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## Time for Me to Fly!



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### CCA Special Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** -The California Capital Airshow (CCA), presented by Sacramento County in partnership with the City of Rancho Cordova, are ready to launch another amazing show for 2022.

The popular aviation festival returns to the skies September 30th through October 2nd at Mather Airport in Sacramento, featuring a multi-national salute commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the United States Air Force. Attendees will experience the world's most talented pilots and capable aircraft both in the air and on the ground, including the long-awaited return of the F-22 Raptor, the Royal Canadian Air Force CF-18 Hornet, an extensive list of exhilarating military jet performances, historic warbirds, and activities that will inspire the next generation.

CCA has planned two unique options to enjoy the 16th annual show; Saturday, October 1st, and Sunday, October 2nd will feature an

Airshow and massive festival with aircraft displays, attractions, music, food, and interactive STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) experiences along the airport ramp from 9:00 am-5:00 pm each day. But that's not all; buckle up for a wild and loud third day of Airshow excitement on Friday afternoon, September 30th from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm as the Afterburnin' Drive-In Airshow & Tailgate Party makes a comeback for a second year.

"Wow, what a show we have planned this year!" said Darcy Brewer, executive director of the California Capital Airshow. "We are thrilled to offer a unique family-friendly aviation festival along the ramp and the hot-test flying performances in the air. This year's event will be EPIC and will inspire attendees of all ages throughout the weekend."

Tickets are on sale to the general public via the Airshow website. With limited capacities for 2022, the Airshow expects a sell-out, and no tickets will be available onsite Airshow weekend.

The following sponsors and community partners have generously contributed to delivering this year's Airshow to the families of our region: Sacramento County, City of Rancho Cordova, Lasher Dodge, Keurig Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, Lockheed Martin, Micron Technology, Modern Aviation, Markstein Beverage, Thunder Valley Casino Resort, Matheson, SMUD, Atlas Disposal, Elite Power, Fox 40, and iHeart Media. About California Capital Airshow Established in 2004, the California Airshow Group 501(c)3 plans and operates the exciting, family-friendly California Capital Airshow and festival that honors the Sacramento region's rich aviation heritage and veterans, while using the power and magic of flight to inspire the next generation.

CCA gives back to the community through scholarships, donations to local nonprofit organizations, and free educational youth programs throughout the year. For more information about the Airshow, performers, and discount tickets, please visit [www.CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com](http://www.CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com). ★

## Yolo County Recommends Updated COVID Boosters and Flu Shots

**John Fout,  
Yolo County Public  
Information Officer**

**WOODLAND, CA (MPG)** - The Yolo County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommends vaccination as a precaution against COVID-19 and the flu during this fall and winter season. Updated COVID-19 boosters, also known as bivalent boosters, target the original SARS-CoV-2 virus and the predominant BA.4/5 Omicron strains and are now available in Yolo County. The updated boosters provide improved protection against infection with the Omicron variant and an overall boost to protection against severe disease, which wanes over time, particularly in older adults.

Bivalent COVID-19 boosters are recommended for everyone 12 years of age and older. The Moderna bivalent booster is available for individuals 18 years of age and older, and the Pfizer-BioNTech bivalent booster for individuals 12 years of age and older. To be eligible, individuals must have received their latest COVID-19 vaccine dose at least two months prior to receiving an updated booster.

Now is also a good time for Yolo County residents to get their seasonal influenza, or flu, vaccine. Flu vaccines are recommended annually for everyone six months of age and older. The upcoming flu season is projected to be severe, making flu vaccines all the more important. Local healthcare providers and pharmacies are already offering this year's flu shot. Yolo County HHSA will soon announce flu clinics for the fall.

The COVID-19 booster and flu vaccine can be administered at the same time, typically at different sites.

"Updated COVID-19 boosters have arrived and offer additional protection against the Omicron variants that are currently

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## Yolo Classic Car & Truck Show Winners

### Yolo County News Release

**WOODLAND, CA (MPG)** - On August 27, 2022, nearly 1,000 people attended the fifth 'Cruisin' into the Next Chapter' Classic Car and Truck Show and family fun day in the town of Yolo. The Friends of the Yolo Branch Library and Yolo County Library sponsored the event.

Over 120 classic cars and trucks lined the streets in the town of Yolo. Ray Santos was awarded Best of Show for his 1939 Ford Roadster. First and second place awards were given in the following twelve categories:

**Stock Car 1900-1945:**  
1st Frank Martinez,



An early '60s Chevrolet Impala had the classic white on red interior combined with a convertible top and formed part of the category Stock Car 1961-1975. Photo courtesy of Yolo County

1929 Ford Model A, **Stock Car 1946-1960:** 2nd Art Castillo, 1957  
2nd Steve Borba, 1915 1st Manuel Casteneda, Chevy Bel Air; **Stock Car**  
Ford Model T Racer; 1950 Plymouth Deluxe,  
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# Kevin Yarris Retires from County

Ryan Pistochini Named as the  
New Director of General Services Department

Yolo County  
Special Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - September 6th marked Kevin Yarris' final day as the Yolo County Director of General Services Department (GSD), retiring following 30 years of superlative service to Yolo County. Ryan Pistochini has been appointed the new Director of the General Services Department, effective September 7.

"My colleagues and I want to commend and thank Kevin Yarris for his many years of dedicated service, helping improve the lives of residents and staff," said Board Chair, Supervisor Angel Barajas. "The County of Yolo wishes him a long, most rewarding, healthy, and happy retirement."

Mr. Yarris has served as the Director of GSD for the last 17 years. Initially, he became the Chief Information Officer in 2005, and his leadership expanded to include County Facilities, Parks, Purchasing, and Veterans Services in 2012, and finally, the Yolo County Airport in 2020.

Mr. Yarris' passion led him to complete several prominent projects during his tenure at Yolo County, including a partnership with the private sector to bring broadband to Knights Landing, also improving broadband redundancy county-wide, overseeing the extensive renovation of the Historic Courthouse, improving the Knights Landing boat ramp, developing of a trail and off-leash dog park at County Grasslands Park, and construction of the Yolo Library and Leinberger Jail. He also improved the environmental condition of the County with a space study. The study

facilitated a new energy services agreement to replace HVAC, water, and lighting fixtures countywide, with cost and energy savings.

"I plan to continue living in Davis with my wife and childhood friend, Karyn, and my daughter Cammi, who is a recent graduate of UC Davis," said Mr. Yarris. "I feel honored to have served the people of Yolo County for 30 years, over half my life."

Ryan Pistochini will assume the position as the new Director of GSD. He began his career with Yolo County at the Probation Department in 2013. He has held several leadership positions throughout his career at Yolo County, most recently as the County's Manager of Procurement. As the Manager of Procurement, he provided oversight to more than 850 contracts in the County, with a combined value of over \$600 million dollars.

Mr. Pistochini has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and History from the University of California, Davis, and a Master's Degree in Public Policy and Administration from the California State University, Sacramento. He also holds certifications from the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council and the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

Ryan is a lifelong Northern California resident and has lived in Yolo County for the past 22 years in West Sacramento and Davis. Before joining Yolo County in 2013, Ryan worked for the Sacramento Municipal Utility District and Solano County. He enjoys being a father of two children and traveling as much as possible with his wife. ★

# Women's Empowerment to Hold Brighter Futures Gala

By Kristin Thébaud

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

- Sacramento nonprofit Women's Empowerment invites community members to attend its 21st annual gala at 6pm on Sept. 29 at the California Railroad Museum. Guests will gather in person at the Brighter Futures Gala for the first time since 2019 to raise funds for Sacramento women and children experiencing homelessness and celebrate the accomplishments of program graduates. The event will include dinner, presentations by program graduates, a live auction, award ceremony and more.

The annual gala is the organization's largest fundraiser of the year, raising a fifth of the group's budget to empower women experiencing homelessness to secure employment and safe homes for their families. To purchase tickets, sponsor a graduate to attend, or purchase virtual tickets, visit Womens-Empowerment.org.

"As we step back in time at the historic Railroad Museum, we will honor the resilient women who have graduated from our programs, and celebrate the beautiful, bright futures ahead for the women and children we look forward to serving who have yet to overcome homelessness," said Lisa Culp, executive director, Women's



Sacramento women who have overcome homelessness celebrate last year's virtual Women's Empowerment gala at a graduates-only event. The 2022 gala will once again be held in person at the California Railroad Museum. Photo by Diana Miller Photography

Empowerment. "We are excited to come together once again with our steadfast community here in Sacramento to ensure that more women can rise from homelessness in the face of a prolonged pandemic and housing crisis. We will need everyone working together in the months and years ahead so women have the resources to secure good jobs and safe homes for their families."

To ensure safety of guests and graduates, proof will be required of either Covid vaccination or a negative Covid test within 48 hours. The venue is well ventilated with high ceilings and outdoor spaces.

Women's Empowerment is a Sacramento nonprofit providing an eight-week employment-readiness and empowerment program, paid job training, childcare and support

services so women and their children can break the cycle of homelessness. Women's Empowerment offers the most comprehensive job-readiness program in the Sacramento area designed specifically for women experiencing homelessness and their children. On average, 70% of women in the program find housing during the ongoing housing crisis. Last year, 142 job placements were achieved by Women's Empowerment graduates. Since its founding in 2001, the award-winning organization has graduated 1,752 women and their 3,879 children. Women's Empowerment is funded through private donations from the community and grants. To make a donation: Womens-Empowerment.org.

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# Yolo County Recommends Updated COVID Boosters and Flu Shots

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circulating," said Yolo County Health Officer Dr. Aimee Sisson. "Flu shots are also available now and can be given at the same time as the COVID booster. Protect yourself against COVID and flu during the fall and winter by getting vaccinated now."

COVID-19 case rates, testing positivity, hospitalizations, and wastewater levels are currently decreasing or stable in Yolo County but are anticipated to increase during the fall and winter. Decreasing coronavirus transmission has allowed Yolo County HHS to

downgrade its masking advisory to medium COVID risk (yellow), recommending high-quality masks be worn indoors, especially for persons over 50 years or with an underlying condition. One-way masking with an N95, KN95, or KF94 offers excellent protection against COVID-19, as well as flu.

For more information about COVID vaccinations in California, visit CDPH's COVID-19 Vaccination Program Info. Vaccine clinics can be found at www.myturn.ca.gov. For more information about COVID-19 in Yolo County, visit www.yolocounty.org/covid. ★

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# Yolo Classic Car & Truck Show Announces Winners

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**1961-1975:** 1st Eddie & Lydia Martinez, 1962 Volkswagen Bus, 2nd Michele Jessee, 1968 Dodge Charger; **Modified Car 1900-1945:** 1st Brandon Schoel, 1931 Ford Sedan, 2nd Bob Stewart, 1938 Chevy Coupe; **Modified Car 1946-1960:** 1st Michael McGinnis, 1956 Chevy Bel Air, 2nd Johnny Cano, 1948 Chevy Fleetmaster Convertible; **Modified Car 1961-1975:** 1st Chris Cramsie, 1970 Chevy Chevelle, 2nd Rudy & Pam Robles, 1967 Pontiac GTO.  
**Stock Truck 1900-1945:** 1st Steve Borba, 1929 Ford Model A Truck; **Stock Truck 1946-1975:** 1st David Arriaga, 1959 Chevy El Camino, 2nd Doug Williams, 1949 Dodge B/B Pickup; **Modified Truck 1900-1945:** 1st Oscar Tamayo, 1950 Chevy Truck, 2nd Jose Villalobos, 1936 Chevy Pickup; **Modified Truck 1946-1975:** 1st Tony G., 1953 Chevy 3100, 2nd Michael McGinnis, 1966 Chevy C10 Pickup.  
**Under Construction:** 1st David Eredia, 1951 Plymouth Cambridge, 2nd Bill & Dana Carey, 1966 Shelby Cobra;  
**Rat Rod:** 1st Paul Biasi, 1929 Ford Model A Truck, 2nd Hector Bautista, 1951 Pontiac Chieftain.  
In addition, representatives from the local Fire Protection Districts awarded the “Fire Chief’s Award” to Steve Borba’s 1915 Ford Model T Racer.  
The Friends of the Yolo Branch Library

and Yolo County Library thank the community for making this event a success. Over 80 volunteers, the County of Yolo, Yolo Fire Protection District, Yolo Blacksmith, Yolo Market, Cache Creek High School, and dozens more generous businesses worked with the Friends and Yolo County Library to make this event special.  
Families enjoyed walking among classic cars and trucks, listening to music by Rockwell Sound & Lighting with special guest DJs, viewing antique fire trucks from local fire departments, viewing a display of antique tractors and gas engines, and learning about automotive related recycling from Yolo County Integrated Waste Management. Kids also enjoyed free balloon twisting and activities at the Yolo Branch Library, including free books.  
All funds from this event will be used by the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library to fund library programs and services for the communities of Yolo, Zamora, Dunnigan, and surrounding areas.  
For more information about the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library, visit: [www.friendsofyololibrary.org](http://www.friendsofyololibrary.org) or connect with the Friends on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/friendsofyololibrary](http://www.facebook.com/friendsofyololibrary). For more information about Yolo County Library and Archives programs and resources, residents can visit their local library or the Library’s website, <https://yolocountylibrary.org>. ★



This 1957 Chevy Bel Air qualified in the Stock Car 1946-1960 category. Photo courtesy of Yolo County

# Yolo Basin Foundation to Host Annual Bucks for Ducks Benefit



Yolo Basin Foundation invites the public to its annual fundraising event, *Bucks for Ducks*, on Sunday, October 9. Photo courtesy Patou Ricard | Pixabay

## YBF Special Release

**YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Yolo Basin Foundation (YBF) invites the public to attend its *Bucks for Ducks* annual fundraising event. It will take place on Sunday, October 9, 2022 from 3-6 p.m. at the El Macero Country Club in El Macero, near Davis. *Bucks for Ducks* brings people together to support the future work and legacy of YBF. At the event, featured photography and art will be displayed and guests will learn about the Foundation’s educational programs. Hors d’oeuvres and drinks will be served.  
This year YBF will recognize Yolo County at *Bucks for Ducks*, as the first recipient of the Vic Fazio Legacy Award for its integral role in establishing and

signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Department of Water Resources. The Vic Fazio Legacy Award was created by the Yolo Basin Foundation Board of Directors to recognize an individual, entity, or group of individuals who has promoted or contributed to the stewardship of the Vic Fazio Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area.  
YBF will also hold an online public auction October 2-10. Nearly 70 one-of-a kind photographs, art pieces, jewelry and unique experiences will be available to bid on. Proceeds will help YBF continue to connect, first-hand, our community and school children with the beauty and importance of the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area.

YBF’s mission is achieved through the support of generous sponsors and donors. This year’s key sponsors include Vice Mayor Angelique Ashby and the City of Sacramento, UC Davis, Knaggs Ranch, Lindsay Anne Weston, MBK Engineers, Robin Kulakow and Bill Julian, and Westervelt Ecological Services.  
Limited tickets are available for \$100 each at [yolobasin.ejoinme.org/tickets](http://yolobasin.ejoinme.org/tickets). Details about Yolo Basin Foundation and Bucks for Ducks may be found at [yolo.basin.org](http://yolo.basin.org).  
For more information, contact Pam Emery, Development Coordinator, Yolo Basin Foundation at (530) 757-3780 or email [pemery@yolobasin.org](mailto:pemery@yolobasin.org) ★

# West Sac Artist Earns Award for PBS KVIE Art Auction



## KVIE Special Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Celebrating PBS KVIE’s decades of creating an accessible venue to bring art into the homes of Northern Californians, the 41st annual PBS KVIE Art Auction will showcase 276 works of art by emerging, well-known, and world-renowned Northern California artists. PBS KVIE art curator Jill Estroff has announced that West Sacramento artist Nataly Tikhomirov has been recognized with an award after submitting her art to the annual curated competition.  
Tikhomirov’s “Working Bee” won a Juror Award in the Still Life category.

LEFT: Tikhomirov’s “Working Bee” won a Juror Award in the Still Life category. Photo courtesy KVIE

The artwork will be featured as part of this year’s auction, a live three-day event broadcast on KVIE Channel 6 and online at [kvie.org/artauction](http://kvie.org/artauction) that airs on Friday, Sept. 30 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1 from noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 2 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
“We’re so thankful to artists who have freely submitted their work to the Art Auction this year,” Estroff said. “Art should be out in the world. My favorites are from observations near and far as well as interpretations of the physical and imaginary places we inhabit. Some pay homage to internationally renowned artist Wayne Thiebaud, who passed away last year at the age of 101.”  
The entire Art Auction

collection will be on display at the station through September 28, offering visitors the chance to see the artwork up close and bid before the live auction. Visitors are welcome Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
A complete list of the artists curated into the collection, plus images and information on every piece of art up for bid, is online at [kvie.org/artauction](http://kvie.org/artauction). An awards ceremony to announce the Best of Show and first place in each category will be streamed online at [kvie.org/artauction](http://kvie.org/artauction) on September 13.  
Proceeds from the auction help support PBS KVIE local productions and community outreach services. This year’s auction is sponsored by Wilke Fleury, Bank of Marin, Krogh & Decker LLP,

Nick Sadek Sotheby’s International Realty, and Mansour’s Oriental Rug Gallery.  
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# Scammers Use Every Trick to Steal Your Identity, Financial Information



Criminals have used these methods for years and they persist because these tricks work enough times to keep the scammers at it. Victims are tricked into providing sensitive personal financial information, money or other information. MPG file photo

### IRS News Release

#### WASHINGTON, CA (MPG)

- Suspicious communications in all its forms designed to either trick, surprise or scare someone into responding before thinking is No. 7 on the 2022 “Dirty Dozen” scams warning list, the Internal Revenue Service announced today, warning everyone to be on the lookout for bogus calls, texts, emails and posts online to gain trust or steal.

Criminals have used these methods for years and they persist because these tricks work enough times to keep the scammers at it. Victims are tricked into providing sensitive personal financial information, money or other information. This can be used to file false tax returns and tap into financial accounts, among other schemes.

“If you are surprised or scared by a call or text, it’s likely a scam so proceed with extreme caution,” said IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig. “I urge everyone to verify a suspicious email or other communication independently of the message in question.”

The IRS has compiled the annual Dirty Dozen list for more than 20 years as a way of alerting taxpayers and the tax professional community about scams and schemes. The list is not a legal document or a literal listing of agency enforcement priorities. It is designed to raise awareness among a variety of audiences that may not always be aware of developments involving tax administration.

As part of the Security Summit effort with the states and the nation’s tax industry, the IRS has made great strides in preventing and reducing tax-related identity theft. But it remains a serious threat to taxpayers and tax professionals who don’t adequately protect Social Security numbers (SSN) and other personal information.

For example, criminals can quickly file a fake tax return using a stolen SSN

in the hope that it has not already appeared on another filed return. People frequently don’t know they are a victim of identity theft until they are notified by the IRS of a possible issue with their tax return or their return is rejected because the SSN appears on a return already filed.

Here are some common scams the IRS continues to see. Taxpayers should take extra caution with these schemes, which continue to evolve and change:

**Text message scams:** These scams are sent to taxpayers’ smartphones and can reference things like COVID-19 and/or “stimulus payments.” These messages often contain bogus links claiming to be IRS websites or other online tools. Other than IRS Secure Access, the IRS does not use text messages to discuss personal tax issues, such as those involving bills or refunds. The IRS also will not send taxpayers messages via social media platforms.

If a taxpayer receives an unsolicited SMS/text that appears to be from either the IRS or a program closely linked to the IRS, the taxpayer should take a screenshot of the text message and include the screenshot in an email to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov) with the following information:

Date, time and time zone they received the text message; Phone number that received the text message; The IRS reminds everyone NOT to click links or open attachments in unsolicited, suspicious or unexpected text messages whether from the IRS, state tax agencies or others in the tax community.

**Email phishing scams:** The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. The IRS initiates most contacts through regular mail. If a taxpayer receives an unsolicited fraudulent email that appears to be from either the IRS or a program closely linked to the

IRS, report it by sending the email as an attachment to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov). The Report Phishing and Online Scams page at [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) provides complete details.

**Phone scams:** The IRS does not leave pre-recorded, urgent or threatening messages. In many variations of the phone scam, victims are told if they do not call back, a warrant will be issued for their arrest. Other verbal threats include law-enforcement agency intervention, deportation or revocation of licenses.

Criminals can fake or “spoof” caller ID numbers to appear to be anywhere in the country, including from an IRS office. This prevents taxpayers from being able to verify the caller’s true number. Fraudsters also have spoofed local sheriff’s offices, state departments of motor vehicles, federal agencies and others, to convince taxpayers the call is legitimate.

The IRS (and its authorized private collection agencies) will never:

Call to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card, gift card or wire transfer. The IRS does not use these methods for tax payments; Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have the taxpayer arrested for not paying; Demand that taxes be paid without giving the taxpayer the opportunity to question or appeal the amount owed; Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone.

Generally, the IRS will first mail a bill to any taxpayer who owes taxes. All tax payments should only be made payable to the U.S. Treasury and checks should never be made payable to third parties. For anyone who doesn’t owe taxes and has no reason to think they do: Do not give out any information. Hang up immediately. For more information, see IR-2022-25. ★

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# Riley Reviews

## US OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT BACK IN FULL SWING OF BIG CROWDS

A Special Article by Tim Riley

Due to limits placed on the participation of the media last year and the pandemic having excluded just about everyone in 2020, we were finally able to attend the US Open tennis tournament in-person for the first time since 2019.

With higher gas prices, more expensive groceries, rents escalating and sporting event ticket prices less affordable for a family outing, inflation affects everything, even the US Open.

Grounds passes that allow you to visit all the field courts and the Grandstand and Louis Armstrong Stadium could cost a couple about one hundred bucks for a standard ticket on Ticketmaster and that doesn't even get you into the main venue of Arthur Ashe Stadium

Back in 2017, a flute of Moët & Chandon Brut Imperial champagne was priced at \$25 but now it's \$32 a pop, while the Open's signature cocktail of the Grey Goose Honey Deuce will only set you back \$22.

The fabulous Oyster Bar offers plenty of tasty treats, with the New England Lobster Roll of Maine lobster and tarragon on a toasted potato bun priced at \$31, which is the same cost for a serving of East Coast Oysters.

The Franks and Sausages concession delivers a more affordable selection of the Coney Island Foot Long Frankfurter at \$10.50 and the plain all beef frankfurter at \$8. The New York Style Italian Sausage commands a \$12 price tag.

Anyone who has been to a major league baseball game knows that food and beverage prices are for the most part not really affordable, but it's clear that the US Open is not catering to a crowd with a more refined palate.

Just recently the big names in professional tennis were players like Serena Williams, Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic, all of them winners of Grand Slam tournament trophies from the US Open to Wimbledon to Roland Garros and the Australian Open.

The Swiss legend Federer has been out of action since injuries required knee surgery, and Novak Djokovic, who remains unvaccinated and apparently has had Covid, has been sidelined by a U.S. vaccine requirement for foreign travelers.

The US Open, consistent with CDC guidelines, has no vaccine mandate for either players or fans, so it is unfortunate a champion like Djokovic is unable to compete, and that leaves the men's field to Spain's Rafael Nadal, who is ranked number 2.

All eyes were on Serena Williams, the six-time US Open champion, who recently

announced her plans to "evolve away" from tennis, as she began what figures to be her final foray in Flushing Meadows.

Fittingly, Serena held center stage on opening night at the Arthur Ashe Stadium, which was packed with the largest crowd ever of more than 29,000 fans yelling and clapping their support for a player with the GOAT moniker.

Seemingly apprehensive in the early stages of a match with Danka Kovinic, the 27-year-old from Montenegro, Serena lost her serve twice after leading 2-0, and then falling behind 3-2. But Serena eventually won four consecutive games to take the opening set.

Closing out the opening match with a win before an enthusiastic crowd that included celebrities like Mike Tyson, Bill Clinton and Gladys Knight, Serena would live to fight another day, telling the crowd that she has "absolutely nothing to lose."

The Serena farewell tour rolled to another exciting match on the third day, with the more challenging test of facing 26-year-old Estonian Anett Kontaveit, ranked number 2 on the strength of a stellar 2021 season in which she won four tournament titles.

The first game on Wednesday night, once again taking the main stage at Arthur Ashe and with a crowd just as boisterous as opening night, was even more exciting as Serena battled to a tiebreak that she eventually won.

Even more compelling was the thrill of one game in the first set taking longer than ten minutes to complete, which meant a back-and-forth of endless deuces, break points and advantages for both players.

Losing by a score of 6-2 in the second set didn't faze the "Queen of Queens" as she bounced in the third and final set to win the match by the same score. Yet, this would be her last hurrah for a single's match.

Thursday night united the Williams sisters, Serena and the one-year older Venus, in a doubles match they would go on to lose. Does this mean the end of Serena on the tennis stage, or will she pull a Tom Brady?

In any event, Serena Williams has achieved an enduring legacy but now represents the past. For an American player, teenage phenom Coco Gauff seems appears to be the future.

Just three years ago, Coco was a 15-year-old from Delray Beach, Florida who captured plenty of attention, which is not abating anytime soon as she is rolling to one victory after another, at least so far.

The thrills and excitement of the US Open are not confined to just the tennis matches. It's the entire experience that is worth the visit. ★

# Newsom Feels the Heat on Farm Labor Measure



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

Gov. Gavin Newsom will soon write a new chapter in California's decades-long conflict over the unionization of workers in the state's huge agricultural industry – and what he does could affect his obvious quest to become a national political figure.

Assembly Bill 2183, a measure that would make it easier for the much-troubled United Farm Workers Union to organize farmers' employees is sitting on his desk, passed by overwhelming margins by Newsom's fellow Democrats in the Legislature.

The union's drive for using a card check process or mailed ballots took on urgency when the U.S. Supreme Court declared in 2020 that it had no right to enter farmers' property to talk with their workers, exacerbating the UFW's chronic inability to make significant organizational inroads.

That failure, union leaders say, is due to farmers' undermining organizational elections, which now are conducted by secret ballot. However, the UFW has also suffered from its own organization shortcomings as journalist Miriam Pawel chronicled in her authoritative book, "The Union of Their Dreams."

Newsom vetoed an earlier version of the bill last year, saying, it "contains various inconsistencies and procedural issues related to the collection and review of ballot cards," and adding, "Significant changes to California's well-defined agricultural labor laws must be carefully crafted to ensure that both agricultural workers' intent to be represented and the right to collectively bargain is protected, and the state can faithfully enforce those fundamental rights."

This year's version contained some changes that the UFW and its allies hoped would placate Newsom, but just before final votes last month, Newsom once again indicated his opposition. "We cannot support an untested mail-in election process that lacks critical provisions to protect the integrity of the election," Newsom spokesperson Erin Mellon said.

Newsom's unusual preemptive declaration may have been an indirect request that the Legislature not send him a second measure, but it didn't deter legislators from acting with 55 votes in the Assembly and 26 in the Senate.

If anything, it spurred the UFW to redouble its public campaign, including a highly publicized week-long march to the Capitol from Delano, site of a 1965 grape worker strike that led to formation of the UFW and in 1975 to passage of the state's Agricultural Labor Relations Act.

The UFW also formally joined the California Labor Federation after former Assemblywoman Lorena

Gonzalez took the umbrella organization's helm and obtained expressions of support from national political figures such as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and, this week, President Joe Biden.

"In the state with the largest population of farmworkers, the least we owe them is an easier path to make a free and fair choice to organize a union," Biden said on Labor Day.

All of this puts Newsom in a political pickle.

If he signs the bill, he will not only be reversing himself on a high-profile issue – never good optics for an ambitious politician – but could be providing critics with ammunition should he someday be seeking presidential votes in agricultural states that are critical in White House contests, such as Iowa, Ohio and Florida.

However, if he vetoes the measure, it could make it much more difficult for him to gain support in the Democratic Party's progressive/activist wing, to which unionization of workers in agriculture and other low-wage industries is a holy grail. Delores Huerta, the UFW's most revered figure, has predicted that Newsom would sign the bill because he'll want union support for a presidential campaign.

A veto would also mean that he would probably see another UFW bill next year and every other year of his governorship.

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

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911 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20220670  
The following person(s) is doing business as: Low Cost Check Cashing, 964 Sacramento Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Waseem Fadel Dhalai, 3670 Silverwood Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 8/26/2022.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/26/2022.  
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022  
LOW 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20220621  
The following person(s) is doing business as: River Valley Investors / Southport 90, 5010 Jefferson Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Kimberli Johas, 5010 Jefferson Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691 and George Psihos, 1001 Begonia Drive, Alameda, CA 94501. This business is conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/20/2017.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/3/2022.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022  
RIVER 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20220617  
The following person(s) is doing business as: Blue Demon Transport, 507 Cottonwood Street, Apt. 13, Woodland, CA 95695. Blue Demon Transport LLC, 507 Cottonwood Street, Apt. 13, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 8/1/2022.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/2/2022.  
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022  
BLUE 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20220673  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
Suruki Sushi and Teriyaki Grill, 767 Ikea Court, Suite 110, West Sacramento, CA 95605, County of YOLO  
Mailing Address: 767 Ikea Court, Suite 110, West Sacramento, CA 95605  
Le Maranan LLC, 4561 White Sage St, Sacramento, CA 95834  
This business is conducted by a limited liability company  
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
Le Maranan LLC  
S/ Flint Maranan, Managing Manager,  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 08/30/2022.  
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder  
KQUAM, Deputy  
9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/22  
CNS-3618111# NEWS-LEDGER  
DJ\_111 10-7-2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20220650  
The following person(s) is doing business as: Imperium EV, 1425 Sacramento Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95605. DSG Global Inc., 711 So. Carson Street, Suite 4, Carson City, NV 89701. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed

above on N/A.  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/17/2022.  
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: Sept 16, 23, 30, Oct 7, 2022  
IMPERIUM 10-7-22

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

COUNTY OF YOLO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#CV2022-1191  
Anna Borisovna Gavalyan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anna Borisovna Gavalyan to Anna Borisovna Albertov; David Dumov to David Albertovich Albertov; Emmanuel Davidovich Gavalyan to Emmanuel Davidovich Albertov.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00 a.m. on October 11, 2022, in Department 9, Room: Zoom, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: August 19, 2022  
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022  
ANNA 9-23-22

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to California Business and Professional Codes #21700-217 Section 2328 of the UCC of the Penal Code, Section 535 the undersigned, StorQuest Express Self Storage/Ramco St. of West Sacramento, will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property of Christopher Haase, Santra Young, Louis Latini, Melanie Martinez, Channa Gates, Nicole Rydman, Esteban Gonzalez, Matthew Barraza, Jeanne Randall. Property to be sold: Misc. Items. Auctioneer Company: www.storage-treasures.com The Sale will end at 10:00 AM, September 24th, 2022. Goods must be paid in CASH at site and removed at completion of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between the owner and obligated party. 3005 Ramco St. West Sacramento, CA 95691 (916)241-8600  
9/9, 9/16/22  
CNS-3621561# NEWS-LEDGER  
DJ\_561 9-16-22

Notice is hereby given pursuant to sections 3071 and 3072 of the civil code of the State of California, the undersigned, Citizens Towing & Impound, 1244 Fortna Ave., Woodland, CA 95776  
Will sell at public sale on; September 22, 2022, 10:00AM  
The following property:  
2012 CHEV CRUZE  
LIC# 6TPM731, CA VIN# 1G1PJ5SC6C7108403  
9/16/22  
CNS-3622872# NEWS-LEDGER  
DJ\_872 9-16-2022

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 975 F ST West Sacramento, CA 95605 on 10/4/2022 @ 2:00 PM: April Crawford. household goods; Penelope Peters, household items; Linda Mizogami, desk, chairs, storage shelves; Julise Sarille, Household/ Personal items/Furniture; Daniel Baldizan, boxes. This auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.  
9/16, 9/23/22  
CNS-3621321# NEWS-LEDGER  
DJ\_321 9-23-2022

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DAVID P. FARMER, SR. CASE NO. PR2022-0199  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of DAVID P. FARMER, SR.,  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DERYK WALCOTT in the Superior Court of California, County of YOLO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DERYK WALCOTT be appointed as personal representative 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 personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or 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: 10/12/22 at 9:00AM in Dept. TBD located at 1000 MAIN STREET, WOODLAND, CA 95695  
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 decedent, 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 a person 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.  
Attorney for Petitioner  
Leslie R. Kolafa - SBN 278617, Weintraub Tobin Chediak Coleman Grodin Law Corporation  
400 Capitol Mall, 11th Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
9/16, 9/23, 9/30/22  
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DJ\_971 9-30-22

Engineering and Design Services for City Hall HVAC Replacement Project

INTRODUCTION

This request for proposal ("RFP") is to identify and retain a qualified firm to provide engineering, design, construction administrative services, and post-construction services for the City Hall HVAC Replacement Project.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

The Capital Projects Department, is accepting proposals from qualified firms for Engineering and Design Services to complete the tasks as outlined in the RFP by the date listed below:

PROPOSALS:

Proposals will be submitted and received **electronically** through the OpenGov at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid> until **2:00 PM local time on Friday, October 7, 2022** at which the results will be posted for public review.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE

RFP Released	September 9, 2022
Mandatory Site Walk	September 20, 2022 – 9:00am
Cutoff for RFI Questions	September 27, 2022
<b>Proposals Due</b>	October 7, 2022
Proposal Review and Selection	October 2022

INQUIRIES

Questions about this Request for Proposal should be submitted through OpenGov at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>. If appropriate, the City will post responded to Bidder questions through OpenGov.

A Copy of the RFP is posted on:  
<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>

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Mechanical Engineering Services for the WEST Sign Re-design Project

INTRODUCTION

This request for proposal ("RFP") is to identify and retain a qualified firm to provide engineering, design, construction administrative services, and post-construction services for the WEST Sign Re-design Project.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

The Capital Projects Department, is accepting proposals from qualified firms for Mechanical Engineering Services to complete the tasks as outlined in the RFP by the date listed below:

PROPOSALS:

Proposals will be submitted and received **electronically** through the City's Procurement system at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid> until **2:00 PM local time on Friday, October 7, 2022** at which the results will be posted for public review.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE

RFP Released	September 9, 2022
Mandatory Site Walk	September 20, 2022 – 1:00pm
Cutoff for RFI Questions	September 27, 2022
<b>Proposals Due</b>	October 7, 2022
Proposal Review and Selection	October 2022

INQUIRIES

Questions about this Request for Proposal should be submitted through the City's procurement link at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder questions through the Procurement system.

A Copy of the RFP is posted on:  
<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>

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Architect and Design Services for Fire Station 43 Bathroom Remodel Project

INTRODUCTION

This request for proposal ("RFP") is to identify and retain a qualified firm to provide engineering, design, construction administrative services, and post-construction services for the City Hall HVAC Replacement Project.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

The Capital Projects Department, is accepting proposals from qualified firms for Engineering and Design Services to complete the tasks as outlined in the RFP by the date listed below:

PROPOSALS:

Proposals will be submitted and received **electronically** through the City's Procurement system at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid> until **2:00 PM local time on Friday, October 6, 2022** at which the results will be posted for public review.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE

RFP Released	September 9, 2022
Mandatory Site Walk	September 21, 2022 – 9:30am
Cutoff for RFI Questions	September 27, 2022
<b>Proposals Due</b>	October 6, 2022
Proposal Review and Selection	October 2022

INQUIRIES

Questions about this Request for Proposal should be submitted through the City's procurement link at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder questions through the Procurement system.

A Copy of the RFP is posted on:  
<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE SELF STORAGE AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to the California Storage Act (Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code.)

West Sacramento Self Storage: Property is located in separate storage units at 2274 Lake Washington Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691. The auction will be conducted entirely online at: <https://bid13.com/> Auctioneer: Bid13.com **1-844-348-2776**; agent for Owner. Contents such as household goods, clothes, children's toys, furniture, tools, and other miscellaneous items for the following lien units will be sold:

E135-MALINDA CRICHTON

Pictures of unit contents can be seen online. Bidding is held online beginning Tuesday, September 13th, 2022 at 9am and closes Tuesday, September 20th, 2022 at 12pm PST.

Payment must be paid for at the time of purchase. Cash only accepted. All items in the unit are sold **as is** and must be removed within two days of the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Purpose: The Governing Board of the Washington Unified School District, in order to comply with the requirements of Education Code 60119 will hold a public hearing on September 22, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., which is on or before the eighth week of school, for the purpose of determining the sufficiency of instructional materials provided to students.

Date: Thursday, September 22, 2022

Time: Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m.

Location: West Sacramento Civic Center, Council Chambers  
1110 West Capitol Avenue  
West Sacramento, CA 95691

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# Social Security Matters

## ‘Restricted Application for Spousal Benefits Only’



By Russell Gloor,  
AMAC Certified Social  
Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** You wrote an article about a man who was collecting spouse benefits but was applying for his own benefit at age 70, under an old law. What are the circumstances surrounding that gentleman’s ability to collect spousal benefits? Why was he eligible? And was he working clear up into the age of 70 before applying for his own Social Security? **Signed: An Inquiring Mind**

**Dear Inquiring Mind:** The “old law,” under which the gentleman in the article was collecting only a spousal benefit from his wife, is no longer available to anyone born after January 1, 1954, which means it is largely unavailable to those applying for Social Security today. Here’s how the “old law” worked:

It was once possible for someone who reached their full retirement age (FRA) of 66, who had not yet applied for their own Social Security, and whose spouse was already collecting SS retirement benefits, to file a “restricted application” to collect only spousal benefits. This enabled a higher earning spouse to claim a spouse benefit (only)

without claiming their own SS retirement benefit, thus allowing the latter to continue to grow in value. That resulted in the higher earning spouse collecting half of their spouse’s FRA benefit, at the same time maximizing their personal benefit to be claimed at a later age (usually at age 70).

Such was the case for the gentleman in the article you refer to – his wife had claimed her own SS retirement benefit earlier, and the husband had filed a restricted application for spouse benefits only. The husband collected a spouse benefit from his wife while his own SS retirement benefit continued to grow. Now, as he was turning 70, he was ready to switch to his maximized personal SS retirement benefit. His work status was insignificant because he had already reached his full retirement age when he filed the restricted application, but by delaying the claim for his own SS benefit he earned Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs). The DRCs made his personal age 70 benefit 32% higher than his benefit would have been had he claimed it at age 66.

This strategy wasn’t documented as a specific option under old Social Security law; rather it was a “loop-hole” which many took advantage of because Social Security law at the time didn’t prevent it. In other words, Social Security law, as written years ago, allowed anyone who had reached their full retirement age to file a restricted application for spouse benefits without filing for their

own benefit. That (along with another option known as “file and suspend”) was considered a loophole and was eliminated by the “deemed filing” provision of the Bipartisan Budget Act (BBA) of 2015. The BBA stipulated that those who turned 62 after 2015 (those born after January 1, 1954) would, whenever they filed for benefits, be automatically deemed to be filing for all Social Security retirement and spousal benefits available to them at the time. And that essentially eliminated the “restricted application for spouse benefits only” option for anyone born after January 1, 1954. The gentleman in the article was born in 1952, thus eligible to take advantage of the loophole. Today, only those born before January 2, 1954, who are not yet collecting Social Security but have a spouse who is, are eligible.

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**INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Capital Projects, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, 1st Floor, West Sacramento, California until **2:00 PM. local time on Thursday, October 6, 2022. at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the:**  
**WTP SECURITY FENCE PROJECT [01177]**  
The City of West Sacramento invites qualified proposals for installation of a high-quality fencing to secure the Water Treatment Plant site. Proposal should include various options, quality and features of commercial/industrial fencing suitable for the water treatment plant including solutions for remote gate access. The project includes, but is not limited to  

- a. Clearing and grubbing of underbrush
- b. Remove, and dispose of existing 6’ chain link perimeter fence (approximately 1875 linear ft) and 3 gates and all posts that will not be useable;
- c. Installation of approximately;
  - i. 1875 linear feet of commercial rod iron fencing corresponding to 8feet, with inner non climb mesh for the full extension of fencing;( the Western fence line shared with California Highway Patrol Academy is not part of the project. Only the north, east and south are part of the project.). Bidders are required to collect exact measurements and dimensions for accurate scope and pricing;
  - ii. Furnish and install automated entry gate (electric actuators and access controls) - slide gate (2) and a non-automated swing gate(1);( Actuators to be furnished if existing controls are not compatible with the new)
  - iii. All welded construction

**SCHEDULE**

- September 9, 2022 Bid Publication
- September 22, 2022 Mandatory Pre-Bid walk through 11AM  
400 North Harbor Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95605
- September 29, 2022 Question Submission Deadline Due 5PM
- October 6, 2022 Proposal Submission Deadline
- October 19, 2022 City Council
- October 27, 2022 Notice to Proceed (TENTATIVE)

- 1. Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed by within Sixty-five (65) working days of the Notice to Proceed
- 2. Obtaining Contract Documents:** Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the Virtual Project Manager services of CIPList.com. You must sign up to use this service which will automatically inform you of updates and amendments. Plans and specifications are available for download at [www.OpenGov](http://www.OpenGov) Procurement Sign up or sign in to download the project documents including bidder’s list etc. Hard copies are not available from the City.
- 3. Questions:** Questions about this Request for Proposal should be submitted through the City’s procurement link at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid>. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder questions through the Procurement system. The cutoff date for submittal of questions is Wednesday, October 6, 2022, by 5:00 PM local time.
- 4. Bid Security:** Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a cashier’s check, certified check, or Bid bond executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento.  
Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code section 22300, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.
- 5. Construction License:** Bidder must possess a current Class “A” General Engineering Contractor’s License issued by the State of California, at the time the Bid is submitted. Contractor Registration: All Bidders, and Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must have registered with the California State Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 prior to submitting a bid. Furthermore, a Contractor, and all Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must be registered pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 before entering into a contract to work on a public project.
- 6. Preconstruction Conference:** A preconstruction conference will be convened after the Contractor has delivered the necessary bonds, insurance certificates, and signed agreement in proper form as required in the invitation to bid, Bid proposal, and general conditions of these specifications. Prior to any work, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of key personnel assigned to the project and the telephone numbers where they may be reached at any time. The list shall be made available in sufficient copies and presented at the preconstruction conference.
- 7. Award:** The award shall be made to the lowest responsible Bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of the Contract will be made by the West Sacramento City Council, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after it has received the Contract from the City. The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.
- 8. Rejection of Bids:** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive immaterial irregularities in any bid. Any Bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.
- 9. Disqualification of Bidder:** If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any Bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.
- 10. Relief of Bidder:** Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code section 5101 and the following, concerning relief of Bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the Bidder claims a mistake was made in its bid, the Bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.
- 11. Wage Rates:** Bidders are hereby notified that the California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work. Copies of the current schedules for prevailing wages are on file in the City’s office, and the contents of those schedules are included herein as if set forth in full.  
It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any Subcontractor under it to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.
- 12. Bonds:** The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inambao Lifanu, Project Manager II

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
09/09/2022

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# Legislature Extends COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave to Workers

Paschal Roth Public Affairs

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On August 31, 2022, the California Labor Federation, the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) California and the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Western States Council came together to applaud the California Legislature’s passage of AB 152/SB 136 to extend COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave to essential workers until December 31, 2022. COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave was previously set to expire on September 30, 2022, leaving workers with only the state mandated three paid sick days as the state faces the possibility of fall and winter surges of the highly transmissible virus.

“As California’s workers battle the affordability crisis at the same time the transmission of COVID-19 continues to commonly occur in workplaces, schools, and public spaces, we are grateful to see the Legislature extend this safety net to families when their breadwinners are sidelined by infection,” California Labor Federation Executive Secretary-Treasurer Lorena Gonzalez Fletcher said. “Our state has understood the value of paid sick leave since California became the first state in the nation to guarantee that protective benefit to every employee, but we’ve especially seen the benefit that extending paid leave has had on families’ own economic security and the public health since the pandemic began two-and-a-half years ago.”


Without the extension of this critical leave, workers would have no safety net if they are exposed or sick with COVID-19. Essential frontline workers are placed in situations where they have to choose between either going to work while sick,


or staying home and risking their income and their job. They are often unable to follow public health advice and quarantine when sick or exposed, keep sick or exposed children home from school, care for sick family, get vaccinated, or recover from vaccine side effects without risking their job or pay.


“Fast food workers, and all workers, should never be forced to choose between their family’s health and a paycheck,” said Laura Pozos, a worker at McDonald’s in Monterey Park and an activist with Fight for 15 and a Union. “I can’t afford any gap in my paychecks – I’ve got to pay the rent and feed my kids. I’m thankful California’s leaders did the right thing by listening to us and extended this leave.”

We know paid sick leave saves lives. One study found that states whose workers newly gained access to paid sick leave through the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) saw four hundred fewer confirmed cases per day, translating into approximately one case prevented for every 1,300 workers per day.


“We’re glad the California Legislature voted to extend this life-saving benefit so workers can remain protected as the weather grows colder and viruses will be spread more easily throughout workplaces,” said Amber Baur, Executive Director, UFCW Western States Council. “Schools are starting back up, so it is critical that workers continue to have access to paid sick leave so they can stay home with their kids when they get sick. Workers should be able to take care of a loved one who is sick without the fear of losing two weeks of pay, or worse, their job. We’re glad our legislative leaders chose to stand with the essential workers who power California’s economy and extend supplemental paid sick leave.” ★


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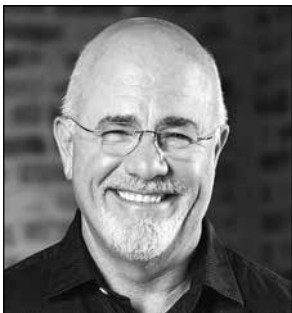
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Don't Let Them Hook You

Dear Dave,

My wife and I just bought a new home, and we only need one or two more things to furnish the living room. Over the weekend, we found a couch and love seat set we both like for \$3,000. The owner of the store said he would take 15% off the price if we get a store credit card and pay for it that way. We are in pretty good financial shape, and can afford to pay cash for the furniture, but what do you think about the idea of taking advantage of the 15% off offer, then paying off the card immediately and closing the account?

– Jackson

Dave Ramsey Says

Dear Jackson,

Playing with snakes is always a bad idea. Sooner or later, you're going to get bitten.

Everyone thinks they're the exception to the rule, or they're somehow winning or getting rich by doing stuff like this. It doesn't work that way. So, stop playing around with debt products. This guy's just trying to hook you and make more money.

Your idea might sound good on the surface to a lot of folks, but the problem is the vast majority of those same people don't have the discipline to follow through on a plan like this. Having that store account, even for a short period of time, would be too much of a temptation. Another issue is many places like this hit you with a fee when you pay off the card. They'll fee you to death on other things, too, if you're not careful, until you end up

wishing you'd never even seen the place.

If it were me, I'd just talk to the owner again and let him know I'm taking my business elsewhere unless he discounts the furniture 15% on a cash purchase. There's no way I'd take out a stupid credit card for a place like that whether I had the cash on hand or not!

– Dave

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

Mommy Can You Hear Me?

A state program that provides children's hearing aids may be expanded to include more families

By Elizabeth Aguilera, CALMatters

A proposal to expand a year-old California program that provides hearing aids to children was approved by the state Legislature in the final days of the session that ended Wednesday.

If Gov. Gavin Newsom signs the bills, the expansion will add about 2,000 additional deaf or hard of hearing children who have partial insurance coverage and up to age 21 who are not currently eligible for the income-based Hearing Aid Coverage for Children Program. If approved, it will go into effect Jan. 1, 2023.

"For the families that weren't eligible before this is relief they have been waiting for a long time. Young adults who are aging out of the program will be able to stay on," said Mike Odeh, senior director at Children Now, an advocacy organization focused on children. "We know hearing aids are not just a nice-to-have medical device. It's truly important for all sorts of communication, socialization, and development that are important for kids and youth thriving."

Ensuring more children are eligible is good news for parents and advocates but it raises the question about whether the program, which has been plagued with problems, can actually serve them. In its first year, the program provided hearing aids to a tiny fraction of the 2,300 kids it intended to reach annually. Overall, about 7,000 kids currently qualify but they typically only need devices every three years.

In addition, the application process is complex and takes a long time, families with some insurance coverage are not eligible and few qualified providers who serve children are accepting the program. For physicians and audiologists, the state reimbursement rates are low and they could wait years to get paid, advocates said.

The last-minute addition to the budget bills this week followed a CalMatters story about the program's challenges, a strident letter from the Republican Caucus to the state about the failure of the program to reach more children, and continued work by advocates and Central Valley Assemblymember Joaquin Arambula.

"I'm so grateful," said Michelle Marciniak, founder of Let California Kids Hear, an advocacy organization that works to increase access for deaf and hard of hearing children. "It was a huge weight seeing a certain population excluded from this program."

Earlier this year, as part of the budget process, the Legislature had requested additional funds to improve the program and proposed expanding it to include children with partial insurance coverage. But that proposal did not make it into the governor's revised budget released in May.

Then last week, Arambula carried the language that was inserted into broader budget bills.

"This budget item means so much to so many children and families. I applaud the advocates whose tenacity helped achieve this, and I'm profoundly grateful to the State Administration for working with us to ensure the Hearing Aid Coverage for Children Program can be expanded this year to underinsured children in



Scarlett Kovacevic wears her hearing aid at her family's home in Lincoln on July 26, 2022. Her family had to pay for the hearing aid out of pocket after her provider experienced billing issues with a state program. Photo by Rahul Lal, CalMatters

need," he said in an email. "We know these hearing aids and services are vital in helping these children develop and learn and, most importantly, bolster their well-being and connect with the world around them."

Odeh pointed out that while the expansion is great news, advocates will continue to lobby the state to improve the clunky and long application process, to increase reimbursement for providers and to get more audiologists and doctors to accept the program.

Hearing aids for children typically cost from \$3,000 to 10,000 and need to be replaced every three years.

The program, which debuted in July 2021, currently provides hearing aids for children who do not qualify for Medi-Cal, the state's insurance program for low-income residents, or do not have any other insurance. Families must meet certain income requirements. It was created after a 2019 legislative proposal to classify hearing aids as medically necessary so health insurers would have to cover them. That bill was opposed by health insurers and was pulled by the author after the Newsom administration said it would fund a program instead.

In its first year, the program dispensed only 39 hearing aids, according to data from the California Department of Health Care Services, which oversees the program. The agency did not say why the program reached so few children in its first year.

On Aug. 12, the Senate Republican Caucus expressed concern about the program in a letter to the Department of Health Care Services and demanded answers. In the letter, they asked why the program has served so few children and what is going to be done to correct the problems.

"It strains belief that, after a year of operation, this program has only assisted a fraction of those estimated to be eligible, and without explanation," they wrote.

According to the office of Lancaster Republican Sen. Scott Wilk, the caucus has not yet received a response from the Department of Health Care Services.

Agency spokesperson Anthony Cava said it is still preparing a response for the caucus. If the expansion becomes official, Cava said it would update all communication, including websites, applications, and correspondence with the new eligibility information by January 2023.

Getting hearing aids early in life is critical for infants and children. They stand to lose speech, language and social-emotional development if they are not able to hear soon enough,

according to a study in the journal Pediatrics.

The goal among physicians is to fit children with hearing aids by the time they are 6 months of age, said Dr. Dan Duran, audiologist and manager of audiology at Valley Children's Hospital in Madera.

Any delays in getting hearing aids make it nearly impossible for kids to catch up to their hearing peers.

"These delays can impact kids in terms of their speech and language development," Duran said. "It can also set them back in other important milestones as they are developing and growing."

Duran said the expansion of eligibility will benefit families who struggle to pay their share of costs after insurance or who wait to gather up the funds or put off getting devices for their children because of cost. He expects the center will be even busier because families come from as far as Santa Barbara and Stockton for care.

Marciniak said the lack of providers accepting the program is a huge problem for families who have to drive long distances to reach them. Expanding the provider list is next on advocates' list of things to do.

For single mom Kimberly Nguyen, in Sacramento, the expansion comes a little too late for her family to use now but it will be a great benefit in the future, she said.

She had been waiting to see if any changes to the program would cover her family because they have partial insurance. After waiting more than a year and seeing no hope for change this year she used money she saved from working extra hours to finally purchase a pair of hearing aids for her youngest daughter last month.

Nguyen has two daughters, 10 and 7, who typically need hearing aids every three years. Next time she hopes the state program will save her thousands of dollars. That is if she can find a provider in Sacramento. Currently the closest doctors on the state's provider list are in San Francisco.

"This is great for all the families who can now access the program and who don't have to worry about how to pay the difference," said Nguyen, who has testified before the Legislature and advocated for the change. Her insurance covers \$1,000 of the \$6,000 hearing aids she purchased.

At the same time this week, the California Public Employees' Retirement System, which administers health benefits for state and local government employees and retirees, announced that its basic plans would cover hearing aids for children starting in January 2023. That means instead of covering just a fraction of the cost, the insurers will fully pay for the devices. ★

Energy Challenges to Continue Despite Gov. Newsom Signing Diablo Canyon Bill



Commentary by Evan Symon, California Globe

Following Gavin Newsom's signing of a bill this weekend to allow Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant to operate for another 5 years, many are scrambling to seek final approvals for not only final hurdles to keep the plant open, but to get enough power plants up and running within that time to replace the power gap that would occur.

Senate Bill 846, authored by Senator Bill Dodd (D-Napa), invalidates the 2018 California Public Utilities Commission ruling that would have Diablo Canyon shut down between 2024 and 2025. New dates, if approved of by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Agency, will be added in instead. Up to \$1.4 billion would then be allocated to the Diablo Canyon Extension Fund to keep the plant running, with the overall goal of helping California reach the 2045 goal of having 100% green and carbon-free energy in the state.

Ever since Pacific Gas and Electric announced in 2016 that it would close Diablo Canyon in 2025 – to be replaced by newer zero carbon resources and reduced traditional electricity energy usage – many have called for an extension of the plant's life due to the critical energy role it plays in California.

In addition to being clean energy, Diablo Canyon currently powers 9% of the state, amounts to about 15% of all clean energy produced in the state, and would be a huge loss as California slowly transitions to being 100% renewable energy powered by 2045. While prior bills have failed in the past to extend the life of the plant, including AB 2898 in 2020, many state and federal officials have been pulling for California to keep the plant going. A November 2021 Stanford/MIT study that found that keeping the plant open

until 2035 would save billions and keep California on track to meet its emissions goals had the rare unifying effect in California of bringing many Democrats and Republicans together to keep the plant open. This has included California Republican leaders, notable Democrats such as Senator Dianne Feinstein, and Biden cabinet officials such as Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm. Blackout and brownout worries due to the energy transition have also won many lawmakers over as well.

The push also affected Governor Newsom, who in April began seriously considering keeping the plant open for another 5-10 years. With energy and environmental concerns still at the forefront, and the state not wanting to leave a major gap in energy production open while the state strives to meet clean energy goals, Newsom backed the framework of SB 846. Specifically, Newsom proposed last month that PG&E would receive a \$1.4 billion from the state to cover operations and relicensing costs, as well as possible U.S. Department of Energy grants, with the California Public Utilities Commission setting a new closure date of October 31, 2029 for one unit, and a date between October 31, 2030 and October 31, 2035 for the other. This led to the Governor signing SB 846 into law during the weekend.

Newsom signs SB 846, final agency approvals still needed

"The purpose of this letter is to express my intent in signing Senate Bill 846, which supports the option to extend the Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP) by five years to meet the State's energy reliability needs," said Newsom in his approval letter.

"Climate change is causing unprecedented stress on California's energy system and I appreciate the Legislature's action to maintain energy reliability as the State accelerates the transition to clean energy. Senate Bill 846 facilitates the actions necessary to keep the option of the DCPP as a statewide reliability asset beyond the current 2024-2025 retirement dates of the plant's two units.

"The bill includes a rate component specific to the DCPP that does not apply

outside of the extended operation of the DCPP. The legislation provides that the rate component established in the bill is applied based on a customer's gross consumption of electricity."

However, the signing of SB 846 still leaves much to do. Multiple state agencies, as well as the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Committee, still need to give the OK to keep the plant going for another 5+ years. In addition, the state needs more solar, wind, hydro, and other non-carbon plants to help fill the huge gap to be filled by the eventual closing of Diablo Canyon, as well as future technology such as energy storage batteries and other things to help strengthen California's energy resources.

"Diablo Canyon staying open is a band-aid," LA-based energy expert Adam Klein told the Globe on Tuesday. "An expensive one and a needed one, but it only keeps California in an energy holding pattern until the end of the decade. The state has some big goals, but residents also, you know, need electricity. Beyond focusing on putting all the pieces in place for Diablo Canyon, which again, isn't a sure thing yet, the state needs to approve more plants and look for anything to help inch up to meeting the demand. This includes giving tax breaks for home solar and even wind plants, replacing energy inefficient machinery and appliances, and utilizing new energy alternatives as they are created.


"The state should also hold off on ending the sale of gas-powered cars and should only do so once electrical issues are solved. The more electric cars on the road, the more the grid will strain, especially during heat waves. I mean, gas powered cars can be fueled at any time. In an energy event, you can't. We literally have seen California not allow electric cars to charge at peak energy times."

"The thing is, California is trying to do everything at once to reach all of these climate goals. While noble, they are also stretching themselves thin. Diablo Canyon helps, but the bigger problem still leaves a deep shadow."

Newsom has until the end of September to either sign or veto legislation. ★

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Fall into Fall's Thrilling New Reads



**Daisy Darker**  
by Alice Feeney,  
Flatiron books, adult readers

What happens when a family reunion leads to murder? From NYT Bestseller Alice Feeney comes a new thrilling story bound to keep readers dangling on the edge of a seaside cliff and reading with the lights on.

When the Darker family finally decides to reunite for Nana's 80th birthday, they never expected it to end in murder. Each family member, harboring their own secrets, assembles together at Nana's crumbling house nestled on a small isolated island; but when Nana is found dead, these secrets will begin to surface. Now, trapped on an island with a murderer, the Darker family must unite together or fall separately.

A Gothic seaside mansion, a childhood of memories, an eccentric grandmother full of life, and a murder that is about to shake the very foundation of this crumbling manner. Written in the familiar theme of Ten Little Indians, Feeney takes her readers on anything but a typical ride. With twists and turns around every bend and a personal note from the agent, Daisy Darker will leave readers plunging into



**The Gathering Dark**  
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Page Street, young-adult

From creepy forests to haunted shorelines, a bridge with secrets, ghostly cemeteries, truth or dare turned wrong, and an abandoned amusement park, this collection of short stories is the perfect chilling bite that will send shivers down your spine. Seamlessly weaving together a collection of scary stories, these well-known young adult authors: Erica Waters, Chloe Gong, Tori Bovalino, Hannah Whitten, Allison Saft, Olivia Chadha, Courtney Gould, Aden Polydoros, Alex Brown, and Shakira Toussaint will leave readers grasping for more.

Whether it's restless teens looking for fun, bored teens making decisions that will haunt them forever, or just life-changing moments, this collection opens to door to reimagined urban legends and folklore that will keep



**Direwood**  
by Catherine Yu, Page Street, young-adult

Everything changes for Aja the moment her perfect sister goes missing. Then more teens start to disappear. And while no one knows what really happened, Aja is confident there were strange signs leading up to their disappearances.

Then a hypnotic voice calls out to Aja, luring her into the woods, and while Aja knows she shouldn't go, she struggles against the vampire's call. However, following the vampire into his lair might mean she will have a chance to find her sister. Now, Aja must stay strong and resist the vampire's lure and find her sister before she becomes the very type of monster she is there to kill.

This 1990's gothic horror will take readers back to the days when vampires ruled the night and Interview with a Vampire and Buffy the Vampire led the way. Blending her own blood-sucking elements, Catherine Yu delivers a story for the decade and provides a story that vampire fans have been waiting for. ★

# Crime Reports

## WEST SACRAMENTO

August 27, 2022 - September 6, 2022



- 8-27-22

DEWEY WALKUSKI Notice to appear for exhibition of speed, expired license. Stopped for doing donuts in front of officers.
- 8-29-22

DMITRIY SOROKIN Notice to appear for possession of paraphernalia.
- 8-29-22

VADYM TUMASOV Possession of controlled substance.
- 8-31-22

HEATHER BOND Arrested for disorderly conduct: under the influence of drug.
- 9-1-22

JASON VOGELI Arrested for a failure to appear warrant after being stopped on a bike with no light.
- 9-3-22

REY GUINTU Arrested for failure to appear warrant when stopped by Nugget Market Security after he left store without paying.
- 9-3-22

BRIAN MORGAN Arrested for possession of stolen vehicle, driving while license is suspended, addict driving vehicle and two bench warrants after a traffic stop.
- 9-5-22

DONSHAY TURNER Notice to appear for unlicensed driver, no proof of insurance, windshield required, unsafe vehicle required equipment.
- 9-4-22

SHERVIN AGHDASIZAD Arrested for a bench warrant after policed responded to a man wandering into multiple front yards, swinging his arms around.
- 9-5-22

ERIC HUGHES Arrested on a bench warrant after a transient complaint.
- 9-5-22

JONATHAN BALTAZAR Notice to appear for vandalism.
- 9-5-22

JOVAUGHN GONZALES Notice to appear for possession of controlled substance.
- 9-5-22

TRAVIS TAYLOR Arrested for a warrant after suspect called 911 using a known alias for frequently calling 911.
- 9-6-22

OMAR HABOOSH Arrested for disorderly conduct: under influence of drug and violating parole after police were dispatched to a man taking his clothes off and throwing his body onto parked cars and acting erratic.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

- 8-20-22

Two suspects stole a spare tire from a salvaged vehicle from "Dan's Mission Towing". Petty Theft.
- 8-25-22

Suspect allegedly brandished firearm at victims. Exhibit concealed firearm in public.
- 8-27-22

Victim parked her vehicle in parking lot of fitness gym. When she returned and started vehicle, she discovered the catalytic converter was gone. No suspects. Grand theft.
- 8-30-22

Catalytic converter theft. Grand theft.
- 8-31-22

Vehicle burglary where suspect stole approximately \$32,000 worth of cigarettes from trailer. Burglary.
- 8-31-22

Vehicle tampering incident. Unknown suspect stole victim's battery and tire.
- 8-31-22

Victim's vehicle was broken into while he was in Tobacco Cartel Inc. A black Tommy Hilfiger bag was taken from the front passenger seat that contained miscellaneous business documents and approximately \$9,000 in cash. Burglary.
- 8-31-22

Robbery incident where the suspects stole items in the presence of the reporting party (Loss Prevention Officer). During theft, suspect brandishes a knife towards the reporting party.
- 9-1-22

A third party employee stole a total of \$1,255.67 from the cash register over a period of a month. Embezzlement \$950+.
- 9-2-22

Victim told a guy (suspect) to move his car because it was illegally parked in a handicap space. Suspect pushed victim down, victim hit head on ground and sustained a light concussion according to medics that treated him. Suspect gone before police arrived. Battery w/ serious injury.
- 9-3-22

Unidentified suspects forced entry and stole cigarettes from the victim's business. Suspects fled prior to police arrival. Burglary.
- 9-3-22

Unknown suspect walked into Grocery Outlet, grabbed a bag of grapes and shoved Prasadi and exited store. Robbery.
- 9-4-22

Unknown suspect broke three windows of vehicle. Vandalism.
- 9-4-22

Unknown subjects took belongings from victim by force and fear, moved victim against his will and forced entry into business. Robbery, burglary, kidnapping, battery w/ serious bodily injury.
- 9-5-22

Catalytic converter stolen.

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24. RC or Jolt

25. Tax pro

28. Lowest brass instrument

30. "Al fresco meal"

35. Kaa's warning

37. This and that

39. Extended family member

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43. "The Parent Trap" child

44. Renter's paper

46. H. H. Munro's pseudonym

47. Snaky swimmers

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50. Kids' construction block

52. Caustic chemical

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55. Blunder

57. "S" more cooker

61. "U-Pick destination"

65. Yahoo! message

66. Hyperactivity acronym

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74. Socially inept

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11. Colloquial "Follow me!"

12. NASA's orange drink

15. Master's area

20. Meryl Streep/Philip Seymour Hoffman 2008 movie

22. "Climbing peak"

24. Fashion week stage

25. "Sidewalk artist's medium"

26. Mushroom caps

27. Indian black tea

29. Unwelcome reception, pl.

31. Give a quote

32. Handrail post

33. In an unfriendly manner

34. Incense without prefix

36. Comme ci, comme ça

38. \*Nature walk

42. Detroit mascot

45. Store as fodder

49. Not their

51. Lady Slipper, e.g.

54. "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" host

56. Horny odd-toed ungulate, for short

57. Between Phi and Kappa



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# New ACT Against Hate Alliance to Focus on Hate Crime Epidemic

**ACT Against Hate Alliance News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -** The rise in hate crimes has impacted communities throughout the United States creating mistrust and anger from targeted groups. The tie between these crimes and the Covid pandemic is a clear one, with economic peril resulting in even more of a divide between various ethnic groups.

“We have all expressed horror at what is going on – which has become almost a daily occurrence in this country,” stated Bob Huff, former minority leader of the California Senate and the sponsor of multiple pieces of legislation in support of underrepresented communities.

“It is time that we pull together our enormous resources and talent to start identifying solutions. Talk without action is not advancing change and change is desperately needed,” Huff said.

Senator Huff and his wife, Mei Mei Ho Huff, consultants in government affairs, community/media relations, and business development, have established a new initiative called the ACT Against Hate Alliance (AAHA) to identify the roots of hate crimes and then to identify solutions. In 2022-2023, AAHA will provide innovative programming that brings key stakeholders together to discuss the most pressing issues surrounding hate crime and each aspect of the



Responding to the growing hate crime epidemic, Bob and Mei Mei Huff (right of the podium) established the “ACT Against Hate Alliance” to focus on solutions on August 17, 2022. Photo courtesy of AAHA

program to focus on solutions. During his time in California government, Bob Huff was known as a coalition builder whose expertise enabled him to get many important pieces of key legislation passed.

“We committed to taking new action when members of our Asian community reached out to us to ask for help, commenting on the increase in hate crimes—often violent—against Asians in our community and across the nation,” said Mei Mei Huff, a well-known leader in California’s Asian community for over two decades.

“We see these same problems targeting other groups,” said Mei Mei Huff, “and we cannot stand by and relegate the responsibility to someone else hoping they will find solutions. We have the experience and the commitment, and with AAHA, we are focused

on finding the solutions we so desperately need.”

The inaugural program for ACT Against Hate Alliance was held at the California State Capitol on August 17, 2022, with government leaders speaking on the importance of this new initiative in bringing together leaders from all sectors around a solutions-focused agenda.

Other AAHA programs and events throughout the year will be a mix of remote and in-person activities. All programs will be open to members of government, NGOs, media, academic institutions, and community organizations, as well as to members of the public.

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