountability Plan, Citizen Board Oversight Committee, and John Muir Middle School Parent Teach Student Organization. I will help parents connect with teachers, connect teachers with the resources and will direct the administration to be accessible and accountable to parents, students, and educators.

We are living through unique times that require a candidate that knows the challenges our children face today. I’m not a professional politician. I am a parent who understands today’s challenges and not stuck on old solutions for past problems. I promise to bring my experience of being a parent of school-age children, a technologist, and a member of the San Leandro Unified School District to guide us into the future. I would appreciate your vote for San Leandro Unified School District Area 5.

Be well and thrive,  
Richard D. Chennault  
(510) 978 4231

Diana Prola

I am the incumbent, running for re-election to the San Leandro School Board, District 5. In the time that I have been on the board, we have completed millions of dollars in bond projects, including a supplemental high school campus, new theater and science buildings, renewal of all playgrounds and athletic facilities and upgrades and painting of buildings at all campuses, including district-wide air-conditioning. We have also replaced over 80 portables that dated up to 50 years old.

But better than that are the academic achievements. We have received awards from the California Department of Education as the most improved district in the northern part of the state. We have also been recognized by the College Board with Advanced Placement awards for the most minority students and girls passing the A.P. tests, and for the most students taking

(and passing) the tests of any mid-sized district in the WHOLE United States.

Among other issues I have been involved in approving a Spanish-English bilingual elementary school program and suggesting including Mandarin in the high school language offerings. (In fact, we now also offer A.P. Mandarin.)

Of great concern to all of us is the effect that the pandemic has had on our students. I am strongly sympathetic with parents who want their children back in the classroom; however, the safety of children must be paramount. As a parent, grandparent, and the only teacher on the board, I will closely follow the issues with the hopes of re-opening the schools as soon as it is safe.

I am proud of our achievements and awards, but there is still a lot of work to do. I would appreciate your vote to continue this effort.

**Union Sanitary District Ward 1 Includes Union City**

**Manny Fernandez**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Union Sanitary District Ward 2 Includes Newark**

**Mike Marzano**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Union Sanitary District Ward 3 Includes Fremont**

**Anjali Lathi**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Eden Township Healthcare District Director**

**Varsha Chauhan**



Training as a doctor has helped me gain a deep insight into the importance of overall well-being: physical and mental health of people. Speaking six languages and traveling the world experiencing health-care systems has helped me learn varying perspectives on policies, their implementations, challenges, and best practices.

I earned a master's in healthcare administration and have operated free clinics and federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC). While working as the chief health systems officer for the State of Oregon, I helped 1.5 million people get enrolled in MediCaid.

I have a track record of supporting communities with free diabetes day check-ups, operating HIV clinics, working with frontline staff fight COVID, etc. I am a first-generation immigrant, mother, former patient, foster mom, caregiver, and healthcare leader. This overall experience helps me with decision making and strategic planning, allowing things to be looked at from a comprehensive and fresh perspective.

Being at the board will allow me to take my dedication to make further much needed improvements in healthcare, such as:

- Access to Health care for the Uninsured and Low-income
- Access to Mental and Behavioral Health
- Reduce Costs of Care

Thank you for your support because it is key that we support leaders from the community who can bring a change in the health care. I look forward to supporting the current board

in all its efforts. Let us come together, make our voices heard, and make a difference. For more information, please visit [VarshaForEdenHealth.com](http://VarshaForEdenHealth.com) or [www.linkedin.com/in/varshachauhan](http://www.linkedin.com/in/varshachauhan).

**Winnie Knowles**



I am running for Eden Township Health District Board to advocate for racial and social justice to ensure policies and decisions are made in the best interest of those most impacted, to give them a voice and choice in the vision for health care in the district.

I immigrated to the US when I was 10 years old. My family planted roots in Fremont, where I graduated from Irvington High School. In 1976, I became a US citizen. I have been a Hayward resident and married for 44 years. My husband and I raised three daughters while working full time. I worked the evening shift at Kaiser Hospital for more than 40 years, and he worked as a juvenile probation officer for Alameda County for 37 years. Our daughters were educated in Hayward public schools, participated in local competitive sports, attended colleges in the Bay Area, and have chosen careers in public service.

If elected, I will advocate for residents who do not have a voice. I will share my story and life experiences as an immigrant, mom, wife, breast cancer survivor, nurse, union activist, and daughter who took care of her elderly parents while they were ill until they died. I believe it is essential that everyone has access to high quality health care services and education.

**Pam Russo**



Health is everyone's priority! I have dedicated my professional life to improving the health of our community—as a registered nurse at St. Rose Hospital for more than 35 years, as a health advocate who opened clinics for low-income women and children, and currently as a director on Eden Township Healthcare District Board.

By listening to my patients and evaluating health data, I know that residents are concerned about health-care costs, access to health services and keeping hospitals open. The COVID-19 pandemic has created an even greater health challenge, making us focus more on emergency preparedness.

Through my work as a nurse and on the Eden Township Healthcare District Board, I have been responsive to the health needs of the district, including COVID-19. The district distributed over 100,000 N-95 masks and provided health education to our residents about COVID-19 in multiple languages. I am also volunteering on the frontline to test our residents for COVID-19.

I am a Rotarian and have worked with local chambers and assumed leadership roles on

community and corporate boards and foundations. These experiences have allowed me to advocate for improved health at a grass-roots level and partnering with legislators and community leaders to coordinate action-oriented solutions.

As a lifetime resident of Hayward and Castro Valley, I am committed to responding to the health needs of our district. The Eden Township Healthcare District includes Hayward, Fairview, Castro Valley, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Ashland and Cherryland, and it is my goal to ensure health services are available in every corner of the district.

I have been strongly endorsed by our public officials, Alameda County Democratic Party and Alameda Labor Council. I would be honored to continue to serve as your representative on the Eden Healthcare Township District Board. Thank you for considering me and I look forward to working for your better health. Please reach out to me if you have questions at [russoforedenhealthdistrict@gmail.com](mailto:russoforedenhealthdistrict@gmail.com) or at [www.PamRussoEden-HealthDistrict.com](http://www.PamRussoEden-HealthDistrict.com)

**Chike Udemezue**

My education and qualifications are: PhD, a professionally qualified accountant, financial analyst, administrator, author, community volunteer, SEIU Local 1000 shop steward, city commissioner/board member, Bay-fair Transit Oriented Development committee member, Citizens Bond Oversight Advisory committee member and SLUSD LCAP Parent Advisory committee member.

The need for a positive social change is inevitable in our diverse district; I will bring a new energy to the board. My first job is to listen to you and through my decades of volunteering in the community, I've learned to respect and work with people. I am committed to facilitating a better healthcare system for our district, providing solutions to the needs of the underserved families and quality education while keeping the costs down. With my education, skills and experience, I'll streamline the district's budget while maintaining efficiency. Over the years, I've served on many nonprofit boards, interceded between workers and management in the service industries, balanced budgets, prepared taxes, analyzed proposals and delivered value. We need to develop partnerships and build relationships while embracing a positive social change towards delivering a more efficient, environmentally clean and friendly operation within the district. I will push for building bridges between the community, service providers, and families including infrastructure modernization while controlling costs. Your vote for a progressive voice that will fight for all people in our diverse community with working class families is important. As a progressive, I'll work with everyone to provide you with the best possible service; so when you cast your ballot – please vote for me; let's improve service and keep our families safe and healthy. Thanks.

**Hayward Area Park & Rec Director**

**Louis Manuel Andrade**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Rick Hatcher**

I am a proud lifelong resident of the Hayward/Eden Area – born and raised in San Lorenzo and residing in Cherryland. I have been a Castro Valley insurance professional for 24 years and an incumbent director of Hayward Area Recreation and

Park District (H.A.R.D.) for the last five years. During my tenure with HARD, the community passed a \$250 million bond to upgrade the district -- building new parks, expanding trails, and erecting sports fields.

Looking ahead, I believe in increased access to creative and to innovative recreation, such as the Hayward Community Garden and the all-abled transformative Mia's Dream Come True Park. I have championed the award winning Eden Area Ag Day for schoolchildren. Seeing the need for deeper community driven partnerships with county, school districts, nonprofits, and City of Hayward, I will lead our park district through issues of equity and access for marginalized groups.

I drive the conversation with developers of new housing so that community open spaces and parks are included in every plan. With today's challenges, we need parks even more. The parks have healed us in the past months. I will keep our parks open, clean, and green. I will remain available, approachable, and transparent, listening to the voices of the community. Your vote ensures the value I hold -- Parks make Life Better.

**Joshua E. Kelton**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Peter Rosen**



Hayward Area Recreation & Park District (H.A.R.D.) has been a constant presence throughout my life. I grew up using the community centers and recreational facilities as a child, teenager, and young adult. My wife Amy uses them, and now my daughter Adell is using them. I am running for the H.A.R.D. Board because I have first-hand knowledge of how important the programs and facilities are for residents. I have the leadership experience to work collaboratively and forge successful partnerships, and I want to increase community access to the H.A.R.D. facilities and programs.

I have a history of deep engagement and advocacy in our community. For over a decade, I have been in a variety of leadership roles within the landscape industry as well as within the Eden Area. For the last 6 years, I have been highly active in the Eden Area Livability Initiative (EALI). I am currently vice-president of the Castro Valley/Eden Area Chamber of Commerce, where I am chairperson of the Economic Committee. I have served two terms on the H.A.R.D. Citizen Advisory Committee, and I am currently the chairperson of the H.A.R.D. Bond Oversight Committee. I believe that my experiences and passion have given me a unique set of skills that I can apply to be a force for positive good throughout H.A.R.D.

If elected, my leadership background and history of engagement will strengthen community partnerships. I will be an active neighborhood voice on the board who can bring people together to make a difference. My decades of using H.A.R.D. facilities and my local advocacy experiences have taught me how to collaborate with other local agencies and create successful partnerships. For more information, please visit [www.PeterRosen4HARD.org](http://www.PeterRosen4HARD.org)

**Washington Township Healthcare District Director**

**William F. Nicholson**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Chitra Ramanathan**



I am a daughter of two immigrants from India. My upbringing gave me an understanding of the difficulties of a working-class family. I became an attorney to fight for the average person and worked for more than 11 years as a public defender and legal aid attorney. My work and my husband's career as a heart surgeon gave me insight into the struggle people face accessing quality healthcare and the impact health care costs have on peoples' lives.

I have been a strong voice for my clients – whether it is a health insurance coverage problem, garnishment of a paycheck due to medical bills, a disability benefits issue, or obtaining special education services for children. I have seen health care from the patient's side. Health care is a right, not a privilege. Our community hospital must expand insurance acceptance and services so that residents are not denied necessary treatment or forced to travel to UCSF or Stanford.

I have been practicing in the Tri-City community for the last six years. In 2020, I was voted one of the four best attorneys in Fremont. I am the only candidate endorsed by the Alameda County Democratic Party and Tri-Cities Democratic Forum. I will be your voice. I am committed to meeting with you on regular basis, not just at election time.

This is not just a campaign statement but also a reality of my representation. Together we can bring about change and improvement in medical services and increased transparency at Washington Hospital. I am my clients' voice in the courtroom. With your vote and support, I will be your voice in the boardroom.

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**Jeannie Yee**



My husband Russ and I have lived in Fremont for over 40 years and enjoy being a part of this community. My first introduction to Washington Hospital was in the 1970's while doing clinical work as a nursing student. In the 1980's, I was twice admitted as a patient to deliver our daughters.

In 2003, I had the opportunity to return to Washington Hospital as a Volunteer. For the past 17 years I've led Birthing Center tours, taken hundreds of newborn photos, cuddled hundreds of premature or fragile babies in the Level II nursery, helped for several years on the WOW van (mobile clinic) at the Ruggieri Center in Union City, and held leadership positions on the Service League Board of Directors, twice as President. The

most amazing thing that I have learned while volunteering is that as a resident of the district, I am an owner of the hospital. This has only fueled my desire to make it the best hospital it can be by serving the patients and community members.

Additional leadership opportunities came with appointments to the hospital’s Development Corporation Board of Directors and then later, the Washington Township Health Care District’s Board of Directors in April 2019. I have come to respect the rich history of Washington Hospital’s contribution to the district residents through provision of quality health care in a rapidly growing area. We have met and continue to meet challenges with sensible strategic planning and good stewardship. The state of California has issued an unfunded mandate that Washington Hospital meet seismic requirements by 2030. After more than ten years of construction, we have made great progress. These next ten years will see major upgrades that use the latest technology in the operating rooms, laboratories, patient-care units and Neonatal Intensive Care unit.

I would like to retain this seat on the hospital Board to represent the residents of this district, ensuring that we have a safe hospital that is well staffed and equipped to meet our needs from the womb to final breath. [www.facebook.com/votejeannieyee](https://www.facebook.com/votejeannieyee)

Fremont Mayor

Lily Mei



Thank you for the honor of serving you. As your mayor, I have maintained Fremont’s fiscal accountability. I have fostered a healthy economy by strengthening advanced manufacturing, making smart choices leveraging workforce development, and generating programs supporting neighborhood businesses.

Through challenging times, I have ensured your public safety through city-led COVID testing initiatives to address the community’s essential needs through PPE, small business grants, rental assistance programs, and providing food for families. I have reaffirmed Fremont’s commitment to transformative climate actions enhancing green initiatives: implementing emergency resiliency solar microgrids, opening an award-winning Warm Springs BART station, reducing traffic, and constructing reliable EV charging stations.

Working with you, I led innovation/investment in critical infrastructure by insisting that developers fund their fair share of our new elementary school and senior center. I strengthened our affordable housing inventory and addressed homelessness through a housing navigation center and mobile hygiene unit. While we have made incredible strides, there is more we can accomplish together to remain a safe inclusive, and quality community.

Because of my experience and accomplishments I am supported by congressperson Ro Khanna; California State Treasurer Fiona Ma; Fremont Firefighters Local 1689; Alameda Labor Council (AFL-CIO); Building Trades; Business for Good Government – Committee of the Fremont Chamber of Commerce;

Assemblymember Bill Quirk; Vice Mayor Kassan, Council members Keng, Jones, Shao, Salwan, and Bacon; former Fremont Vice Mayor Steve Cho, 12 Alameda County mayors; 4 Alameda County supervisors; Fremont Unified School Board Member Larry Sweeney; former Fremont Unified School Board Member Anna Muh, Ohlone College Trustee Tawney Warren; among others.

I humbly ask for your vote. Visit [www.LilyMei.org](http://www.LilyMei.org)

Vik Bajwa Singh

1. Build five-story permanent homeless shelter at 3300 Capitol Ave to house 500 residents.
2. Adopt San Francisco By laws for city administrator instead of city manager.
3. Adopt Breonna law for Fremont police department.
4. Build three-story New City Hall for 980 city employees due to COVID-19 restrictions.
5. Appoint City Comm on Interfaith relations and nonprofits.
6. Waive city business taxes for 2021.
7. Present proposal to Muni SF to plan similar project in Fremont to streamline traffic congestion.

Chris Hampton

No Statement Submitted.

Naz Mahika Khan



I am Naz Mahika Khan and am running for mayor of Fremont – the city I love and has been my home for years. I believe our city needs fresh ideas and a new direction. We need accountability in the city system, transparencies in the budget, and a strong focus to improve quality of life. We face many challenges such as COVID-19, unemployment, economic downturn, homelessness, congested traffic, overcrowded schools, and unaffordable overgrowth developments, making families priced out.

Our city government lacks transparency, efficiencies, accountability, planning, and implementation. I believe, "together we stand, divided we fall." The entities we have empowered, invested, and entrusted in the position do what is needed and right for the people, take accountability, remain ethical, and transparent to better the city and the community we love.

To remedy homelessness, build dwellings on containers in an allocated area that fits all and outreach services. Build entertainment hubs, revive small businesses, startups, corporates, localism efforts for a sustainable local economy, employment, and a work-life balance. Improve infrastructure to reduce greenhouse emissions, pothole-free safe wider roads. Creative designed mini theme parks, outdoor workout machines, sports facilities, clean, green eco-friendly restrooms in all parks. Bring unity in diversity by more fun personalized networking local events, zero tolerance for crime, and discrimination dead for good.

I am born in the Fiji Islands and made America my home over 22 years ago. I am a single mom, taking care of my senior parents. I have let my only son serve our country in the U. S. Airforce. I am grateful for what America has given me and want to give back to my city.

I commit to bringing fresh ideas and real change in a nonbiased and non-division manner. I want to transform our city into a friendly Fremont Model Smart City for people to visit, invest, and live our founding fathers dream affordably and flexibly where peace, prosperity, and safety prevail.

God Bless America

Marlene Santilli

No Statement Submitted.

Justin Sha



I am a native son of Fremont, and it hurts to see the direction our beloved city is going. Rather than career politicians serving themselves, I believe that the citizens of Fremont deserve to have their voices heard and opinions respected. Transparency in government means proactively seeking public input before major decisions are made—not after.

Fremont is being overdeveloped with unaffordable condos that are putting great strains on our schools and roads. To effectively address this and increase in crime, homelessness crisis, and COVID-19, we need transparent leadership.

As VP of a global software engineering company, I brought jobs back to our city during the pandemic. In 2018, I spearheaded a citywide conversation about adopting smart technologies to ease traffic congestion. I serve on the Ohlone Community College District Foundation Board, and as an Ohlone College professor of business law, I teach my students to think outside the box.

As mayor, I will fight for public safety for all our communities, modernize our outdated technological infrastructure, and advocate for lasting structural change. Instead of letting unaffordable, market-rate developments pop up in every corner of the city, I aim to implement smart growth strategies such as mixed-use and transit-oriented housing to increase the supply of affordable and middle-level housing. This will allow residents to afford to live in the city they call home, while also creating retail space for small businesses and cutting down on traffic.

We need a COVID-19 response that allows residents to see rates of infection in their zip code, and we need to support our small businesses through this crisis by expanding the city’s gift card program. Additionally, we need to create a permanent free testing site here in Fremont, not one that lasts for just a month at a time.

Together, We Can—and We Will—create a brighter future for the City of Fremont. Respectfully, I ask for your vote.

Fremont City Council District 1

Teresa Keng



I love Fremont, and I believe our best days are ahead. As an

immigrant and mother of autistic children, I understand the hardships faced by immigrants, people of color, and people with special needs. Through my beloved Marine husband, I’ve learned the meaning of dedication and perseverance. I was first elected in 2018 on a platform that emphasized making safer communities for families and children.

As your councilperson in District 1 for the past two years, I have always strived to champion the issues you care about most. I have worked to address issues like housing and homelessness, and support our small businesses adapting to present challenges. I have also increased the minimum wage citywide, repaired the dangerous North Paseo Padre Overpass, and brought long overdue programs and services to our North Fremont Communities.

In these past few months, I have been focused on COVID-19 recovery and have continued to work hard to ensure that our local economy recovers quickly from this international pandemic. I believe in a Fremont characterized by safe, clean, inclusive, and vibrant neighborhoods. If re-elected, I promise to continue building bridges and affect pragmatic solutions such as: improved traffic corridors, safer communities, police accountability, and job workforce pipeline.

I have refused contributions from developers and corporate special interests. You can count on me to be your voice at City Hall. And please know this: my door is and will always be open to you. With your help, I know I can make a difference in our City and bring “Community Leadership We Can Be Proud Of.”

Please join Alameda County Democratic Party, Senator Bob Wieckowski, Assemblymember Bill Quirk, Fremont Chamber of Commerce Good Government PAC, Alameda County supervisors Richard Valle and Scott Haggerty, teachers, small-business owners, and working families and vote by mail for Teresa Keng for a better Fremont.

Thank you.

<https://www.teresafortremont.com>

Fremont City Council District 5

Dolev Gandler



Fremont voters: I have been so lucky to call this beautiful city my home for the last nine years. In that time, I’ve been lucky enough to receive a top-notch education, eaten authentic food from more cultures than I can count, and made deep, personal connections with residents from all backgrounds. I’ve spent my time here volunteering in my community, from setting up at the local little league to cleaning up our parks. The city has given me so many amazing opportunities and I want to do everything in my power to give back and serve all Fremont residents.

I believe that elected representatives should be accountable to their constituents above all else. I am a grassroots candidate, and I will never accept corporate or PAC spending above the individual donor limit. Through and through, my campaign is powered by Fremont residents like you reading this. I will always be easily accessible to you by phone or email; all of my personal contact information is

available to anyone who wants to discuss something with me.

In these unprecedented times, we need leaders who can make the right calls for the city’s budget. We need to find more revenue for the city to balance our budget; I pledge not to increase taxes on Fremont residents if elected to the city council. Instead, my solutions are aimed at saving resident’s money and promoting spending in the city.

Fremont’s small businesses are the lifeblood of our city. Now, more than ever, we need to ensure that they have the support they need to weather the years to come. These businesses provide jobs, entertainment, and food for Fremont residents, and we cannot allow any more of our historic family owned businesses like Cloverleaf Bowl to close down.

I hope I can count on your support this November! When voting, please remember to wear your mask, socially distance when possible, and sanitize or wash your hands after leaving your polling place.

Raj Salwan



It has been an honor to serve as Fremont’s Councilmember for over three years. Over this time, I have worked hard to be collaborative and to do what is best for the residents of our district and our city. There is more for us to do together, which is why I hope you will support my re-election.

Major Accomplishments in the past four years:

- Enhanced Public Safety
- Transportation and traffic congestion relief
- Controlling Growth
- Fought to Maintain Local Control
- Voted for Increased Parkland and Trails
- Protected our Hillsides
- Voted to Reduce Carbon Footprint
- Voted to Reduce Greenhouse Gases
- Voted to Protect Open Space from Residential Development
- Voted to Save Our Tax Dollars by using LED streetlights and invest in solar in city buildings

During my next term I will work on these issues:

- Pandemic Recovery and Financial Solvency
- During this crisis, we must help our most vulnerable residents, repair our social safety net, and expand essential services to help families struggling to make ends meet.

• I am experienced to deal with the financial impacts of this crisis on City revenues.

Support Small Business and Get People Back to Work

- Support our local restaurants and small businesses to help them weather this storm.

• I will ensure that developers pay for the impacts to our community with the infrastructure needed for mobility.

• I will advocate for bold programs to rid ourselves of traffic congestion.

• I will advocate for more Community Policing so our Police Officers are visible and engaged in our neighborhoods. I will bring in new resources for human services and mental health workers to respond to emergency calls.

• Will continue to fight for responsible housing that does not generate more traffic, more air pollution, and reduced quality of life.

I would be honored to receive your vote. - Raj Salwan

**Fremont City Council  
District 6**

**Yogi Chugh**



As we define our “new normal,” we need bold leadership for our city’s challenges to keep families safe and mitigate the economic uncertainty due to COVID-19. We are experiencing the growing pains of increased traffic because of out-of-control development, homelessness on the rise, and a lack of communication between city hall and residents.

I’m running for City Council to represent Irvington and District 6 because I know that better isn’t just possible - it’s what Fremont deserves. As a Fremont planning and economic development commissioner, I know smart growth planning and strong local jobs can elevate our neighborhoods. As a board member of local nonprofits including Drivers for Survivors, Fremont Education Foundation, and the 4th of July Parade, I have seen how people-centered decision making unites communities.

On the City Council, I will build stronger partnerships between city hall and our schools, rehabilitate our aging shopping centers, and support families and small businesses struggling due to COVID. I will bring smarter solutions to public safety, champion housing affordability, address social injustice, and fight for regional dollars to build the necessary infrastructure and to end homelessness citywide.

I’m keeping my campaign completely people-powered by refusing to take money from developers and special interests. That’s important because their influence has been the reason why we have not been able to calm our chaotic traffic and address homelessness and affordability crisis.

I believe what you believe -- our city’s potential is held back. I will put Fremont residents first as we face uncertainty ahead. I have lived in Fremont for 35 years and raised my family and managed my small business in our district.

Please join the Alameda County Democratic Party, Congressperson Ro Khanna, Congressperson Eric Swalwell, Senator Bob Wieckowski, Assemblymember Bill Quirk, Assemblymember Kansan Chu, neighbors, other elected officials, parents, students, and others from across the district in supporting me for Fremont city councilmember in District 6. I would be honored to earn your vote. [www.yogiforfremont.com](http://www.yogiforfremont.com)

**Teresa Cox**



Dear Fremont Voter: Let’s break new ground to build a better community together. And with your help, I intend to break new ground in this campaign for Fremont City Council in District 6 -- Irvington Area.

Meet Teresa:

- A 30-year Fremont resident
- Mother of two amazing kids

raised in Fremont

- First African American woman to earn a degree in Nuclear Engineering in the Nation and MBA Degree
- Serving 12 years, Vice-Chair Trustee, Ohlone Community College; approve annually \$235,000 college scholarships to deserving students at Irvington and Kennedy High Schools and other schools

Councilmember, California District Export, appointed by Obama and re-appointed by current administrations

- Irvington Team Mom for 2018 Regional Champions for Irvington Boys Varsity Volleyball
- Horner PTSA Officer and Fremont Unified School District Parent Advocacy and Task Force groups
- Silicon Valley careers in Government and high-tech at Facebook and Lam Research

Teresa’s Priorities:

- COVID 19 Economic Relief and Recovery
- Local job creation and local hire

- Public safety
- Affordable and workforce housing
- Support mall and minority business initiatives
- Quality parks
- Scholarships
- Public and private partnerships for community projects
- Better collaboration for city services, school districts and Ohlone College, and bring resources to Fremont

I’m running to be an advocate for Fremont and get funding from Federal, State, County agencies and utilize my relationships with these agencies. I can tap into my Silicon Valley companies and organizations to help Fremont thrive. I am the only female and candidate in this race with the experience that allows me to hit the ground running once elected. I will work hard for all Fremont residents to build a better community together.

**Jhansi Kalapala**

No Statement Submitted.

**Charles Liu**



I am a longtime Fremont resident and have been running my small solar business in Fremont for the past 12 years. COVID-19 pandemic has made our top three issues much more challenging:

- 1) public safety
- 2) small business survival and jobs
- 3) affordable housing.

We can do better. I will work with the city council to adequately fund the police budget to maintain public safety. I will fight to create a friendlier business environment that will save struggling small businesses and protect jobs. As a current Fremont planning commissioner, I have demonstrated my resolve to fight for affordable housing to go hand in hand with each development project throughout the city, rather than having many affordable housing projects concentrated in Irvington District 6.

I will use a collaborative approach to work with all stakeholders to find common solutions to cut traffic congestion. I will encourage job centers in Silicon Valley to relocate jobs to where people live to reduce cut through traffic. More jobs coming to Fremont and District 6 can revitalize Irvington’s commercial districts. I will do much more to help

small businesses survive the pandemic, because they are the fabric of our community and I can relate to their challenges because I am a small-business owner myself. Small businesses closing means people losing jobs. That could worsen Fremont’s homeless problem.

I’m a consensus builder, and I work well with people in business, nonprofit organizations and the community. Lastly, I am humbled by the exclusive endorsements from Fremont Police Association and The Business for Good Government Committee, who entrust me to be their partner to protect public safety and make business environments better. Please vote for me and visit [www.Charlesliu.org](http://www.Charlesliu.org)

**Andrew Quang Nguyen**

No Statement Submitted.

**Roman Reed**

No Statement Submitted.

**Hayward City Council**

**Lacei Amodei**



My name is Lacei Amodei and I humbly ask for your vote for Hayward City Council this November. As a mother of a school-aged daughter and a housing policy advocate, I am running for Hayward City Council to advance economic and housing rights for all residents. My background in urban planning and policy advocacy for community development and affordable housing makes me the asset greatly needed on Council. I’m running a campaign entirely free from corporate contributions to be directly accountable to the people of Hayward.

I believe Hayward can be a leader in good paying jobs for residents, quality public education, and affordable housing. Our city is filled with hardworking, resilient, and innovative residents, but we must expand our social safety nets and prioritize economic development. Strategically addressing COVID-19 impacts will be crucial in the coming months, and my focus will be to implement policies to provide adequate support for all residents.

Housing and economic rights are personal for me, I’ve struggled with economic and housing insecurity as a working single-parent. This is why I have dedicated my life to fighting the housing crisis and to making our community a place where all can live full and dignified lives.

I’m proud to be endorsed by Hayward Councilmember Aisha Wahab, the California Young Democrats, South Alameda County Young Democrats, Alameda Building and Construction Trades Council, the National Union of Healthcare Workers, and the Technical and Professional Engineers Union IFPTE Local 21. I now humbly ask for your vote and hope that I can count on your support this November. Together, let’s build a Hayward that is for us all.

Email: [challengerslate@gmail.com](mailto:challengerslate@gmail.com).  
Website: [www.haywardslate.com](http://www.haywardslate.com)

**Angela Andrews**

Hayward deserves fresh leadership to house working families, revive small businesses, and assure that our policing policies, training and funding consider, work for and is



respectful of everyone. As Councilmember, I’ll champion these issues while working to make Hayward an attractive destination for retail, entertainment and business. Recognizing the pandemic presents unprecedented challenges, I’ll make fiscally sound decisions during and after COVID with a focus on maintaining critical city services. I want to ensure that Hayward is a supportive and livable city for individuals and families of all economic levels, now and in the future.

While a Planning Commissioner, I’ve used my master’s degree in planning to advance development over 350 homes in the past two years, and I’ll fight for increased affordable housing. I’m determined to help our small businesses through and after the pandemic, and committed to finding new combined with proven ways to attract thriving restaurants, shops and nightlife to Downtown and elsewhere. I’ve helped beautify Hayward as former chair of the Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force. As an advisor to Hayward’s Downtown Streets Team, I help our unsheltered residents to get back on their feet, especially during the coronavirus pandemic.

Because I’ll be the first Black woman ever on City Council and I live the fact that Black and Brown Lives Matter. I will ensure allocations are dispersed in a way that enhances public safety and appropriate responses to mental health and other non-life-threatening incidents.

I am endorsed by the Democratic Party, labor groups, Congressman Eric Swalwell, Mayor Barbara Halliday, Supervisor Richard Valle and Assemblyman Bill Quirk. I’m working to make Hayward a great city in which to raise my daughter. Please honor me with your vote so I can work for you and your family.  
[www.AngelaForHayward.com](http://www.AngelaForHayward.com).

**Nestor Castillo**

No Statement Submitted.

**Elisha Crader**

I am a proud daughter of Hayward -- born and raised. Thanks to the influence of my hardworking mother, I received a degree in History of Public Policy from UC Santa Barbara. Like many others, I returned home unable to afford living here on my own. Now, I spend every day serving Hayward tenants, addressing their housing and eviction issues as a Tenants’ Rights Paralegal.

For many years, residents in Hayward have struggled with high rents and unjust evictions, and these hardships will only increase due to COVID-19. As your new city council member, I would continue my fight to meet community needs with the urgency they deserve.

In Hayward, working people deserve housing security, worker protections, true community safety, and above all, to be heard. I am committed to the needs of the community; therefore, I am running a clean campaign endorsed by Aisha Wahab, California Young Democrats, National Union of Healthcare Workers, and Planned Parenthood.

It’s time to break the status quo we have long seen in Hayward of rubber-stamping outdated policies due to a lack of term limits and limited new

voices. I will change this by bringing on another strong voice for the people to the council. To make any real progress in Hayward, I would appreciate your vote.  
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[www.HaywardSlate.com](http://www.HaywardSlate.com)

**Darrelle Demps**



My name is Darrelle Demps, and I am asking for your support and your vote in my bid to represent you on the Hayward City Council. Hayward has been home for me for over 30 years and is a city that I want to help continue to reach its full potential.

My background in human resources and as an IT executive have prepared me to work with people from all backgrounds to find calculated and proven solutions. I am a strong decision maker, who will tackle the tough issues for all Hayward residents.

I was elected to the National Black MBA Association Board of Directors and served for over 11 years. I was responsible for the organization’s community outreach, education, and professional development committees. One of my greatest joys was working with the Leaders of Tomorrow program, which was implemented to help develop leadership skills in high school students. In my own neighborhood, I keep my neighbors informed about events and meetings because civic engagement is the backbone of moving Hayward forward.

If elected, my top priorities for Hayward would be economic development with innovative approaches to bringing new businesses and job growth to our community. I will improve communication with our neighborhoods by hosting town hall meetings to allow the citizens of Hayward to give feedback on their concerns.

I have a reputation for fairness, commitment, results, and accountability. Coming from a proud military family, I seek to continue our family values of service to our community by asking for your vote to represent you on the Hayward City Council. Please visit my website: [www.votefordemps.com](http://www.votefordemps.com).

**Tom Ferreira**

No Statement Submitted.

**Chris Baday Lozano**

No Statement Submitted.

**Elisa Marquez**



It is an honor serving you on the Hayward City Council. My experience as a mother, lifelong Hayward resident, homeowner, volunteer and working professional, guide me every day helping to build a better Hayward.

In 2016, I promised to work with you to create a safer, more sustainable, and engaged Hayward community. Working together, we have built hundreds of affordable homes, new vibrant parks, established a homeless navigation center, increased the

number of Hayward businesses, and attracted quality jobs. We opened our 21st century library and helped increase HUSD student achievement with City-sponsored tutoring.

Now, because the COVID-19 pandemic has created unprecedented challenges for Hayward families, seniors, essential workers, businesses and others, I’m working tirelessly with community partners to help those most in need: establishing an emergency moratorium on home evictions; opening the nation’s first free public COVID-19 testing site; establishing food distribution sites; providing free personal protective equipment to local businesses; conducting wellness checks on seniors; and more.

Your support will help me continue providing steady leadership when it is needed most. Working together, we can keep our community safe, beat COVID-19, and ensure a brighter future for Hayward. I would appreciate your vote for re-election. For more information, please visit [www.ElisaforHayward.net](http://www.ElisaforHayward.net).

**Son Nguyen**



As you scan the crowded field of candidates for city council members of our city, you will find that I am the only candidate with the traditional conservative values – support of family, a strong work ethic, and self-reliance to nurture a safe and secure environment in which all families, communities and businesses will thrive.

To address COVID-19, we will coordinate with federal and state governments for needed testing, appropriate therapeutics, and vaccinations for the at-risk groups – elderly, people with underlying illnesses, and disenfranchised. School must reopen as soon as possible so that working parents can provide for their families. Sound curricula and new COVID-19 therapeutics will encourage a more nurturing environment and best prepare for our children’s future.

Safely opened existing businesses will incentivize new ones to begin operations, and support working families as they build a business-friendly community in Hayward. Greater Safety and security in our community will be ensured by providing additional training and outreach efforts with law enforcement as well as more public safety programs in our communities.

I ask for your vote, so I can build the bridges that promise Hayward’s successful rebound from this unprecedented period in our nation’s history - as quickly and safely as possible.

**Olympia Pereira**



Voting is so essential to our democracy. Oftentimes, this is the only moment many hardworking members of our society have an opportunity to voice their opinion on issues in their community. I am a hardworking citizen like the rest

of us and I want to see our community thrive. The top priorities that I plan to work on are: housing programs for our homeless population, defunding the police and reallocating funds appropriately, and supporting elderly and youth community members better. I am someone who advocates for change for the better. Hayward is rich with inclusive history and I plan to continue this legacy into the future.

I am a single mother, who has also been affected by the pandemic and furloughed. I have lived in Hayward for the last seven years but have lived in San Lorenzo my entire life so I am no stranger to the neighborhood. I have watched my community grow and change in many ways, and it is time to take hold of our community and really make the changes WE want to see. I understand the community that I serve because I’ve been here with you the whole time. I think the most important thing to share with the public is my intentions and my motives. Politicians are known to be many things, but I want the people to know that I am not one to be bought. I’m not one to sell out. I don’t mind being the odd woman in the room if it means that I’m staying true to the people. If you want someone genuine, honest and true to represent you, vote Olympia Pereira.

**Joe Orlando Ramos**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Mark Salinas**



I was born at St. Rose Hospital and raised in South Hayward in the Schafer Park Neighborhood. I have lived in Hayward my whole life. I attended St. Bede Catholic School, graduated from Hayward High School, and after participating in the Puente Project at Chabot College, I transferred and then graduated from San Francisco State University.

Today, I am a community engagement specialist at the CSU East Bay Hayward Promise Neighborhood; I teach Ethnic Studies and History at Chabot College; and I am the executive director of The Kids’ Breakfast Club. I also have the honor and privilege to serve you and your family on the Hayward City Council.

COVID-19 is affecting all of us. Hayward has spent over \$4 million on the testing center; food distributions; financial relief; and tenant protections for families and business owners. Hayward’s COVID-19 response within the first 30 days of the shelter-in-place order is an example of focused leadership, durable partnerships, and concentrated resources to help people in tough times.

Council members must be principled, know their responsibilities, and make decisions for people first. I am working to stop the spread of COVID-19 and connect families to relief. While not letting go of what families need today, I am simultaneously focused on Hayward’s future. I will fully fund and staff the fire department so it can strengthen and expand expertise in protecting public health.

I will establish a communitywide process, inclusive discussion, and community consensus to build a sustainable budget and deliver equitable protection services. I will continue to protect renters and prioritize programs that produce housing for all income levels. I will make sure businesses are connected to relief and when

appropriate accelerate recovery, establish opportunity zones, and help businesses grow.

I would be honored to have your vote. Thank you. For more information, visit [www.voteforsalinas.com](http://www.voteforsalinas.com)

**Francisco Zermeno**



I am running to support Hayward residents, families, and small businesses by prioritizing our local economy impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. We must continue to support our residents through this period and into a recovery with innovative and flexible policies to meet the immediate needs of all our residents. I will continue to advocate for solutions for affordable housing, homelessness, safe communities, and our environment.

My commitment to Hayward has crossed decades from teaching at Chabot for 42 years to making policy decisions for more affordable housing. I am dedicated to the success of our youth and to building the next generation of local leaders. I am an advocate of shopping local and founded the Latino Business Roundtable. I currently serve on the Sustainability Committee and StopWaste.Org. and under my leadership, Hayward has achieved many environmental goals and records. I love Hayward and its diversity. My service to Hayward has been constant and I work hard every day for its success, and hope to continue contributing to our legacy. It’s an honor to be endorsed by community members, working families, local leaders, small business owners, and many others.

I would be honored to earn your vote. Thank you. Hayward On!  
[www.franciscoforhayward.com](http://www.franciscoforhayward.com).

**Newark Mayor**

**Cornelius Lopes**  
No Statement Submitted.

**Alan Nagy**



It has been my honor to serve as your mayor, and I am pleased to announce my candidacy for re-election. Almost five years ago, I said: “Building a bright future for our community and its residents is accomplished by commitment, cooperation and persistence...practiced one day at a time.” We hold true to these principles and continue to work for the best Newark can be.

Your city council is dedicated to working for the success of Newark. We have much to be proud of as a community. We are fiscally conservative and have no bonded indebtedness. At the same time, we are a “welcoming” community that embraces our diversity knowing that the richness of our community really lies in its people. We were proud to participate in the grand opening of the Newark Station Seniors affordable living development with another senior complex in the planning stage.

We are providing recreational opportunities for our young people with the completion of

the Mel Nunes Sportsfield Park, Skateboard Park, and the all-weather sports field. Our canine friends are enjoying the facilities at NewBark Dog Park. Finally, we are getting ready to open the new Civic Center complex with the new library, police building and city administration building.

What makes me most proud as your mayor is how our city has responded to COVID-19. Food boxes are prepared and distributed, weekly phone calls are made to the fragile and elderly and, we are working hard to reduce expenditures to address COVID-19 related losses. This is the kind of team I want to be on! I am committed to preserving Newark’s “small town” feeling that is marked by a sense of community and volunteerism, and providing a high quality of life for families, senior citizens, and our youth. I will be honored to receive your support in this election. Let’s keep “Working for a Better Newark” together!

**Newark City Council**

**Maria “Sucy” Collazo**



Who is Maria “Sucy” Collazo? Daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, businesswoman. For the past nine years, I have had the pleasure of serving as your council member and vice mayor. I have worked hard to fulfill my campaign promise of “Building the Dream Together” to make Newark a better place not only for my children and grandchildren, but for everyone’s children and grandchildren.

I have done that by working collaboratively with my city council colleagues to approve the first-ever Parks Master Plan which has identified park developments desired by the community. A new dog park, a skate board park, and all weather sports fields are a result of that effort. I am proud of the council’s work to increase our reserves and build a strong economic base. Our superior police and fire protection services ensure the safety and security of our citizens. I have helped secure affordable housing for our seniors, and I have strived to provide a better quality of life for everyone. I am a member of the COVID-19 Community Stakeholder Committee which provides educational literature and distributes food to those in need.

I am proud of my role in bringing cultural events to the community such as the Mariachi and Dia de los Muertos Festivals. My council assignments include Alameda County Fire Advisory Committee, Alameda County Library Advisory Commission, Alameda County Transportation Commission, and Newark City Council–Newark Board of Education Liaison Committee.

Thanks to the generosity of our Newark Voters, the city will soon celebrate the opening of the pride of our community—our new Civic Center Building, Police Building and Library.

I would be honored to have your vote. Please stay healthy and safe.

**Luis Freitas**

I am proud to be part of the City Council team where our most important work is providing the best quality of life to our citizens. I currently serve as your vice mayor. I have had the privilege of serving you in good and bad times. With the



onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have had to make tough decisions that are keeping us fiscally sound. I am confident that as we move past the pandemic Newark will come out stronger and better positioned for the future.

My focus is on supporting programs that increase youth opportunities, provide a high level of Public Safety, enhance Senior Citizen programs, and programs that give Newark that special “small town” spirit we treasure. I will continue working closely with the School District for the betterment of our children. I represent you on the Alameda County Transportation Commission and StopWaste.org. I am a 44-year resident of Newark, married to Fatima; with 2 children and 7 grandchildren. I’m a local business owner and member of the Chamber of Commerce.

My business experience coupled with being a homeowner and community volunteer provides me with the balanced perspective needed to continue making the best decisions for Newark.

I would like to continue to apply my leadership and experience working for the best Newark can be. We are facing serious challenges with COVID-19 and the pandemic. Our residents and business community are experiencing unparalleled hardships. A real strength of our community is how we pull together to face these challenges. I want to continue to apply my leadership and experience to help in this effort.

I would appreciate your vote, so I can continue to provide my leadership and experience. I will be honored to receive your support in this election.

**Taranjit Gujral**



Newark has been our family’s home for more than a decade. My son studies at Kennedy Elementary. My wife has been teaching drama to children in the Bay Area for more than seven years. I am a data science leader, a dad, an environmentalist, a community volunteer, and always an advocate for Newark.

Currently, we are feeling the effects of COVID-19. The challenges we face are unprecedented. I want to work with you and for you to solve these challenges. Through my professional and personal experiences, I can provide a practical and transparent perspective to our city. I am committed to working with each one of you to make our community stronger. With your feedback and participation, we can move forward. I would be proud to serve you.

To enable future leaders of our city we must engage the community in the governance of the city by bringing to life the committees for arts, human relations, technology, environment and youth commissions.

To thrive as a community, we must continue to evolve and grow. We must not let development

hijack our precious wetlands; they are our treasure for our children and the species that depend upon them. Together, we can come up with a climate action plan where development is ingenious, not at the cost of our future. We need to examine traffic data, see how we can optimize the flow of traffic, and take measures to keep our sidewalks safe and pedestrian crossings visible, while prioritizing bike friendly routes.

The key to solving most problems is transparency and accountability. Making that happen for elected officials at a district level will fuel community participation. This strategy can only be successful if the plan is human centric and data driven. With a career in data and grassroots activism, I am very well positioned to make that happen for Newark.

**Jason Miguel**

I have been a proud resident for Newark for over 21 years, and I have seen the city through its ups and downs -- from new residential developments to NewPark Mall losing business and the sight of vacant buildings. Newark should not sacrifice its small city identity at the cost of expanding. As we enter a new decade, Newark will have to address many issues, from affordable housing, climate change and providing a quality of life for Newark residents. I would like to be the voice of the youth and the voice of the people on City Council as we enter the new decade and venture into the future.

I would like to work with businesses so that they can have a home in Newark and provide jobs for the community. I would also like to implement environmental standards and sustainability practices as we enter a new age in the fight against climate change. Newark needs to improve its infrastructure as more people move into the city.

I have experience advocating for my constituents no matter the place. I have been a fierce student advocate at the University of California and helped establish more diversity hiring practices at the faculty and staff levels. I have been endorsed by the Sierra Club and many Newark residents, and I hope you join them in advocating for change.

I respectfully ask for your support and thank you to those who cast their votes for me. Please visit my website at [jasonmiguelforcitycouncil.weebly.com](http://jasonmiguelforcitycouncil.weebly.com) or email me at [jasonmiguel4citycouncil2020@gmail.com](mailto:jasonmiguel4citycouncil2020@gmail.com) for more information about me and my campaign.

Join me and let us make Newark safer and better together.

**San Leandro City Council Member District 2**

**Ed Hernandez**

No Statement Submitted.

**San Leandro City Council Member District 4**

**Christopher Bammer**

No Statement Submitted.

**Fred Simon**

No Statement Submitted.

**San Leandro City Council Member District 6**

**Pete Ballew**

No Statement Submitted.

**Union City Mayor**

**Carol Dutra-Vernaci**

No Statement Submitted.

**Sarabjit Kaur Cheema**

No Statement Submitted.

**Jaime Patino**

I am a lifelong resident of Union City. I am also a single father, raising my 15-year-old daughter. I was raised by my grandparents who taught me the value of hard work, playing by



the rules, and living by the Golden Rule. I graduated from James Logan High School in 1989 and was on the first Forensics team led by Tommie Lindsey. I attended Chabot College and CSU Hayward, earning my MBA. I currently work in finance for a major healthcare corporation.

I have been your councilperson since 2018. In that time, I have seen the financial situation of our city. In the past eight years we have had anemic growth, budget deficits and tax proposal after tax proposal.

It is true that COVID-19 set the city back financially. But we would be in this financial mess with or without COVID. The time to kick the can down the road has ended, and we must face the stark financial reality that is in front of us. For the first time in our city's history, our ability to pay our bills and stay solvent is at risk.

The choice is clear. It is time to chart a new course for our city and lead it on a path to prosperity and fiscal responsibility. It is time to question the status quo and put the days of deficits and excuses behind us.

Hence, I am running for mayor of my hometown. We must re-think the way we run our city. We must change processes and the culture to make it more inviting to businesses and more responsive to its residents. I will use my background in business and finance to help make that change.

I will work to reduce crime, encourage collaboration, bring quality jobs and fight for social equity. I will work with all in the community to make this happen. Thank you, and I hope I have earned your vote.

**Union City City Council District 1**

**Sandi Holder-Grayson**



I am a 35-year resident of my district, a business owner in UC for 25 years. I was a human relations commissioner for two consecutive terms and organized many city events. I was instrumental in fundraising to build the PD substation at Union Landing. I received the Community Spirit Award for business and have been chairperson of two public safety initiatives.

I understand the role of representing UC as a City Council member and comprehend the innerworkings of UC City government with over 25 years of community involved experience.

I am endorsed by a broad coalition of UC city leaders such as Supervisor Richard Valle, Assemblyperson Bill Quirk, Mayor Dutra-Vernaci, Vice Mayor Duncan, Building Trades Council, SEIU Local 1021, Bay East Association of Realtors, and FUN Progressives California, to name a few.

I feel having a business will help me in discussions regarding the city budget and how we can address the shortfall UC is facing. I bring fresh ideas/vision to City

Hall. I will demand transparency and accountability through tough times.

I think voters would be hard pressed to find a more devoted person to the citizens of UC. I am a hard-working individual, with a pristine reputation. Integrity and honesty are strong characters that are especially important to me.

I realize it is an uphill battle to unseat an incumbent and this has been a difficult first campaign for me. I have been disappointed in my signs disappearing and apparently being replaced with the incumbent's signs. Nonetheless, I will continue to move on in a positive and respectable manner.

This position is not my steppingstone to the next political title. I am here for Union City and Union City only. My campaign is self-funded, and I have a strong commitment to this position. I am the best person for this job and respectfully ask for your vote.

**Gary Singh**



As a longtime Union City resident, I know our city's history, diversity, and strong sense of community identity make it an extraordinary place to live. It's the place where I started my own small business and where my wife and I raised our children. I love Union City, and I hope to earn your vote to be your representative for District 1 for the upcoming November election. Since being elected in 2016, I spearheaded the audit through the City Manager's Office to ensure that our city departments have been running at optimal efficiency. And, I have worked with the Police Department and with City and county leaders to address crime and keep our neighborhoods safe. But there is still so much to do. I'm running for re-election to build on our work and to continue to represent your voice at City Hall.

The COVID pandemic has exacerbated the problems we face as a City. We need creative leadership and action to reduce our City's budget deficit and provide the levels of service to our constituents that they demand and deserve. As your Councilmember, I will help attract and retain businesses, and support job creators so our City benefits from Silicon Valley's growth and progress. I will prioritize the investment of critical public safety services that allow every resident to share in our recovery, and restore and modernize outdated equipment to allow our first responders to respond to neighborhood emergencies quickly and safely. Most importantly, I will continue to champion building safe, complete, and smart communities, addressing housing affordability and transportation infrastructure, and ensuring that your tax dollars are well managed to prepare us for the future. Together, we can make Union City affordable for generations to come. With your help, I will make Union City a place where people of all ages feel secure and proud to call home.

Join Congressman Eric Swalwell, the Tri-City Democratic Forum, Assemblyman Bill Quirk and many others across our community in supporting Gary Singh for Union City Council District 1. Learn more at [www.GarySinghforCityCouncil.com](http://www.GarySinghforCityCouncil.com). Thank you!

**Santa Clara County Supervisor District 3**

**Kansen Chu**



I am an independent thinker and committed to providing what is best for Santa Clara County. Hence, I am coming home and running for nonpartisan position on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors.

During this worst economic downturn, I will apply my experience, especially my time on the San Jose City Council during 2008 recession, to lead our region to a robust recovery. I am committed to supporting local businesses, protecting the characters of our neighborhoods, addressing the income disparity as we are building our economy. I respectfully ask you for your vote.

I have earned the endorsements of Ro Khanna, U.S. congressman; Judy Chu, U.S. congresswoman; Eleni Kounalakis, Lieutenant Governor, CA State; Fiona Ma, CA State Treasurer; Milpitas Firefighters Local 1699; Milpitas POA; among others. [www.chuforsupervisor.com](http://www.chuforsupervisor.com)

**Otto Lee**



Our community faces unprecedented challenges -- a pandemic straining our health-care system, a hampered local economy, and calls for equity and systemic change in our society. As supervisor, I will work tirelessly to address these complex matters and their specific elements, including housing affordability, homelessness, and neighborhood safety.

I'm an immigrant, US Navy veteran, small-business owner, father, and your neighbor for nearly 30 years. During eight years on Sunnyvale City Council, I was the "Green Mayor," balanced eight budgets, and we were named one of the safest cities in America. I retired at the rank of commander after 28 years in the Navy, where I helped bring 150,000 troops home from Iraq and was awarded a Bronze Star.

I am honored to be our community's unity candidate and proudly endorsed by Civil Rights Icon Dolores Huerta, Democratic Party, congressperson Anna Eshoo, former San José mayors Norman Mineta and Ron Gonzales, State Controller Betty Yee, assemblymembers Evan Low and Marc Berman, former Supervisor and Milpitas Mayor Pete McHugh, East Side Teachers Association, Registered Nurses Professional Association, League of Conservation Voters, our essential workers, working families, and small-business owners. I would be honored to earn your vote and continue my service to our community. Please join me -- [www.OttoLee.org](http://www.OttoLee.org).

**Santa Clara Superior Court Judge, office #24**

**Stuart J. Scott**

No Statement Submitted.

**Santa Clara County Board of Education Trustee Area #5 Governing Board**

**Anna E. Song**

No Statement Submitted.

**Victoria Chon**



I am a Bay Area native, a proud public-school teacher, and a candidate for Santa Clara County Board of Education, Area 5, representing Santa Clara, Milpitas, Orchard Elementary, Berryessa Union, and parts of the San Jose Unified School Districts.

My experiences in the classroom have taught me that a quality education is something that every child deserves. I believe investing in our schools elevates communities, creates enthusiasm for lifelong learning, and prepares every student for the future with 21st century skills. We must partner together to give our students the support and stability to learn in our current reality.

During these critical times on the Board of Education, I will fight for better safety measures for our students and educators. I will prioritize the academic and social-emotional needs of students and work to get our students safely back in the classroom. I will advocate for teachers to have the resources and tools that they need to make distance learning a success. I will support quality programming including STEM and the Arts while demanding services and facilities to accommodate all families and students.

I am running for the Board of Education because, as a public-school teacher, I have firsthand experience in the classroom and understand how the decisions of the Board affect the needs and services of our schools and students. I respectfully ask for your vote and support to make a difference in the lives of the students of the County because I know better isn't just possible -- it's what our kids deserve.

Please join Former Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party, the California Teachers Association, Assemblyman Ash Kalra, San Jose Unified School District Trustee Brian Wheatley, State Controller Betty Yee, State Treasurer Fiona Ma, parents, community leaders, students and education leaders across the state in voting Victoria Chon for Santa Clara County Board of Education by mail by November 3! For more information please visit: [www.victoria-chon2020.com](http://www.victoria-chon2020.com).

**Milpitas USD Governing Board**

**Minh Ngo**

No Statement Submitted.

**Milpitas Mayor**

**Rich Tran**

No Statement Submitted.

**Voltaire S. Montemayor**

No Statement Submitted.

City of Milpitas Council Member

Julian Jose Nool Hilario, Jr.



As a registered nurse and Milpitas resident of over 21 years, my connection to this city is deeply rooted in my passion for helping others. Since the 1980s, my family has built a long lineage of history within the city. I am a product of the Milpitas Unified School District, having attended our public school system from K-12. It is where I’ve gained my skills in leadership and the ability to build rapport with people of all backgrounds.

Now more than ever, I believe it is important for Milpitas to elect a council member who will listen to and represent the diverse voices of our community in ways that will help bring us together.

With my passion and drive, I will prioritize safety within our neighborhoods and address the affordable housing crisis. I will aim to provide quality education within our school district, as well as implement fundamental programs for the youth. Lastly, as a registered nurse, I will utilize my expertise in the healthcare field to bring forward the wellness of our citizens.

My whole life has been centered on helping others. I will continue to do so as Milpitas City Council and give everything I can for the community that shaped me and installed values of integrity, empathy, and respect. [www.facebook.com/HilarioJr-forMilpitasCityCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/HilarioJr-forMilpitasCityCouncil)

Anthony Phan  
No Statement Submitted.

Bob Nunez



My role as current Milpitas City councilmember and Valley Transportation Authority board member along with my background leading local school districts and civic organizations prepares me well to guide Milpitas into the future.

My priorities are affordable housing, economic development, transportation, public safety, and quality of life issues. Specifically, I will work to improve the Calaveras Boulevard/State Highway 237/Montague Expressway as well as traffic patterns and flow around the new BART Station. I will improve partnerships between the city and Milpitas Unified School District and focus on bettering the city’s air quality by working with agencies like the Bay Area Air Quality

Management District. I will push to retain and attract small businesses and corporations toward generating revenue necessary for infrastructure including public safety services.

For further information, visit [www.BobNunez.org](http://www.BobNunez.org).

Robert Marini  
No Statement Submitted.

Evelyn Chua  
No Statement Submitted.

Suraj Viswanathan



Dear Milpitas Voter,

Thank you for considering me as your candidate for Milpitas City Council.

As a young man in my early 20’s I came to this country with the hope and dream of a great future ahead. It has been my privilege to be a resident of the beautiful City of Milpitas since the day I landed. It has always been my desire to give back and contribute to the community that extended ample opportunities to build a strong future for my family and me.

My wife, Malvica Suraj, and I are blessed to have a beautiful family which includes my eight-year old son Samarth and three-year old Riaan.

As a business executive and entrepreneur, I have co-founded several local companies and have had success working in the sports industry. My skills in negotiation, customer service, sales and business development have helped me mature as a professional to produce the best for my businesses.

In our community, I have been active in causes for children, including those with special needs. I have been associated with “Parents Helping Parents” program since 2006. I served as a committee member for the recently-approved largest school bond in California, \$284 million. And, I am Chairman of BACA (Bay Area Cricket Alliance) which is working to introduce and expand this sport into Bay Area Schools. I have also supported other local Bay Area organizations such as the sister city program in Cupertino and several others.

As a member of the City Council, my goals will be to help our local economy recover from the pandemic, ensure that our health care providers are better prepared for any future crisis, prioritize funding for public safety, provide better options for affordable housing, and rebuild our deteriorating city infrastructure. I am opposed to the sales tax increase.

I look forward to serving you on the City Council and I humbly ask for your vote.

Tiffany Vuong  
My name is Tiffany Vuong, and I would like to be your City Councilmember. I’m running because Milpitas is where I grew up, but if more families want to



grow here and call it home, we must act now.

I grew up with many relatives crowded under one roof. It has become far too expensive to live here, and more people are doubling up or worse just to survive. I’ve worked on campaigns to improve the living conditions of everyday Milpitanians and will continue to fight for us at City Hall.

That’s why I am not accepting any donations from corporations or developers; my campaign is 100% grassroots-funded. As your city councilor, I will work tirelessly to meet our needs: delivering affordable housing, improving government transparency, and transitioning to a sustainable, green economy that will create jobs.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent economic recession are hitting working families hard. I am committed to passing strong tenant protections, preventing evictions and homelessness, and providing an economic recovery for all.

I hope to earn your vote to build a stronger Milpitas. To learn more or contribute, please visit [TiffanyforMilpitas.com](http://TiffanyforMilpitas.com)

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# Organization promotes student mental health

By JESSICA YU

Fremont Mental Health Organization (FMHO) was founded in 2018 to provide mental health resources to students and citizens of the community. Neha Gondra, a student at Mission San Jose High School, attends a highly competitive high school where mental health isn't really talked about or addressed. To combat these issues, she created FMHO and has built up the organization since its founding. Gondra said, "After seeing many of my peers and members of the community succumb to mental illness, I knew that I needed to take initiative to help those that need resources the most."

Since 2018, Gondra has been able to build up a team of six officers to help organize events and run day-to-day operations. Initially, the organization faced many different issues including gaining traction, establishing a larger member base, and reaching out to people in the community. Mental health discussion has a lot of stigma, and it was difficult for Gondra to publicize to the right audience. However, the once-small organization has managed to rise above and see larger overall turnout and growth.

FMHO organized a mental health awareness panel and presentation in 2018, partnering with local school counselor Wendi Bennett from Irvington High School. Since then, they've



also held a stress workshop featuring Dr. Chien Shien Yang, a board-certified Bay Area physician. Fremont Mental Health Org's latest project is a care package event at local parks in the Fremont area. Volunteers were able to donate self-care

items, such as masks or toiletries, to give back to the community and help homeless populations. FMHO has also partnered with Fremont Youth and Family Services, and Mission San Jose High School's Counseling Department.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, FMHO reached out to impacted members of the community and created an informative podcast and blog to discuss mental health issues surrounding shelter in place. After the shift to distance learning, FMHO also partnered with Mission San Jose High School's counseling department to discuss how to deal with stress from the transition to online learning. In addition, on September 14, volunteers delivered over 50 care packages with Second Chance Newark, a non-profit that provides emergency shelters for families. "In response to COVID-19, our organization wanted to help the homeless and needy population that were struggling from the negative effects of the pandemic.

We led community efforts to pool food, hygiene, and Personal Protective Equipment resources," said Gondra.

As for the future, Fremont Mental Health Org intends to become a 501(c)(3) established non-profit, host more events, and gain more members, both adults and teens. They look forward to holding more community-based events and expanding past the Tri-City Area to help those facing mental health issues outside the Bay. Fremont Mental Health Organization has not only helped students across Fremont with mental health, but developing healthy habits to help their peers as well.

To find out more about Fremont Mental Health Org and their podcasts and projects, visit their Facebook page at Fremont Mental Health Organization, their website <https://fremontmho.wixsite.com/> website, or email them at [fremontmho@gmail.com](mailto:fremontmho@gmail.com).

