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CPUC Set to Strip CA Residents of Subsidized Broadband Service. Denying low-income California households from combining state and federal support will only widen digital divide. Photo courtesy Prostockstudio Dreamstime.com

By Katy Grimes, California Globe

The California Public Utilities Commission is looking to strip low-income California residents of subsidized broadband access next week, which is a vital resource for so many in the state.

The CPUC's Proposed Decision will deny low-income California households from combining state and federal support (state and federal Lifeline along with the Biden/Harris signature Affordable Connectivity Program) so that they can get the most robust broadband available at no charge. A vote is scheduled for August 25, 2022.

The Globe spoke Monday with Nathan Johnson, co-founder of TruConnect (along with his

twin brother Matthew), the largest Lifeline and Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) provider within the state. Johnson said the consumer is not aware that this is up for a vote next week.

The Federal Communications Commission operates the Lifeline and ACP programs. The Lifeline program, signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1985, has provided a discount on phone service for qualifying low-income consumers. Johnson said following Hurricane Katrina in 2006, the George W. Bush administration expanded the FCC program to include wireless phone service, and in 2016, added stand-alone broadband service.

The Affordable Connectivity Program, signed into law by President Joe Biden in 2022, is an

FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the Internet broadband service they need for work, school, healthcare and more.

Johnson said TruConnect provides the services beyond emergency services, to all things that can be delivered on smart phones or tablets, which is critical for low-income families with school-aged children at home, in addition to the emergency needs. AT&T explained: "the ACP gives each low-income customer \$30 monthly, but the advocates' proposal "would cut the amount in half to \$15 per month, thus dramatically reducing the federal government subsidy available to support broadband services in California. In turn this would affect applicants' ability

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Applications for Second Round of ARP Food Security Funding

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - On September 28, 2021, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the initial American Rescue Plan (ARP) Expenditure Plan, including \$3,000,000 for projects under the Food Security priority category. With the first round complete, Yolo County seeks additional proposals from the community for food security, nutrition expansion, or food system enhancements. The total pool of funding for this round is \$1,200,000.

Beginning on August 15, the County will accept applications for projects serving any one or more of three priority populations: Senior Food Security, Children's Food Security, Agricultural Worker Food Security.

Projects with matching funds or contributions will be prioritized, and partnerships are encouraged. Applications must include the following criteria for consideration:

MOUs, Letters of Support, and permission needed from all participating or benefiting agencies or partners; One-time funding needed; Alignment with the Yolo County Strategic Plan; Measurable outcomes.

The application period closes on September 23, 2022. Applications will be reviewed in September and early October. The Board will select second-round projects in October, and project funding will begin in November 2022.

For an online application, visit Food Security Second Round Funding.

If your organization has questions regarding the award or the process, contact Madison York, Management Analyst, at Madison.York@yolo-county.org. ★

Yolo County Identifies Its First Case of MPX

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency's Community Health Branch has confirmed the first case of MPX (formerly known as monkeypox; pronounced M-P-X or M pox) in a Yolo County resident.

With the identification of MPX in a resident, Yolo County becomes the 33rd local health jurisdiction in California to report a case of MPX. The current MPX outbreak involves over 31,000 cases in at least 89 countries. The United States has identified 11,890 cases of MPX to date, 1,945 of which are in California. MPX virus

(MPXV) is not a new virus, having been first identified in 1958, but it was rarely found outside of Africa until the current outbreak began in May.

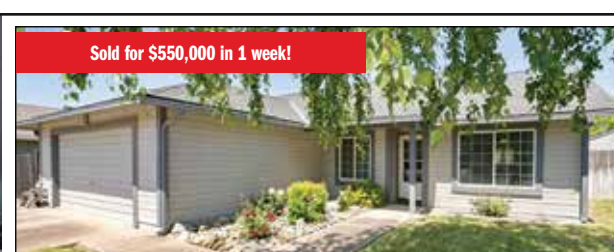
"Given the recent detection of MPX cases in many nearby counties, it is not surprising that Yolo County has now identified its first case of MPX," said Yolo County Health Officer, Dr. Aimee Sisson. "The MPX virus can infect anyone. The overall risk level is currently low, but it is important for everybody to understand how the virus spreads and how to protect against infection. MPX virus is typically spread through direct contact with infectious sores, often through sex. Many of the cases in

the current outbreak have occurred in men who have sex with men, and members of these communities are especially advised to take steps to protect themselves against infection."

MPX is an infectious disease caused by the MPX virus, which spreads by close physical contact, including sexual contact, with someone who has symptoms or by touching contaminated items, like clothing and bedding. MPX can also be spread through respiratory secretions during prolonged face-to-face interactions (i.e., several hours) with an infected person. MPX is not spread through casual conversations or by walking past someone with MPX.

MPX might start with symptoms like the flu, with fever, low energy, swollen lymph nodes, and general body aches. Within one to three days (sometimes longer) after the appearance of fever, the person can develop a rash or sores. The sores will go through several stages, including blisters, pustules, and scabs, before healing. The sores may be painful or itchy. The rash or sores may be located on or near the genitals or anus, but could also be on the hands, feet, chest, or face. People with MPX may experience all or only a few of these symptoms, although nearly all people with MPX will get the rash or

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Broderick/Bryte Houses Receiving Facelift Thanks to Rock the Block



Rock the Block is a two-day community impact event coming to West Sacramento that brings together hundreds of volunteers and supporters to work in partnership with neighborhood residents to complete dozens of critical home repairs, property beautification, and community projects over a single weekend. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento

By Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Mayor Pro-Tem Quirina Orozco and good friend and CEO of Greater Sacramento Habitat for Humanity, Leah Miller started planning nearly two years ago just how they were going to bring Rock the Block to West Sacramento. It's finally happening: The City of West Sacramento, Habitat for Humanity and a list of sponsors and partners have entered into a five-year commitment for the project.

Rock the Block is a project where volunteers come together to revitalize and beautify underserved neighborhoods by completing home repairs to residents as well as completing community projects. Each year the group will work in a Focus Neighborhood within a larger community in a specific part of town. The Broderick and Bryte community is the part of town the

Focus Neighborhoods will be in. This year will be the first annual event and with each successive year it will continue to expand the service area to include more residents, community partners and neighborhood beautification and clean-up projects, until the entire neighborhood is Rocked!

Residents that will be eligible for Rock the Block services are those that own and live in their home and are low income or on a fixed income. It will also include those that need help with dry rot or painting the exterior of their home, those that would like to lower their water bill by installing a beautiful drought tolerant yard, and those that need general household maintenance like cleaning your gutters, cutting back limbs, and landscaping.

You may qualify if you and your neighbor are trying to figure out how to afford a new good-neighbor fence. In addition, those that need home

repairs such as a new roof, HVAC unit, water heater or other energy efficient upgrades may also be eligible for this program. All work and supplies are free and will be done by a team of volunteers. Teams will also care for community investments. Some examples of "community investments" are emptying lots where trash is being dumped and areas of overgrown vegetation. The work will take place on October 7 and 8.

So, who's paying for this and who's doing the work? The City of West Sacramento has committed \$250,000 (\$50,000 per year) as well as financial partnerships with Wells Fargo, Osprey Tree Foundation, Interwest Insurance Services, GHD, Young Leaders Society United Way and Downey Brand, and they are welcoming any other sponsors that would like to get involved. Sponsors must sign up for this year by August 18, 2022.

If you ever watched a show

on TV where hundreds of volunteers get together and change someone's life by building a house or have seen Habitat for Humanity and thought you would like to be involved in a project, but you didn't know how to go about helping, now is your chance! You can help make your own town better. You can help your neighbors, friends, family members or just your community as a whole by sponsoring and/or volunteering.

If you are worried about not having construction, landscaping, or some other trade experience, it's okay. Experience is not required. However, if you do have knowledge in this kind of trade and are willing to volunteer you are welcome and encouraged to volunteer! Volunteers will meet at Bryte Park on a designated day where they will be given their assignments and instructions for the 2-day event.

If you are, or know someone

that is, an owner occupied resident within the focus neighborhood and have work that you need done please visit habitatgreatersac.org/rock-the-block-bryte-broderick-home-repair-inquiry to apply. If you have any questions email Repair@HabitatGreaterSac.org. Applications will be taken through the beginning of September.

Applications for volunteers will be accepted until the beginning of October and can be found at habitatgreatersac.org/get-involved/individual-volunteer-opportunities. If you know of a community area that needs some TLC within the focus area, please visit <https://habitatgreatersac.org/community-project-inquiry-rtb-west-sac>. If you have any questions email ddumas@habitatgreater-sac.org. ★

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FREE COVID-19 Rapid Testing Available at City Hall

City of West Sacramento News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - COVID 19 antigen testing is now available every Friday at City Hall starting August 12, 2022. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the City Hall

Galleria. Walk-ins welcome and no appointment is needed.

UC Davis Center for Reducing Health Disparities staff will aid individuals with nose swab testing, and be asked to wait, or return in 20 minutes for results.

As a reminder, The Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency installed a free COVID-19 test kit vending machine at the north entrance to City Hall. Community members can also get free home test kits during business hours at the Arthur F. Turner Library. ★

Superintendent's Message: 'Welcome Back'



WUSD Superintendent, Dr. Cheryl P. Hildreth

community, this initiative bridges the gap for families by providing targeted instruction on foundational skills.

Looking ahead, WUSD is pleased to share that the District received a \$200,000 grant through the California Schools Partnership Program to launch two full-service Community Schools/Wellness Centers located on existing K-8 campuses. These neighborhood hubs will provide more access to services that support our children in various ways, reinforce social-emotional health, strengthen family engagement, and improve community health.

WUSD is also rolling out a new equity-centered Strategic Plan for 2022 to 2027. With additional investments prioritized for the recruitment of a Restorative Justice and Equity Coordinator and Social-Emotional Learning Coordinator, the District is fully committed to reinforcing the current strengths of our school system while recalibrating WUSD's vision and promise of delivering equity, excellence, and empowerment for every student, every day.

Thank you for your continued support, and we are ready to welcome our students as we begin a new, exciting chapter in WUSD. ★

With Gratitude,
Dr. Cheryl P. Hildreth
WUSD Superintendent

Dear WUSD Staff and Families,

Washington Unified Unified School (WUSD) is days away from the start of the 2022-2023 school year on August 10th, while Washington Middle College High School opens on August 15th. We can all agree that student success is directly linked to attendance, so we ask you to join us these first few weeks in helping students build a habit of good attendance early and often by encouraging them to attend school every day and on time, ready to learn.

Enrollment is still open for all NEW students in the school district. Whether you are just starting your educational journey in search of the right Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten option or looking for a change, then

WUSD is the home for you. For more information, visit www.enrollatwusd.org.

WUSD successfully launched a new Virtual Academy (WUVA) in 2021-22, providing fully-online learning options for all students in grades K-8. WUVA is much more than a replacement for in-person instruction. It is a program of choice, led by WUSD credentialed teachers trained in delivering instruction in a virtual format utilizing various strategies and tools.

New in the 2022-23 school year, WUSD is jumpstarting the only Newcomer Center in the entire Sacramento area to support students that are new to the country with limited prior schooling and limited English language knowledge. With a growing population of newcomer students in our

COVID-19 Vaccines for Children 5 and under Offered in Woodland

YCOE News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Office of Education, in collaboration with First 5 Yolo and Yolo County, is offering an outdoor COVID-19 vaccination clinic on Saturday, August 20, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at their main administrative building, located at 1280 Santa Anita Court in Woodland.

The clinic plans to distribute Moderna doses to children from six months to five years of age at no cost regardless of insurance or immigration status.

In addition to pediatric vaccines, the clinic will also offer first dose, second dose, and booster doses to those who are eligible. Everyone aged five and older is eligible to receive a first booster dose at least five months after receiving the last dose in the primary series.

The clinic will accept walk-ins and appointments. Every child that is vaccinated will receive a 15-inch teddy bear or bath toy provided by First 5 Yolo. A food truck will also be provided to those who are vaccinated and their friends and family.

Individuals can make an appointment to be vaccinated through the state's MyTurn

system at myturn.ca.gov. As of Tuesday, the vaccine clinic had available appointments every five minutes starting at 9:25 a.m.

In mid-June, COVID-19 vaccinations for babies from six months through four years were recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and authorized by the Food and Drug Administration. The American Academy of Pediatrics has also recommended the COVID-19 vaccine for children in this age group.

The pediatric Moderna vaccine is a two-dose vaccine series and children receiving a first dose on Saturday will need to return on September 17 to the same location for their second dose.

For minors ages five to 11, parents and guardians will need to complete a consent form before being vaccinated. The consent form can be completed in advance at hipaa.jotform.com/220185334191046.

Additional information on the vaccine clinic is available on the Yolo County Office of Education website at www.ycoe.org. Details about upcoming vaccination clinics can be located at yolocounty.org/getvaccinated or on the state's MyTurn registration system (myturn.ca.gov). ★

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Growing up is Fun with *Dear Edwina* at The Historic Woodland Opera House



The cast of the Theatre for Families Series Production of *Dear Edwina* by Jennifer Goldman, D.D.S. & Amy Thu Tran, D.D.S. Photo courtesy of Woodland Opera House

Woodland Opera House

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The heartwarming musical about the joys of growing up, from the creators of Junie B. Jones the Musical. Thirteen-year-old Edwina would do anything to be a part of the Kalamazoo Advice-a-Palooza Festival. While her siblings both have proof of their accomplishments, poor Edwina has nothing. When a talent scout visits her hometown of Paw Paw, Michigan, she trots out her musical advice, giving shows live from the family garage in hopes of finding her place in the spotlight.

Reserved seats are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors

62+, and \$10 for children 17 and under. Balcony tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for children. Flex Pass specials and group rates are available. Tickets on sale online at www.woodlandoperahouse.org and in the box office at 340 Second Street/(530) 666-9617. Box office hours are Tuesday-Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tickets may also be purchased two hours prior to each performance.

Jennifer Goldman, D.D.S. & Amy Thu Tran, D.D.S. present a Theatre For Families Series Production, *Dear Edwina* at the Woodland Opera House, 340 Second Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. September 9-18, 2022.

The Opera House is located in historic downtown Woodland, just 20 minutes from Sacramento. Many wonderful shops and restaurants are within walking distance from the theatre.

Effective July 26, 2022: In accordance with the updated indoor mask requirements from the State of California and Yolo County, masks are no longer required in the Woodland Opera House. We do, however, support Yolo County in its efforts to inform the public about the high transmission level. ★

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DAVID PAUL FARMER, SR.

4/10/1947 — 8/6/2022

David Paul Farmer Sr was born on April 10th, 1947 to Galen and Violet Farmer in Jacksonville, Fl. He entered into rest on August 6th, 2022. He is preceded in death by his loving wife Irene who welcomed him with open arms, his father Galen, his mother Violet and his 2 brothers, Gale Jr and James.

Dave was a longtime resident of West Sacramento for over 60 years. He is survived by his 2 children Melissa (Joel) and David Jr. (Adriana), his 6 grandchildren: Alexis, Juliana, Avah, Adamaris, Dominic and Anthony, his sister in laws Lori Farmer, Kathy Farmer, Blanche Carreon (Ray) brother in laws John Tenorio (Cecelia) Albert Tenorio, Jr. (Stacy), his nephews David, James (Kayla), and nieces Sharon and Stacy along with great nieces and nephews, Joshua, Skyla, Galen, Julia, Nate, Dan, Max, Jordan, Brayden, Brianna, Deborah (Darren), Christopher (Bobbi), Lisa, Alexander, Kristiana, and Great Great nieces and nephews Blake, Celeste, Branden and Camille. He is also survived by many friends and extended family.

Dave attended James Marshall High School in West Sacramento and graduated in 1966. In 1967 he enlisted and proudly served in the United States Army for 3 years as a helicopter crew chief and mechanic. Dave received the Air Medal with Valor, the Vietnam Campaign Medal and the National Defense and Good Conduct medals. He made it home safely and was honorable discharged from the Army in February, 1970.

Shortly after being discharged from the military, Mr. Farmer attended Sacramento City College and received an Associate Degree. He continued his education at Sacramento State University where he earned a Bachelors Degree in criminal justice. During his college days he worked as a gas station attendant and later accepted a job offer with the Yolo County Sheriffs Department.

In 1971 Dave married the love of his life, Irene Tenorio who herself was a longtime West Sacramento resident.

After a few years with the Yolo County Sheriffs Department, Dave worked for the Sacramento Police Department and The California State Lottery. In 1987



Mr. Farmer was hired as one of the first police officers at the newly incorporated city of West Sacramento. His initial duties under the supervision of Officer Ron Moore were to create a new police force. This is where he would begin and end his career. He served as a patrol officer, detective, Sergeant, and then promoted to Lieutenant. During his time

Dave loved his family, friends, life, and his dog Daisy. He was a true legacy in West Sacramento

as a police officer, he would often go to schools to talk to the kids and is known to this day as Officer Farmer. Dave finally decided to retire in 2007 to spend time with his family, friends and to travel. Mexico and Disneyland were a few of his favorite places. He loved baseball and he and

Irene enjoyed traveling to Arizona for spring training. He also loved attending the Sacramento River Cats where he was a season ticket holder.

Mr. Farmer also served on the Washington United School board for 4 years, was President of the West Sacramento Little League and was a coach to many kids.

Dave was a man who loved his family, friends, life, and his dog Daisy. He was a true legacy in West Sacramento and will be missed greatly.

Friends and Family are invited to attend services

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How California Mistreated Workers Who Lost Jobs in Pandemic



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

When Gov. Gavin Newsom shut down much of the state's economy 2½ years ago to slow the spread of COVID-19, more than 2 million workers suddenly lost their jobs.

Logic and compassion should have made easing the economic blow to those workers and their families a top priority.

Unfortunately, however, it fell to the Employment Development Department, which had already demonstrated incompetence in a previous recession, to handle the tsunami of claims for unemployment insurance benefits — and the predictable result was a total meltdown that deprived desperate workers of much-needed cash.

While countless claims for state benefits were delayed, sometimes for months, or erroneously denied, EDD's staff approved many fraudulent claims for special federal benefits, resulting in more than \$18 billion being paid to fraudsters, including some inmates in state prisons.

Legitimate payments, when made, quickly exhausted the Unemployment Insurance Fund and the state was compelled to borrow more than \$20 billion from the federal government to maintain benefits, a debt that will take many years to repay.

EDD's massive

managerial disaster could, and should, have been prevented had the state's politicians not ignored numerous indications that EDD and the unemployment insurance (UI) program were train wrecks waiting to happen.

On Monday, the Legislature's budget analyst, Gabe Petek, issued a detailed and sharply worded report on how EDD failed and what should be done to avoid a repeat.

"These failures trace back to the (unemployment insurance) program's basic design, which has encouraged EDD to adopt policies and practices that make it unreasonably difficult for eligible workers to get benefits," Petek told the Legislature. "Although these problems are not new, the pandemic has highlighted the need for the state to rebalance the UI program in ways that make getting benefits to eligible workers a top priority."

Petek's report also castigates EDD for concealing the extent of the unemployment insurance backlog by adopting a "narrow interpretation" of a state law requiring the agency to report data to the Legislature.

As a result, Petek said, "the Legislature was unaware of the widespread reliance on procedural denials at a time when the department could not process incoming mail and phone calls. Had getting payments to eligible workers been a top priority, the department could have reported the full scope of claims that were found ineligible — instead of the narrowest scope — to bring the issue to the Legislature's attention and begin work toward a solution."

It was, in brief, incompetence compounded by coverup. One wonders whether anyone in the bureaucracy will be punished for concealing the facts.

The report lists ways in which the application process could be streamlined, eliminating duplication and making it much easier for legitimate claims to be approved and benefits to be paid. It also hints that something must be done about the deplorable condition of the Unemployment Insurance Fund, which is financed by payroll taxes on employers.

California is one of only a few states that tax the minimum amount of a worker's earnings, \$7,000 a year, under federal law. A decades-long stalemate between employers and unions over taxes and benefits left the insurance fund incapable of absorbing even a mild recession, much less the COVID-19 shutdown, forcing the state to borrow from the feds.

Petek's report challenges Newsom and the Legislature to make certain that the EDD disaster doesn't happen again. That would require procedural overhauls and technological upgrades, but also doing something about the Unemployment Insurance Fund. It's shameful that the richest state in the nation borrowed billions from Washington to pay benefits to workers who were unemployed because of a state emergency decree.

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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WSPD Arrests Suspect of Homicide of Female Discovered in Transient Camp

City of West Sacramento News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Friday, August 12, 2022 at 10:55 am, West Sacramento Police Department was dispatched to the area of Sacramento Avenue and Reuter Drive regarding a suspicious circumstance. A female subject was discovered deceased at a transient

camp south of Sacramento Avenue and north of the railroad tracks.

On Saturday, August 13, 2022, at 2:03 am, Detectives arrested Alfonso Rigoberto Ornelas (Dob 4/30/1999) at his residence on a No Bail Ramey Warrant. Ornelas was transported to Yolo County Jail where he was booked on the Ramey Warrant.

The West Sacramento Police Department would like to thank the community for information provided which assisted in identifying and locating Ornelas, as well as recognize the diligent efforts of the Patrol, Investigations and Special Investigations Units on a prompt arrest. We share our deepest condolences with the family and friends of the victim.★

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Items to be sold are new/hand-made. This will not be a "garage sale" but an event to showcase your wares and business items.

If you would like to be put on the mailing list as a potential vendor, and to receive future mailings about this event, please contact Lori Casias via text message at 916-719-4991 and leave your name, email address and cell phone number.

We plan to heavily advertise this event through Facebook, Marketplace, News Ledger, WestSacWeb.com, Instagram, Channel 31, and the West Sacramento Community Discussion Board. We will also be sending out mailers to the community of West Sacramento and surrounding areas.

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District Attorney Supports Internal Conviction and Sentence Review Program

Yolo County DA News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County District Attorney's Office continues to support a Conviction & Sentencing Review Unit.

The focus of this Unit is to review post-conviction assertions of innocence, to clear records of individuals wrongly accused of crimes, and to recall and modify state prison sentences to ensure a just result. The Unit, initially called the Conviction Integrity Unit, was first launched in Yolo County in 2014. At that time, Yolo DA was one of the first prosecutor's offices in California to implement such a program.

This Unit reviews and investigates claims of innocence raised after a criminal conviction involving homicides, sex offenses and violent crimes. The Unit may examine claims of innocence in other types of cases if a significant prison commitment or collateral consequence indicates that an examination of the case is warranted. In addition, the Unit is responsible for ensuring that any claim of Prosecutorial Misconduct made during the pendency of any criminal matter is thoroughly investigated

and litigated prior to the completion of that pending criminal matter.

The Unit expanded in 2019, as a result of Governor Gavin Newsom signing into law AB 2942, first-in-the-nation legislation which allows District Attorneys the ability to re-evaluate sentences of individuals serving time in state prison. Yolo DA has developed a partnership with Hilary Blout, who drafted this new law, and is the founder and Executive Director of the non-profit "For the People" (<https://www.fortheppl.org/hillaryblout>). At the DA's request, and in coordination with the Yolo County Public Defender, King Hall Professor Jack Chin initiated a sentencing clinic course at King Hall. In this clinic, students learn about basic sentencing law and review files of inmates who are in state prison as a result of Yolo County convictions. Students, under the direction of Professor Chin, assess eligible individuals and make recommendations to the District Attorney's office as to which inmates should be considered for a reduced sentence.

The Public Defender's Office is also very involved in this process in gathering information on prospective

candidates. After a lengthy review of these cases and working the King Hall students and the Public Defender's Office, if the DA determines that the length of the sentence no longer serves the interests of justice, the DA requests resentencing for that person. To date, this law has been used to reduce the sentences of more than a dozen individuals sentenced to state prison from Yolo County.

In 2021, the Unit was renamed the Conviction and Sentence Review Unit to reflect the new work, as a result of AB 2942. The Unit is staffed by both Assistant Chiefs in the Criminal Division.

People convicted of crimes, or any other members of the community who believe that there has been a wrongful conviction or that a prison sentence no longer serves the interests of justice, may submit their requests in writing to the Yolo County District Attorney's Office. The claim does not need to be in any format or on a claim form, but the request must raise a meaningful claim of "actual innocence."

For sentencing review, the claim must present facts supporting the request for a reduction in a state

prison sentence that no longer serves the interests of justice.

In continuing to support the program, District Attorney Jeff Reising

stated: "A prosecutor's role is to ensure that our system achieves justice which includes not only convicting and sentencing the guilty appropriately,

but also guaranteeing the protection of the innocent. The Conviction & Sentencing Review Unit helps us to attain both of these goals." ★

Crime Reports WEST SACRAMENTO

August 3, 2022 - August 11, 2022



- 8-05-22 LUCIANA CLINE Arrested for misdemeanor warrants from two other counties after a traffic stop.
- 8-07-22 SHIRELLE PAYNE Arrested for disorderly conduct/alcohol, originally as a Jane Doe but during processing identity was discovered.
- 8-07-22 EDWARD MORALES Arrested with all information deducted.
- 8-08-22 BEAU LAWSON Arrested for disorderly conduct/alcohol when police responded to a call about a fight.
- 8-09-22 DEWAYNE LEWIS Arrested for possession of controlled substance for sale, probation violation.
- 8-10-22 MARCELLA CLEMONS Arrested for giving false ID to PO, two felony bench warrants after being near a reported stolen vehicle.8-10-22 ADRIAN DURAN Arrested for obstruction/resisting, probation violation, felony warrant after randomly punching people at a place of business.
- 8-10-22 ANTHONY DANIELS Arrested for two misdemeanor warrants after police responded to a theft call at RiteAid.
- 8-10-22 CASEY HOWERTON Arrested for disorderly contact/alcohol after smelling like alcohol when he was allegedly trying to break into his own residence.
- 8-11-22 TERENCE HUTCHINSON Arrested for one local warrant and one outside agency warrant.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

- 8-03-22 Online report of theft from Washington Unified School District.
- 8-05-22 Unknown suspect struck victim on head while he was sleeping with an unknown object. Suspect fled scene and victim cannot ID him. Victim transported to hospital.
- 8-05-22 Stolen catalytic converter.
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- August 5, 2022 Bid Publication
- August 18, 2022 Mandatory Pre-Bid walk through 9AM
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- August 24, 2022 Question Submission Deadline Due 5PM
- September 1, 2022 Proposal Submission Deadline
- September 8, 2022 Open Bids
- September 21, 2022 City Council
- September 29, 2022 Notice to Proceed (TENTATIVE)

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1. **Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed by within thirty-five (60) working days of the Notice to Proceed
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7. **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.
8. **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.
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13. **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.

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted **electronically** through the City's ProcureNow system at <https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento> until **2:00 PM local time on Wednesday, August 31, 2022**, at which time and place results will be posted and available for public review for the:

HERITAGE OAKS STREET FRONTAGE PROJECT

GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed Project will include grading, irrigation, and planting along the street frontage of Heritage Oaks Park.

SITE LOCATION: 1300 Lake Washington Blvd. West Sacramento, CA 95691

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Bid Publication		August 19, 2022
Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting		August 24, 2022
Cutoff for Bid RFLs	no later than	5 P.M. August 26, 2022
Bids Due / Bid Opening	no later than	2 P.M. August 31, 2022
City Council Award of Contract		September 21, 2022

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting: Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 9 A.M.
1300 Lake Washington Blvd. West Sacramento, Ca 95691

Project construction cost estimate: \$ 132,000

This is **Not** Federal Aid project.

1. **Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed one hundred twenty (10) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.
2. **Obtaining Contract Documents:** Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the City's procurement system link at <https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>.
3. **Questions:** Project-specific questions must be submitted through the City's procurement link at <https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder questions through the ProcureNow system. The cutoff date for submittal of questions is Friday August 26th by 5:00 PM local time.
4. **Submission of Proposals:** All proposals must be submitted not later than the date and time prescribed. The Bidder is wholly responsible to ensure its Bid is submitted on the date and at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any Bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

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5. 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.

6. Construction License: Bidder must possess a current A- General Engineering or C-27 Landscaping Contractor license issued by the State of California, at the time the Bid is submitted.

7. 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.

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By: Jaipal Chahal
Construction & Facilities Development Manager

Date: August 19, 2022

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Man Sentenced for Sexual Assaults against 2 Women

Yolo County District Attorney

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - On August 4, 2022, Yolo County Superior Court Judge Thomas Dyer sentenced 37-year-old Sacramento man Jose Perez-Meza to the maximum term of 17 years State Prison for the sexual assault of two women. Perez-Meza was convicted of two counts of Assault with Intent to Commit Rape, Attempted Digital Penetration, Sexual Battery, Attempted Rape, Assault with Likelihood of Great Bodily Injury, Robbery, and Witness Dissuasion. Perez-Meza was a twice-convicted sex offender; he will now be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life.

During the two-week trial in May 2022, the jury heard evidence of two separate incidents, one in Santa Rosa and one in Davis. The jury heard evidence that in June 2018,

a 27-year-old Santa Rosa woman left her apartment on crutches to go to her car. As she reached her car, Perez-Meza tackled her and then forced his hands into her underwear as she screamed and struggled. Perez-Meza attempted to penetrate her with his hands, but with other people a few car spaces over, he fled. Through use of surveillance footage Santa Rosa Police Department developed the profile of the person of interest but not the specific identity of the attacker. The crime went unsolved for two years.

On August 2, 2020, Jan Doe, a 23-year-old Davis woman and recent UC Davis graduate, was taking a late evening walk on the Putah Creek Bike Path in Davis. As she was walking, she was grabbed from behind by Perez-Meza. The young woman was then violently strangled from the rear by Perez-Meza. She lost consciousness and awoke a short distance

away on the path. Perez-Meza demanded that she give him her cellphone and told her not to scream or fight. Perez-Meza attempted to pry her legs apart and told her that he wanted to have sex with her. She convinced Perez-Meza to stop. Perez-Meza then grabbed her hand and insisted that he walk her back to her apartment. Fearing being alone with Perez-Meza she asked that they go inside her apartment, there was a male roommate inside. She gave him a glass of tea. Perez-Meza left his fingerprint and DNA on the glass.

District Attorney Jeff Reisig said "Jose Perez-Meza is an absolute predator. Through the tremendous investigation conducted by both Davis PD and Santa Rosa PD, California is a safer place, and the victims were able to obtain justice. Our office is pleased that justice prevailed, and we will continue to aggressively prosecute these types of crimes." ★

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2022 CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROJECT

GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed Project will include, HMA Paving, Traffic Control, Slurry Seal, Asphalt Rubber Chip Seals and Striping and Signage work on Various Streets within the City of West Sacramento

SITE LOCATION: Various Streets

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Bid Publication	August 19, 2022
Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting	8 AM August 30, 2022
Cutoff for Bid RFIs	no later than 5 P.M. September 1st, 2022
Bids Due / Bid Opening	no later than 2 P.M. September 6th, 2022
City Council Award of Contract	September 21, 2022

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting: Tuesday, August 30, 2022, 8 A.M.
Location: Seymore Ave and Marshall Road intersection

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Yolo County Identifies Its First Case of MPX

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infected with MPX virus, and vaccines are available for close contacts of infected persons, including their sexual partners. For more information and resources, visit Yolo's County MPX webpage, the California Department of Public Health or the CDC's monkeypox response webpages. ★

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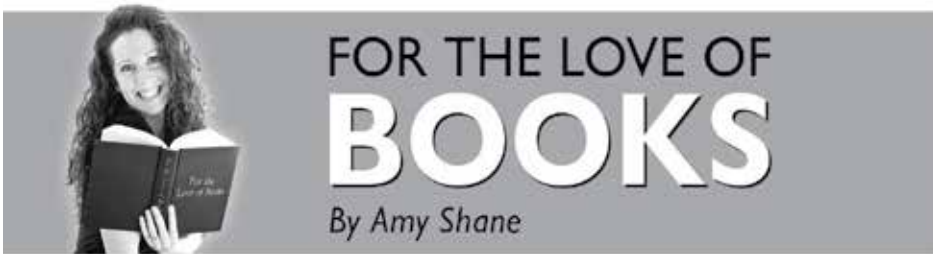
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What Books Are In Your Back-to-School Backpack?

Head off to school with these fun new children's picture books, perfect for home and in the classroom.

Puppy Bus by Drew Brockington

Starting a new school in a new town can be scary, but what would happen if you got on the wrong bus? When the new boy gets on the wrong bus, he ends up at Puppy School! At first, everything is terrifying. They speak a different language, the lunch is disgusting, and their bathrooms are a little weird. Then the boy makes some new friends and the day quickly turns around. Maybe things will be ok, unless he gets on the wrong bus again tomorrow.

Puppy Bus is a laugh-out-loud story perfect for those first days of school jitters. This story will instantly melt any fears and is the ideal book for parents and classrooms.

Amy Wu and the Warm Welcome by Kat Zhang, Charlene Chua

When Amy's class gets a new student from China, she is overjoyed and instantly tries to be friends. While Amy tries to make friends and make him feel included, Lin will only smile. Then, Amy hears him talking to his little sister in Chinese, and she begins to understand. That night, with a little bit of help from her family, Amy invites everyone over for a dumpling party. Will this help Lin finally feel comfortable enough to be friends?

Amy Wu returns with another delightful story exploring the excitement of meeting new friends and ways you can make a new student feel comfortable. Complete with How-to instructions in the back for making your own welcome banner.

Not Yet, Yeti by Bethany Freitas and Maddie Frost

Yeti is so excited for his first day of school. There are new friends to make, new toys to play with, and so many things to learn. Then, Yeti gets to school and realizes that not everything is as easy as he thought it would be. But with deep breaths, a helpful teacher, and his



classmates, Yeti learns that trying and not giving up are essential parts of learning.

A perfect story to highlight The Growth mindset while celebrating the joy of seeking new challenges while also learning strong mental habits. *Not Yet, Yeti* also addressed highlights and validated real feelings while opening the door to a read and ask section in the back. Follow Yeti and all of his first-day adventures.

Monsters Love Cupcakes by Mike Austin

Celebrate going back to school with cupcakes. Monsters love cupcakes, and they love to make them too. With two cups of love, a spoonful of wow, and even decorated with sprinkled chocolate ants in underwear the Monsters are here to sing, dance, celebrate, and bake.

Celebrate any special day with this rhyming explosion of monster fun. Bright, vivid splashes of color, and monsters making messes, *Monsters Love Cupcakes* is a celebration of you!

Continue the learning fun with the rest of the monster series: *Monsters Love Colors* and *Monsters Love School*. ★

ASK THE DMV



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Take care of your DMV transactions, such as the online driver's knowledge test, from the comfort of your home with the DMV's online services! Online services allow you to take advantage of fast and convenient service, with the comfort of knowing that your transaction is safe and secure. The online driver's knowledge test is available in over 35 languages for eligible customers who complete the online driver's license application. Along with the knowledge test, there is also an interactive eLearning course option for those who need to renew their license and have trouble with exams or prefer an alternative learning method. The eLearning course is approximately 45 minutes and is currently only available in English.

Don't wait, start your driver's license application now at dmv.ca.gov/online!

Q: Can I take the online drivers test on my mobile device?

A: No, the test cannot be taken on a tablet or a mobile device. You will need to take the online test on an internet-enabled computer or a laptop with a webcam. You can begin the online exam between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays. For identity verification and as a fraud prevention measure, online test participants are required to verify their identity and agree to be monitored throughout the exam.

Q: How many times can I attempt to the online driver's test?

A: The test can be attempted online twice. If you fail to pass the test after two tries, you will be prompted to go to a DMV office to take the test a third time.

Q: What happens after I take my online knowledge test or eLearning course?

A: Customers with a testing requirement for their license must still go to an office after completing one of the online options to provide the required identity and residency documents, take a photo, provide a thumbprint, complete a vision screening, and be issued a licensing document.

For more information or answers to questions not listed here, Please visit www.dmv.ca.gov

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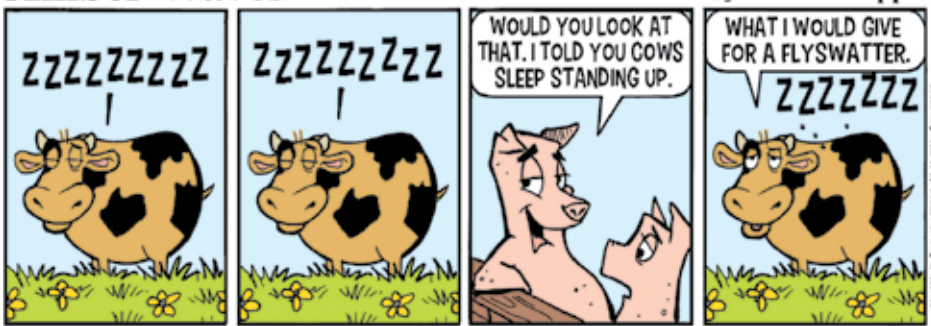
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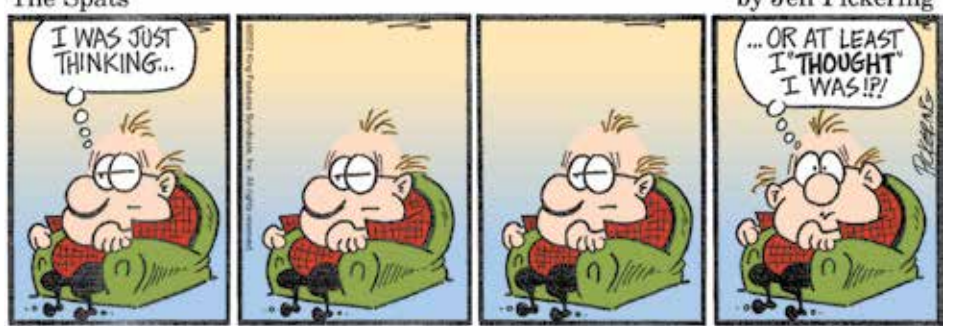
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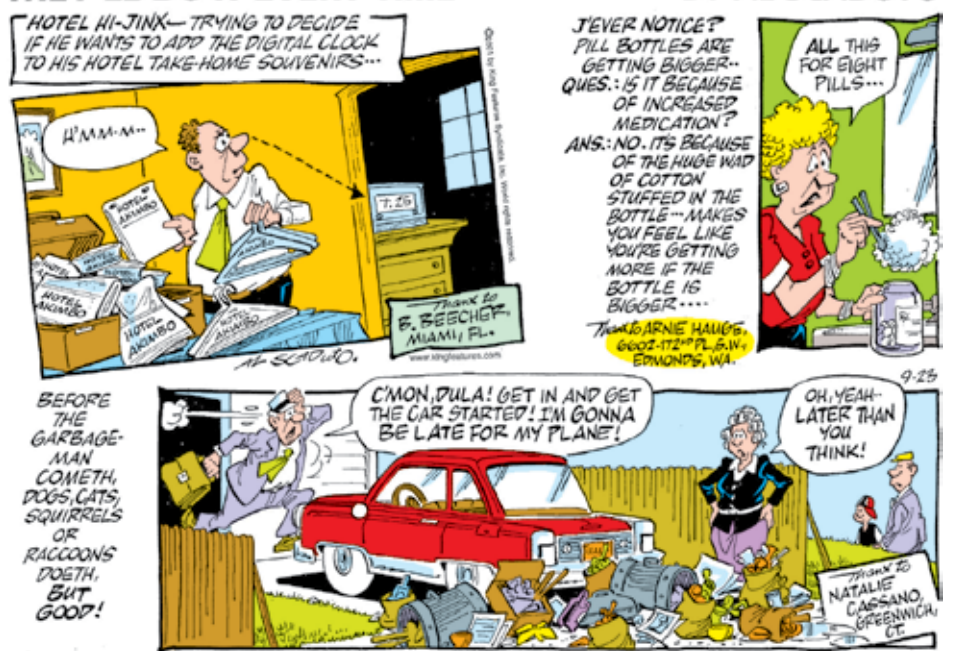
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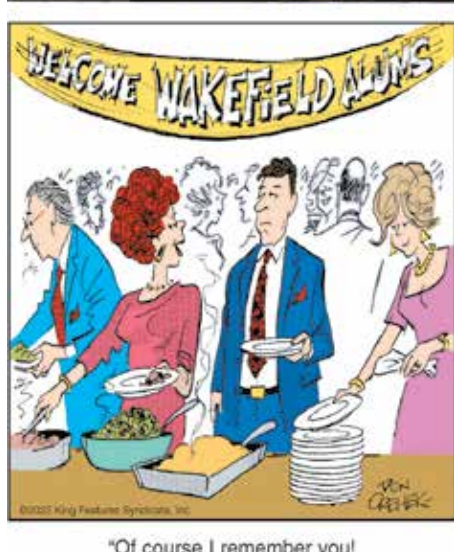


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to demonstrate the viability of proposed projects,” Communications Daily reported.

He said the CPUC’s rationale is unclear given that in every state Lifeline and the ACP are two programs that coexist well. However, the CPUC decision could hurt millions across the state and widen the digital divide – an issue Johnson says Gov. Gavin Newsom talks about frequently, but whose CPUC Commissioners treat businesses as if they are the enemy.

Nathan Johnson said **TruConnect** is the largest Lifeline and ACP provider within California, and the impact of this proposed CPUC decision on consumers and carriers will be devastating, particularly in this current state of high inflation.

He said the CPUC removed the low-cost plan requirement in last-minute revisions before its April decision after industry groups and state legislators sought changes days before the vote, risking deadlines for disbursing federal funds, and denying the needed services for low-income families.

The CPUC’s independent Public Advocates Office, Center for Accessible Technology (CforAT) and The Utility Reform Network (TURN) filed a June 30 petition asking the CPUC to bring back the requirement that federal grant recipients offer a generally available \$15 monthly, cutting the benefit in half, Communications Daily reported.

Johnson said during the pandemic, when these lower cost phone and Internet services were more crucial than ever, the CPUC told LifeLine and ACP providers to provide more services for less money. And then they said, “if you don’t like our rules, you can get out of the market and do something else,” according to Johnson.

“You pay for it, provide more data, and make a lot less,” Johnson said the CPUC told service providers. “They don’t understand how business works,” he added. “We provide a service that is badly needed for so many low-income Californians.” And then he said the CPUC came back again and said since the LifeLine and ACP providers were getting additional funding from the federal government, the CPUC was cutting state funding. “We think you are carriers are making too much money,” Johnson said was the CPUC commissioners’ collective attitude.

“We are getting phone and broadband

service to the most in need in California,” Johnson said. “Being ‘business friendly’ isn’t necessarily ‘consumer negative.’ We’ve invested millions in our company. But we are treated poorly because we are a private company.”

He has reached out to each of the CPUC Commissioners, as well as the governor’s office, which he said took “a kind of hands-off approach.”

“‘Do No Harm’ is out the window,” Johnson said. “They aren’t asking ‘how can we get this service to more Californians?’”

“This runs counter to everything this state stands for,” Johnson said.

He explained there is about \$1 billion in the CPUC Lifeline and ACP fund right now. Gov. Gavin Newsom repurposed about \$300 million of that during the pandemic for Project Homekey, but paid it back with windfall funds from the federal government, Johnson explained. “But this was at a time when people really needed more service.”

So the money is there to pay for the LifeLine and ACP service for low-income households. And, Johnson reminded us that we all contribute to the tax generated to pay for these services through our phone bills. “We are trustees of that fund,” Johnson said.

Why is the CPUC sitting on \$1 billion if it is not going to spend it on the program it is legally designated for? Nathan Johnson doesn’t know given the hostile relationship the CPUC has with service providers. “Back when wireless was launched, the CPUC asked us what we needed, what they could do, and then got out of the way. We had a great relationship. Now with the new commissioners, it’s an antagonistic relationship,” Johnson said. “We can’t have any normal conversation with these people. And we’ve been doing this a long time.”

“There are some really easy solutions, with common sense,” Johnson said. “But that sucking sound... that’s California businesses leaving the state. I can deal with less of a headache in 49 other states. But we are the only Lifeline and ACP service provider based in California.”

Johnson added, “A lot of people are asking if the Lifeline program should even be at the CPUC any longer. There’s gross incompetence – it’s a complete boondoggle now.” ★

Woman Graduates from Mental Health Court

Office Yolo County District Attorney

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - A Woodland woman, Amanda Manning, graduated from Mental Health Court on August 11, 2022 in Department 8 of the Yolo County Superior Court in Woodland, CA.

Amanda Manning, age 43, was arrested by the Woodland Police Department on July 11, 2019, after threatening a worker at a local shoe store with a baseball bat. She was referred to Mental Health Court where she first attended court on August 20, 2019.

Manning persevered through nearly two years and had an emotional, powerful, and transformative graduation.

Featured speakers included: friends and family; Judge Pete Williams who presides over Mental Health

Court; Yolo County Presiding Judge Dan Maguire; members of the Mental Health Court team from Probation, the Public Defender, the District Attorney, and Health & Human Services Agency; District Attorney Jeff Reisig; Public Defender Tracie Olson; Health & Human Services Director Nolan Sullivan; Mental Health Director Karleen Jakowski; and Woodland Police Chief Derrek Kaff.

Mental Health Court is a minimum 18-month court-based treatment and monitoring system for adult offenders with serious mental illness. Mental Health Court is designed to increase the treatment engagement of the participants while reducing both arrests, hospitalizations, and jail time both during and after their involvement and participation in the

program.

The Mental Health Court program is a collaborative effort between the Yolo County Superior Court, Probation, Health and Human Services Agency, the Public Defender, and the District Attorney. Mental Health Court follows the Forensic Assertive Community Treatment model where participants get intense services two hours per week or meet with staff four times per week. The team provides participants with wrap-around treatment, which includes a focus on mental health, substance abuse, housing, vocational and school, and physical health.

Mental Health Court’s goal is to address the criminogenic factors and reduce recidivism. At the end of the program, individuals participate in a restorative justice conference. ★



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