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## Rebuilding Homes Together

*City Partners with Local Nonprofit to Help Local Residents*



Robert Downey (front) pictured with Rebuilding Together Sacramento and volunteers from Sisters in the Brotherhood—United Brotherhood of Carpenters. Photo: City of Rancho Cordova

### City of Rancho Cordova

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Rebuilding Together Sacramento (RTS), a local nonprofit, and many generous volunteers partnered with the City of Rancho Cordova to make repairs to 21 homes of families in need. Over the past six months, repairs such as safety and accessibility enhancements like wheelchair ramps, new windows, kitchen appliances made homes safe for families who are unable to repair them on their own. The program was made possible by the city's Community Enhancement Fund, a local half-cent sales tax measure that was approved in 2014.

One program participant, Robert Downey, who is also a retired police officer and veteran, lost his legs and

arms in 2015 due to medical complications. Through this program, the city and RTS installed a new wheelchair ramp with leveled cement, a new fence in his backyard, and made electrical repairs in his home.

"This program has been a godsend for me, and I can't say how much I appreciate what the city and Rebuilding Together Sacramento have done," Robert said.

Another resident struggled to make improvements to her home after she retired from her job and needed to take care of her husband who became ill.

"All of the people who have worked on my home have been so kind and cheerful and never made us feel like we were just a couple of old people who couldn't do anything for ourselves. We need programs and

people like this now more than ever!" she said.

When volunteers were asked why they chose to become involved with the project, one volunteer explained, "I do this because I enjoy it, and I like helping others. I also like to bring my kids with me because it keeps them active and helps build up their character."

Some volunteers are also working towards obtaining their own contractor's license and enjoy volunteering and learning alongside experts in their field.

As RTS finishes up with the final touches on the remaining properties, they are already gearing up to recruit more program participants. To see if you or someone you know may qualify, visit [RebuildingTogetherSacramento.org](http://RebuildingTogetherSacramento.org). ★

## 15 Percent Water Reductions Urged

**Regional Water Authority Press Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Regional Water Authority (RWA) Board of Directors unanimously adopted a resolution urging its 20 water provider members to take actions to voluntarily reduce water use by a minimum of 15 percent.

The action follows RWA's call for 10 percent conservation in May and Gov. Gavin Newsom's July 8 executive order that expanded the drought to 50 of the state's 58 counties and asked residents to reduce water use by 15 percent.

"This is the worst drought since 1977," said RWA Executive Director Jim Peifer. "Water providers are doing a good job of shifting to environmentally-friendly and sustainably-managed groundwater for water supplies, but continued dry weather into winter could pose a challenge."

Folsom Lake levels are currently at 27 percent. Natural inflows into Folsom are zero and expected to remain that way through September. "For comparison, even in 2015 during California's most recent drought, water was still naturally flowing into Folsom," Peifer said.

Local water providers are asking customers to consider taking the following actions:

**Stress Your Lawn and Save Your Trees.** Try reducing lawn watering times by two minutes, but remember to take steps to protect your trees. Lawn can handle less water and eventually recover while trees can be lost forever. You can find tips and videos for efficiently watering trees at [BeWaterSmart.info/trees](http://BeWaterSmart.info/trees) or [sactree.com](http://sactree.com); **Check soil moisture** with a moisture meter before turning on sprinklers – *saves 80 gallons of water per day*; **Water plants early** in the morning to reduce evaporation – *saves 50 gallons of water each time you water*; **Begin the transition to a beautiful low-water garden** by removing half of your lawn this summer. You'll be ready to add low-water native plants and drip irrigation this winter – *saves 90 gallons of water per day per 1,000 square feet of lawn removed each time you water*; **Contact your water provider about rebates** to replace older irrigation equipment, fixtures and appliances with high-efficiency models, including rebates on smart sprinkler timers, high-efficiency sprinklers, drip irrigation and more. Many have increased rebate amounts to help offset costs.

*Information about how to implement these actions, are available at [BeWaterSmart.info](http://BeWaterSmart.info).* ★

## CHP Cadets Graduate ... Finally!

**By Jaime Coffee, California Highway Patrol**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The long-awaited graduation of California Highway Patrol (CHP) Cadet Training Class I-20 took place on Friday, July 16th at the CHP Academy. The CHP's 119 newest officers (18 women and 101 men) received their badges following a swearing-in ceremony 75 weeks after their training began.

Traditionally, cadet training at the CHP Academy takes place over 29 weeks. However, a little more than a month after arriving at the academy on February 10, 2020, safety precautions necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic led to the closure of the live-in training facility in West Sacramento. While away from the academy, cadets were assigned to CHP Area offices throughout the state to observe a wide variety of activities and tasks uniformed officers routinely



Cadet Vanessa Sanchez receives her badge to become a new California Highway Patrol Officer. Photo: CHP

perform, enhancing the knowledge they had gained in the classroom. Cadets also participated in online learning for the first time.

"To say these cadets have been well-trained would be an understatement," CHP Commissioner Amanda Ray said. "Today's graduates

persevered through challenging circumstances over a lengthy period of time, demonstrating their commitment to serving the people of California."

At the CHP Academy, cadet training starts with nobility in policing, leadership, professionalism and

ethics, and cultural diversity. Cadets also receive instruction on mental illness response and crisis intervention techniques. The training also covers vehicle patrol, accident investigation, first aid, and the apprehension of suspected violators, including those who drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The cadets also receive training in traffic control, report writing, recovery of stolen vehicles, assisting the motoring public, issuing citations, emergency scene management, and knowledge of various codes including the California Vehicle Code, Penal Code, and Health and Safety Code.

Upon graduation, these uniquely trained cadets will be reporting for duty to CHP Area offices throughout the state.

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# PG&E Suspension of Service Disconnections Extended

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG)** - Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) announced recently that it will extend the moratorium on utility service disconnections through September 30, 2021. The moratorium was put in place in March 2020 by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

"We believe extending the service disconnection moratorium for all customers allows for additional relief efforts from the state to take shape while protecting our customers who are financially struggling," said Marlene Santos, PG&E Executive Vice President and Chief Customer Officer.

As part of the company's ongoing efforts to help customers manage their bills, PG&E will auto-enroll eligible customers in new extended payment plans by the end of September to coincide with the potential ending of the moratorium.

While the moratorium has been extended, other emergency customer protections put in place by the CPUC during the pandemic have expired.

Recertifications and Post-Enrollment Verifications for the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) and Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) programs have resumed. CARE/FERA customers whose program eligibility would have expired between March 4, 2020 and June 30, 2021 will be required to re-certify. Customers whose program eligibility expired on or after July 1, 2021 will be required to recertify within 90 days. The earliest a customer may be removed from CARE/FERA is October 1, 2021 after a series of direct mail and targeted email communications.

PG&E has helped almost 300,000 residential customers enroll in CARE since February 2020 providing income-qualified customers with a monthly discount.

In addition, Medical Practitioner Certifications for the Medical Baseline Program have resumed. Active Medical Baseline customers who have enrolled in the program under the consumer protections and customers with non-permanent medical conditions as designated by their medical practitioners will be required to recertify for their continued eligibility. PG&E will proactively communicate with Medical Baseline customers and remind them of their upcoming recertifications.

The transition coincides with the launch of PG&E's new online Medical Baseline medical practitioner portal. This new portal will allow customers and their medical practitioners to complete the Medical Baseline certification/recertification process fully online. The new online application is accessible at [pge.com/medicalbaseline](http://pge.com/medicalbaseline).

In 2020, 192,000 customers were enrolled in PG&E's Medical Baseline Program. As of June 2021, there are more than 256,000 PG&E residential customers signed up for Medical Baseline.

PG&E has proactively reached out to almost 400,000 impacted customers since the start of the pandemic and continues to partner with local Community Based Organizations to support customers.

PG&E is dedicated to helping customers as the company slowly moves back to more normal billing operations later this year. For more information log onto [pge.com/covid19](http://pge.com/covid19). ★

# Unemployment Insurance Fund Debt Undermines Safety Net Programs

*By Brooke Armour, California Business Roundtable*

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California Legislature has rejected efforts to begin to pay down even the smallest fraction of an estimated \$22 billion Unemployment Insurance (UI) Fund debt, undermining the long-term integrity of the program and guaranteeing that businesses of every size will be forced to pay higher taxes in an effort to pay off the debt.

"The UI Fund has been critically important during the recession, helping provide support for workers who lost their jobs due to government-mandated closures. But now the Legislature is refusing to provide the program critically needed funding that will help alleviate the \$22 billion – and growing – debt the fund has accumulated after the fifth-largest economy shut down for 15 months," said Rob Lapsley, president of the California Business Roundtable.

Employers are paying higher taxes now and must be addressed now. While the state rates were on course to go down prior to the pandemic, the rapid deterioration of the state fund's viability means these higher rates are now likely locked in for another decade or more.

In addition, federal taxes on employment will go higher as well. As a participant in the federal unemployment fund program, the state cannot carry a UI Fund debt for more than 34 months. If the state continues carrying the debt, businesses will automatically incur an annual

payroll tax increase until the fund debt is paid off. Because of the size of the current UI Fund debt, it is unlikely that the debt will be paid off before the next recession hits, creating a permanent tax increase on all businesses while ensuring this critical safety net will not be there to help workers in the next economic downturn.

The current UI Fund debt is slated to grow to more than twice the debt the fund incurred during the Great Recession. It took nearly 10 years to pay off that debt, with funds coming from an increase in businesses' state and federal payroll taxes.

"California businesses already pay the highest unemployment fund tax rate, plus a 15 percent surcharge. Without a significant investment from the state to address the massive UI Fund debt, businesses are now on the hook to pay for debt that they didn't create and cannot afford to pay back.

"There is no time to delay. This tax increase is hurting employment now, and even higher taxes will go into effect when the federal increases kick in as well. The troubling reality is that businesses will likely never be able to pay off this debt. The debt is so large that we will likely experience another recession before the current debt is paid, creating debt in the fund and erasing any progress businesses have made to pay off existing debt. Permanent insolvency of the state's most critical safety net program is probable if the state does not intervene," Lapsley concluded. ★



# Governor Signs Budget Bill Supportive of Small Business

**National Federation of Independent Business News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The state's leading small-business association today recognized Gov. Gavin Newsom for signing Assembly Bill 150, which contains a new elective tax for pass-through entities that is a

way for smaller businesses to work around the State and Local Tax (SALT) caps slapped on them by the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

"We appreciate the governor for providing a mechanism that will assist Main Street businesses," said John Kabateck, California state director for the National Federation of Independent

Business (NFIB), the state and nation's leading small-business association. "Those businesses that are structured as pass-through entities will now enjoy a favorable tool when filing taxes. Small businesses could use more direct relief from their government after a year of statewide closures, but are thankful for this recognition. Operators of small businesses are

a resilient bunch and are happy to get back to normal after a very bleak 2020."

Keep up with the latest on California small-business news at [www.nfib.com/california](http://www.nfib.com/california), where this release can also be read, or by following NFIB on Twitter @NFIB\_CA or on Facebook @NFIB.CA.

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# Housing Does Not Mark the Spot

By Chris Ching

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Recent meetings to discuss and share information on the progress of the Mills Crossing Civic Center project on Folsom Boulevard have made it clear that many Rancho Cordova residents are not happy. Accusations of transparency, conspiracies, and a lack of commitment have been put forth towards the City Council although a vocal minority have expressed their satisfaction with the preliminary design concepts.

“We need a better Civic Center,” said one resident at the most recent meeting. “And maybe we need a better City Council”.

On Thursday, July 15, a special informational meeting was held - the first hybrid event bringing residents in City Hall and Zoom together since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic - where the Civic Center developer, design team and city staff presented the history of the project along with preliminary designs. Just a few days later at the City Council regular meeting on Monday, July 19 with the City Council in attendance, they expanded on their presentation as well as being prepared to answer questions about the project’s hot button - housing included on the city owned site.

At the first meeting, Korin Crawford from developer Griffin Swinerton, along with members of the RIOS design team, stated their unique design was infused with the need for flexibility of use, adaptability, dynamism and the spirit of the community. Their plans showed a mixture of public spaces, buildings for the arts, wellness programs, children’s activities and many other uses, a parking structure and multi-family apartments and townhomes. The presentation also included comparisons with other cities highlighting not just how a possible Rancho Cordova Civic Center would be in step with current innovation but how it would possess even more features. Crawford stated the plans were by no means set in stone.

Almost immediately residents questioned why housing needed to be a part of the concept, that it took away space from the Civic Center proper, brought its own set of problems and had not been ever mentioned earlier in the years-long process.

City Manager Cyrus Abhar rose to answer these misgivings by saying there was no “hidden agenda” and that mixed used of the space was always intended and was a necessity for the main goal of revitalizing



The Rancho Cordova City Council and developer Griffin Swinerton try to understand resident perspectives on the housing element for the Mills Crossing Civic Center project. Photo by Chris Ching

Folsom Boulevard. His words didn’t appear to appease the assembled residents and others like Lupe Hernandez thought the lack of a Veterans Memorial or military acknowledgement was a “slap in the face.”

“They didn’t listen to the community,” she also said in regards to the plans and previous discussions with residents. (Hernandez was so dissatisfied with the presentation she came back up to the podium interrupting the order of commenters and emphatically stated she had a voice and was going to use it.)

Developer Korin Crawford said he couldn’t attest to earlier plans when his company wasn’t yet brought on board but stated housing was just a part of the plans as did Deputy City Manager Micah Runner. Runner also called the location a “catalyst site” which would bring more investment to the area.

While community tempers ran high, they were practically on fire the following Monday when a much larger assemblage of residents both present in City Hall and online came to debate the topic. Along with the City Council, the developer, design team and city staff were again present. To allow for so many to comment and for the accompanying discussion by Council, public comment was reduced from three minutes to two (although the meeting ultimately hit the five hour mark).

Before the Civic Center presentation, City Manager Abhar gave historical background on the project and the “longstanding goal

of revitalizing Folsom Boulevard.” While acknowledging many positive steps forward, he said there has been limited success in bringing outside investment to the area and the Civic Center could change that.

With a few audible guffaws from the crowd in City Hall, he stated housing has always been part of the plan for years. Abhar also tried to answer likely questions from residents by saying a Veterans Hall site along with an oft requested bowling alley and movie theatre were currently being pursued as best as possible but the reward of revitalizing the area could make locations like a theatre or bowling alley more likely to be taken on by developers.

The presentation by Griffin Swinerton and RIOS covered most of the territory from the previous night touting a Mixed Used development/Catalyst site. Designs and comparisons with other city civic centers were shown. City shaping principles were highlighted and how they build into the elements of Project Character, Community Hub, Public Space and Housing. How the Civic Center fits into the overall Mills District was also discussed as was of course the benefits of including housing in the project. The idea of the the Civic Center as a place that never sleeps always abuzz with activity was also hammered home. The presentation continued to emphasize the goal of fostering future investment.

As the highly anticipated moment of public comment came near, Mayor Garret Gatewood

addressing some heated words from the audience, forcefully said, “I want to know what you want! Tell me!” and later implored the audience to not get personal and stay constructive. His words were echoed by other members of the Council.

The majority of the comments were unhappy with space being used for housing (“Shame on Rancho Cordova!” said one resident who was brought to tears) with some even having put together their own designs for how the space should be used. Demands for more feasibility reports and to put the project on hold were also prevalent as were low opinions of the Council’s actions and communication skills.

Autumn Eberhardt said she felt like “rubble in an abandoned railroad” in that she thought the current plans were not focused on the community as it is. Even one resident who said they weren’t opposed to the housing added a less than positive remark that she wasn’t necessarily in favor of it either.

The much smaller number of positive responses came from the likes of Chamber of Commerce CEO Diann Rogers and Cheryl Gleason of the Mills Station Art & Culture Center (MAAC) and resident Nancy Bui Thompson who said the Civic Center will put “Rancho Cordova on the map.”

After public comment, the Council appeared to have heard some of their city’s concerns and pleas. While supporting housing, Council Member Linda Budge asked for more public spaces. She also rebuked the claim by residents that those who lived in the possible space would be upset by the large amount of activity at the Civic Center. “People know there is activity!” she succinctly said. Councilmember David Sander pointed out “the long journey” this project has been and that we couldn’t lose “the spark” that would activate the area. So, intent on keeping that spark aflame, he seemed willing to consider not having housing on the site.

Councilmember Siri Pulipati wondered if the project could be done in phases as opposed to the fell swoop “complete project” discussed. Vice-Mayor Donald Terry said, “the people from here must benefit.” But it was Mayor Gatewood who seemed to hear the residents the most by vowing to deliver more transparency from the city.

Not all in the audience were placated but by the end of the night, there was a feeling that everyone was trying to get to the same destination - a Civic Center that would make Rancho Cordova residents proud. ★

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# Slight Improvement in Latest Optimism Index Welcomed News

**National Federation of Independent Business**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The release of NFIB's monthly small business Optimism Index showed an improving national Main Street economy, something the California state director for the association that took the poll said Gov. Gavin Newsom could greatly enhance by signing the budget trailer bill that includes Assembly Bill 150, which contains a new elective tax for pass-through entities that is a way for smaller businesses to work around the State and Local Tax (SALT) caps slapped on them by the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

"We are still in very uncertain economic times, so messages are more important than they would be during calmer periods," said John Kabateck, California state director for the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), which conducts the monthly Small Business Economic Trends report, also known as the Optimism Index. "Signing the budget trailer bill that includes AB 150 would send a strong signal to the Golden State's job-creating entrepreneurs that Sacramento is taking genuinely vital steps toward COVID recovery, and it would nicely

complement the governor's earlier signing of Assembly Bill 80, which partially conforms state tax law to the federal government's regarding the forgivability of PPP loans."

**From NFIB Chief Economist Bill Dunkelberg**

"Small businesses optimism is rising as the economy opens up, yet a record number of employers continue to report that there are few or no qualified applicants for open positions. Owners are also having a hard time keeping their inventory stocks up with strong sales and supply chain problems."

Key findings include:

Owners expecting better business conditions over the next six months rose 14 points to a net negative 12%, an improvement but still in very negative territory; Earnings trends over the past three months improved six points to a net negative 5%; The net percent of owners raising average selling prices increased seven points to a net 47% (seasonally adjusted), the highest reading since January 1981.

Keep up with the latest on California small-business news at [www.nfib.com/california](http://www.nfib.com/california), where this release can also be read, or by following NFIB on Twitter @NFIB\_CA or on Facebook @NFIB.CA. ★



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# Baguette Up Celebrates Grand Opening



New restaurant co-owner Jordan Azizi opens Baguette Up to the public with a ribbon cutting ceremony held with the Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce on Friday, July 23rd. Located in the Rivergate Shopping Center at 2320 Sunrise Boulevard, Baguette Up features several sandwich and a la carte combinations, including its popular thin-sliced French Dip and tri-tip steak sandwiches. The new food establishment has made both dine-in and a drive-thru lane available for customers. Photo by Jose Lopez

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# Could Crime Surge Push Newsom Recall?



By Dan Walters  
CALMatters

Those who want voters to recall Gov. Gavin Newsom joined crime victim advocates at the state Capitol last Tuesday to accuse the governor of being too lenient on lawbreakers as the state experiences a new wave of crime.

They castigated him for unilaterally suspending executions of murderers and making it easier for felons to win release from state prisons.

“The thing that really alarms me about what the governor did, is that it’s a continuation of policies to undermine the criminal justice system, and to put dangerous people back out onto the streets,” said Marc Klaas, whose daughter, Polly, was murdered 25 years ago by a recently released felon. The killer, Richard Allen Davis, is one of 737 murderers benefiting from Newsom’s death penalty suspension.

A few hours later, Newsom’s office announced that he would hold a press conference in Los Angeles Wednesday “on state action to address crime and reduce retail theft in communities across California.”

Newsom devoted much of the event to signing Assembly Bill 331, which extends an effort to crack down on organized shoplifting that has plagued California retailers in recent months. But he attributed the sharp increase in violent crime, particularly murders, to “a proliferation of guns on our streets” and noted that “There is not a state that’s been spared.”

The back-to-back events imply that crime may be a new front in the recall campaign and that Newsom feels the need to defend himself.

“In 2020, California saw a troubling rise of more than 500 homicides, the largest jump in state history since record-keeping began in 1960,” the Public Policy Institute of California says in a recent report. “Victims were predominantly Black and Latino, male, and killed by guns on our streets, parking lots, or in vehicles.”

Newsom’s comments about “a proliferation of guns on our streets” echoes declarations by gun control advocates that California’s surge of homicides results from a big jump in gun ownership. Californians legally bought a record 686,435 handguns in 2020 – a nearly 66% increase from the year before – and sales of rifles and shotguns also shot upward.

However, Newsom and other gun control advocates offer no proof of the connection. In fact, a new study by University of California-Davis researchers found no evidence that increases in legal gun sales resulted in more violent

crime, seemingly refuting Newsom’s assertion.

“Nationwide, firearm purchasing and firearm violence increased substantially during the first months of the coronavirus pandemic,” the study by UCD’s Violence Prevention Research Program, concluded. “At the state level, the magnitude of the increase in purchasing was not associated with the magnitude of the increase in firearm violence.”

“Results suggest much of the rise in firearm violence during our study period was attributable to other factors, indicating a need for additional research,” the researchers added.

A more likely scenario is that Californians are buying more guns because their fears of becoming violent crime victims have increased. In recent weeks, the residents of three Northern California homes, one in Solano County and two in Stanislaus County, have shot and killed violent home invaders.

The surge in crime, both violent assaults and thefts, is real. The videos of brazen daylight raids on pharmacies and other stores, particularly in San Francisco, by thieves unafraid of either arrest or prosecution, have become cable television and YouTube staples.

While rising crime might not sink Newsom in the recall election a few weeks hence, if it continues to rise, he could feel the backlash when he runs for re-election in 2022.

*Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★*



By Bob McGarvey

Weather problems are facing everyone in the world today in some disastrous ways. Looking at our country and seeing flooding in some states and drought in others. Like many cities, and counties, and states in the Western USA, we are looking at the drought which has hit us again, and are also facing the wild fires which are hitting California and the other western states. There is flooding in Europe, in China, and now we have also heard of flooding in Central America. Our Sister City is Turrialba, Costa Rica, and it has been hit very hard with extra rain. I read about its weather on line.

“The consequences of heavy and persistent rainfall continue to impact Costa Rica on Friday, particularly in the canton of Turrialba and on the Caribbean. The following cantons are under a Red Alert, indicating a large-scale emergency response and evacuations: Turrialba, Matina, Limón, Talamanca and Sarapiquí. Houses and businesses have flooded in the cantons of Guatuso, Turrialba and Sarapiquí. At least one home was destroyed in Paraíso, Cartago.

Turrialba has accumulated 545 mm (33.258 inches) of rain in 36 hours, equivalent to twice the

# And Another Thing

## Please Help Everyone And Get Those Shots

normal amount for all of July, according to the National Meteorological Institute (IMN). Turrialba has received 720 mm (43.937 inches) of rainfall this month, the most for any July since 1942, when IMN began tracking these data.”

Our Sister City will use the Pfizer vaccine during the mass-vaccination campaign, with a 12-week interval between doses. According to Costa Rican Social Security Fund (CCSS) plans to administer 500,000 Covid-19 vaccine doses over 10 days beginning Friday. They said any Costa Rica citizen or resident ages 40 and older – with or without risk factors is eligible for the vaccine. I will look into our Sister City for a while because we haven’t been able to communicate very well with them.

On to other things going on well in Rancho Cordova is the development of the Rio del Oro. I am glad they have been able to move forward and get their plans to build homes in Rancho. It will be a very large when it is completed in 20 or 30 years. It will be between 13,000 to 14,000 homes.

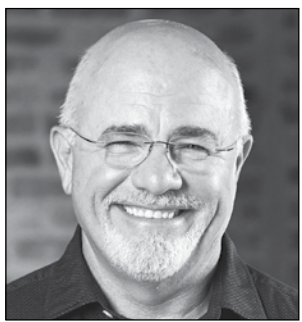
Another new business in Rancho (in case you haven’t seen it) is a new “Harbor Freight” store on Folsom Blvd. I know quite a few people who would go to the store in another city because what they would need would only be in that store. Now we can shop here in the City of Rancho Cordova at the

newest “Harbor Freight” store.

The last item I hate to have to talk about again is COVID-19 but that’s the way it is. The hospitals are skyrocketing again with more patients with the coronavirus. It would be easier for everyone if the numbers of people who received the vaccine shots had continued to go up, but too many people have continued to question the vaccine and not receive their own shots. The classes in schools will begin this year with kids back on campus and in their classrooms again.

The pandemic kept everyone at home for a year and a half, and while we had three of our grandchildren in our home for school, we know those kids are looking forward to seeing their friends and their favorite teachers again, but we also know that they have to wear their masks in school to protect them. And from what I heard on the news today, the national experts (and doctors are the experts in my opinion) are seeing what none of us wanted to see. And that is for the virus to get so many people on their backs in the hospitals and away from everyone while their bodies are fighting off the COVID-19 virus. To everyone who hasn’t received their shots yet, please help everyone and get those shots. Thank you.

*From Bob McGarvey, God bless, and we’ll see you next time. ★*



# Dave Ramsey Says

really isn’t all that different from investing in traditional mutual funds, except for the goal of the funds.

Since their inception, impact investments have averaged returns of a little less than 6%. That’s well below the average return of the S&P 500. Impact investing can do some good, but the truth is it’s hard to measure exactly how much good it’s doing. If you’re going to invest in impact investing funds, you need to make sure you understand exactly how your money is going to help the businesses you invest in, if they’re actually doing what they say they’re doing, and whether or not they’re really making a difference for the better.

As with all investments, it pays to do a lot of research and find an advisor with the heart of a teacher. And never invest in anything if you don’t completely understand how it works. Remember, it’s your money that’s in the mix. Don’t feel like the odd man out if you’re the only one not

joining in on an investment craze your friends are diving into.

Personally, I recommend investing in good, growth stock mutual funds and real estate paid for with cash. And hey, if you want to make a difference in the world and still invest the old fashioned way, create room in your budget for charitable giving or saving with the goal of making donations to organizations and causes you care about.

I hope this helps, Carson!

– Dave

*Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. ★*

## Make an Impact with Investing?

Dear Dave,

A friend recently mentioned something called impact investing to me. What exactly is this? How do impact investment funds perform, and what do you think about them?

– Carson

Dear Carson

Impact investing generally aims to benefit society, while providing a profit for the investor, by investing in companies, funds and organizations that are aligned with causes, certain values or issues. Think of it as a middle ground between traditional investing and charitable giving, where you can match your investing with your own particular beliefs. It

# DWR to Use Airborne Technology

## Department of Water Resources Press Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is using an innovative, helicopter-based technology to gather information about the state’s groundwater aquifer structure to support drought response and the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

DWR’s use of airborne electromagnetic (AEM) surveys advances Governor Newsom’s Water Resilience Portfolio goal of using technology to support the State’s understanding of groundwater resources.

“The data collected during these surveys will provide a better understanding of California’s groundwater systems, and in turn support more informed and sustainable groundwater management and drought preparedness and response approaches,” said Steven Springhorn, DWR’s SGMA Technical Assistance Manager.

Beginning this month, DWR will conduct

AEM surveys of groundwater basins in the Salinas Valley, Paso Robles and Cuyama Valley. During the surveys, a low-flying helicopter tows a large hoop with scientific equipment approximately 100 feet above the ground surface. The helicopter, flown by experienced and licensed pilots, will make several passes over the survey areas and may be visible to residents.

Surveys will be conducted over the next several years in high- and medium-priority groundwater basins around the state, where data collection is feasible.

Survey data creates an image of the subsurface down to a depth of about 1,000 feet below ground surface and provides information about large-scale aquifer structures and geology. This information supports the implementation of local groundwater sustainability plans (GSPs), which can help local agencies sustainably manage groundwater during drought.

For more information about the AEM surveys, visit DWR’s AEM project website. For questions, please email [AEM@water.ca.gov](mailto:AEM@water.ca.gov). ★

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2021-00303166 Anthony J. Lettrifige & Jo-Anna R. Carrisoza have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anthony Joseph Lettrifige & Anthony Joseph Servantez & Jo-Anna Rose Marie Carrisoza to Jo-Anna Rose Marie Servantez. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on August 26, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: June 23, 2021 Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2021 SERVANTEZ 180101 7-30-21

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2021-00303108 Mitchell Bruce Holsonbake has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mitchell Bruce Holsonbake to Mitchell Bruce Runquist. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on August 25, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: June 28, 2021 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2021 RUNQU 180101 7-30-21

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2021-00302815 Fnu Nasrullah and Fnu Maryam have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Fnu Nasrullah to Nasrullah Haidari and Fnu Maryam to Maryam Haidari. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on August 19, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: June 23, 2021 Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2021 HAD 180101 7-30-21

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# Ted Gaines Announces Bid for California Governor



Ted Gaines

**From Ted Gaines for Governor 2021**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Senator Ted Gaines (Ret.), Member of the State Board of Equalization

(BOE), made the following announcement regarding his candidacy for Governor of California in the recall election.

My family came to California in 1853 and flourished in the rough-and tumble Gold Rush economy. I'm forever thankful for this state and I'm fully committed to a future as bright as our past." But we are so far removed from the freewheeling environment that attracted the dreamers of '49. California could not have a Gold Rush today. Government would choke it off immediately, regulate and tax it out of existence.

California government micromanages our citizens. Sacramento thinks it knows best how to run everyone's lives and businesses and it's not shy about exercising its power. But it's time to step back and look at the

effects of the policies coming out of Sacramento, not just their intentions.

Has California government made the state more affordable? Safer? More livable? Has it lifted up our most vulnerable? Has it provided the basic infrastructure we need at a reasonable price? For someone who loves this state, who is a father of six children who all live here and six grandchildren, it breaks my heart to say the answer to those questions is, without a doubt, 'NO.'

I want a 'YES' California. A California where families can buy homes, take vacations, save for retirement and for their kids' educations. Where we can all be safe, free, and prosperous. A state that is confident and plans and builds for the future. We have the most beautiful state in the union, and we should match it with the

best government.

I'm the highest-ranking Republican in California. I represent 10-million citizens in this state and I'm ready for more. I want to turn the Golden State into a low-tax, high-opportunity zone and for families to feel safe again. I want to reclaim our public spaces from the tent cities and get people the help they desperately need to stay off the streets.

As Governor, I will be open to all ideas and committed to working with everyone sincere in their efforts to improve our state. Visit my website Ted Gaines for Governor 2021 to learn the basics on how I will restore the freedom and promise that made California an unrivaled destination for builders and creators from around the country and the world."

Senator Ted Gaines currently

serves as an elected member of the State Board of Equalization, representing nearly ten million constituents in 30 counties of northern, eastern, and southern California. Prior to his election to the BOE in 2018, he served in the State Senate from 2011-2018, and the Assembly from 2006-2011. He began his public service in local government as a member of the City of Roseville's Planning Commission from 1997-1999. He was then elected to the Placer County Board of Supervisors in 2000 and re-elected in 2004. For more than 30 years, Senator Gaines has run a family insurance business. He and his wife, former Assembly member Beth Gaines, live in El Dorado County, and have six children and six grandchildren.

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5. TV tube in days of yore  
8. Proof of age, pl.  
11. Medicinal succulent  
12. Toward shelter, nautically  
13. White heron  
15. Poet \_\_\_\_ Angelou  
16. Where a bib is tied  
17. Taste like grapes  
18. \*First African American to play in MLB  
20. Chap or fella  
21. Do like Etna  
22. Auction set  
23. Property defacer  
26. Italian vermouth brand  
30. 2nd largest bird in world  
31. Informal wear  
34. "The Man Who \_\_\_\_ Too Much"  
35. Relating to Scandinavia  
37. Chicken \_\_\_\_ king  
38. Nearsit one  
39. Bear in the sky  
40. The largest Asian antelope  
42. \*Dolphin great \_\_\_\_ Marino  
43. Reusable painting pattern  
45. Stands out  
47. Cotillion V.I.P.  
48. Deli item  
50. Cain's brother  
52. \*a.k.a. The Great Bambino  
55. Oyster gem  
56. Dwarf buffalo  
57. Algonquian people  
59. Body trunk  
60. Hay spot  
61. \*"Battle of the Sexes" champion  
62. A in FANBOYS  
63. Altitude, for short  
64. "Comme ci, comme ça"

DOWN  
1. Mom in Scotland  
2. Wing-shaped  
3. Walk-the-dog toy  
4. Bottom of the ocean  
5. Fastener  
6. Move a plant  
7. \*Pele or Bob Feller when they debuted  
8. Armenia's neighbor  
9. Cabinet div.  
10. Dirty dwelling  
12. Declares invalid  
13. Encourage, two words  
14. \*NHL's "The Great One"  
19. Very angry  
22. Type of English course, for short  
23. Where women are from?  
24. "To death" in France  
25. Florence Nightingale, e.g.  
26. Mountain goat terrain  
27. Opposite of cathode  
28. Himalayan country  
29. \*Track and field star of 1936 Olympics  
32. Frozen rain  
33. "\_\_\_\_ at ease"  
36. \*He simultaneously played in MLB and NFL  
38. Ginger beer in a cocktail, e.g.  
40. Pen point  
41. Sea in the Mediterranean  
44. Yo-Yo Ma's instrument  
46. Talks like a chicken  
48. Overfamiliar from overuse

49. Terminate, as in mission  
50. Same as eon  
51. Shakespeare, a.k.a. \_\_\_\_ of Avon  
52. "Ali \_\_\_\_ and the 40 Thieves"  
53. \*Tinker, Evers and Chance, e.g.  
54. Egg-layers  
55. Parent volunteer organization  
58. Id's partner

**Crossword Puzzle Solutions on Page 9**

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10
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**Sudoku Puzzle on Page 9**

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6	1	5	9	8	3	7	2	4
9	4	2	5	1	7	8	6	3
8	6	9	3	4	1	5	7	2
1	5	3	2	7	6	9	4	8
4	2	7	8	5	9	3	1	6
5	8	1	6	9	4	2	3	7
2	9	6	7	3	8	4	5	1
3	7	4	1	2	5	6	8	9

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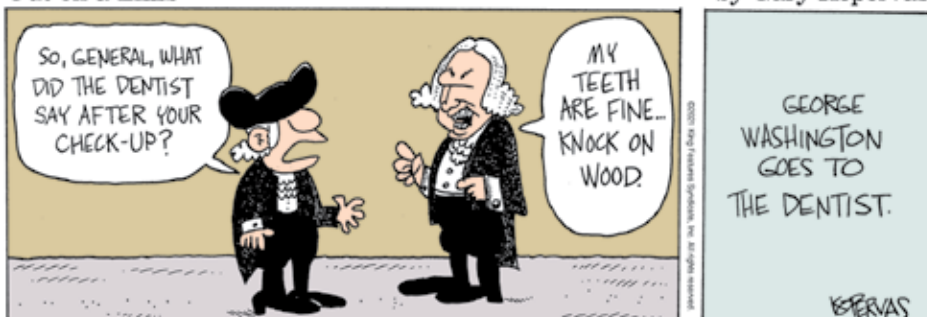
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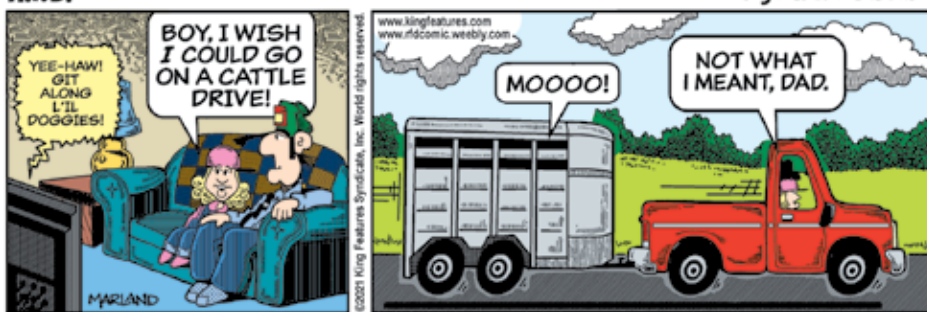
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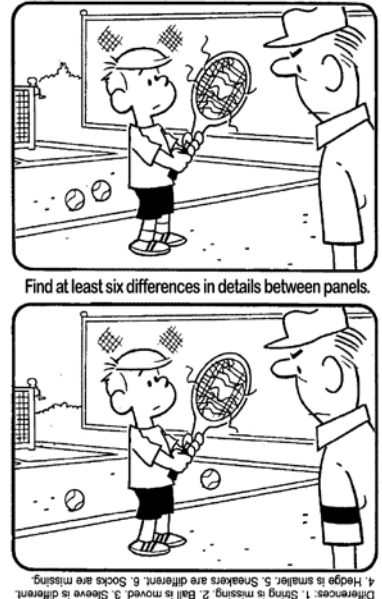


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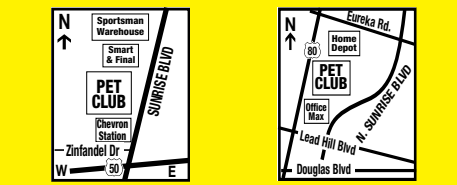
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Ask Toni

# Not Knowing Medicare Rules Costs Americans Millions!



Toni King

Toni:

In 2019, we sold our house to move into a senior community. Now, both of our Part B premiums have increased drastically in 2021 from around \$145 a month to over \$475 for Part B and an additional increase for Part D to over \$70. We still are receiving the same Social Security check and I really don't understand where this change came from.

Could you please explain what has happened?

Thank you Meredith from Nashville

Meredith:

In the past few weeks when clients are meeting with us at the Toni Says® office, we are seeing those on Medicare not understand Medicare rules which are not clearly explained in the Medicare and You handbook.

Below are a few examples of how Americans are paying more for Medicare Part B and Part D premiums:

**1. Part B and D monthly premiums are based on what income amount was reported on your last filed tax return:** Meredith, your current question about why your Part B and D premiums increased even though your Social Security checks remained the same tells me that your income 2 years was raised from the year before due to selling your house. When your Part B premium was the average premium of \$144.60 for 2020, your income on your joint tax return was \$176,000 or less. The amounts you gave of over \$475 for Part B and over \$70 for Part D tells me that your income on your 2019 joint tax return was over \$330,000 and this increase could have been from selling your house. Americans need to know that in 2021 when your income increases about the threshold of \$88,001 as an individual or \$176,001 as a couple, then both your Parts B and D premiums

will be increased to their limits.

**2. Should one enroll in Medicare Part B when either you or your spouse is "still" working with employer health coverage?** Everyone should discuss enrolling in Part B with their company's HR or benefits administrator to find out how their group health coverage coordinates with Medicare. It may be to your or your spouse's advantage to delay Medicare Part B. The Medicare & You handbook states, "You can sign up for Part B without paying a penalty anytime you have health coverage based on your or your spouse's current employment." Once employment or health coverage based on employment ends, then one can receive a SEP (special enrollment period) and have an 8-month period to enroll in Part B without receiving a Part B penalty. Don't wait too long to enroll.

**3. Always have each employer's HR sign Social Security form "Request for Employer Information" when there is an employment change past turning 65?** Kathy consulted a Toni Says® agent regarding enrolling in Part B when she was retiring from her current employment only to discover that she never had her other two (2) other companies that she had worked for after turning 65 sign Social Security form CMS L-564. Because Kathy is now 69 and only one employer signed CMS L-564. Her Part B penalty from not having the other 2 companies sign off, will be 68 minus 65 which is 3(full 12 month periods) times 10% or 30%. Not for one month, but for as long as she is enrolled in Medicare Part B.

Knowing Medicare's confusing rules can help millions of stressed Americans spending millions in needless penalties. Have a Medicare question, email Toni at [info@tonisays.com](mailto:info@tonisays.com)?

Toni King, Medicare author/advocate is giving a \$5 discount to the Toni Says® readers on the new 2021 Medicare Survival Guide® Advanced book at [www.tonisays.com](http://www.tonisays.com) or call 888-TONI-SAY (888-866-4729) and talk with the Toni Says® Medicare team. ★

## CDFW Relocates Over One Million Hatchery Salmon from Klamath River



The fish were trucked to a nearby satellite facility and to the Trinity River hatchery until Klamath River drought conditions improve. Photo: CDFW

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Due to drought and poor water conditions in the Klamath River, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) successfully relocated 1.1 million juvenile, fall-run Chinook salmon from its Iron Gate Fish Hatchery in Siskiyou County. The fish were trucked to a nearby satellite facility and to the Trinity River Hatchery 122 miles away where the fish will remain until conditions in the Klamath River improve.

The baby salmon, about seven months old and about three inches in length, are normally released into the Klamath River in May and June. Due to warm water temperatures, low water flow and an exceedingly high probability of succumbing to disease in the river, CDFW decided to retain these salmon within its hatchery system over the summer until Klamath River conditions improve. The unprecedented relocation happened after extensive monitoring, discussion and close collaboration with federal partners, academic specialists and three Native American tribes in the lower Klamath Basin.

The temporary relocation marks the first time CDFW has not released salmon into the Klamath River since construction of the Iron Gate Fish Hatchery in 1962.

CDFW relocated the 1.1 million salmon to provide adequate water conditions over the summer and additional space to accommodate the growing fish. Another 1 million juvenile Chinook salmon will remain at Iron Gate.

"It's extremely challenging to raise cold water fish species in a drought," said Dr.

Mark Clifford, Hatchery Environmental Scientist for CDFW's Northern Region. "The reality is most of these fish would have died if we released them into the river. We need to maintain the integrity of the fall run on the Klamath River and we especially can't afford to lose this generation of fish."

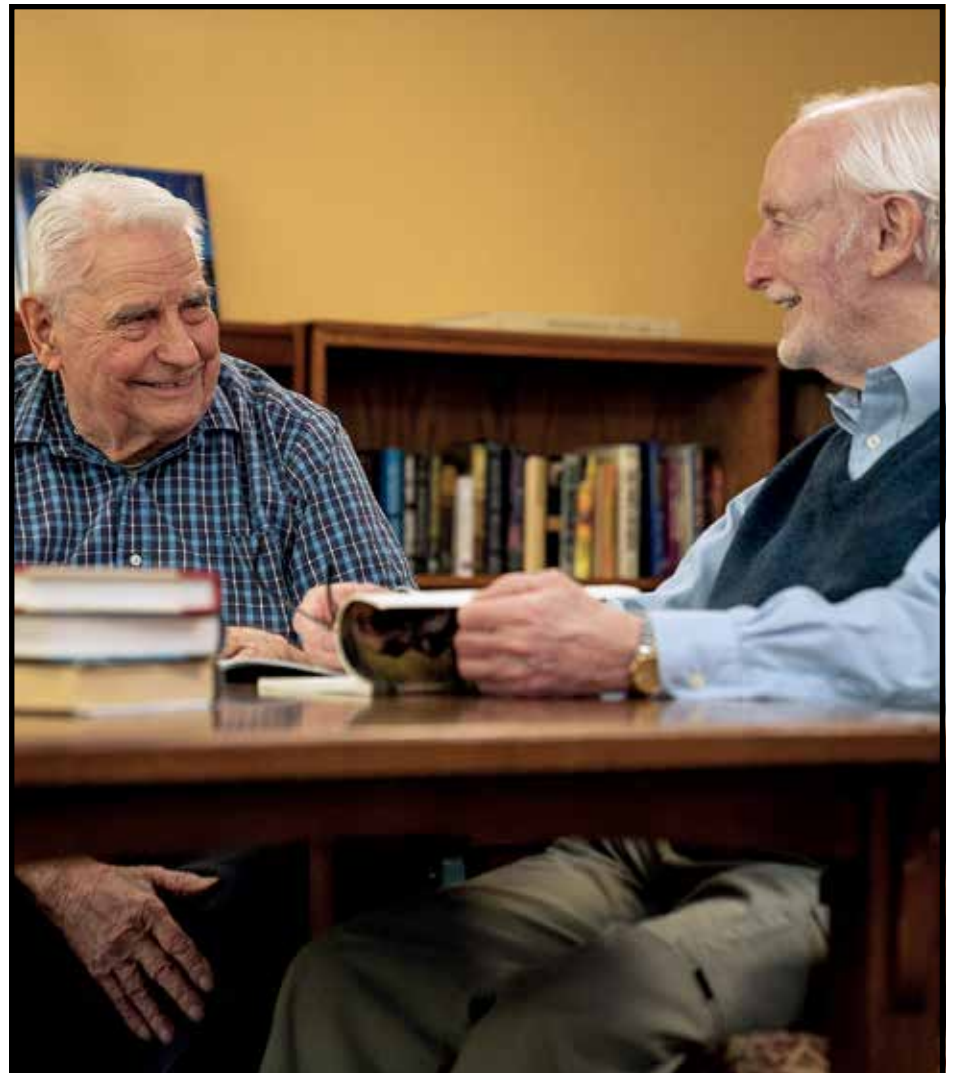
Four Klamath River dams are slated for removal by 2024, the largest dam removal undertaking in U.S. history. The removal is expected to restore fish access to the entire river and the relocated Iron Gate fish could be the first salmon to return to a new Klamath River after their life in the ocean and find miles of additional spawning habitat and contribute to future generations of wild fish.

When conditions improve and before the fish are ultimately released to the Klamath River, the relocated salmon will be returned to the Iron Gate Fish Hatchery for a number of weeks to allow the fish to further imprint on the Klamath River. All of the relocated salmon have been outfitted with unique coded wire tags to allow CDFW and other agencies to determine their origin and destination. All of their adipose fins have been removed to visibly identify them as hatchery reared fish.

CDFW thanks its partners for their time and expertise in working through this difficult situation. These partners include the Karuk Tribe, the Yurok Tribe, the Hoopa Valley Tribe, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Bureau of Reclamation and NOAA Fisheries.

Video and photos of the salmon relocation along with comments from Dr. Clifford are available for download at the following link:

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# Charity and Politics?

*Elected officials would have to disclose their connections under proposed rule*

By Laurel Rosenhall, CALMatters.org

In the months before California lawmakers in June granted prison guards a \$5,000 bonus and an 8% raise over the next two years, the guards' union made a few charitable donations. The recipients included two nonprofits run by the very legislators who were preparing to vote on the pay hikes.

State senators who lead the Legislature's Black and Latino caucuses asked the correctional officers' union to donate to the foundations they run – and the union complied, state records show, giving \$15,000 in March to the foundation run by the Latino caucus and \$60,000 over February and March to the Black caucus' foundation.

Donations like this – from groups that lobby the Legislature, to nonprofits controlled by legislators, their staff and family members – have been under scrutiny by California's political watchdog since CalMatters reported last year that they've become an increasingly common way for politicians to raise and spend money outside the limits of the state's strict campaign finance laws.

The investigation found a dozen nonprofits run by state lawmakers and their staffs had reported raising nearly \$3 million in 2019; that a nonprofit tied to the legislature's technology caucus was keeping its donations secret; and that a lawmaker – now Attorney General Rob Bonta – routinely asked interest groups to donate to his personal foundation as well as to nonprofits that the money largely comes from corporations and unions with business before the Legislature, who can get a tax break for giving to charity while also currying favor with influential politicians. While the nonprofit recipients may perform charitable work, they also pay for lawmakers to take trips abroad, enjoy steak dinners with tech executives in Silicon Valley and spend weekends schmoozing with lobbyists at the Disneyland Hotel.

Now, after a year of reviewing whether to change the rules governing the transactions known as "behest payments," on Thursday the Fair Political Practices Commission is scheduled to discuss new regulations:

"These are relationships



Then-Assemblymember Rob Bonta, left, and his wife, Mia Bonta, at a press conference in March shortly before he was appointed attorney general. Funds from the Bonta California Progress Foundation are now prohibited from going to any organization that employs either Bonta. Photo by Anne Wernikoff, CalMatters

that raise concerns about the self-interest of the official and the possibility of undue influence or access for the payee as a result of the payment," the commission staff wrote in a report explaining the proposed rules. "As such, these are relationships with a potential for influence or self-dealing that the public would want to have disclosed."

The Fair Political Practices Commission is expected to vote on the proposed rules this fall. The commission is limited in how drastically it can change the rules on behest payments, which can only be banned or significantly overhauled with legislation.

The rule requiring disclosure of official decisions that impact the donor comes with a large caveat: It does not include legislation. That means the rule wouldn't change anything for state lawmakers who routinely vote on bills affecting the businesses and unions they hit up for donations to their nonprofits.

Richard Miadich, chairperson of the Fair Political Practices Commission, said legislation should be treated differently because its impact is usually broad, not crafted in a way that bestows specific perks to individuals or interest groups. Asked about the example of the prison guards union donating to lawmakers' charities just

before lawmakers voted on their raise and bonus – a contract the Legislature's own analyst described as providing "substantial compensation increases... without clear justification" – Miadich said existing disclosure is sufficient.

He does, however, want to see more transparency in situations where, for example, a city council is deciding the fate of a permit sought by a developer who makes donations to a council member's charity.

"We need to have a balanced, deliberate approach," Miadich said in an interview Monday. "I really believe that behest payments do a lot of good to a lot of worthy causes. And I do not want to inadvertently interrupt that, particularly coming out of a global pandemic."

By contrast, the rule requiring disclosure of donations to nonprofits controlled by politicians and their family members would seem to impact several elected officials at the Capitol. Gov. Gavin Newsom has reported raising \$881,297 for the California Partners Project, a nonprofit run by his wife Jennifer Siebel Newsom.

Lawmakers routinely ask donors to give to nonprofits run by their legislative caucuses and in some cases, their family members. Assemblymember Blanca Rubio, a Democrat from Baldwin Park who wields significant power to kill

progressive bills as the leader of a bloc of moderate Democrats, reported raising \$62,000 for the Rubio Foundation, which is run by her sister Sylvia Rubio. Donors include pharmaceutical, petroleum and dialysis companies that routinely lobby at the Capitol.

"When I vote, it's about the issue, not about who's giving me money or who hasn't," Rubio told CalMatters. "And I'm very clear with them... that the one does not have to do with the other."

Rubio pointed out that most donations she requested went to other nonprofits that were not her sister's. The money she raised for her sister's foundation helped put on a turkey giveaway at Thanksgiving and fund field trips for kids from a low-income school, Rubio said. She had no objections to the political watchdog's proposed rule that would require additional disclosure from her.

"I'm happy to follow all the rules," she said.

Bonta, a Democrat who was appointed attorney general in March, formed his own nonprofit called the Bonta California Progress Foundation in 2017, when he was an assemblyman. He reported raising \$132,500 to it between 2017 and 2020 and said the money has supported dozens of scholarships for students in his district. Last year, CalMatters reported

that Bonta paid \$25,000 from his foundation to the nonprofit where his wife worked, and helped her employers raise more than \$560,000, largely by soliciting donations from companies that lobby the Legislature. The practice is legal, but political ethics experts called it inappropriate.

Bonta's wife Mia Bonta is now a leading candidate to replace Bonta in the Assembly in a special election on Aug. 31.

Earlier this year, Bonta stepped down from the board of his eponymous foundation and it made several new rules, said his campaign spokesman Nathan Click. "Both Bontas are prohibited by the organization from making decisions about how funds are expended," Click wrote in a message. "Funds are prohibited from going to any organization that employs either Bonta."

News reports in recent months have highlighted both the explosion of behest payments – with Newsom soliciting \$226 million in corporate donations to support the state's pandemic response – and the proliferation of donations to nonprofits run by political spouses.

Charities run by Annie Lam, wife of Democratic Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, received more than \$500,000 from companies with business before the Legislature, the

Sacramento Bee reported, and a nonprofit run by Newsom's wife received more than \$800,000 from a dozen corporations that regularly lobby state government. However, those donations were not made at Rendon's or Newsom's "behest" so would not be covered by the new rules the FPPC is considering.

One thing the commission may consider changing is how donations are reported if they come through a donor advised fund. That's because such funds can obscure the original source of a donation, the Los Angeles Times reported, raising concerns that donors trying to curry favor with politicians may have found a way to avoid scrutiny. The FPPC is also scheduled to discuss donor advised funds at its meeting Thursday.

The commission has not yet completed its investigation of Assemblyman Evan Low, launched after CalMatters reported that the Democrat from Silicon Valley had stopped reporting donations to the nonprofit affiliated with the Legislature's technology caucus. Profits set up by California legislators and their staffers are testing campaign finance laws even as they underwrite good works by elected

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