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Volunteering Through Internships



Cordova High School Senior Davit Khachatryan volunteers at Single Mom Strong. Photo courtesy of SAFE Credit Union

SAFE Credit Union News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Students from Cordova High School joined students from Mesa Verde and Rio Linda high schools in rolling up their sleeves to make a difference for single moms and their kids this summer.

The students, part of SAFE Credit Union's annual corporate summer internship program, painted classrooms and sorted donations for Single Mom Strong at their Single Mom's Empowerment Center in Citrus Heights.

"We are a very small team with a large mission,"



Cordova High School Seniors Sophia Chavez, Journee Dean, Danielle Yeater and Selena Maya. Photo courtesy of SAFE Credit Union

says Single Mom Strong founder and Executive Director Tara Taylor. "Community support like this makes all the world of difference to us."

The Empowerment Center, home to Single Mom Strong's

EmpowerME Preschool & Childcare programs, provides discounted, high-quality preschool and childcare that specifically meets the needs of children of single parents.

SAFE's corporate internship program gives

area high school students a behind-the-scenes look at the credit union's operations while providing hands-on job and job-seeking skills. Each year advisors arrange for the interns to volunteer, instilling the importance of corporate citizenship.

"Our internship program strives to teach interns not only about our day-to-day and back-office operations but to also provide them with a big picture of what it means to work for a socially responsible company," says SAFE Credit Union Financial Educator Savannah Brown.

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Adam A. House Sworn in as New Fire Chief



New Fire Chief Adam A. House. Photo courtesy of Sac Metro Fire

Metro Fire News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District (Metro Fire) Board of Directors will host a momentous swearing-in ceremony at its regular meeting on August 10, welcoming the appointment of Fire Chief Adam A. House. Selected by the Board of Directors, Chief House will serve as the district's seventh Fire Chief following an extensive nationwide search. His selection will succeed the distinguished service of Interim Fire Chief Dan Haverty, whose dedication to public safety has spanned over three decades throughout the greater Sacramento region. Chief House holds the distinction of being the first Fire Chief to serve continuously as a member of Metro Fire since its inception in 2000.

Chief House has accumulated an impressive 36-year tenure in public service, which includes four years in the United States Army as a Firefighter. Following active duty, he continued his fire service career in 1991 as a Firefighter in Yuma, Arizona, and eventually promoted to the rank of Captain. In 2000, he joined Metro Fire, ascending the ranks from Firefighter to Captain, Battalion Chief, and ultimately Assistant Chief. He was instrumental in establishing the Metro Fire Special Operations Division, specifically the Type 1 Hazardous Materials program where he served as the initial Program Manager. Furthermore, Chief House has played pivotal roles in Firefighter recruitment, and the Fire Academy where he served as a Drill Master.

As a Chief Officer at Metro Fire, Chief House served as the Division Manager within the Training, Health & Safety Division with direct oversight of the Training Academy, task level and promotional opportunities and training, special operations training, and the physical and mental wellbeing of the membership. Additionally, he contributed as a member of the FEMA Urban Search & Rescue Task

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California Capital International Documentary Film Festival Announced

City of Rancho Cordova News Release

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - The 2nd Annual California Capital International Documentary Film Festival will be held on September 30 and October 1, 2023, in Rancho Cordova.

The festival will take place at three screening locations: Rancho Cordova City Hall Council Chambers and The American River Room, 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, and Cal Cap Black Box Theatre, 9845 Horn Road, Sacramento.

This year's program includes over 90 percent of films selected from the festivals open call, with submissions coming from 43 countries. The documentaries explore a wide range of themes including, art, politics, portraits, poverty, social issues, homelessness, sports, environmental crisis, war, world traditions, and the dynamic nature of our changing world.

The lineup will consist of feature and short documentaries that will include world and U.S. premiers. Additionally, three locally made

documentaries will be featured. They include: *N-Men: The Untold Story*, *Rancho Cordova: From the Gold Rush to the Space Age*, and *Auburn Dam: The Dam That Never Was*.

The festival aims to provide an international program to local audiences and will feature screenings in cinematic 6k with surround sound. The Mills Station Arts and Cultural Center (MACC) will serve as the festival hub for networking and filmmaker discussions.

We are proud to honor the talented filmmakers who have poured their passion into creating exceptional documentaries that shed light on diverse subjects from around the world. Below are the categories of this year's festival:

The Belka & Hagin Family Award for "Best Doc of Festival" - \$1,000; The KP International Market Award for "Best Foreign Film" - \$500; The SMUD award for "Best Short Documentary" - \$250; The California Capital Arts Foundation Award for "Most Interesting Documentary Subject" - \$250.

The 2022 California Capital International Film Festival awarded

honorariums in the following categories:

SMUD - Clean PowerCity Champion Film Award - *8 Billion Angels*; Comstocks Magazine - Best of Festival Award - *Hell or Clean Water*; California Capital Arts Foundation - Best Short Award - *Ali and his Miracle Sheep*.

The Event is sponsored by the City of Rancho Cordova, Belka & Hagan Families, SMUD, Comstock's Magazine, Sactown Magazine, Sacramento Magazine, Visit Rancho Cordova, Sacramento Film & Media, and Cordova Community Council and is supported in part by the Measure H Community Enhancement & Investment Fund from the City of Rancho Cordova.

For more information about the festival, including the lineup and ticket availability, visit www.calcapdocfest.org or call 916.706.2000.

California Capital Arts Foundation provides a safe, nurturing, and inclusive environment, where an individual is free to develop his or her own artistic expression. ★

Nottoli Place: A Safe Haven for Older Adults

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Kimberley Hayes opens her door to show off her bedroom. It has a TV, a dresser, and a bed. There's a window providing natural light. She can also lock the door – giving herself plenty of privacy. Just outside her room, there's a common area with two couches and a couple of chairs. She sits next to Hershel Walthall. He's content and relaxed in the common area. They chat like old friends. Even though they now sit next to each other and talk, the two have very different personalities.

Kimberley loves to bake. She also loves cats. She's outgoing and enjoys sharing funny stories. Hershell used to drive school buses. He's soft-spoken but opens up when you talk to him for a while. These two very different people have one big thing in common that brought them together: they are both older adults who were referred by Adult Protective Services to Nottoli Place when they became unhoused.

Nottoli Place is a safe and supportive facility for older adults in need of temporary housing. The facility is named after retired Sacramento County Supervisor Don Nottoli. With the goal of preventing homelessness and providing essential services, Nottoli Place has become a beacon of hope for older adults facing challenging circumstances. Since its grand opening in February of this year, the facility has already made a positive impact on the lives of its residents. The first client, an 86-year-old, moved into Nottoli Place in March. Nottoli Place has serviced 26 clients in just a few short months. The facility has 15 beds so it can house several clients at once.



Nottoli Place is a safe and supportive facility for older adults such as Hershel Walthall and Kimberley Hayes in need of temporary housing. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Former Supervisor Don Nottoli. MPG file photo

Those staying at Nottoli Place are all vulnerable seniors who are at risk of abuse and neglect and referred to the facility by Sacramento County's Adult Protective Services. Social workers help connect clients with Nottoli Place and make sure they have a way to get to the facility. Once they arrive, they are greeted by Volunteers of America workers who staff Nottoli Place.

For Kimberley, moving into Nottoli Place took a huge burden off her shoulders. She has experienced homelessness before – years ago when she lived in San Francisco. At 63 years old, she feared she wouldn't be able to face it again. At first, she was concerned that Nottoli Place would be filled with rules and regulations, but that is not the case. While there are a few guidelines, Nottoli Place promotes independence and respects the privacy of everyone staying there. The residents are also permitted to leave. Kimberley says when she has time, she takes the bus to run errands or to catch a movie. She has a sense of relief knowing she can leave behind her belongings without having to worry.

"You've got your dignity and you've got your privacy. You

can stay put and know your property and stuff is going to be safe," says Kimberley.

Kimberley expresses immense gratitude toward her Sacramento County social worker who helped get her to Nottoli Place. She says her social worker has continued to provide her with much-needed support. Hershell, who is 74 years old, also praised his Adult Protective Services social worker for being quick to help him get into Nottoli Place. Hershell also thanks the Nottoli Place staff for all their support.

"You got good staff here that's really engaged and that really helps," Hershell says.

Nottoli Place not only provides a safe space, but it also offers a supportive community. Clients must be 60 or older to stay in one of the rooms. Kimberley says being in the same age group allows for easy camaraderie, understanding, and shared experiences.

"We all come from the same generation, so we all get each other. We have the same sense of humor and so all our jokes, the others still laugh at them," says Kimberley.

While everyone at Nottoli Place can relax and make new friends, they are also putting in hard work during their stay

to secure permanent housing. Residents have the opportunity to participate in classes covering various topics such as renting, job applications, credit scores, and more.

Regular follow-ups by Adult Protective Services and Volunteers of America staff contribute to the success and well-being of the residents. The staff is dedicated to individualized care, and they get to know the clients so each of their individual needs are met, offering personalized assistance when necessary. As residents of Nottoli Place continue their journey toward permanent housing, they emphasize the importance of taking an active role in their own progress.

"It's a team effort. You put in the time and you can see the results. It pays off if you really put in the time because the program here really helps you out and it works," says Hershell.

Both Kimberley and Hershell have applied on housing waiting lists and regularly checked in to see if they are approved. They are both happy to share they are on their way to finding permanent housing. Hershell was living at Nottoli Place when he was interviewed for this story. He moved into his own apartment in Natomas at

the end of July.

"It feels real good. I'm on the road to success. I've been looking for some housing and I found some, and I'm ready to move on to that next transitional part, and they're getting ready to help me transition to that next part, which I love that," Hershell says.

Hershell and Kimberley credit the staff, their own dedication, and the resources provided by the County for their progress. Kimberley explains that on top of the Volunteers of America staff keeping an eye on her, her social worker still checks in – sometimes just to see how she's doing.

"Adult Protective Services still comes and does the follow-up. They ask me how I'm doing. Where are you at on this? So, it's really good that you've got that coming from both sides. They're taking you into consideration and there's compassion," Kimberley says.

Nottoli Place has proven to be a lifeline for older adults like Kimberley and Hershell. By offering a safe environment, Nottoli Place serves as a place of refuge for older adults, helping them regain stability, hope, and a path to long-term housing solutions. The gratitude expressed by Kimberley and Hershell toward their social workers and the Nottoli Place staff highlights the effectiveness and impact of the collaborative efforts in supporting older adults in need.

For inquiries regarding Adult Protective Services (APS) eligibility call the APS Hotline at (916) 874-9377. For more information on APS services visit the APS website.

Visit the Volunteers of America website to learn more about the organization.

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Vet Clinic on Wheels Will Help Unhoused Pets

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Bradshaw Animal Shelter will pioneer a mobile pet clinic this fall to address the health-care needs of pets belonging to unhoused individuals in Sacramento County. This initiative, named PAWS (Pet Aid and Wellness Services), will be the first of its kind in the region. Offering vital veterinary care on the go, the clinic's foremost focus will be on spaying and neutering as many pets as possible. Additionally, PAWS will be equipped to provide vaccinations as well as medical care and diagnostic services for ill and injured pets.

"By bringing essential veterinary services directly to unhoused pet owners and making spaying and neutering surgeries accessible, we hope to make a positive impact on both the pets and the individuals who love them," said Annette Bedsworth, Director of Bradshaw Animal Shelter.

The mobile clinic will operate at least three days a week, traveling to different locations throughout Sacramento County, strategically identifying and adapting its schedule to serve areas where these services are most urgently required.

In addition to the clinic removing the barrier of transportation, PAWS will also remove the financial barrier of essential veterinary care. All services will be sponsored by Sacramento County with funds provided by the

federal American Rescue Plan Act.

Dr. Cynthia Metcalf, who joined Sacramento County as a veterinarian last month, will be dedicated to the mobile pet clinic full-time. This work resonates deeply with Dr. Metcalf, who understands firsthand the importance of the bond between pets and their human companions, especially during challenging times. She shared that her tremendous passion for PAWS stems from her father, a Vietnam veteran who became unhoused and was diagnosed with schizophrenia. In addition to her love for animals, Dr. Metcalf is compassionate about the complex reasons that can lead to people experiencing homelessness.

"This is very personal for me," Dr. Metcalf said. "I know what it's like to have a family member who has been unhoused, and I know how important our family dog was to him and how their bond helped him, so this program really resonates with me."

PAWS represents a significant milestone in ensuring that the region's most vulnerable pets are able to receive medical care, and will help reduce unwanted litters, pet overpopulation, and preventable diseases in the County.

The operating schedule of PAWS will be posted on Bradshaw Animal Shelter's website once it launches. For more shelter updates, please follow the shelter on Facebook and Instagram. ★

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Senior Dogs at Sacramento SPCA Fetch Grant



Over the past 15 years, the national nonprofit Grey Muzzle Organization has provided more than \$4.6 million in grants to support its vision of "a world where no old dog dies alone and afraid." Image by Wallula from Pixabay

Send2Press Newswire Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Old dogs have something to wag about this summer, as The Grey Muzzle Organization announces the recipients of its annual grants, and dogs at the Sacramento SPCA are among the winners. The Sacramento SPCA is one of 90 animal welfare groups chosen from 370 applicants to receive a grant to help local senior dogs. The winning groups received \$848,000 in grants to help save or improve the lives of at-risk old dogs in their communities. "This grant will help us give senior dogs like 13-year-old Roxie the veterinary care they need to live happy and healthy lives with loving families," said Dawn Foster, Sacramento SPCA

Director of Marketing & Communications. "No one is more grateful or loving than an old dog, and we're looking forward to helping more senior dogs get the second chance they all deserve." Over the past 15 years, the national nonprofit Grey Muzzle Organization has provided more than \$4.6 million in grants to support its vision of "a world where no old dog dies alone and afraid." "Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we're delighted to help deserving organizations like the Sacramento SPCA make a difference in the lives of dogs and people in their communities," Grey Muzzle's Executive Director Lisa Lunghofer said. "Many senior dogs in the Sacramento region are enjoying their golden

years in loving homes thanks to the wonderful work of the Sacramento SPCA." As the only full-service 100% nonprofit animal shelter in the Sacramento region, the Sacramento SPCA relies on donations from individuals, businesses, and foundations to support their lifesaving work. They are local, independent, and not affiliated with any other SPCA or humane society, including the ASPCA. All funds stay right here in the Sacramento region - helping animals - and the people who love them - in our own communities. For more information about the Sacramento SPCA visit <https://www.sspca.org/>. Learn more about The Grey Muzzle Organization here: <https://www.greymuzzle.org/>. ★

A Man and a Bear

Celebrating the Birthdays of Two Legends

By Robert Hudson Westover, US Forest Service News

WASHINGTON, DC (MPG) - August is a uniquely special month for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service. This is because two very important birthdays are celebrated. The first, on Aug. 9, is Smokey Bear's birthday, and the second, only two days later, August 11, is Gifford Pinchot's birthday. They would be 79 and 159, respectively, this year. Although Smokey needs no introduction either inside or outside the wildland conservation world, Pinchot does.

This seems unfair, of course, I mean Pinchot was, as far back as 1905, the founder and first chief of the Forest Service and an early pioneer of the wildland's conservation movement in America. But, as they say in entertainment, you never want to share a stage with a baby or a cute animal, or something to that effect. You get the picture. But even though Pinchot's legacy may not be known to many of us, it doesn't take away from the fact that all who have ever swam in, hiked in, camped in, or otherwise just had fun in a national forest or grasslands pays unwitting thanks and appreciation to Gifford Pinchot—so much



Gifford Pinchot, the founder and first chief of the USDA Forest Service. His 159th birthday is Aug. 11, 2023. Graphic courtesy of the Pinchot Institute.



Smokey Bear celebrated his 79th birthday on Aug. 9, 2023. Forest Service graphic by artist Rudy Wendelin

so that the Forest Service has a national forest named in his honor.

So, without this man, the public lands we all own, share, and (try) to visit simply would not exist. Certainly, not in the size and continental sweep of our public lands that exist in every state today. In fact, just Forest Service managed lands alone account for a land area bigger than the state of Texas!

The beauty of what Pinchot, and other early preservation and conservationists, gave to us is seen in the structure of our massive national landholdings managed by the Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service and the National Park Service. In fact, our nation's federal

land management structure has been greatly replicated throughout the world!

It was this integrated land management framework that allowed the other legend, Smokey Bear, to be quickly employed across the country to remind us that "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires". With well over 80% of all wildfires being started by people either by accident or intent, Smokey's message is as strong as it was 79 years ago.

Thanks in large part to these towering legends, we have more than 600 million acres of federal public lands accessible to us all and the wisdom, if we are willing to listen, on how to protect them for human-caused fire for generations to come. ★



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Community Forum: Informal Discussion and Mapping Tools Demonstration
August 10, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Rancho Cordova City Hall

Public Hearing #2: Education about and Public Input on Composition of Districts
August 14, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Rancho Cordova City Hall

Public Hearing #3: Draft Maps, Revision and Election Sequence Discussion
August 29, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Rancho Cordova City Hall

Community Forum: Informal Draft Maps Discussion
August 30, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Rancho Cordova City Hall

Public Hearing #4: Map Selected and Ordinance Introduced
September 18, 2023 • 6:30 PM
Rancho Cordova City Hall

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October 2, 2023 • 6:30 PM
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While Us Economic Outlook Improves, California's Remains Muddy And Mediocre



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Late last month, the Federal Reserve announced the latest incremental raise in its key interest rate, pushing it to the highest level in 22 years, as it continues to battle what it calls persistent inflation.

The increase, a quarter of 1%, renewed the debate among economists and politicians over whether the Federal Reserve's anti-inflation actions will slow the economy into what's termed a "soft landing," or ignite a recession.

The recession that many economists thought would have happened by now hasn't raised its ugly head, leading to I-Told-You-So's from the ones who hadn't seen a downturn on the horizon.

"Much to the chagrin of those who have been predicting otherwise, the U.S. economy has stubbornly continued to grow and 2023 is shaping up to be a better year than 2022," one of the optimists, California economist Christopher Thornberg wrote recently.

"This isn't to say that we don't recognize signs of stress in the economy driven by higher interest rates and the recent bout of inflation," Thornberg continued. "Rather, we've never viewed these issues as rising to the level of

being systemic given that they were caused by the same thing that has kept consumer spending supercharged – the excessive stimulus thrown at the economy during the pandemic.

"The greatest risk, as we have seen it, was always the undue tightening by the Federal Reserve, which was implemented in response to their original sin of excessive loosening."

There are, however, two sides to the economic coin – one steeped in the numbers economists love and the other the admittedly unscientific concerns of ordinary citizens.

A recent Public Policy Institute of California poll found that Californians overwhelmingly believe that bad economic times lie ahead, based in part on experiences with inflation in housing, food, fuel and other living expenses.

Those sour expectations may be more than just emotion. While the nation as a whole seems to be doing fairly well, as President Joe Biden reminds us almost daily in anticipation of a re-election campaign next year, California's economy is just so-so.

California's unemployment rate in June was 4.6%, which doesn't sound bad – certainly much lower than it was when the state's economy shut down during the COVID-19 pandemic, pushing the jobless rate to over 16%.

However, it was higher than it had been a year earlier and – this is rather sobering – was the second-highest of any state to Nevada's 5.4%, and more than twice as high as New

Hampshire's nation-lowest 1.8%.

California's other economic indices are similarly weak.

The Federal Bureau of Economic Analysis reported in June that California's gross domestic product – the total of goods and services – in the first quarter was one of the nation's slowest growing at 1.2%, roughly a third of the growth seen in rival states Texas (3%) and Florida (3.5%). Other states ranged to as high 12.4% in North Dakota.

The BEA's quarterly report on personal income growth was similarly mediocre. Nationally, it grew by 5.1%, but in California it was scarcely a blip at .7%, very near the bottom. Texas saw 6.7% personal income growth and Florida 7.9%.

Anemic personal income growth has a real-world impact when it attempts to cope with inflation that's still plaguing California's families and it also is one of the underlying reasons the state is experiencing declines in personal income taxes and the resultant multi-billion-dollar budget deficits.

Citing a "particularly muddy" economic outlook, the Legislature's budget analyst, Gabe Petek, believes that the state faces bigger budget deficits than Gov. Gavin Newsom and legislative leaders have baked into their new budget.

It's just as muddy for the family budgets of nearly 40 million Californians.

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

Board Approves Funding from Health Plans for LEAP

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, August 8, approved the County to receive the Housing and Homeless Incentive Program (HHIP) to increase the Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP).

LEAP is operated by Bay Area Community Services (BACS) and provides housing-related services which include the provision of landlord incentives to secure affordable housing for clients, provide client and landlord level tenancy supports, house matching, landlord education, enhance the efficacy of voucher and subsidy programs addressing housing concerns and other housing-related efforts to support people experiencing homelessness.

The State of California's Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has developed a plan to enhance, expand, and strengthen Medi-Cal Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) in California, in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021.

One of the initiatives under the HCBS plan is the Housing and Homeless Incentive Program (HHIP), which aims to expand and enhance programs that help individuals transition to community-based, independent living arrangements.

Medical Care Providers (MCPs) recognize the link between housing stability and health outcomes. Homelessness can worsen health issues and increase healthcare costs for vulnerable populations.

Through HHIP, MCPs can provide financial support to governmental partners such as LEAP to enhance housing programs, offer supportive services, and develop effective strategies for helping those facing homelessness.

The MCPs consist of the following providers in Sacramento County: Health Net, Anthem, Aetna, Kaiser Permanente, and Molina. Each provider has applied

separately for HHIP funding and amounts granted to each provider vary, but the pooled funds will amount to nearly \$5 million.

With this funding increase, LEAP will be able to serve an additional 100 households annually, on top of the 150 annual households already funded through the existing ARPA agreement. HHIP funding will be utilized to expand landlord incentives and to help individuals in the LEAP program overcome barriers and access stable housing.

"The County has already seen positive outcomes through LEAP." Said Emily Halcon, Director of Homeless Services and Housing "We're thrilled to partner with our local health plans to increase the opportunity for stability for people who are unhoused."

"Sacramento County has been an incredible leader, collaborator and partner in implementing the state's California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) initiative, ensuring Sacramento's most vulnerable residents have access to all innovations and reforms under CalAIM," said Martha Santana-Chin, Medi-Cal and Medicare president at Health Net.

"Anthem Blue Cross has been a committed supporter of Sacramento County efforts to effectively address the County's most pressing priorities, including funding innovative solutions that provide stability to those who are unhoused," said Les Ybarra, President of Anthem Blue Cross Medi-Cal health plan. "The reality in Sacramento, and across California, is that one of the greatest challenges for our members and individuals who are experiencing homelessness is finding available housing and landlords who are willing to work with them. We believe that the Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program will help remove these barriers and improve lives, so we are proud to serve as a critical partner, and we look forward to continued collaboration with the County to address homelessness." ★

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And Another Thing Happy Birthday Bob!

By Bob McGarvey

I hope that California will not have the wild fires we have had in the past. The first thing that comes to mind is the city of Paradise, California, which burned over 18,000 buildings and 86 people were killed. The death toll from the Camp Fire had grown to 88 by December 2018 and was the worst and was the deadliest wildfire in America in 100 years. Looking at the fires in other places like Canada, in which millions of acres have burned, and the Maui Fire in which at least 100 casualties have been lost. It is the most unprecedented and catastrophic emergency for the Island of Maui and the State of Hawaii in its history. It is hard to believe that there was such a fire in Maui because I always think of Hawaii's islands as green and close to the ocean.

I tried to find out what has happened in California this year, and Cal Fire said, "There were 338,092 total emergency responses, 4,123 wildfires, 112,964 acres burned, 3 fatalities (0 civilians and 3 firefighters), and 20 structures: 8 damaged/12 Destroyed." From the reports I have read, there is quite a bit of a fire potential because of the extra rain we have received and the amount of grasses and weeds which provide more fuel for fires. We should do what we can to protect our homes and properties and the same for our neighbors.

Something has happened which we are all going to have to discuss regarding our city. "The City of Rancho Cordova is working to transition from at-large to district-based elections." In other words, we are going to have to go to some of the hearings and community forums and think seriously about the districts which will be decided. Personally I think that the at-large election which we began 20

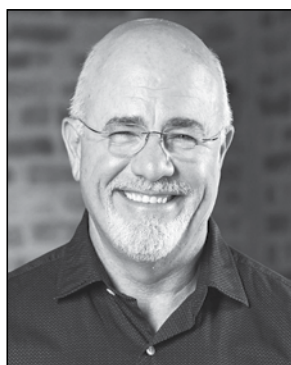
years ago, would continue to work well in our city. However, since we received the same letter that other cities like Folsom, Citrus Heights, and quite a few other cities in our state have received, we will form districts in our city limits. In the letter the city received from the lawyers, it said, "Beginning with the 2024 Council election, voters will vote for one city City Council Member who lives in and represents their district." It will make quite a change for our election, so pay as much attention as you can.

In all of our lives on occasion we get surprised by our family and our friends. I was surprised last week when I had a daughter who was coming from Florida come in the door, and then our oldest son followed her in the door. I wasn't expecting him to come in from Florida, too. That was a very nice surprise. We haven't seen him since he moved out of Rancho Cordova about five years ago.

Then my family said that we were going out for dinner, but they didn't say where we were going. I was driving the car so I went where I was told to go. When we arrived we were at a familiar restaurant, but I had another surprise when all of a sudden there was a very big group of people there saying Happy Birthday! Many family members were there but there were also quite a few friends who joined my family singing Happy Birthday to me. What a fantastic way to celebrate my 80th birthday.

A few days before those surprises which were talked about earlier, a person asked me why I enjoy birthdays like that. Thinking about it, it is easy to celebrate another birthday and continue getting together for a party and thinking about life..

From Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see you next time. ★



Dave Ramsey Says

I get that. And in his own way, it sounds like he's trying to make sure there's extra money on hand for the down months he may experience as a commercial painter. But I wouldn't advise this approach, not for his business, and not for your family's finances.

Baby Step 3 is an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses. The scenario he wants to plan for, however, isn't an emergency. He knows it's coming. It's the same with things like Christmas, birthdays and stuff like that. You know they're coming, and you even know which months and days. Things like that aren't emergencies, and they don't catch anyone by surprise. They're things you plan for—and budget for—ahead of time.

But the first thing your husband needs to do is re-work his business model. He needs something to do during the down months, so that his income doesn't dry up completely. Setting money aside in a business for an expected down time is smart, but it's not a Baby Step 3 issue. It would

be a line in the budget where you set money aside because you know something's coming.

Again, if it's something predictable, something that happens at the same time every year, it is not an emergency. If you want to budget some household money for the down time, that's fine. But do you know what would be even smarter? Figuring out a plan for this time, based on his skill set, which will allow him to keep earning money!

– Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show." He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company Ramsey Solutions. ★

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– Crystal

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ELW3 Enterprises LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite 6157, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Significant Affairs" 1401 21st Street Suite 6157, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 12, 2023
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ELW3 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05369
Truist Medical & Behavioral Health Services, Inc., 6733 Pallazzo Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Truist PsychMD" 9245 Laguna Springs Drive Suite 200, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
TRUIST 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05376
Rentsa LLC, 10757 Bellone Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "rents4baby" 10757 Bellone Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
RENTS 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05360
Jessica Rahbar, 3182 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Epoxy Pro Services" 3182 L Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 17, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023

EPOXY 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05544
Motorest Inc., 3401 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Motorest" 3401 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 25, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
MOTOREST 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05605
Ratko Omickus, 5624 Whitney Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nena Flooring" 5624 Whitney Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 27, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
NENA 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05601
CalPlaySports LLC, 117 Miller Way, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CalGamesWanted" 117 Miller Way, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 27, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
CALGAMES 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05574
Dan Hauck and Debbie Covey, 127 Lembi Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Premier Party Rentals" 127 Lembi Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 26, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
PREMIER 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05535
Timothy Joseph Coddington, 6454 Larchmont Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tankless Tim" 6454 Larchmont Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2023
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TANKLESS 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05364
Breavetona Inc., 7880 Bradshaw Road, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Arthur Murray Sacramento Dance Centers" 7880 Bradshaw Road, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
ARTHUR 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05580
Bader Darwish, 6637 Flaming Arrow Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Major Locksmith" 6637 Flaming Arrow Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 26, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
MAJOR 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-04462
Vladimir Kilyushik and Alena Kilyushik, 8309 Pinefield Drive, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "VAK Siding and Decking" 8309 Pinefield Drive, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 9, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
VAK 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-04909
Enayah Muhajir, 12029 Roquefort Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "New Bourne Realty Group/New Bourne Realty" 12029 Roquefort Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 27, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
ENAYAH 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05373
PRIMEbusiness Construction Consulting LLC, 2518 Denison Drive, Davis, CA 95618 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PRIMEdesign" 455 University Avenue Suite 370, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
PRIMEDESIGN 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05358
Haramain Inc., 646 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ideal Market/Ideal Halal Market" 646 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 17, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
IDEAL 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05563
Permanent Investment Network LLC., 4921 Bowman Oaks Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Permanent Investment Network LLC/Global Field Inspection Services, LLC" 4921 Bowman Oaks Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento

County July 26, 2023
Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
PERMANENT 8-25-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05622
Stroy Inc., 6133 W 4th Street, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Binrenter.com" 6133 W 4th Street, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
BINRENTER 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05272
Alexander Alvarado, 14916 1/4 Inglewood Avenue, Lawndale, CA, 90260 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bow's Chow Kitchen" 2108 N Street Suite #8492 Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 13, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
BOWS 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05320
GAWFCO Enterprises, Inc., 3669 Mount Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, CA 94549 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "65th St Union 76" 2893 65th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 14, 2023
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GAWFCO 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05620
Sun City Towing and Auto Care, 3408 Hunter Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sun City Towing" 3408 Hunter Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2023
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SUN 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05646
Barry Magee, 3529 Scorpio Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Chirpy Magee the Trivia Bird" 3529 Scorpio Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
CHIRPY 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05693
Emman Tos, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PIE NICE" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 1, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
PIE 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05644
NORCAL BSBA, Inc., 3626 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite #100, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Transworld Business Advisors Sacramento" 3626 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite #100, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
NORCAL 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05694
Kainat F Shaikh and Sujuddin S Salyed, 42 Allard Court, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fiat Lux Accounting" 42 Allard Court, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 1, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
FIAT 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05746
Blessed Ones LLC, 15 Benoit Court, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cienna Home Care II" 3866 Sea Forest Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
BLESSD 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05689
Monik LLC, 7893 Walerga Road Suite 102, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Maza Halal Food" 7893 Walerga Road Suite 102, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 1, 2023
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MAZA 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05527
Maria Colamartino, 8133 Pollard Ave, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MJ Wholesale" 8133 Pollard Ave, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
MJ 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05729
Jesus Rios Couner LLC, 6837 Fair Oaks Boulevard #6, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Process Server of California/CA Process Server" 6837 Fair Oaks Boulevard #7, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 2, 2023
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PROCESS 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05750
Jose Ramon Rodriguez, 5600 Rosario Boulevard, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jrods Tow and Transport" 5600 Rosario Boulevard, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
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JRODS 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05742
S. Justice Enterprises, Inc., 3916 Hovnanian Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Scarlett Justice Properties" 3916 Hovnanian Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
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SCARLETT 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05744
Eat Cake LLC, 8139 Sunset Avenue #160, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eat Cake!" 8367 Hidden Valley Circle, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
CAKE 9-1-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05372
Reuben Nazareno, 2880 Sunrise Boulevard #110, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 and Matthew Cabrera, 9153 Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove, CA 95624 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Real Estate America Rancho Cordova/Real Estate America Elk Grove/Real Estate America Team" 2880 Sunrise Boulevard #10, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2023
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REAL 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05541
YC ENT, 1009 10th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Chelsea" 1009 10th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 25, 2023
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CHELSEA 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05853
Illighent LLC, 8177 Dunisch Road, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kuneho" 8177 Dunisch Road, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 7, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
KUNEHO 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05423
Norma Laura Ramirez Miranda, 1901 E Constantine Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89101 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "All Good Things" 2900 Stewart Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89101. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 20, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
ALL 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05651
Aim High RE Inc, 4080 Truxel Road #100, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aim High Coaching/AimHigh Coaching" 4080 Truxel Road #100, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
AIM 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05759
Go 4 Pizza Inc., 7195 Murieta Drive #218, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Go 4 Pizza" 7195 Murieta Drive #218, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
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PIZZA 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05410
Yevheniy Shestakov, 5584 White Fir Way, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CARGOEXPERT" 5584 White Fir Way, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 19, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
CARGOEXPERT 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05781
Vehicle Accident Reporting Solutions, 3442 Whitnor Court, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Vehicle Accident Repairing Solutions/V.A.R.S." 3442 Whitnor Court, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 4, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
VEHICLE 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05672
Dmitriy Ozeruga, 7047 Cross Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Principal Accounting & Bookkeeping" 7047 Cross Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed

with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 31, 2023
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PPINCIPAL 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05921
Nancy Fox and Matthew Fox, 9692 Kent Street, Elk Grove, CA 95624 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Coppertech" 2376 Gold Meadow Way, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 3, 2023
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
COPPERTECH 9-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-05921
Golden State Price Inc., 5825 Auburn Boulevard Suite 3, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) Sacramento Furniture Store". 5825 Auburn Boulevard Suite 3, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 9, 2023
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SACRAMENTO 9-8-23

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF

Adam A. House Sworn in as New Fire Chief

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Force 7, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CAL OES) Task Force 9, and the Type 3 Sacramento Regional Incident Management Team (SRIMT), deploying numerous times to major devastating incidents throughout California.

A Sacramento area native, Chief House proudly graduated from Cordova High School in 1987, and currently resides within the community of Sloughhouse. He met his wife Gia in middle school, and they recently celebrated 30 years of marriage together. They are proud parents of two grown children, their son Joshua and daughter Taylor. Joshua is currently a Firefighter at Metro Fire, assigned to Firehouse 65

in Gold River.

"As a trusted member of Metro Fire's leadership team for many years, Chief House has the experience and respect of the Board members and the district's employees to lead this organization in the coming years," stated Metro Fire Board President D'Elman Clark. "We have great confidence that under his leadership Metro Fire will remain one of the best fire district's on the West Coast for effectiveness and innovation." Congratulations to Fire Chief Adam House on his well-deserved appointment.

A formal Transfer of Command ceremony will be announced in the near future. For media inquiries, contact PIO Captain Wilbourn (916) 616-2430. ★

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005717

Ahmad Farid Abrahami has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Emran Abrahami to Emran Abrahami.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. 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: August 1, 2023
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
AHMAD 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005796

Corina Michelle Cristodore has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Corina Michelle Cristodore to Corina Michelle Cahya.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. 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: August 2, 2023
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
CORINA 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005828

Nghia Gia Dao has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Nghia Gia Dao to Tony Dao.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. 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: August 2, 2023
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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NGHIA 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005713

Mohammad Naqib Jami Jami has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Naqib Jami Jami to Naqib Jami and Ahmad Raghbi Jami to Raghbi Jami.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 1, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. 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: August 1, 2023
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
JAMI 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005665

Nellie Makovskiy; AKA Nelya Makovskaya has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Nellie Makovskiy; AKA Nelya Makovskaya to Nellie Kandybenko.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 31, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. 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: July 26, 2023
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
NELLIE 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005714

Fazi Ahmad Ahmadi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ahmad Sodais Ahmadi to Sodais Ahmadi and Ahmad Ozair Ahmadi to Ozair Ahmadi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 1, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. 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: August 1, 2023
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
AHMADI 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV002411

Marcus Bernard Smith II has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of KALEIYAH MAKARA SMITH to Kaleiyah Makara Smith and MARCUS BERNARD SMITH III to Marcus Bernard Smith III.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 5, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. 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: May 30, 2023
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 11, 18, 25, Sept 1, 2023
MARCUS 9-1-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV005742

Asif Nazir has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohd. Harith Nazir to Mohammad Harris Nazir.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. 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: August 1, 2023
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
ASIF 9-8-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#23CV006184

Rejino Cervantes Orbeta has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rejino Cervantes Orbeta to Regino Cervantes Orbeta.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 8, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. 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: August 8, 2023
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 18, 25, Sept 1, 8, 2023
REGINO 9-8-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOHN THOMAS LUKENS CASE NO. 23PR000722

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of John Thomas Lukens.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by James Lukens, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting James Lukens be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required

to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows November 30, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner is: James Thomas Luken, 14 Myrtle Street 2nd Floor, White Plains, NY 10606; 916-712-4161

Publish: August 11, 18, 25, 2023
LUKENS 8-25-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LOIS SEILER CASE NO. 23PR000595

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Lois Seiler.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Renee Ricci, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Renee Ricci be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the

executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows November 21, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner is: Renee Ricci, 8773 Noble Fir Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95758; 916-214-0730

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF20232-05249

The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Village Venue Rentals, 5210 Excelsior Road, Sacramento, CA 95827. Advancebay Inc., 5210 Excelsior Road, Sacramento, CA 95827. The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 7/12/2023 in the County of

Sacramento. Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 7/12/2023. Publish: August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2023
VILLAGE 8-25-23

NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

The following is a summary of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova at its meeting of August 7, 2023:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO CORDOVA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 23 ZONING CODE, ARTICLE 9 SPECIFIC USE PROVISIONS, CHAPTER 23.907 UTILITY, TRANSPORTATION, AND COMMUNICATION USES; ARTICLE 10 SPECIFIC PLANS AND SPECIAL PLANNING AREAS, CHAPTER 23.1000 SPECIFIC PURPOSE ZONES AND ARTICLE 11 DEFINITIONS, CHAPTER 23.1104 GENERAL DEFINITIONS

Passed and adopted on the 7th day of August, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Gatewood, Pulipati Sander, Terry, and Budge
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The full text of the proposed Ordinance is available in the City Clerk's office, 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670.

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City of Rancho Cordova Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE is hereby given that on **Tuesday, August 29, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova will hold a Public Hearing at the **Rancho Cordova City Hall, located at 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**, to consider the following:

Public Hearing on Draft Boundary Maps of Council Districts

The purpose of this public hearing is: **To receive public comments, provide feedback to the demographic consultant regarding the draft Council District boundary maps, and consider designating a preferred map for inclusion in the ordinance that is to be drafted and brought to the Council at a future hearing.** Discussion may include the number of districts and whether or not to transition from a Council appointed Mayor to a Mayor directly elected by the voters of the City.

The City of Rancho Cordova encourages interested parties to attend public meetings and comment on the issues being discussed. If you wish to provide testimony and are unable to attend the meeting, written comments that are delivered to the City Clerk's office prior to the time of the hearing will be made a part of the public record. Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the **City of Rancho Cordova City's Clerk's Department at (916) 851-8720.**

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

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City of Rancho Cordova Notice of Public Engagement Meeting for the 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan

NOTICE is hereby given that on **Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**, the City of Rancho Cordova will hold a **Public Engagement Meeting** via **Zoom**, to solicit citizen feedback on priority needs in the City. Meeting access information can be found at the City's CDBG webpage located here: <https://www.cityofranhocordova.org/departments/community-development/housing/community-development-block-grant>.

CDBG is a federal grant program run by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that provides communities with funds for infrastructure, neighborhood improvements, and other community planning and development programs. The grant also helps the City to fund needed services in the community, including programs for seniors and disadvantaged youth.

The City is developing the 2024 Annual Action Plan that describes how the City will utilize CDBG funds for eligible activities during the program year. The City expects to receive approximately \$600,000 in CDBG funds for the 2024 program year and will re-allocate *approximately \$47,000 in unspent prior year funding*.

The information gathered from this meeting will be used to guide where CDBG funds are allocated in the 2024 Annual Action Plan.

The release of this notice is part of the City's public notice requirements for the City to provide information on its activities to the public.

Thank you for your interest in the CDBG program

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Board Approves Responses to Reports on Homeless

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Board of Supervisors, at its August 8 meeting, approved responses to two Grand Jury reports regarding responses to homeless issues and behavioral health resources including planning, coordination, funding, and measurable outcomes.

The Grand Jury issued two reports related to homelessness that require a response from the County Board of Supervisors. The Grand Jury Report, "Homeless Should Not Mean Hopeless: Homeless Solutions Elude Local Leaders" was issued on May 26, 2023. The report asserts that local governments have failed to work together effectively to address the increasing number of homeless and related issues which has resulted in millions in direct and indirect costs. The report recommended that Sacramento County leaders prioritize a formal, comprehensive approach to homelessness. The report included five findings and four recommendations related to the information in the report along with a list of individuals and agencies required or invited to respond.

The Grand Jury Report, "Mental Health Care For The Homeless: Who Cares?" was issued on June 9, 2023. This report asserted that mental illness and substance abuse among the homeless needs to be addressed through a streamlined, coordinated, and transparent service delivery system and approach that uses measurable, quantifiable outcomes with proven success to make meaningful change. The report included 11 findings and 11 recommendations.

The landscape of the County's homeless and behavioral health programs and services have been rapidly evolving, even over the past year. Some of the Grand Jury findings may have been true at the time, but the County has already taken steps to remedy in recent months.

The County has many programs and strategies under development that will help to move the needle on some of the findings and recommendations that have either not yet been fully stood up or are still in development and have not yet seen the benefits or outcomes.

For example, the Grand Jury indicates that the outreach teams are poorly supported and understaffed. At the time this report was being researched, those

findings were likely correct, however, since that time, there has been significant progress made in not only staffing up those teams, but in allocating additional resources to these teams and to the Behavioral Health CORE centers, fostering meaningful engagement. The County has already committed to semi-annual reports on outreach efforts which can be found at our County's Homeless Services Website.

There are some findings and recommendations that the County didn't agree with either partially or fully – in part because the County has another strategy in the works that will meet the same need, or a strategy being recommended warrants further analysis. One example is the formation of a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to address homelessness countywide.

A JPA is one model that may work. However, with the Governor's new budget requirement for HHAP funding, the County and all regional city partners and Continuum of Care (CoC) will be required to develop a regional plan to coordinate services and funding – therefore a JPA may or may not be the best structure for achieving the intent of this regional plan. As the State issues guidance and requirements, the County and its partners will do a more in-depth analysis.

There are some findings and recommendations that the County has already implemented, but the lack of broad knowledge of these strategies are an indication that the County needs more robust communication efforts. For instance, the Grand Jury indicated that there is no strategic plan that includes the mental health and substance abuse issues facing the homeless. The sixth pillar of the Local Homelessness Action Plan is mental health/substance abuse. Additionally, the Grand Jury indicated that there are not quantifiable metrics, however the plan includes both timelines and measure goals. Read the full LHAP on the County Homeless Services website.

Read the full finding and recommendation response to "Homeless Should Not Mean Hopeless: Homeless Solutions Elude Local Leaders."

Read the full findings and recommendations response to "Mental Health Care For The Homeless: Who Cares?"

The response from the Sacramento County Sheriff Office is available. ★

Board Approves Responses to Grand Jury Jail Report

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Board of Supervisors, at its August 8 meeting, approved a response to a June 2, 2023, Grand Jury Report, "What's Taking So Long? County Delays Mandated Jail Improvements."

The Grand Jury reviews and investigates the performance of county, city, and local governing entities. Investigations of governmental entities can be initiated by the Grand Jury itself or suggested by citizens. A public report usually follows an investigation with findings and recommendations that must be publicly addressed by the recipients as prescribed in Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05. Responses are then directed to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court.

The Board of Supervisors agreed with three of the findings and partially disagreed with four of the findings. One finding was specifically responded to by the Sheriff Office. Following is a summary of the responses to the Grand Jury's findings and recommendations from the report.

FINDING RESPONSES

While the findings of the Grand Jury report suggest the inmate population is higher as a result of AB 109, the average daily population (ADP) of the County's jail facilities is lower today than it was in 2011, when AB109 (California Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011) was passed.

The Board acknowledged that new facilities are needed to achieve compliance with the Mays Consent Decree. In December 2022, the County BOS unanimously approved 33 plans designed to reduce the ADP of County jail facilities by at least 600 over time, in alignment with the recommendations in the O'Connell Sacramento Jail Study. Furthermore, the County BOS approved more than \$45 million in appropriations for growth requests for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 related to the implementation of the jail population reduction plans and remedial plans to support Consent Decree compliance.

The Main Jail and Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center (RCCC) were constructed and renovated prior to the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in 1990 and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) in 1996. The Board of Supervisors agreed there are continuing ADA and HIPAA violations due to the lack of adequate health related facilities. These challenges will persist while approved projects are designed and constructed.

The Board believed that County

departments should continue to evaluate interim solutions to address Main Jail and RCCC deficiencies identified in the Mays Consent Decree. The County is analyzing whether interim measures are possible and are committed to innovative and unique solutions.

The Board of Supervisors agreed that there are limited healthcare facilities and staffing in the Main Jail. The current space for the number of exam rooms, behavioral health programming space, and specialty care space in the main jail is not adequate to support the demand for services, despite the significant increase in healthcare staffing.

While the report asserted the sanitation of the Main Jail and RCCC is substandard and has inadequate written procedures in place to ensure cleaning is effective, the jail custodial services provided by the Departments of General Services and Health Services, Adult Correctional Health are documented and largely effective. However, the Environment of Care Report (EOC Report) noted deficiencies within the medical areas of which the County has a plan to address.

While the County has taken significant steps toward implementing the recommendations from consultants and court-mandated experts to address non-compliance issues, full implementation of these recommendations will take time and require future project and contract approvals and associated budgetary actions.

RECOMMENDATIONS RESPONSES

Significant work towards compliance within the County jail has already begun. County staff are moving forward with the Design Build project delivery and are bringing funding and design concepts before the Board at a future date.

The County will also develop and implement a sanitation and disinfection program at the Main Jail and RCCC.

Several recommendations were deemed unreasonable and will not be implemented, including installing a temporary trailer(s) located in the enclosed Main Jail parking garage to reduce continuing HIPAA and ADA violations and allow for increased acute treatment and diagnostic (lab and basic imaging) capability and rapidly funding and implementing the construction of an additional 18 mental health treatment rooms by December 31, 2023.

The recommendation to increase the number of intake stations by at least three to reduce overcrowding in the booking area will require more analysis. In partnership, the Sheriff's Office and the Department of Health Services Adult Correctional Health (ACH) division has implemented a two-tier medical intake process which has reduced overcrowding and officer wait time in booking. ★

Senate Democrats Take One More Step Toward Socialized Medicine



By Sally C. Pipes

even further. It would empower Medicare to set prices for 20 drugs in 2026, instead of the current ten under the IRA. In 2027 and every year after, that number would jump to 40, many more than the IRA stipulated. The House bill is even more radical, extending Medicare's price controls to the private insurance market.

The SMART Prices Act would also subject medicines to price controls five years after approval by the Food and Drug Administration. That's up to eight years quicker than under the IRA and significantly sooner than when generic or biosimilar competitors can enter the market.

This provision would gut the generics industry. Generic firms face substantial upfront costs.

They recapture those investments by underpricing their wares relative to branded drugs and capturing a small margin on each sale. Patients, of course, benefit from those lower prices.

But if Washington sets a rock-bottom price on a brand-name drug, there will be no incentive for a generics manufacturer to enter the market.

That's problematic for several reasons. For starters, the government's mandated price may not be as low as a

competitive market could generate. So, patients may end up paying more than they should.

Further, a market without competing drug makers is less resilient. If price controls result in a branded company being the only producer of a drug, then a production issue could render a drug that patients need inaccessible.

The IRA's price controls have already led a number of pharmaceutical companies to curtail research into new drugs. In May, the CEO of Novartis announced that the company would drop a few cancer drugs from its development pipeline. Alnylam cited the IRA when it put development of a rare eye disease drug on hiatus last fall.

How can Democrats look at this decline in drug research, and decide that more price controls are an appropriate response? Patients will pay the price for this misguided approach.

Sally C. Pipes is President, CEO, and Thomas W. Smith Fellow in Health Care Policy at the Pacific Research Institute. Her latest book is False Promise, False Promise: The Disastrous Reality of Medicare for All (Encounter 2020). Follow her on Twitter @sallypipes. This piece originally appeared in Issues & Insights. ★

The Real Fix for State Pension Woes: Ditch Defined Benefit Pensions

Commentary by Jon Coupal

Last week, this column addressed the dilemma facing the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and the California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS), California's biggest public pension retirement funds, involving "Environmental, Social, and Governance" principles.

Depending on how it is interpreted, "ESG investing" can simply mean evaluating investments in a broad manner "to assess potential risks."

Where ESG principles get problematic is when they are used to push a progressive political agenda at the expense of maximizing returns. This occurs when activists seek prohibitions against investing in fossil fuels, firearms, or in companies located in nations that have met with their disfavor for political or policy reasons, irrespective of the positive performance of the companies.

For current retirees and employees, there is little opportunity to influence the investment decisions of CalPERS and STRS. Some of the board members are elected by participants in the system but most are subject to the political pressures of the day.

What politicians in California and elsewhere

ignore is a simple way to avoid the entire ESG quagmire as well as many other problems inherent in California's "defined benefit" retirement plans. That is to begin shifting to "defined contribution" plans that reduce the risks to the state and taxpayers and which frequently produce better returns for the employees. In defined contribution plans, the employee's benefit is equal to his or her own contributions, plus those of the employer, plus whatever earnings the investments accrue.

Defined contribution plans come in many flavors, but they have one common element important to taxpayers. That is, the financial obligation of the employer (paid for with taxpayer dollars) is complete at the end of each pay period.

Another big advantage to defined contribution plans is their portability, especially in a changing workforce where employees change jobs frequently.

In a comprehensive policy paper published in 2020 by the Reason Foundation, "Defined Contribution Plans: Best Practices in Design and Utilization," the authors contend that, "When structured properly, [defined contribution] retirement plans—plans with individually controlled investment accounts with contributions made by both employers and employees—can offer governments an

approach to retirement plan design that garners retirement security for employees while actively working. Defined contribution plans accomplish this by modernizing the retirement option set and managing employers' financial risks that are inherent in traditional pension plans."

In California, the political power of public-sector labor renders the full adoption of defined contribution plans to replace CalPERS and CalSTRS extremely unlikely. In 2005, progressive outrage at then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger forced him to drop his proposal before it even got started. But now, with economic realities setting in, it might stand a better chance, especially if offered only to new hires or as part of a "hybrid" system of combined defined benefit and defined contribution elements.

Defined contribution plans are becoming increasingly popular in other jurisdictions. Both Michigan and Alaska offer state employees defined contribution plans only. For the sake of the state's financial health, and to limit the risks to taxpayers, the shift to a defined contribution plan should be the cornerstone of California's public employee retirement systems. It's time to take the off-ramp from defined benefit pension plans. ★

Public Health and Blue Zones: Alzheimer Initiative

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Blue Zones initiatives include assessments and plans to help residents live better and longer lives.

Sacramento County Public Health has joined forces with Blue Zones, the global leader in longevity research and community well-being transformation, to launch Blue Zones Activate in Sacramento County. The initiative uses an evidence-based approach to make healthy choices easier in all the places people spend the most time. The effort will begin with an in-depth assessment of the County to determine how to make it a dementia-friendly community and a healthier place to live, work, and thrive.

"Sacramento County is steadfast in its mission to enhance the health and well-being of all residents, irrespective of zip code, so that they can live a happy, healthy and long life," said Rich Desmond, Chair of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. "Under Governor Newsom's unwavering commitment and leadership in Alzheimer's prevention, we have been presented with remarkable opportunities, including our partnership with Blue Zones for the Alzheimer's Innovation and Well-Being Initiative. The collaboration between Blue Zones, the State, and our County is a source of genuine excitement, as we confront the sobering reality that Alzheimer's disease continues to claim the lives of too many older adults in Sacramento County."

The launch of Blue Zones Activate in Sacramento County is the result of the Governor's Task Force on Alzheimer's Prevention, Preparedness and the Path Forward. Launched in 2019 by Governor Newsom and chaired by Former First Lady of California Maria Shriver, the task force delivered groundbreaking recommendations on preparing California for an aging state and offered long-term Alzheimer's and dementia-related solutions.

"As one of the most diverse regions in California, Sacramento County is the perfect place to break ground on this life-altering initiative," said Maria Shriver, Former First Lady of California and Chair of the Governor's Task Force on Alzheimer's Prevention, Preparedness and the Path Forward. "Thank you to Governor Newsom and state leaders for their enduring dedication to reshape the way we care for individuals with dementia and create a future where everyone can age with dignity."

Dan Buettner, Blue Zones founder and National Geographic Explorer and Fellow, said, "Some of the original blue zones suffer one-fifth the rate of dementia as we

do in the United States. In Sacramento, we'll be deploying the same Blue Zones approach we've used to raise life expectancy. This time, however, we'll be customizing it to also drive down the rate of Alzheimer's disease."

Counties and cities that are prepared to step up to the challenge would follow Blue Zones' environmental approach to transform their communities into dementia-friendly environments that support a healthy lifestyle that can prevent, reduce, and sometimes even reverse the damaging effects of dementia. Long-term, place-based initiatives by Blue Zones in communities across the country have already resulted in widespread population well-being improvement, including double-digit drops in obesity and tobacco use and millions of dollars in healthcare cost savings.

Sacramento County is the first community in California to use the Blue Zones model to create a dementia-friendly community that supports the well-being of all residents.

The Blue Zones Approach

Blue Zones employs a proven solution in collaboration with communities to help people live better and longer lives. The company's work is based on research and principles developed by founder Dan Buettner, who identified the cultures of the world – or blue zones – with the healthiest, longest-living populations.

The Blue Zones approach focuses on the single largest determinant of health: where people live. Instead of focusing on just individual behavior change, Blue Zones helps communities make permanent changes to systems and surroundings so it's easier for residents to eat wisely, move naturally, and connect more with others as they move throughout their day. By improving the Life Radius® – the area close to home where most Americans spend 90% of their lives – Blue Zones transformations have been able to dramatically improve overall population health and well-being, raise employee and student productivity, and boost economic vitality and development.

Ben Leedle, Blue Zones CEO and Co-founder of Blue Zones Project said: "We've been applying the Blue Zones model across the country to create communities that foster individual and population well-being to improve health and happiness, reduce healthcare costs, and create positive long-term economic impact. I'm excited about our commitment to apply our solution to the rising problem of Alzheimer's disease and believe that applying policy and place-based initiatives has the great potential to positively impact cognitive health and reduce the risk of this devastating disease." ★

Access Your Improvement Plan Status Online!

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County, Community Development Department, Site Improvement & Permits Section is making it easier for applicants to check the real-time status of their engineering improvement plans and grading permit submittals online from the comfort of their own offices or homes!

Improvement plan applicants can find the status of their applications by visiting the eSIPS website.

"Our goal is to make things easier for our customers by allowing them to quickly look up their project information on their own and not have to wait for a return phone call or e-mail from staff,"

said Javier Zaragoza, Principal Engineer with the Site Improvement & Permits Section. "Applicants are able to see the same information staff does in real-time. Our mission is to continually improve our customer service, and this is one step to make the processes easier for our applicants."

Applicants can perform a search by application number, address, parcel number and more. Many permits take various departments to sign off prior to approval of their improvement or grading plans. The applicant can see which departments have approved their application, and which departments are still pending. Applicants can also see the assigned plan checker and their contact information so that they can contact them directly. ★

FBI Announces Results of Local Operation Tied to Nationwide Sex Trafficking

FBI Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Sacramento Field Office, working with its state and local partners, identified, and located two victims of sex trafficking during a nationwide enforcement campaign, called "Operation Cross Country." The FBI-led nationwide initiative, in partnership with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), focused on identifying and locating victims of sex trafficking and investigating and arresting individuals and criminal enterprises involved in both child sex and human trafficking. Law enforcement agencies conducted targeted operations to identify and apprehend offenders, dismantling criminal networks and preventing further harm to victims. Those suspects identified will be subject to additional investigation for potential charges.

In the greater Sacramento area, FBI agents worked collaboratively with law enforcement partners from Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, California Department of Justice, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, Yolo County District Attorney's Office during the two-week

operation. Two adolescent victims and more than a dozen adults who are possible victims of human trafficking were identified during the operation were provided access to services coordinated by operational partner Community Against Sexual Harm (CASH). Five individuals were also arrested for charges related to commercial sexual exploitation.

"The FBI's primary focus is ensuring every possible victim of commercial sexual exploitation has the opportunity to connect with service providers and move beyond the cycle of exploitation and violence," said Special Agent in Charge Sean Ragan of the FBI Sacramento Field Office. "We are grateful for the support of our law enforcement partners to provide the victims of human trafficking with the dignity they deserve and ensure their exploiters face justice."

The FBI remains steadfast in its commitment to combatting child exploitation and human trafficking. Operation Cross Country is just one facet of the Bureau's ongoing efforts to protect the most vulnerable members of society and hold offenders accountable. The FBI encourages continued vigilance, cooperation, and reporting from the public to help identify and recover victims and bring perpetrators to justice. ★

BLM Announces Plan to Reduce Wildfire Risk

BLM News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Bureau of Land Management is taking an ambitious and coordinated approach to accelerate fuels reduction projects on public lands with high wildfire risk throughout California and northwest Nevada. The signing on August 8, 2023, of the Statewide Wildland-Urban Interface Fuels Treatment Programmatic Environmental Assessment will streamline plans to protect communities, reduce wildfire risk and improve forest health.

"This plan helps reduce the intensity, severity and spread of wildfire near communities that border public lands managed by the BLM," said BLM California State Director Karen E. Mouritsen. "Through partnerships with local and state agencies we will prioritize and coordinate fuels treatments to protect people, property and vital infrastructure."

Under this plan, fuels treatment projects will be coordinated across land ownerships to provide the best results for communities, creating a landscape-level network of strategic fuels treatments and breaks within the wildland-urban interface.

The Statewide Wildland-Urban Interface Fuels Treatment Programmatic Environmental Assessment conducted a broad analysis across 930,000 acres of public lands. As local communities and the BLM identify wildfire concerns, the

new streamlined fuels treatment plans will permit on-the-ground work to begin in a matter of months. This will allow us to treat an anticipated additional 20,000 acres of public lands each year.

The plan covers 44 counties in California: Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Lake, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Mariposa, Mendocino, Modoc, Mono, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo, and Yuba; and two counties in northwest Nevada: Douglas and Washoe. Projects under this program can begin as soon as this fall.

To learn more about this programmatic environmental assessment, visit the BLM NEPA Register. For more general information, please contact your local BLM Field Office.

The BLM manages approximately 245 million acres of public land in the Nation, primarily in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The agency's mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of America's public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. ★

Volunteering Through Internships

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Senior Sophia Chavez says she was most impressed with SAFE's employees during her internship. "I like all of the employees that are there. They are all very welcoming."

The students spruced up the organization's two heavily used preschool and pre-K classrooms. The rooms provide space for up to 27 children each day and students enrolled in summer camps.

"We have 3- to 4- and 5-year-olds playing and running around all day, so clearly the walls get dirty," Taylor says. "We are really grateful to have the students come here to make sure the rooms stay warm and inviting. This makes such a huge difference."

Danielle Yeater a senior at Cordova High School, said the opportunity to help out at the facility "shows that SAFE is a good company willing to get people out to volunteer."

Cordova High School Senior Selena Maya says she has really enjoyed learning "how everything works together."

"Meeting everyone has definitely been really cool," says Maya. "This experience, it definitely opened my eyes a little bit."

During their two-week SAFE internship held, students learn about banking principles, receive resume-building guidance and engage in mock interviews and ice breaker practice sessions. They learn about marketing from professionals and this year will create a group marketing project for SAFE's three high school student-run branches, also at Cordova, Mesa and Rio Linda high schools. The interns will go on to work in the student-run branches this coming school year.

Cordova Senior Journee Dean, already a regular volunteer in her community, says volunteering with SAFE made her "definitely want" to volunteer even more. ★



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FROZEN & FISH DEPT

Orientex Pork Lumpia 2 lbs REG. \$17.99/ea \$11.99/ea	Oceankist Frozen Sardines 5 lbs REG. \$15.99/ea \$10.99/ea
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ASIAN GROCERY

Super Q Corn Starch 16 oz \$1.69/ea	Healthy Boy Mung Bean Soy Sauce 2.567 Lit \$3.99/ea	Kingsford Corn Starch 1 lb \$2.49/ea	Indy's Best Dried Taro Leaves 3.5 oz \$2.99/ea	Chaohong Coconut Milk 13.5 Lit \$1.69/ea
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WEEKLY MEAT SPECIALS

Beef Rump/Bottom Round Roast - Bnls \$3.99/lb	Beef New York Roast - Boneless \$5.99/lb	Beef New York Steak - Boneless \$6.99/lb
Chicken Leg Quarters 79¢/lb	Pork Cushion Meat - Boneless \$2.99/lb	Pork Chop Bone - In \$3.29/lb

EUROPEAN GROCERY

Natalie's Base 100% Natural Honey 6 kinds 2 lb \$11.99/ea	Inserra Black Currant Coriander Tea 100 T/B \$4.99/ea	Britanna Toasted Milk Powder 560 gr \$4.29/ea	Shahf Barley Flakes 14 oz \$1.99/ea	Imperatrady Zupa Barbobosch 900 gr \$2.99/ea
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KOREAN/JAPANESE GROCERY

Mixed 7 Grains 4 lbs \$6.99/ea	Pacific Soy & Mashed Beans 400 g \$3.99/ea	Dried Noodle (noodle) 2.2 lb \$4.99/ea	Seasoned Soy Sauce 16 x 0.14 oz \$3.99/ea	Pilohi Ramen - Men 5 x 130 g \$5.99/ea	Spicy Pop 50 g \$1.49/ea
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HOUSEWARES

HAIR DARKENING SHAMPOO \$19.99/ea	ELECTRIC BBQ GRILL \$39.99/ea
KAIZEN WOK PAN 30 CM \$14.99/ea	WATERMELON SLICE KNIFE \$3.99/ea
ELECTRIC RICE COOKER (4 CUPS) \$4.99/ea	ELECTRIC RICE COOKER (10 CUPS) \$5.49/ea
ELECTRIC RICE COOKER (6 CUPS) \$4.99/ea	ELECTRIC RICE COOKER (10 CUPS) \$5.99/ea

FROZEN & FISH DEPT

Tango Ice Bar 2.4 fl.oz \$1.99/ea	REG. \$4.99/ea
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Columbus Seasoned Roast Beef \$12.19/ea	Olives Stuffed with Jalapeno \$4.69/ea
Columbus Black Forest Ham \$7.99/ea	Green Cracked Olives \$3.99/ea

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DIAMOND NATURALS DRY DOG FOOD
 40 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags Per Family
 •Chicken •Lamb & Rice •Beef •Large Breed •Senior •Skin & Coat (30 Lb) •Lite (30 Lb) •Lrg Breed Lamb •Ex-Athlete
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 Our Regular Price
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 30 Lb Bag
 •Chicken, Brown Rice & Oatmeal Formula •Adult •Large Breed •Senior •Lite
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 Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23

PURINA CAT CHOW DRY CAT FOOD
 •Regular •Indoor 15 Lb Bag
ON SALE Everyday
 Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23

9 LIVES CANNED CAT FOOD
 5.5 Oz All Varieties
 Limit 2 Cases Per Family **59¢**
 Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23

FANCY FEAST GOURMET CANNED CAT FOOD
 Selected Varieties except Elegant Medley 3 Oz
 Limit 2 Cases Per Family **ON SALE Everyday**
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PRECIOUS CAT CLUMPING CAT LITTER
 •Regular •Ultra 18 Lb Bag
 Limit 2 Bags Per Family **\$6.99**
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SCOOPAWAY Unscented 25 Lb Box \$10.99
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FRESH STEP Outstretch 19 Lb Box \$12.99
FRESH STEP SCOOP Reg 25 Lb Box \$13.99
CLUMPING CAT LITTER Limit 2 Boxes
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IAMS DRY CAT FOOD
 •Healthy Adult Chicken •Indoor/Weight/Hairball •Salmon & Tuna •Hairball 16 Lb Bag Limit 2 bags **\$26.99**

JONNY CAT PREMIUM CAT LITTER
 10 lb Bag Limit 2 Bags Per Family **\$2.79**

ORIJEN DRY DOG FOOD
 All Sizes Limit 2 Bags **10% OFF OUR REGULAR PRICES**

CORE NATURAL DRY CAT FOOD
 •Original •Indoor •Turkey Grain Free 11-12 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags (Wellness Grain-Free 11.5 Lb •Chicken •Healthy Weight •Salmon) **\$4 OFF OUR REGULAR LOW PRICES**

WORLD'S BEST CAT LITTER
 •Original •Extra Strength 15 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$15.99**

NEW FUSSIE CAT PREMIUM CANNED CAT FOOD
 2.5 - 2.8 Oz •Fine Dining (Paté & Mousse) •Cat Food in Gravy •Cat Food in Goat Milk Gravy **ON SALE EVERYDAY**

CAT'S PRIDE MULTI-CAT CLUMPING CAT LITTER
 Total Odor Control 15 Lb Jug Limit 2 Jugs **\$9.99**

FRESH STEP CRYSTAL CAT LITTER
 8Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$18.99**

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 15 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags •Adult •Lite •Mature •Lamb & Rice Small Bite •Sensitive Stomach 15.5 Lb \$39.99 **\$32.99**

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MODEL 100	20 Gals.	PET CLUB SALE \$32.99
CASCADE 150	35 Gals.	\$46.99
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CASCADE 300	100 Gals.	\$99.99

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10 GALLON (Pre-Priced \$79.99)	\$50.99
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29 GALLON (Pre-Priced \$139.99)	\$122.99
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TETRA WATER TREATMENT 20% OFF
 All Varieties **OUR SUPER LOW PRICES**

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 50 Gal. Salt Mix

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FRISKIES BUFFET CANNED CAT FOOD
 5.5 Oz All Varieties Limit 1 Case With Coupon Limit One Coupon Per Family Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23 **ON SALE Everyday** CHM PLU 367

BONUS COUPON
FRISKIES PARTY MIX CAT TREATS
 2.1 Oz •Selected Varieties Limit 2 Pkgs With Coupon Limit One Coupon Per Family Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23 **\$1.49** CHM PLU 573

BONUS COUPON
ARM & HAMMER CAT LITTER DEODORIZER
 20 Oz Box Limit 2 Boxes with Coupon Limit One Coupon Per Family Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 8/16/23 - 8/22/23 **\$1.89** CHM PLU 422