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## Girl Scouts Take STEM on the Road



(Above Left to right) Gold Award girl scout Meyda Aiyah and GSHCC STEM initiatives manager Beth Peter celebrate the launch of the new Mobile STEM Center + MakerSpace. Photo courtesy Shaunna Boyd. (Right) The Mobile STEM Center + MakerSpace will serve underserved girl scouts in the Heart of Central California council. Photo provided by Girl Scouts Heart of Central California.

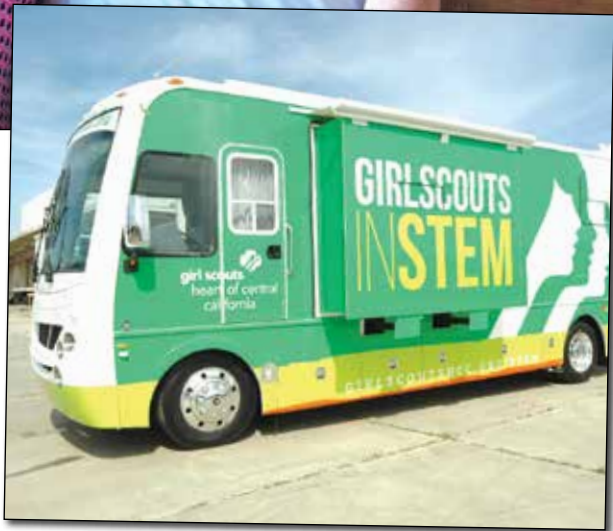
Story by Shaunna Boyd

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Far too many girls in this country are unable to see themselves working in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) fields, but Girl Scouts is working to change that. “There’s been a big investment nationally in STEM,” explained Beth Peters, Girl Scouts Heart of Central California (GSHCC) STEM initiatives manager. “The national CEO [Sylvia Acevedo] is a rocket scientist, so she’s very invested in computer science. She got into science because of Girl Scouts, so she wants other girls to have that opportunity.”

The GSHCC council successfully opened two STEM Centers + MakerSpaces, one in Sacramento and another in Modesto. Peters said the Sacramento space served 1,400 girls in the first year and 2,400 girls so far this year. “It’s growing rapidly,” said Peters, “and it’s not just

limited to STEM centers. Girls are doing projects with their troops, with their troop leaders, doing it on their own, they’re taking more classes... girls are getting more involved, for sure, which is really exciting.”

GSHCC has 18,000 girls in their council, which serves 18 counties. Everywhere “between Yuba City down to Merced, from Tracy to Truckee, so it’s a very big section of the Central Valley,” said Peters. “It’s just not feasible for people to be able to get to the MakerSpaces on a regular basis.” To expand on the success of the STEM Centers and reach more girls, GSHCC just launched a Mobile STEM Center + MakerSpace. “We decided to take everything good about these spaces and put it on wheels so we can take it to them,” said Peters.



Meyda Aiyah, a Gold Award girl scout, was part of the GIRL (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk taker, and Leader) Task Force, and she helped design and implement the STEM Center + MakerSpace. Aiyah just finished her freshman year at the University of Texas at Dallas where she is majoring in computer science. “I love coming back,” said Aiyah, “especially seeing the growth of what Girl Scouts here have done promoting girls in STEM. It’s amazing, and the Mobile STEM MakerSpace is so cool because you can take STEM on the road and bring it to so many girls.”

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## Mather Vets Campus to Lose Full Capacity For Housing

Julie Beckner, Volunteers of America

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** -Volunteers of America (VOA) is facing a funding shortfall that will permanently impact Mather Community Campus, the region’s most successful program to combat homelessness. This loss of funding is forcing VOA to cease critical components of the Mather program model which will significantly affect the program’s ability to help clients get off the streets and back on their feet.

Without immediate and ongoing support, Mather will no longer be able to operate at full capacity and will have to cease operations in one of the campus’ 13 residential buildings – a building that can house 90 individuals for up to one year in a transitional housing setting. That’s 90 people who are on the streets now, ready for change, but will have nowhere to go.

Loss of funding also strikes fatal blow to Mather’s Community Dining Hall/ Culinary Training Kitchen: The Community Dining Hall will close; clients will no longer receive 3 hot meals daily at a shelter without kitchen facilities in resident quarters; The Culinary Training Kitchen program will close - clients will no longer receive valuable job training that prepares them for employment once they leave the shelter.

Since 1993, Mather Community Campus has helped more than 4,500 people forge their own path out of homelessness through an innovative, proven approach that combines transitional housing with a multitude of supportive services.

“We actually give people their life back. We help them recover the things they need to function in society like getting their driver’s license, opening a bank account, and working on credit repair or record expungement. Mather also helps with clothing, vocational training, and employment placement,” said Sherman Haggerty, Division Director, VOA Employment Services. “We provide the foundational tools people actually need to become a part of the community again. No other program does these things.”

Volunteers of America has created a webpage that details the budget deficit and impact more fully. Anyone wishing to learn more can visit [www.savemather.com](http://www.savemather.com). Individuals and organizations who are interested in supporting Mather Community Campus should contact Christie Holderegger, VP/Chief of Development Officer at (916) 213-4133 or donate online at [www.voa-nccn.org](http://www.voa-nccn.org).

## Sacramento County Recommended Budget Approved

Kim Nava, Sacramento County

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to approve the \$4.4 billion recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20. “Sacramento County’s FY 2019-20 budget provided substantial challenges due in part to decreased state and federal revenues, significant costs around lawsuits and increased expenditures,” said District 2 County Supervisor and Board Chair Patrick Kennedy. “We were able to weather these challenges with a balanced budget that minimizes the impact to critical services, without eliminating whole

programs or services.”

The County’s General Fund and Restricted Funds budgets for FY 2019-20 totaled \$2.7 billion in appropriations, which is a 4.2 percent increase over last year’s total. Enterprise and special revenue funds comprise the remaining \$1.68 billion.

“We were able to recommend a balanced budget that avoided eliminating whole programs or services, limited the impact on Board-priority programs and avoided employee layoffs,” said County Executive Nav Gill.

In spite of the growth of revenue, reductions in positions and programs were necessary due to lawsuit costs, investments in the jails in order to resolve a

lawsuit around conditions of confinement, decreases in state and federal revenue for certain programs, as well as other obligations.

To close a general shortfall of \$55 million, Sacramento County recommended \$43 million in reductions in General Fund Departments and \$12 million in General Fund reserves to bridge the gap.

General Fund departments identified a number of targeted program and position reductions. The reductions included the elimination of 181.3 FTE positions that were either vacant or, in a few cases, filled by employees who were shifted to other positions in the same class. No layoffs were necessary.

The budget also

recognized areas of growth.

For details, read the County Executive’s Budget Letter or view the budget documents on the Office of Budget and Debt Management;

The numbers on the Recommended Budget will change between now and September, when the County receives new information, including the impact of the State Budget and updated revenue totals. The Final Budget will come back to the Board of Supervisors in September for review and adoption.

By the numbers: \$4.4 B: Total Budget; \$1.8 B: General Fund; \$1.6 B: Enterprise and Special Revenue; \$918 M: Restricted Funds; 12,307: Number of Employees. ★



# Celebrate Recovery with Higher Power

Story by Shaunna Boyd

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Higher Power Ministry hosts a recovery celebration at Lakeside Church in Folsom every Friday at 7:00 PM. Christian bands from a variety of genres such as blues, country, and rock and roll perform at the celebration. Lead Director of Recovery John Heath joked, "I turn the church into a nightclub every Friday night, with Jesus in the middle."

A speaker talks to the group about recovery from addiction such as drugs, alcohol, gambling, food addictions, sexual addictions, workaholics, co-dependency, and self-harm. "These are life and death situations for the people that come in here, and there's no such thing as a hopeless case," said Heath. "We're getting phenomenal results."

Higher Power Ministry originated in 1992 at Central Peninsula Church in Foster City. Senior Pastor Jeff Farrar saw the need to help people overcome the addictions that were leading them to jail, institutions, and death. Pastor Steve Aurell, who was a ministry leader until his death in 2013, knew just how difficult it is to overcome addiction since he had once served 15 years in San Quentin Prison because of his own drug addiction. As Pastor of Recovery at Higher Power, Pastor Aurell saved many lives — including the life of John Heath.

Heath had a long history of addiction. During the early 1980s, at the height of the cocaine craze, Heath worked for the Cartel transporting drugs over the border. In 1983, after a serious overdose, he was admitted to the SHARE Unit in San Francisco, the nation's first cocaine recovery center. He spent 60 days there, breaking medical records for the levels of cocaine in his system. Even after extensive treatment, his addiction continued for many years.



Women pray together at a Higher Power recovery celebration. Photo courtesy of John Heath

In addition to cocaine, he used alcohol, heroin, and eventually moved on to meth.

Heath's wife sought guidance at Higher Power, and Pastor Aurell urged her to stand by her husband in his time of need. Heath said that Pastor Aurell "was responsible through God's Grace for saving my life, marriage, and my family." Heath started attending Higher Power

in 2006: "It was like no other church or place I had ever been. ... I felt comfortable in my skin for the first time in my life."

After a year of sobriety, Pastor Aurell asked Heath to become a leader in the Higher Power Ministry. "I then knew that God had a sense of humor," said Heath. After seeing firsthand all the good Higher Power had done for people in need, Heath

felt compelled to spread the message to other communities: "God tapped me on the shoulder and asked me to start a recovery church."

Heath moved to Shingle Springs and spent a year in prayer. Then he met Pastor John Voelz at Lakeside Church, who invited him to use the church as the site of a new Higher Power Ministry. Heath said, "We are so

appreciative to Lakeside Church for allowing Higher Power to exist in Folsom and for letting us use their site to further our mission of helping those who are lost to addiction in the community." Higher Power at Lakeside opened on July 7, 2017. "Seven, seven, seventeen — three sevens. I believe those are divine numbers," said Heath.

"I started the ministry one person at a time," Heath said. "We accept them however they are — high, drunk, or however they walk in." Anyone who comes to the celebration can share with the group and seek help. "We stay there all night long if we need to," he said. Higher Power Ministry leaders then follow up during the next week to offer additional help. If someone needs a recovery program, the leaders will find one for them. "We're building a family," said Heath. "It's a huge support system."

Many of the leaders are also recovering addicts, and Heath shares his story to inspire others to overcome their own struggles. Although Heath is not an ordained pastor, he found a way to ensure that Higher Power has a strong spiritual support system. He established an Elder Board comprised of two recovery pastors — each with 30 years of sobriety — who give spiritual advice and guidance. Heath said that Pastor Gary Freitas from Manteca and Pastor Dale Marsh from Oroville provide "spiritual direction, protection, and correction in the ministry."

The events are open for anyone to attend. Heath said, "It's a lot of fun. It's not too churchy." They serve free dinner, dessert, coffee, and other refreshments. Higher Power is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization; donation checks can be written to Higher Power Ministry and then mailed to Lakeside Church, 745 Oak Avenue Parkway, Folsom, CA 95630. ★

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# Hot Fireworks Season in Store for Area

By David Dickstein

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Baseball, hot dogs, apple pie and ... crazy bugs?

If TNT Fireworks has its way this Fourth of July, area revelers will embrace cracked creepy-crawlies as a new symbol of Americana for the nation's 243rd birthday. Crazy Bug Fountain is one of nine fireworks debuting this season by the two largest distributors of consumer fireworks.

The pyro-passionate period runs June 28 through July 4 in Sacramento County. Roseville, Rocklin and Lincoln in Placer County are also among the 295 jurisdictions that allow consumer fireworks in the Golden State.

TNT is rolling out a handful of new fountains in addition to Crazy Bug, which, despite its name, shows promise as a sane addition to your private display. Priced at \$29.99, the fun-labeled firework features a multi-effect performance of colorful sparks and crackling flowers. Rounding out TNT's newbies are crackle-charged Laser Master, \$24.99; effect-loaded Freedom, \$19.99; colorful Main Squeeze, \$14.99; whistle-happy Hot Point, \$14.99; and spaced-out USA Rocket Fountain, a buy-one-get-one for \$8.99.

Phantom Fireworks is coming out with three new fountains this season. Sold as a



State-approved fireworks of all shapes, sizes and price points are a big fund-raiser for area non-profits from June 28 through the Fourth of July. Photo: David Dickstein.

bundle for \$39.99, the trio makes up Phantom's newly branded "Super Hero Series," not to be confused with superhero The Phantom. Each has a different shape and name, and valiant sounding they are: Professor Flame, Iron Master and Majestic Lightning.

Returning from last year's impressive freshman class are Phantom's delightful Red White & Blue Jubilee (\$25.99) and long-lasting Illuminati Triangle, still a solid deal at \$39.99 with a Brew Haha or Dragon's Tears fountain thrown in. TNT's response is an exceptionally strong sophomore lineup, headlined by the dazzling Tasmanian

Cyclone (\$39.99), super-charged Wild Side (\$25.99) and intense Electrolytes (\$29.99 for two).

A third player, Discount Fireworks Superstore, will have a few stands in the area. Brands carried by DFS include Winda, Black Cat, Showtime, Brothers and Freedom.

Because state-approved consumer fireworks can only be sold in California by non-profit organizations, hundreds of the county's 501c3s are banking on big profits from pyrotechnics peddled to the patriotic and philanthropic. Volunteers will be braving the summer heat to

do such good as sending kids to church

camp, suiting up youth sports teams and getting adolescents off drugs.

Working in the groups' favor this year is the day on which the Fourth of July falls. A Thursday Independence Day is a friend to the fireworks industry, contrary to a Wednesday which is traditionally a one-day holiday for America's workforce. U.S. resellers generally reported flat sales in 2018 due to the hump day holiday.

"Thursday is a great day for the Fourth of July," said Cathy Castilone, Sacramento-based vice president of American Promotional Events, the wholesale distributor for state-approved TNT fireworks. "Many people take the next day off when the fourth is on a Thursday."

The competition concurs. Jeff Kreman, Phantom's Northern California regional manager, said he expects sales to increase from last year.

"A lot of companies will give employees Friday off, and when the Fourth falls on a four-day weekend sales are good," said Kreman, also based in Sacramento.

Be sure to check local laws and take all safety measures before buying and lighting.

For stand locations, visit the websites for TNT ([www.tntfireworks.com](http://www.tntfireworks.com)), Phantom ([www.fireworks.com](http://www.fireworks.com)) and Discount Fireworks Superstore ([www.dfsfireworks.com](http://www.dfsfireworks.com)).



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# CAHP Credit Union Establishes Memorial Fund for Officer Tara O'Sullivan

**CAHP Special Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On June 19, 2019, at approximately 6:10 p.m., Sacramento Police Department Officer Tara O'Sullivan, 26, was shot at the scene of a domestic violence incident. She was transferred to UC Davis Medical Center where she tragically died. Officer Tara O'Sullivan was a dedicated, young officer who had only been with the department for a year. This is the first line-of-duty death of a Sacramento Police Officer in twenty years.

At 5:41 p.m., Officer Tara O'Sullivan and fellow officers responded to a domestic disturbance. Approximately thirty minutes later, shots were fired by an armed gunman inside the house. Officer O'Sullivan was struck while trying to help a woman move her items outside of the home.

With Officer O'Sullivan down, the gunman continued to fire at officers which prevented any form of rescue. An armored vehicle arrived in response and officers were able to transport her to the hospital where she succumbed to her injuries.

The standoff lasted for multiple hours until the gunman surrendered at 1:54 a.m.

Officer O'Sullivan was a recent graduate from Sacramento State's Law Enforcement Candidate Scholars Program. After which, she graduated from the Sacramento Police Academy.

"The loss of Officer O'Sullivan is devastating, grievous, and a reminder that police work invokes heartbreak," said Brad Houle, CAHP Credit Union President. "She displayed heroism while protecting an individual in our community. Her family, friends, and colleagues will always remember that she selflessly sacrificed her life to ensure the safety of another."

Officer O'Sullivan will remain in the thoughts and prayers of our community as we mourn this heartbreaking loss.

The CAHP Credit Union has established a memorial fund in honor of Officer Tara O'Sullivan. The CAHP Credit Union is covering all processing fees and administrative responsibilities. Thank you for your continued support.

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# Capitol Pops Concert Band Celebrates America Birthday

**By Linda Glover, Capitol Pops Concert Band**

FAIR OAKS, CA (MPG) - The Capitol Pops Concert Band will celebrate America's 243rd birthday and continue its 23rd season with a pair of free and open to the public, family-friendly concerts during Independence Day week.

The band will get things going with a spirited "Celebrate America" concert from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sunday, June 30, 2019, at Fair Oaks Village Park, 4238 Main St., in Fair Oaks.

On Thursday, July 4, 2019, the Capitol Pops once again will perform its outdoor Fourth of July concert, from 11 a.m.

to 1 p.m. at Royer Park, 190 Park Drive, in Roseville. The band's annual performance is part of a full day of red, white and blue festivities, including a morning parade in Roseville. This concert is sponsored by Performing Arts of Roseville as part of its 2019 Roseville Music in the Park series.

Under the baton of Director Judith Steinle, both Capitol Pops concerts will include a mix of fresh pops tunes, some of the band's traditional American popular standards and familiar patriotic selections celebrating the nation's founding in 1776. The concerts also will include music recognizing service veterans and branches of the U.S. military. Both shows will include intermissions of

about 15 minutes.

Concert-goers are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs and refreshments to enjoy the performances on the grounds of both venues. Various vendors will be at both sites.

Started in 1997, the Capitol Pops Concert Band has performed a diverse portfolio of high-quality, well-prepared music heard by thousands of concert-goers throughout Northern California. Based in Citrus Heights, the self-supporting, nonprofit community band of about 50 musicians represents a wide cross-section of the Sacramento area.

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# 'Fool's Gold' Explaining Gold River to a Stranger

By David Dickstein, Gold River resident

**GOLD RIVER, CA (MPC)** - We now join a conversation between two strangers already in progress:

"And where are you from?" asks the man at the crowded airport bar.

"Sacramento," responds the Gold River resident, keeping things general.

"Never been, but where in Sacramento?"

"Between Sacramento and Folsom. Ever heard of Folsom?"

"You mean, like, Folsom Prison?"

"Yes, same Folsom, blues and all."

"Sweet. So, where between Sacramento and Folsom are you? I have a cousin who lives in Fair ... Fair ..."

"Fairfield? Cal Expo fairgrounds? Fair Oaks?"

"Fair Oaks! That's it!"

"Oh, I'm the next community over - in Gold River."

"Never heard of it."

"Yeah, it's pretty small. About 8,000, not counting the wild turkeys and squirrels. Nice place to raise a family or grow old."

"You know, I was thinking of moving to the Sacramento area. Would you recommend buying a home in Mold River?"

"You mean Gold River?"

"Oh, right - sorry. Hearing isn't what it used to be. Probably need a hearing aid. You know what they say - after 50 it's just patch, patch, patch."

"Well, then you'd fit in quite well. Gold River has a lot of folks of advancing age, especially in the Powell homes."

"Powell homes? What are those?"

"Houses developed by a man named Robert Powell. Older folks

seem to be drawn to his spacious floorplans."

"Spacious floorplans? Shut up!"

"Whoa partner. You should know that owning a Powell home subjects yourself to tougher CC&Rs."

"CCR's?"

"Right, that's short for conditions, covenants and restrictions. Like where to put out your trash cans. Or not parking outside overnight. Or that the color of your house must match an approved shade of human excrement. But these rules help maintain the curb appeal and property values we in Gold River all enjoy."

"Would I be allowed to keep my dog Buttons?"

"Is Buttons the size of a cow?"

"No."

"Then your dog would be welcome. Just make sure to pick up Button's business on walks, even along the trails."

"Trails? You have trails?"

"Yes, along the American River and within some of the villages."

"Villages? You have villages?"

"That's what we call the 25 subdivisions within Gold River. But we're not talking about 'Gold River adjacent.' The Classics and Gold Station aren't within the Gold River Community Association."

"What does that mean?"

"It means they don't pay homeowner dues, they have no rules around trash cans and their streets can have an unlimited number of portable basketball hoops."

"I do like being able to put out my garbage cans wherever I want."

"Even on the roof for all they care."

"Sounds like heaven. So, how much are homes, anyway?"

"If you're talking within the GRCA, you've got some in the

\$300s and others over a million. Even saw one selling for just shy of two million on Zillow the other day."

"Wow, what a wide range. Sounds a lot like Fair Oaks from what my cousin says."

"Perhaps, but with all due respect to your cousin and Fair Oaks, with a median family income of over \$117,000, Gold River is the highest-income place in Sacramento County, according to the 2000 census."

"Well, la-di-da."

"Did that sound snobby? Sorry, didn't mean to. Gold River has enough pseudo-snobs who behave like they live in Granite Bay."

"Nah, just yanking your chain. So, how are the schools in Gold River? I don't have any kids, but just wondering."

"We have an excellent K through 8. Amazing, dedicated staff. But not having children, your question is kinda creepy."

"I get that a lot. What about Gold River's entertainment scene?"

"Sometimes a homeless guy plays his guitar behind the ARCO."

Over the PA system is an announcement that United flight 18 to Newark is about to board.

"Hey, great chatting with you. You and four martinis have been the highlights of my 9-hour layover. If I ever make to Gold River, I'll look you up. Got a card?"

"Fresh out. Here's how you find me: Just look for the brown house on a street with a name that has to do with the California Gold Rush."

"Brown house. Street. Gold Rush. Got it."

They never saw each other again.

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# Girl Scouts Take STEM on the Road



Kaitlyn Williams practices her engineering skills at the marble machine in the Sacramento STEM Center + MakerSpace. Photo courtesy Shauna Boyd.

Aiyah said, "When I took my first computer science classes in high school, there weren't as many girls as I expected. I thought, 'We have the same mind and the same capability to do what guys can do, why are there less girls in this field?' So it's really important to encourage girls, to tell them, 'You have power, and you can shine bright in these fields.'"

The Mobile STEM Center will travel to troops and Title I schools throughout the region to reach underserved girl scouts, especially those living in outlying areas. GSHCC will rotate the curriculum to offer a variety of options including engineering, robotics, programming, virtual reality, energy and space science, cyber security, agricultural science, and forensics.

Peters said that GSHCC also works with local partners in the region to help connect girls to STEM resources that already exist in their communities, and they "hope that the Mobile STEM Center will be a magnet for that."

At a launch party for

the Mobile STEM Center on June 18, attendees commended the initiative. Powerhouse Science Center deputy engineer Rita Hoffstadt and executive board of directors' member Judith Kielstrom admired the MakersSpace and said they look forward to partnering with GSHCC. Kielstrom said, "It takes a village to raise a young scientist."

Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg supports GSHCC's STEM initiative, noting the importance of creating pathways for young girls into these fields as the area increases its technological impact: "Sacramento is booming.... We're building a modern economy." Mayor Steinberg wants Sacramento to be a national leader in ensuring young women's involvement in STEM, and he offered this advice to young women: "Live your dreams. Don't let anyone tell you that you can't do something."

Girl Scouts serves girls in grades K - 12 and girls can join at any time. Visit [www.girlscouts.org](http://www.girlscouts.org) for more information. ★

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**WEEKLY MEAT SPECIALS**

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By County Supervisor Sue Frost

**GOLD RIVER COMMUNITY UPDATE**

**Towing Away Local Control**

Through the generosity of the Gold River Messenger, this column serves to provide an update about matters affecting the unincorporated community of Gold River.

One of the more common reasons that people call my office is to plead for help in getting junky/abandoned vehicles removed from their neighborhood. People will purchase cars/RVs in horrible condition for extremely cheap, run them into the ground, then leave them to rot on a residential street. Many decide to use that broken-down vehicle as their home. They know the County cannot legally tow a vehicle unless it has been stationary for over 72 hours, so they drive the vehicle (or tow if non-operational) a few feet down the road to restart the 72 hours. This is a practice that angers residents, reduces available parking spaces, and greatly adds to the amount of blight.

So imagine my surprise when I found out recently that there is a bill (AB 516) swiftly moving through the California Legislature that would eliminate the enforcement tools Sacramento County uses to address these motorists who disregard basic laws designed

to benefit the entire community. Specifically, it removes our ability to tow a vehicle for being stationary for 72+ hours, in addition to removing our ability to tow for having 5+ parking tickets or registration that has been expired for 6+ months.

If passed, this will allow people to live in front of homes and businesses in our neighborhood, in unregistered vehicles with unpaid tickets and expired registration, for as long as they want. I am staunchly opposed to this proposal, and will be doing everything in my power to stop it. I have heard from some constituents who tell me they believe the 72-hour window is a bit too short, and unsuspecting residents may be getting unfairly penalized. But the 72-hour parking enforcement notice is almost always triggered by a complaint from a local resident or business when cars appear abandoned or haven't moved for an extended period of time. By the time the County responds and issues the 72-hour notice, the vehicle has already been abandoned there for days, if not weeks.

I do recognize that this bill would provide some financial relief to an individual who chronically ignore parking violations, but I strongly feel that benefit is far outweighed by the cost it has to the greater good of the community. It is extremely frustrating to get a ticket or have your car impounded, but it is also frustrating

for communities when they have to deal with increased blight.

I am also upset with the message this law would send, as it rewards people who fail to adhere to reasonable policies aimed at keeping our communities clean and safe. This is a worrying trend that is happening in California, where we seem to be rewarding bad behavior. I not only find this morally wrong, but I also believe it encourages more of this type of behavior in the future, greatly exacerbating the problem.

The AB 516 has already passed through the Assembly, but still has to be passed in the Senate, where I think it has a much harder time getting passed. I am working at getting Sacramento County to formally oppose the bill, and will be speaking with the Senators who overlap with my district about why they should oppose the bill as well. I will keep you updated later in the year when I have more information.

Thank you for reading – and as always, if you want to contact me call me at 916-874-5491, or e-mail me at SupervisorFrost@saccounty.net.

Sue Frost represents the 4th District, which includes all or part of the communities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, Orangevale, Antelope, Rio Linda, Elverta, Gold River, Rancho Murietta, North Highlands, Carmichael, Foothill Farms and Fair Oaks and Rancho Cordova. ★



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