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Breaking Ground on Stadium Project



San Juan High School staff, students and community members celebrated the May 20 groundbreaking of the school's stadium modernization project. Photo courtesy of San Juan Unified School District

**San Juan Unified School
District News Release**

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - San Juan High School hit a significant milestone on May 20 as students, staff and community members celebrated the official groundbreaking of the school's stadium modernization project.

San Juan High School is at 7551 Greenback Lane, Citrus Heights.

The ceremony opened with a performance of the National Anthem by the San Juan High School Band, followed by welcoming remarks from Principal David Levis, who expressed the school community's

excitement and gratitude for the support that made the project possible.

"Our stadium modernization is a transformational moment for San Juan High School, one that our students, families and staff have been eagerly anticipating. This project is more than just an upgrade to our athletic facilities; it's an investment in our school's future," Levis said.

The new stadium, expected to be completed during summer 2026, will include a synthetic all-weather track and field, two new tennis courts, a ticket booth, concession area and upgraded restrooms, all features that aim to enhance both student-athlete performance and community

engagement.

San Juan Unified School District Board of Education members, Superintendent Melissa Bassanelli, and representatives from local and state government, including State Senator Roger Niello, Assemblymember Josh Hoover and Citrus Heights City Manager Ash Feeney, joined the groundbreaking celebration.

Student speaker Adriel Tapia, a San Juan High senior, shared his perspective on what the project means for current and future Spartans.

"This expansion serves as a testament to the district and school's value
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2025 STARS Hall of Fame and Awards Open for Nominations

**San Juan Education
Foundation
News Release**

SACRAMENTO AREA, CA (MPG) - Creating connections, inspiring collaboration, and cultivating community, the mission of the San Juan Education Foundation is to harness the combined power of philanthropy and partnership to propel student achievement and enrich the lives of educators. Founded in 1991, they provide support through the PROPEL Grant Program and a broad scholarship portfolio.

The San Juan Education Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2025 STARS Hall of Fame and Special Recognition Awards, honoring the people who make the San Juan Unified School District shine.

These annual awards celebrate the remarkable alumni, educators and community partners who exemplify innovation, leadership and excellence, and who represent the very best of San Juan Unified.

They invite our entire community to help recognize outstanding individuals in one of three categories:

STARS Hall of Fame is a distinguished San Juan Unified alumni who have made a lasting impact in their professions and communities. Legacy STAR Award (new in 2025) is dedicated to former San Juan Unified educators, classified or certificated, whose lifetime of service has shaped generations of students. Bryan McKrell Shining STAR Award is for Individuals or organizations whose exceptional contributions have elevated the mission of the foundation or district.

Honorees will be celebrated at the San Juan Education Foundation's annual gala "An Evening with the STARS" on Oct. 10.

Nominate someone who inspires you and help shine a spotlight on those who make our community exceptional.

Submit your nomination by June 22 and learn more at sanjuaneducationfoundation.org/. ★

Community Garden Plants Joy

**Story and photos
by Thomas J. Sullivan**

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The sense of satisfaction in cultivating the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden's rich soil in Citrus Heights to grow fruits and vegetables is something its members know especially well.

What was once a plot of land used as a construction site dump area at the corner of Sylvan Road and Stock Ranch Road, not far from Citrus Heights City Hall, is celebrating its 25th year as a community-operated garden and education center.

At almost every turn during a busy monthly workday May 17, members were busily spreading bark, watering and cultivating some 72 individual raised-wood planting beds which needed their full attention. Some looked to see how the early ripening crop of strawberries, blueberries and raspberries were faring.

Ted Miyashiro, president



At almost every turn during a busy monthly workday May 17, members were busily spreading bark, watering and cultivating more than 72 individual raised-wood planting beds which needed their full attention.

of the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden, didn't mind taking a brief break to talk about the genuine camaraderie and friendship he enjoys with his fellow members and the common passion they share.

First-time visitors who want to learn about the

garden are always welcome to drop by, he said. The general atmosphere is decidedly relaxed.

"We're looking to both increase our membership and also educate the community about what the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden is really all about,"

said Miyashiro.

Now retired, Miyashiro, born in Hawaii, and a University of Arkansas graduate, is retired from Caltrans where he enjoyed a career as a professional landscape architect.

Miyashiro takes a relaxed
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Memorial Day Service Remembers The Fallen



Members of Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association Chapter 33-7 Sacramento visit the burial site of their friend, Corpseman Rick "Doc" Dobbs. They visit every year. Photo by Elise Spleiss

By Elise Spleiss

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)

The Sylvan Cemetery gazebo filled up early with veterans, their family and many guests on May 26, Memorial Day.

As is tradition, the Harmony Express choral group performed throughout the morning.

American Legion Post 637 Past Commander and Master of Ceremony Paul Reyes welcomed all veterans and guests. Special guests were Sacramento County Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez, Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa, Councilmembers MariJane Lopez-Taff, Kelsey Nelson and Tim Schaefer, City Manager Ash Feeney, and Police Chief Alex Turcotte.

Police Chief Turcotte said that the day was not a happy day but a "God bless the fallen and their families, and a 'God Bless America' day."

Deborah Bartlett, Second-Vice Regent of the Daughters of the American



Daughters of the American Revolution honor the brave and remember the fallen. Photo by Celeste Cox

Revolution General John A. Sutter Chapter spoke of the 80th anniversary of the World War II conclusion. More than 400 thousand Americans died and more than one million were wounded, serving as a testament to the cost of liberty. This year is also

the 50th anniversary of the official Vietnam War end. More than 58,000 lost their lives. Finally, July 4, 2026, marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Reyes reminded all that 2025 marks the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Army, Marines and Navy.

Post 637 First-Vice Commander Justin McCauley reminded the audience that the liberties we enjoy today have been secured through courage, dedication and those who answer the call to defend our nation. The spirits of our fallen heroes also remind us that freedom is never free. Their sacrifices echo through history, from the battlefields of Gettysburg, Normandy, mountain tops of Korea, jungles of Vietnam, deserts of Iraq and caves of Afghanistan.

The service ended with the three-volley rifle salute, taps and a bugle rendition of Amazing Grace. ★

Breaking Ground on Stadium Project



The May 20 groundbreaking ceremony opened with a performance of the National Anthem by the San Juan High School Band. Photo courtesy of San Juan Unified School District

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and commitment to enhancing the school experience. Being an athlete myself, I am hopeful for our future Spartans. I am confident that this new stadium will have a great impact on San Juan's future and legacy," Tapia said.

The stadium modernization is part of San Juan Unified School District's larger commitment to upgrading school facilities districtwide through voter-approved bond measures. The project is being led by architect firm Verde Design, contractor Robert A. Bothman and construction management firm 6D PMCM, in coordination with the district's Facilities, Construction and Modernization team.

Twelfth-grade student Maybella said that she was excited to be witnessing the groundbreaking, even though she'll no longer be a student by the time the project is completed.

"The groundbreaking is so interesting and I think it's great that they're putting money into upgrading the school to better the lives of the students that come after

us," Maybella said.

Social-science teacher Katelynn Pribyl said that she loves the way events like these bring the student community together.

"I think this groundbreaking gives us a really good sense of community, where students can kind of join together and see the improvements of the school. I think it's good that the district is putting money into the school and I think it shows that the students are cared about, especially with the programs as well," Pribyl said.

Renderings of the stadium were available for viewing after the ceremony, offering a preview of what's to come as the Spartan community looks forward to a modernized space that reflects its school's pride and spirit.

Stay updated on the progress of the San Juan High School Modernization project and all of San Juan Unified school improvements at www.sanjuan.edu/sjstadium.

To view a photo gallery of the event, visit the district's Facebook page at facebook.com/SanJuanUnified/posts/. ★

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Spirit of San Juan Awards Recognizes Six Honorees



During the 12th annual Spirit Of San Juan Awards on May 8 ceremony, six honorees were recognized for exhibiting exceptional character, removing barriers and providing an inclusive environment for all. Photo courtesy San Juan Unified School District

San Juan Unified School District News Release

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - San Juan Unified School District rolled out the red carpet at San Juan High School's Theater on May 8 for the 12th annual Spirit of San Juan Awards. During the ceremony, six honorees were recognized for exhibiting exceptional character, removing barriers and providing an inclusive environment for all.

Student volunteers from various Career Technical Education (CTE) programs across San Juan Unified high schools showcased their skills throughout the evening.

San Juan High School's Production and Managerial Arts students captured memories for attendees through photographs, while the culinary arts students catered the reception with an arrangement of flavorful appetizers. The Casa Roble Fundamental High School floral program provided beautiful centerpieces that decorated the reception tables. Additionally, Mesa Verde High School's student musicians filled the hallway with melodies of jazz.

Good Day Sacramento anchor and San Juan Unified alum Tina Macuha emceed the event. Each honoree was celebrated with a video highlighting their amazing work before being presented with an award by Board Vice-President Tanya Kravchuk and Board Member Pam Costa.

Photos from the event can be found on the district's Facebook page. A special thanks to our sponsors, Western Health Advantage, Republic Services and SMUD.

You can learn more about the 2025 Spirit of San Juan Awards honorees by watching their inspiring highlight videos at the San Juan Unified School District YouTube page.

Taya Baggett, a Cameron Ranch Elementary School student, is a natural-born leader with a passion for inclusivity. She is a classroom representative

for Cameron Ranch's student council, a member of E-sports, Best Buddies and Project Optimism, and the lead advisor of the school's Celebrating Diversity Club. Baggett goes above and beyond to remove barriers for her peers.

Sonia Botello, a school and community worker at Dyer-Kelly Elementary School, has dedicated 10 years of her career to Dyer-Kelly and her impact continues to leave a mark. As a recent recipient of a master's degree, Botello continues to support her school community.

Kristi Char, a Mira Loma High School teacher, has made art accessible for all students at Mira Loma. Through school-wide events such as Dia de los Muertos, Black Renaissance Day and the Asian Cultural Festival, Char has provided students with the experience to celebrate the cultures of the diverse student body.

Sara Opeyany, a Lichen K-8 teacher, has an unwavering dedication to fostering an environment of belonging for the students at Lichen K-8. She is the founder of two of the school's clubs, the Students of Color at Lichen and the Upstanders Club. She is an advocate for all students and staff members.

Anna Stellmacher, a Rio Americano High School student, is not only a leader at Rio Americano but also district-wide. She is the founder of the Celebrating Diversity Clubs that are being piloted at nine elementary schools in San Juan Unified. She is also a student member of the San Juan Unified Facilities Committee to help shape inclusive learning environments for all.

Baryalai Talash, a Mira Loma High School bilingual instructional assistant, is a strong advocate for the Afghan community at Mira Loma. With the growth of the newcomer students from Afghanistan, Talash prepared Mira Loma staff with basic cultural knowledge. He has served as a leader for students and founded the school's first Afghan Culture Club. ★

Community Garden Plants Joy



Sylvan Ranch Community Garden offers three individual classes of membership: sunflower, tomato and basil.

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view of leadership, enjoying the friendships he has made with his fellow gardeners.

"We're also working to create more opportunities just to get together socially this year apart from our monthly workdays," Miyashiro said. "We're proud to help and give back to the local community in that way."

The Sylvan Ranch Community Garden began with a vision by former Citrus Heights Mayor Jeannie Bruins in 2004 to create a sustainable local organic garden for use by city residents.

An initial group of members then met to plan the garden layout, how it would operate and how it would be funded. The City of Citrus Heights then leveled the ground and the project was started.

Today, the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden at the corner of Sylvan Road and Stock Ranch Road is open from dawn to dusk for its about 50 regular members.

The growing season at the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden starts in early April with the process of cleaning up plots and planting. Ongoing maintenance is required to replace rotted wood in many of the wood beds that see full use each growing season.

While fruits and vegetables grown organically at the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden are mostly for personal use, a substantial portion is donated to local food closets, including the Sunrise Food Bank, Miyashiro said.

Two areas of the community garden are set aside for that purpose, and on average, some 1,000 pounds or more of fresh produce are donated to food closets each year, according to Miyashiro.

Free compost, provided by Republic Services, is also available to the public at the garden. Bring your own container and a shovel and take what you need, Miyashiro said. Composting workshops are often held at the garden.

The Sylvan Ranch Community Garden continues to be dedicated to sustainable organic growing methods, garden learning opportunities and fostering community spirit for all individuals, including those with

physical limitations.

While a high percentage of current members are retired, many are decidedly younger, in their 30s and 40s, who arrange their professional schedules to tend to their personal plots in the garden, according to Miyashiro.

"We're always continuing to build on what others have done before us," Miyashiro said.

Personal garden plots are leased annually on a "first-come, first serve" basis and assigned by the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden board of directors. While there's currently a wait list for available openings, interested gardeners should check frequently for availability.

Priority is given to Citrus Heights residents and Citrus Heights community groups. Garden plots are only available for personal use and can not be used to grow crops for sale.

Sylvan Ranch Community Garden offers three individual classes of membership: sunflower, tomato and basil.

A Sunflower (supporter, \$20 per garden year) receives news and event announcements with eligibility to attend educational seminars.

A Tomato (member, \$45 per garden year) has full access to the garden, is eligible to attend educational seminars and has the ability to participate in and harvest from all common areas.

Membership at the Basil (gardener level) is \$65 per garden year with full access to the garden and assignment of a 4' x 20' plot for personal gardening in addition to the ability to attend all educational seminars and participate in and harvest from all common areas.

Over the years, several Boy Scout Eagle projects have been completed at the garden. A seating area for resting and visiting the garden was completed, a flagpole area added, new storage sheds for garden equipment and supplies built, and a spacious greenhouse opened for an annual fundraising plant sale.

Visit sylvanranchgarden.org to learn more about the Sylvan Ranch Community Garden or how to apply for membership. The public is also invited to follow the community-operated garden on social media at facebook.com/SylvanRanchCG. ★

'Tools of the Trade' Event Showcases Gear and Careers

Story and photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The City of Citrus Heights hosted its fourth annual "Tools of the Trade" event, formerly the Public Works Showcase, the afternoon of May 8 at Van Maren Park, not far from Citrus Heights City Hall.

The free public event provided plenty of opportunities to learn about a wide range of career opportunities in civil service which help "build the future of public works."

Hosted by the City of Citrus Heights, the event featured hands-on demonstrations, interactive booths and giveaways, giving attendees the opportunity to meet the operators who help keep the local infrastructure running smoothly.

Representatives of trade schools and public utilities described current office and field careers, ranging in skillsets from administrative, engineering, operating big equipment and maintenance.

Children enjoyed putting on a hard hat and sitting in the driver's seat of some very cool heavy equipment, including a road pavement roller on display.

There was also an opportunity to meet and greet some affectionate workers of the "four-legged" kind in a special petting zone area provided by representatives of the G.O.A.T (Greatest of All Time) Yoga from Herald.

The public was invited to learn more about the exhilaration of practicing yoga alongside their adorable goat companions.

The petting zoo helped remind those attending the Tools of the



Citrus Heights Public Works Department representatives at the event on May 8 described current openings while area private companies providing related services also discussed career, education and employer options to job seekers.

Trade event that herds of goats will soon be busily grooming overgrown vegetation at various locations throughout the city, starting in Twin Oaks Park, said the city's communications officer Marisa Brown.

"We're excited that the goats are coming back to Citrus Heights and we invite the public to look for them as they visit additional locations throughout the city through our social media," Brown said.

Citrus Heights Public Works

described current openings while area private companies provid-



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education and employer options to job seekers.

Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) representatives offered information describing student internship and hourly opportunities with the utility now posted online.

SMUD offers multiple career paths in its innovation and technology department, ranging from a science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) student assistant to director positions.

The city also partnered with Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT) to offer free

transportation to those who wanted to attend the event.

Other participating sponsors included Wells Sweeping LLC, Bear Specialty Electrical Contractors, Sacramento Area Sewer District, Ghirardelli Associates, Biondi Paving and Engineering, Republic Services, Unico Engineering, City of Citrus Heights Public Works Department personnel, Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA), the San Juan Unified School District Office of Adult Education and the Center for Education Opportunities. These sponsors were among those representing the regional trade industry, technical jobs and training opportunities in the area. ★

Residents Paying Nearly Double for Power since 2015

Texas Electricity Ratings News Release

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - California has seen the second largest increase in energy costs, with a 74% increase between 2015 and 2023. Maine has faced the biggest increase in energy costs for customers, with a 76% increase from 2015 to 2023. At the other end of the scale, Utah has had the smallest increase in energy costs at just 3%.

With inflation rising, it seems that our hard-earned dollars are traveling less distance every year, and as a result, there is a growing concern around the country with regards to the ever-increasing cost of utilities. With this in mind, a new study has uncovered the states where residential consumers have faced the biggest increases in energy costs over the years, with Maine topping the list.

Energy experts at Texas Electricity Ratings used the U.S. Energy Information Agency (EIA) to find the increase in each state's average electricity price in cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) that residential consumers paid from 2015 to 2023.

The ranking is based on, and ordered by, the states which have seen the biggest increase in this time frame with Maine seeing the largest increase overall, 75.7%, as opposed to Utah residents who have seen the smallest increase, 2.9%.

The Pine Tree State, Maine ranks top and has faced the biggest increase in energy costs in the U.S., with customers paying 75.7% more in 2023 than they were in 2015. The average electricity cost for consumers in 2015 was 15.61 cents per kilowatt-hour, which rose to 27.42 cents in 2023. Residential consumers saw the biggest increase in energy costs between 2022 and 2023, from 22.44 cents to 29.51 cents per kilowatt-hour, an



California has seen the second largest increase in energy costs, with a 74% increase between 2015 and 2023. Image by NickyPe from Pixabay

increase of 7.07 cents.

California is second, with an increase of 73.7% in energy costs from 2015 to 2023 for customers. In 2015, consumers in the Golden State paid an average of 16.99 cents per kilowatt-hour, which jumped to 29.51 in 2023. From 2022 to 2023, customers faced an energy cost increase from 25.84 cents per kilowatt-hour to 29.51 cents, which is 3.67 cents.

With a 52.2% increase in the average kilowatt-hour cost for customers New Hampshire ranks third. In 2015, residential consumers in the Granite State paid an average of 18.5 cents per kilowatt-hour, which rose to 28.15 cents in 2023. Energy customers saw the biggest increase from 2021 to 2022 from 19.85 cents per kilowatt-hour to 25.46 cents, which is a difference of 5.61 cents.

In fourth-place is Massachusetts where customers faced a 49.3% increase in energy costs from 2015 to 2023. In 2015, the average cost for

Bay Staters per kilowatt-hour was 19.83 cents, which rose to 29.61 cents in 2023. Customers saw the biggest increase from 2022 to 2023, from 25.97 cents per kilowatt-hour to 29.61 cents (3.64-cent increase).

Fifth on the list is Hawaii, with a 43.2% increase in energy costs for consumers between 2015 and 2023. On average, energy customers paid 29.6 cents per kilowatt-hour in 2015, which jumped to 42.39 cents in 2023. Aloha State consumers saw the biggest increase in costs between 2021 and 2022, from 33.49 cents per kilowatt-hour to 43.03 cents, which is a significant 9.54 cents.

Next is Connecticut where consumers paid 42.7% more for energy in 2023 than in 2015, ranking sixth overall. The average cost per kilowatt-hour in 2015 was 20.94 cents in the state, which rose to 29.88 cents in 2023. Nutmeg State customers saw the biggest increase from 2021 to 2022, from 21.91 cents per kilowatt-hour to 24.61 cents

per kilowatt-hour (2.7 cents increase).

With an increase of 40.1% in energy costs between 2015 and 2023, Rhode Island ranks seventh. In 2015, the average cost per kilowatt-hour for Ocean Staters was 19.29 cents, which rose to 27.02 cents in 2023. From 2022 to 2023, residential consumers saw the biggest difference in a year, from 23.21 cents per kilowatt-hour to 27.02 cents (3.81 cents).

West Virginia is in eighth-place, where customers have faced an increase of 39.4% in their energy costs. The average cost per kilowatt-hour in the Mountain State was 10.08 cents in 2015. Between 2015 and 2016, residential consumers saw the biggest difference in a year, from 10.08 cents per kilowatt-hour to 11.44 cents per kilowatt-hour (1.36 cents).

Following in ninth position is Pennsylvania, with an

increase of 32.7% in energy costs from 2015 and 2023. On average, energy customers in the Keystone State paid 13.64 cents per kilowatt-hour in 2015, which jumped to 18.1 cents in 2023. The biggest increase in the state was between 2022 and 2023, from 15.94 cents per kilowatt-hour to 18.1 cents, which is a difference of 2.16 cents.

Completing the top 10 is Florida where energy costs increased by 31.4% between 2015 and 2023 for customers. In 2015, consumers from the Sunshine State paid 11.58 cents per kilowatt-hour on average, which increased to 15.21 cents in 2023. The most significant difference in costs was between 2021 and 2022, from 11.9 cents per kilowatt-hour to 13.9 cents (two cents).

At the other end of the ranking is Utah. Within the Beehive State, energy costs increased by just 2.9% between 2015 and 2023 for customers. In 2015, consumers paid 10.88 cents per kilowatt-hour on average, which increased to 11.20 cents in 2023.

The U.S. Energy Information Agency's "Electricity Data Browser" was analyzed to reveal the average cost per kilowatt-hour for customers in each state between 2015 and 2023. The ranking has been created, based on the states which have seen the biggest increase from 2015 to 2023.

"With rising energy costs putting a potential strain on household finances, it is important to track these increases throughout the years," said chief executive officer of Texas Electricity Ratings Karl Trollinger. "For the majority of states, the biggest increases that consumers have faced came during the more recent years of 2021, 2022 and 2023. Before that, energy costs didn't increase significantly and even decreased slightly at times." ★

Data Shows Slowing Decline in Overall School Enrollment

California Department of Education News Release

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - On May 21, the California Department of Education released 2024 to 2025 school enrollment data on DataQuest (<https://dq.cde.ca.gov/dataquest/>), showing that the decline in public school enrollment has begun to slow.

While the overall decrease in school enrollment compared to pre-pandemic levels continues to be a source of strain on public schools, new initiatives such as transitional kindergarten (TK) show significant growth and signs of promise as local educational agencies (LEAs) work to reengage families, especially as California's families experience increased economic hardship.

"The overall slowing enrollment decline is encouraging and reflects the hard work of our local educational agencies across the state," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond. "While we have more work to do, the dramatic growth in transitional kindergarten is inspiring and shows that providing rigorous and quality programs can be a key ingredient to bringing more families back to our schools. One of our initiatives in this area is expansion of Dual Language Immersion programs as a strategy to drive future enrollment growth by providing school programs that are in high demand from California's families."

In the 2024 to 2025 school year, overall student enrollment declined by 0.54 percent compared to the year prior, representing a slowing of declining school enrollment. Though the change from the prior school year is minimal, the difference between current year enrollment and pre-pandemic enrollment remains significant.

The most significant trend in California's 2024 to 2025 school enrollment data reflects an increased demand for specific education initiatives, such as transitional kindergarten.

Even as overall enrollment has fallen, transitional kindergarten enrollment continues to boom, with



In the 2024 to 2025 school year, overall student enrollment declined by 0.54 percent compared to the year prior, representing a slowing of declining school enrollment. Image by febrion eka saputra from Pixabay

a year-over-year increase of 17.2 percent. The number of local educational agencies offering Transitional Kindergarten (TK) at all school sites has increased to 85 percent, and as transitional kindergarten expansion creates more spaces in state preschool, enrollment of 3-year-olds in state preschool continues to rise. Overall, more and more families are taking advantage of public opportunities for early learning.

This growth in preschool and transitional kindergarten shows that directly responding to California families' enthusiasm for specific educational initiatives is a strong path to reengaging families in schools.

Dual Language Immersion (DLI) programs have shown significant growth statewide; as of 2023 to 2024, there were 1,036 Dual Language Immersion programs in California, a 39-percent increase from 747 Dual Language Immersion programs in 2018 to 2019.

Recent local data shows that Expanded Learning program expansion mirrors trends in transitional kindergarten and dual language immersion expansion: as the number of seats increases, they are filled. In Elk Grove Unified, broadened access to Expanded

Learning programs has increased program enrollment from 3,300 to 12,000, a 264-percent increase.

These data points offer insights into in-demand educational initiatives and a potential path to reversing long-term school enrollment trends.

More information about Superintendent Thurmond's initiatives can be found on the California Department of Education Initiatives web page at cde.ca.gov/eo/in/. Another webinar about California's dual language immersion expansion is scheduled at 2 p.m. June 3 and can be viewed on the California Department of Education Facebook page at facebook.com/CAEducation. For more information on Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) and transitional kindergarten, see Universal Pre-Kindergarten frequently asked questions and transitional kindergarten frequently asked questions on the California Department of Education website. Transitional kindergarten is a core component of the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program. It enrolls students in the first year of a two-year kindergarten program, using a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate. ★

State-Specific Tools Highlight Small Business Tax Deduction Benefits

National Federation of Independent Business News Release

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the nation's leading small business advocacy organization, has released two new digital tools to help small business owners, policymakers and the public in California. These tools help with understanding the significant economic impact of the 20% Small Business Tax Deduction and what's at stake if Congress fails to make it permanent.

The new tools include an interactive map that allows users to explore how extending the Small Business Deduction would power job creation and gross domestic product (GDP) growth in every Congressional district across California. The National Federation of Independent Business also launched a tax calculator to provide small business owners in California with personalized estimates of how much more they could owe in federal income taxes in 2026 if the deduction expires.

"These new tools give small business owners and elected leaders in California real data about the economic stakes," said John Kabateck, state director for National Federation of Independent Business in California. "If Congress fails to act, millions of small businesses across the country, including right here in California, will face a massive tax hike. That means fewer jobs, less investment and slower growth for our communities. We urge Congress to make the 20% Small Business Tax Deduction permanent." ★

"We also applaud the United States House of Representatives passing the One Big Beautiful Act this morning. The One Big Beautiful Bill Act is one of the most pro-small business pieces of legislation in recent history, and Congress has a historic opportunity to provide more than 33 million small business owners with permanent tax relief," said Kabateck.

According to National Federation of Independent Business' interactive map, if the deduction is extended, California could see an increase of 272,292 jobs and \$20.2 billion in gross domestic product more than the next decade. The district-level data allow lawmakers and local leaders to understand exactly how small businesses in their communities stand to gain when the tax deduction is made permanent or lose if it is not.

The tax calculator helps individual small business owners project their potential tax increase if the deduction is not extended. For example, a California small business owner with a personal income of \$75,000 and qualified business income of \$150,000 could see a tax increase of more than \$13,000, depending on their full financial profile.

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Deborah L Munger, 3411 Pope Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SoulSeare Art/SoulSeare" 3411 Pope Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2025
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SOUL 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02771
Kercell Stowes and Tameica Stowes, 3511 Duet Court, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Before You Let Go" 3511 Duet Court, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 10, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
BEFORE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02837
Anfal Abu-Jarad, 2868 Westwood Lane, #3, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Foodtastic by Anfal" 2868 Westwood Lane, #3, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 14, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
FOOD 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02937
Heritage Inn of Rancho Cordova, LLC (NV), 4520 36th Avenue S, Fargo, ND 58104 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Homewood Suites Rancho Cordova Sacramento" 10700 White Rock Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 17, 2025
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HOME 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03004
Little Whale Land Park, 4010 Las Pasas Way, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Little Whale Swim Schools Inc." 1331 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 21, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
LITTLE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03003
Little Whale LLC, 4010 Las Pasas Way, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Little Whale Swim School" 4106 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 21, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
WHALE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02638
Erin Katherine O'Leary-Gore, 8479 Noel Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Daisy Grace Storybooks" 8479 Noel Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 4, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
DAISY 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03131
Lovely Love Enterprise LLC, 5808 Shadow Creek Drive, #4, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Down Home Cooking" 5808 Shadow Creek Drive, #4, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 24, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
DOWN 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03086
Sara Fletcher, 7968 Cavalli Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Loan Signings By Sara" 7968 Cavalli Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 22, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
LOAN 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03184
Active Life Wound Center A Professional Medical Corporation, PO Box 661587, Sacramento, CA 95866 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Active Life Wound Clinic" 2 Scripps Drive, Suite 202, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 25, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
ACTIVE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03186
Liddawi Enterprises Inc, 2118 Big Sky Drive, Rocklin, CA 95765 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yalla Yalla Steak House" 7800 Sunrise Boulevard, #111, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 25, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
YALLA 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02907
Potter's Pallet LLC, P.O. Box 13, Fontana, CA 92334 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Potter's Pallet" 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 16, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
POTTER 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02739
DaggerPoint Capital 2108 N Street, #8288, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DaggerPoint Capital" 2108 N Street, #8288, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 9, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
DAGGER 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02817
Isabel C Trujillo Ramirez, 555 Fox Hunt Way, Rio Linda, CA 95673 and Cecilia Michao Trujillo, 7832 Bellingth Drive, Elverta, CA 95626 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yoli's Cafe" 555 Fox Hunt Way, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 11, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
YOLI 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02827
Gabrielle Stevens, 2417 U Street, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Care Team for Seniors" 2417 U Street, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 11, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
CARE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03197
Philip Mathew Bernas, 5056 North Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Thunderlispmarket" 5056 North Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 25, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
THUNDER 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02968
Adonai Estates, 3501 Bradshaw Road, Space 50, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Adonai Estates" 3501 Bradshaw Road, Space 50, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 18, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
ADONAI 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03298
Sandra L. Mizer, 6855 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Suite 700, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mizer and Associates" 6855 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Suite 700, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 1, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
MIZER 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02811
Prestige Home Construction Inc., 5130 Papaya Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Prestige Windows" 5130 Papaya Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 11, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
PRESTIGE 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03213
Radical and Tender Care Companion LLC, 2108 N Street, Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tending Becomings" 2108 N Street, #6399, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 28, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
TENDING 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02113
Purple Mango LLC, 783 Turnstone Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden Motors" 2548 Albatross Way, Unit #C, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2025
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
GOLDEN 5-30-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03432
Stephen Bryant Walker, 650 University Avenue, Suite 108, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Wearkindness" 650 University Avenue, Suite 108, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2025
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WEAR 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03264
Trung Huynh, 8450 Pine River Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Goi Tien 3 Sieu" 6333 Stockton Boulevard, Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95824. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 29, 2025
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
GOI 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02680
Team G&C, LLC, 8107 Oahu Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Peck N Trim" 8107 Oahu Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 8, 2025
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
PECK 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02687

Chanel Nicole Cameron, 8012 St Helena Court, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bask Farm" 8012 St Helena Court, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 8, 2025
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BASK 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03449
Central Valley Towing Inc., 8240 14th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Central Valley Towing/City Tow" 8240 14th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2025
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TOW 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03396
OBJJ Inc., 2839 Zinfandel Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ohgane Korean BBQ" 2839 Zinfandel Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 6, 2025
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
OHGANE 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03339
Pauline Roselada, P.O. Box 22842, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Zac Rose & Associates" 1042 Lake Glen Way, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2025
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ZAC 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03388
Dina Nelson, 14 Baywind Court, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Splash Soda" 14 Baywind Court, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 5, 2025
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SPLASH 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02639
Susan Kim Sandell, 7305 Rollingwood Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Pro CruiseMuse" 7305 Rollingwood Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 4, 2025
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PRO 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03347
Sage's Tile Inc., 4505 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aloha Tile" 4505 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2025
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ALOHA 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03177
Susan M. Osborn, 7541 Wooddale Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "LifeThread Publications" 7541 Wooddale Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 25, 2025
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LIFE 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03196
Hajoca Corporation, 2001 Joshua Road, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Heieck Supply/Buttes Center State Pipe and Supply" 950 Richards Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 25, 2025
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HEIECK 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03363
Jeannine Hewitt and Darrell Hewitt, 7974 California Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ger's Garden Spa" 7974 California Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 5, 2025
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
GERI 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03294
More Than A Dreamer LLC, 3450 Sweet Pea Way, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Authority Creators" 3450 Sweet Pea Way, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2025
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AUTHORITY 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03270
NorCal Marine Towing & Salvage, LLC, 1302 W. Fremont Street, Stockton, CA 95203 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TowBoat.U.S. Sacramento" 2710 Ramp Way, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 29, 2025
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
BOAT 6-6-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03592
Janani Venkateswaran, 4813 El Camino Avenue, Suite A, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious

Business Name(s) "Sukha Counseling" 4813 El Camino Avenue, Suite A, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 12, 2025
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SUKHA 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03645
Patrick Farris, 1978 San Juan Road, #94, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Im Not Finished Yet Publishing" 1978 San Juan Road, #94, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 14, 2025
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IM 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03346
Triple 9 Nutrition LLC, 9629 Country Falls Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Triple 9 Nutrition" 9629 Country Falls Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2025
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TRIPLE 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02995
Myers Holdings Group LLC, 1401 21st Street, #7097, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Myers Auto Exchange" 1401 21st Street, #7097, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 21, 2025
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MYERS 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03624
Corneliu Popa, 4612 Monument Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cornelius Power" 4612 Monument Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 14, 2025
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COR 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03280
E.L. Heritage Inn of Sacramento, LLC, 4520 36th Avenue S, Fargo, ND 58104 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Element Sacramento Airport" 3681 N Freeway Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2025
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ELEMENT 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03589
Exquisite, 7800 Sunrise Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SimSimKitchen" 7800 Sunrise Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 12, 2025
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SIM 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03309
Miguel A Barreras Jr., 3712 Pinehill Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Barrentana Insurance Solutions" 3712 Pinehill Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 1, 2025
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BARR 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03625
Katta Hules, 901 H Street, Suite 120, #300, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Katta Kis Books" 2110 L Street, #317, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 14, 2025
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KATTA 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03373
Vi Nguyen, 9082 Chantal Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Luna Day Spa" 7201 Florin Mall Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 5, 2025
Publish: May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 2025
LUNA 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03132
Carnia Olmos, 7321 Robin Road, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Love and Light Holistic" 7321 Robin Road, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 24, 2025
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LOVE 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03587
Lord Cisco, 8 Seine Court, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lord Cisco Enterprises" 3436 American River Drive, #2, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 12, 2025
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LORD 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03329
Briana Joelle Vega, 4749 Pismo Beach Drive, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Graceful Roots Birth Services" 4749 Pismo Beach Drive, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with

the Clerk of Sacramento County May 1, 2025
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GRACEFUL 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03037
Ryan Kentaro Cespedes, 705 Larson Way, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Goldrush Sound and Lighting/Goldrush AV" 705 Larson Way, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 22, 2025
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GOLD 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-02551
KDTS, LLC, 4352 Wendover Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "California Outdoor" 4352 Wendover Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 2, 2025
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CAL 6-13-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03452
Let's Paint for Fun LLC, 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Let's Paint for Fun" 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2025
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PAINT 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03568
Cameron Wiggins, 4001 Jane Court, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Art & Soul Family Collections" 4001 Jane Court, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 12, 2025
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ART 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03747
Felipe Martin, The Meredith Family Revocable Trust UAD 12/31/2014, and Katherine Elizabeth Martin, 8801 Folsom Boulevard, #260, Sacramento, CA 95826 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "2750 GWO" 8801 Folsom Boulevard, #260, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 16, 2025
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GWO 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03756
VerityMD Inc, 5841 Jameson Court, Suite 2, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Neurology Clinic/Manoj Kumar Mittal MD" 5841 Jameson Court, Suite 2, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 19, 2025
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VERITY 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03455
Rattana Raingsey Inc., 5501 Muskingham Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bambu" 2552 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2025
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BAMBU 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03686
Tammy J. Isaak, PO Box 255274, Sacramento, CA 95865 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Studio Red Interiors" 525 Morse Avenue, #201, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2025
Publish: May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 2025
RED 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03773
Murtaza Ramzi, 1600 Response Road, Apt 1032, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Prokeys Solutions" 1600 Response Road, Apt 1032, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 19, 2025
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KEYS 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03421
Andrey Perzhu, 2162 Pantages Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Andreys Toys/Andreys Motor Toys" 2162 Pantages Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 6, 2025
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TOYS 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03511
Drivewayz LLC, 6129 Marwick Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Drivewayz" 6129 Marwick Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 8, 2025
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DRIVE 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03792
Masuta Logistics Inc, 65 Quinta Court, Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "IRP and Drug Testing Services/Medic" 65 Quinta Court, Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 20, 2025
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IRP 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03724
JLC Escalante Corporation, 6789 Grant Line Road, Sloughhouse, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Green Landscaping" 6789 Grant Line Road, Sloughhouse, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 16, 2025
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GREEN 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03480
Pacific Heritage Inn of Folsom, LLC, 4520 36th Avenue S, Fargo, ND 58104 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Staybridge Suites Sacramento Folsom" 1745 Cavitt Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 8, 2025
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SUITES 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03484
Pacific FI Heritage Inn of Folsom, LLC, 4520 36th Avenue S, Fargo, ND 58104 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fairfield Inn & Suites Sacramento Folsom" 1755 Cavitt Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 8, 2025
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INN 6-20-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-03931
Dexter L Glover Jr, 3842 Innovator Drive, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DLG Junk & Recycle" 5335 Dry Creek Road, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 23, 2025
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DLG 6-20-2

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ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010030

John Curtis Dontae has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of John Curtis Donate to John Curtis Thomas.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 25, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
THOMAS 5-30-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV002695

Jamal Rason Hill, Jamie Ann Safran have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jamal Rason Hill to Jamal Rason Albini and Jamie Ann Safran to Jamie Safran Albini.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 4, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: February 3, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
ALBINI 5-30-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010501

Jara Brooke Lindgren has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jara Brooke Lindgren to Jae Brooke Lindgren.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 25, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Name should not be granted.
Dated: April 30, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025
LINDGREN 5-30-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010260

Amah Richards has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Amah Lee Richards to Ashley Shawnta Murphy.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 19, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 29, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
MURPHY 6-6-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010306

Chanel Lewis has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Angelina Irene Lewis to Angelina Irene Caro and Ariana Lewis to Ariana Olivia Caro.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 28, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
CHANNEL 6-6-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010734

Gay Corene Geram has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Gay Corene Geram to Gae Corene Geram.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 21, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
GERAM 6-6-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010732

Chantel Le McInerney has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Chantel Le McInerney to Chantel Le Cameron.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 28, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 1, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
CHANTEL 6-6-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV010738

Inmbao Nawa Lifanu and Inonge Nalishuwa Lifanu have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Inmbao Nawa Lifanu to Mubusi Muhapi and Inonge Nalishuwa Lifanu to Pearl Inonge Nalishuwa Muhapi and Thabo Lifanu to Eyal Thabo Muhapi and Mbuyoti Lifanu to Tahel Mbuyoti Muhapi and Lufilwe Lifanu to Yakira Lufilwe Muhapi and Likezo Lifanu to Gabriel Likezo Muhapi and Tumelo Lifanu to Perez Tumelo Muhapi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 28, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 1, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 2025
MUHAPI 6-6-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV011425

Tawny Linehan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tawny Linehan to Tawny Rose Schrodetzki Linehan.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 4, 2025,

at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 13, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 2025
LINEHAN 6-13-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV011070

Ronald Warren Kelley has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ronald Warren Kelley to Ronald Austin Chase.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 27, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 7, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 2025
RONALD 6-13-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV011077

Irene Palacio Rodriguez aka Irene Patricia Rodriguez aka Irene Patricia Lenz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Irene Palacio Rodriguez aka Irene Patricia Rodriguez aka Irene Patricia Lenz to Irene Patricia Lenz.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 27, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 7, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 2025
LENZ 6-20-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV007940

Devon Zachary Malashus has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Devon Zachary Malashus to Devon Zachary Hayes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 31, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 9, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 2025
DEVON 6-20-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV012040

Kanwar Jasdeep Uppal has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kanwar Jasdeep Uppal to Jasdeep Uppal.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 17, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 20, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 30, June 6, 13, 20, 2025
UPPAL 6-20-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF FRANK NEIL PRESLEY, JR. CASE NO. 25PR001606

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Frank Neil Presley, Jr. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kalleigh McCrea, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Kalleigh McCrea be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the 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 have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows June 18, 2025, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the 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

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Heather S. Mayer, 400 Plaza Drive, Suite 145, Folsom, CA 95630; (916) 631-996

Publish: May 16, 23, 30, 2025
PRESLEY 5-30-25

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RESOLUTION 25-05-738

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGEVALE RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26, PRELIMINARILY APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ORANGEVALE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (OLLAD)

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, County of Sacramento, State of California, has previously ordered through Resolution 92-06-51 the formation of an assessment district pursuant to the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the purpose of financing certain park and recreation improvements and refurbishments as specified in the District's updated Master Plan and for the purpose of funding maintenance operations of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board, through Resolution 92-06-51, has ordered that the park and recreation improvements specified in the Engineer's Report dated March 26, 1992, be constructed, and has estimated that the cost of such proposed park and recreation improvements is greater than can be raised from a single annual assessment, and has ordered that the estimated costs of these improvements be raised by an assessment levied and collected in annual installments over a period of 20 years, commencing in fiscal year 1992-93 and ending in fiscal year 2012-13 and then continued from year to year as necessary to fund other capital, maintenance and other needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, County of Sacramento, State of California, that:

- 1. On July 17, 1991, by its Resolution No. 816, this Board ordered the formation of and levied the first assessment within the Orangevale Recreation and Park District Maintenance Assessment District 1991 (the "Assessment District") pursuant to the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.
2. On February 20, 2025 this Board adopted Resolution No. 25-02-735, A Resolution Directing Preparation of the 2025-26 Annual Report for the Orangevale Recreation and Park District Maintenance Assessment District. Pursuant to this resolution, SCI Consulting Group, the Engineer of Work, prepared a report in accordance with Article XIII of the California Constitution and Section 22565, et seq., of the California Streets and Highways Code (the "Report"). The Report has been made, filed with the Clerk of the Board and duly considered by the Board and is hereby deemed sufficient and preliminarily approved. The Report shall stand as the Engineer's Report for all subsequent proceedings under and pursuant to the foregoing resolution.
3. It is the intention of this Board to levy and collect assessments within the Assessment District for fiscal year 2025-26. Within the Assessment District, the existing and proposed improvements, and any substantial changes proposed to be made to the existing improvements, are generally described as installation, maintenance and servicing of public recreational facilities and improvements, including, but not limited to, turf and play areas, landscaping, ground cover, shrubs and trees, irrigation systems, drainage systems, lighting, fencing, entry monuments, basketball courts, tennis courts, gymnasium, running tracks, swimming pools, other recreational facilities, security patrols to protect the Improvements, graffiti removal and repainting, and labor, materials, supplies, utilities and equipment, as applicable, at each of the locations owned, operated or maintained by the Orangevale Recreation and Park District.
4. The Assessment District consists of the lots and parcels shown on the boundary map of the Assessment District on file with the Clerk of the Board of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, and reference is hereby made to such map for further particulars.
5. Reference is hereby made to the Engineer's Report for a full and detailed description of the improvements, the boundaries of the Assessment District and the proposed assessments upon assessable lots and parcels of land within the Assessment District. The Engineer's Report identifies all parcels which will have a special benefit conferred upon them and upon which an assessment will be imposed.
6. The assessments are not proposed to increase from the previous year's assessments. The Board of Directors declares its intent to levy and collect assessments for the fiscal year 2025-26 within said district at an assessment rate of \$3.50 per month or \$42.00 per year per single family residential parcel, apartment unit and/or condominium; a lower rate of \$3.08 per month or \$36.96 per year per each mobile home unit or per one-quarter acre parcel devoted to commercial use; and a rate of \$1.40 per month or \$16.80 per year per one-quarter acre for parcels devoted to industrial or mini storage use, all as set forth in the benefit chart included in the Engineer's Report.
7. Notice is hereby given that on June 12, 2025, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. at the District offices of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, 6826 Hazel Avenue, California 95662, the Board will hold a public hearing to consider the ordering of the improvements and the levy of the proposed assessments.
8. Prior to the conclusion of the hearing, any interested person may file a written protest with the Clerk of the Board, or, having previously filed a protest, may file a written withdrawal of that protest. A written protest shall state all grounds of objection. A protest by a property owner shall contain a description sufficient to identify the property owned by such owner. Such protest or withdrawal of protest should be mailed to the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, 6826 Hazel Avenue, California 95662.
9. The Clerk of the Board shall cause a notice of the hearing to be given by publishing a copy of this resolution once, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing above specified, in a newspaper circulated in the Orangevale Recreation and Park District.
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of May 2025 by the following vote:
AYES: Presinal, Stickney, Meraz, Montes Noes: None Absent: Brunberg Abstain: None
(Signed): Clerk of the Board.

RESOLUTION 25-05-739

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGEVALE RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT APPROVING THE RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26, PRELIMINARILY APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE KENNETH GROVE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District, County of Sacramento, State of California, has previously ordered through Resolution 94-05-86A the formation of an assessment district pursuant to the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 for the purpose of financing certain park and recreation improvements and refurbishments as specified in the District's updated Master Plan and for the purpose of funding maintenance operations of the District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District, County of Sacramento, State of California, that:

- 1. On February 20, 2025, this Board adopted Resolution No. 25-02-736, A Resolution Directing Preparation of the 2025-26 Engineer's Report for the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District (the "Assessment District"). Pursuant to this resolution, SCI Consulting Group., the Engineer of Work, prepared a report in accordance with Article XIII of the California Constitution and Section 22565, et seq., of the California Streets and Highways Code (the "Report"). The Report has been made, filed with the Clerk of the Board and duly considered by the Board and is hereby deemed sufficient and preliminarily approved. The Report shall stand as the Engineer's Report for all subsequent proceedings under and pursuant to the foregoing resolution.
2. It is the intention of this Board to levy and collect assessments within the Assessment District for fiscal year 2025-26. Within the Assessment District, the existing and proposed improvements, and any substantial changes proposed to be made to the existing improvements, are generally described as installation, maintenance and servicing of public recreational facilities and improvements, including, but not limited to, turf and play areas, landscaping, ground cover, shrubs and trees, irrigation systems, drainage systems, lighting, fencing, entry monuments, basketball courts, tennis courts, gymnasium, running tracks, swimming pools, other recreational facilities, security patrols to protect the Improvements, graffiti removal and repainting, and labor, materials, supplies, utilities and equipment, as applicable, at each of the locations owned, operated or maintained by the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District.
3. The Assessment District consists of the lots and parcels shown on the boundary map of the Assessment District on file with the Clerk of the Board of the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District, and reference is hereby made to such map for further particulars.
4. Reference is hereby made to the Engineer's Report for a full and detailed description of the improvements, the boundaries of the Assessment District and the proposed assessments upon assessable lots and parcels of land within the Assessment District. The Engineer's Report identifies all parcels which will have a special benefit conferred upon them and upon which an assessment will be imposed.
5. The assessments are not proposed to increase from the previous year's assessments. The Board of Directors declares its intent to levy and collect assessments for the fiscal year 2025-26 within said district at an assessment rate of \$12.57 per month or \$150.78 per year per single family residential parcel, apartment unit and/or condominium as set forth in the benefit chart included in the Engineer's Report.
6. Notice is hereby given that on June 12, 2025, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. at the District offices of the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, 6826 Hazel Avenue, California 95662, the Board will hold a public hearing to consider the ordering of the improvements and the levy of the proposed assessments.
7. Prior to the conclusion of the hearing, any interested person may file a written protest with the Clerk of the Board, or, having previously filed a protest, may file a written withdrawal of that protest. A written protest shall state all grounds of objection. A protest by a property owner shall contain a description sufficient to identify the property owned by such owner. Such protest or withdrawal of protest should be mailed to the Orangevale Recreation and Park District, 6826 Hazel Avenue, California 95662.
8. The Clerk of the Board shall cause a notice of the hearing to be given by publishing a copy of this resolution once, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing above specified, in a newspaper circulated in the Kenneth Grove Landscaping and Lighting Assessment District.
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of May 2025 by the following vote:
AYES: Presinal, Stickney, Meraz, Montes Noes: None Absent: Brunberg Abstain: None
(Signed): Clerk of the Board.



COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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By Patsy McGavock JustServe.org

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Can the Garden of Eden exist in your backyard? Our neighbors in Orangevale and Fair Oaks are sharing the seeds, and growing culture, of a home-grown food-sustainable community.

“To me, a food sustainable community is one where local residents have meaningful access to fresh, healthy food,” said Laura Schaub, director of Permaculture Fair Oaks and owner of Ranch Handy Design, “and where as much of that food as possible is grown, shared and enjoyed close to home.”

It’s a vision rooted in resilience and powered by connection.

“It’s about being less reliant on long supply chains,” Schaub said, “but also about building stronger ties between neighbors, farmers and gardeners,” Schaub said.

The Orangevale Fair Oaks Food Bank Farm is central to this vision. Farm manager Lacey Yuke draws a contrast between local stewardship and corporate food production.

“We’re not producing for quarterly returns,” Yuke said. “We’re growing for dignity, for health and for community.”

Having worked 1,000-acre corporate farms where food is ground, jarred, and shipped, Yuke reflected: “Here, the food goes where it’s needed. It’s fresh. It’s beautiful. People say when they receive it, ‘Eating this food makes me feel special.’”

Vicki Hart, president of the Orangevale Garden Club, wants everyone to feel that joy.

“We encourage people to grow things, remove barriers, get plants out to the community. Our sharing tables have been very popular. Giving someone a plant for free removes a barrier,” Hart said.

The Garden Club focuses on those in the “middle space,” who don’t receive assistance but still struggle to access fresh, healthy food.

“We’re lowering the entry barrier by teaching people how to make their gardens sustainable and stretch their resources, like saving seeds from tomatoes to grow and share more plants. People don’t often think about that cycle. Plants live to create more plants,” Hart said.

Abundant Generosity: Connecting the Dots

Hart is connecting local resources through a simple belief: “Extreme generosity begets extreme generosity.”

For example, when the Food Bank Farm recently had extra tomato plants, the plants were donated to the Garden Club’s sharing table. Volunteers potted leftover plants in disposable cups and more than 100 seedlings were distributed to food bank customers.

“There are so many layers in the community that can help connect dots like this,” Hart said. “Next year, our goal is to host an event giving away 1,000 plants.”

Another dot: seed libraries in 17 Sacramento County libraries, including Orangevale, offer free seeds to anyone and no library card is required.

A dot still forming: a home orchard network, a Food Bank Farm project in planning stages. Trees would be planted on 1/10-acre donated land space, then harvested to share food locally.

Begin Small, Grow Big

Schaub said growing food does not need to be overwhelming. Start small

The Beginnings of a Food-Growing, Food-Sharing, Food-Sustainable Community

and build confidence.

“A pot of basil on your porch can be the gateway to a vegetable bed,” Schaub said.

More than food, she sees opportunity in transforming how we use land and how we connect.

“We’re building something that helps us rely less on long supply chains and more on each other. It’s a system that regenerates soil, conserves water, supports pollinators and fosters community,” Schaub said. “The broader vision isn’t just food production; it’s cultivating a culture of abundance and generosity. Grow enough for yourself, then share the rest.”

Yuke added, “that philosophy echoes through a growing culture, gathering momentum in the community.”

Yuke said the Food Bank welcomes extra harvests but notes that harvesting, delivering and donating can be a hurdle for some.

Hart offers a solution: neighborhood organizers, someone on each block who knows about gardening and can collect extra produce or set up a share table.

“Someone neighbors can call. Someone who can connect the dots,” Hart said.

Being part of the process brings ownership and accountability.

While a system doesn’t yet exist, the “community dots” do. You, dear reader, could be the one to begin the conversation and connect the dots with your neighbors.

“If you’ve got dirt, you can grow food,” Hart said. “If you don’t, your neighbor might. Share the vision. Talk to them.”

Learn by Doing: Come Volunteer

Volunteering at the Food Bank Farm or with local gardening clubs is a powerful way to begin.

“The doing teaches the most,” said Yuke. Volunteers who start with doubt often become teachers. “Everyone can do something like this, they just need someone to present the opportunity.”

Hart added, “sustainability isn’t an individual solution. It’s a community solution.”

By definition, sustainable means it can continue.

“To be sustainable,” Schaub said, “it has to become part of who we are as a community. Our hope is that by weaving these threads more intentionally, we’ll create a place where growing and sharing food is second nature.”

For those seeking education, enthusiasm and opportunity, several local organizations and resources are available to connect with.

Permaculture Fair Oaks holds meetings on the fourth Wednesday of every month and can be found online at permaculture-fairoaks.org.

The Orangevale Garden Club meets on the first Saturday of each month and can be followed on Facebook and Instagram @ OrangevaleFarmAndGardenClub, or contacted via email at ovfgc2021@gmail.com.

Additionally, the Orangevale-Fair Oaks Food Bank Farm offers valuable resources and can be explored further at www.food-bank.farm.

For more gardening insights, the Sacramento Master Gardeners at the Fair Oaks Horticulture Center can be reached at 916-876-5338, while Soil Born Farms provides educational content through its website at soilborn.org.

Patsy McGavock is a volunteer community advocate freelance writer. Connect with Patsy at PatsyMcGavock.JustServe@gmail.com, or soon on Facebook @ CommunityConnection. ★

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CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that on **June 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the **Planning Commission** of the City of Citrus Heights will hold a Public Hearing at the **City Council Chambers located at 6360 Fountain Sq. Dr., Citrus Heights, CA** for consideration of the project listed below.

Project Name: Quick Service Drive-through Restaurant (File # PLN-25-01)

Project Location: 5525 Sunrise Boulevard (West side of Sunrise Boulevard, apx 250 ft north of Uplands Way)

Project Description: The application request is for Site Plan approval and Use Permit to allow the construction of a new drive-through restaurant. Site improvements include the demolition of a vacant restaurant building, construction of a new 5,000 sf building with double drive-through lane providing stacking for 27 cars, new landscaping and lighting. There is no specific user identified.

Environmental Determination: The project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA per Section 15332 of the California Environmental Quality Act (Infill exemption Class 32).

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments prior to and may testify at the Public Hearing. **Written comments may be submitted to, City Planning Department, at planning@citrusheights.net or 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621**

Following the Public Hearing, the **Planning Commission** may take such action on the project as it deems appropriate. If the matter is continued for any reason to a later date, written comments and public testimony will be accepted until the close of the final Public Hearing. All comments will be considered by the Approving Authority.

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The proposal will modify the Master Fee Schedule to include all fees currently charged, lower the deposit collected on certain Citrus Heights Event Center rentals, and change certain Planning fees from a flat fee to actual cost.


A current copy of the Master Fee Schedule is available on the City’s website at www.citrusheights.net.

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Newsom Funds Millions to Reduce Youth Homelessness

Office of Governor Gavin Newsom
News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Continuing California's success in reducing homelessness in youth, Governor Gavin Newsom and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) announced May 23 \$56 million awards to help 52 California counties provide housing and supportive services to young adults at risk of homelessness.

The funds will help counties prevent homelessness by providing services for youth transitioning out of foster care or probation systems in California. Last year, California reduced the number of youths experiencing homelessness and saw a smaller increase in unsheltered homelessness than 44 other states. This is in part due to programs such as this program, which has helped 14,048 young adults since 2020.

"California will continue to support our local governments in their efforts to address homelessness. California has provided unprecedented resources to counties and local communities to help their residents in need. We will continue to work together to help them address these local issues and ensure those experiencing homelessness have the support and care they need," said Newsom.

There are currently an estimated 9,871 young adults between the ages of 21 and 24 in California who exited foster care at age 18 or older and another 3,000 young adults exit foster care in California each year. Studies have shown that those exiting the foster care or probation system face disproportionately higher rates of homelessness, with unaccompanied youth up to age 24 comprising 10 percent of California's homeless population. Researchers and advocates also cite lack of stable housing as a significant barrier to continuing education for current and former foster youth.

"These grants will provide vital services to our young adults as they transition out of foster care and probation system so that they are able to access housing and wrap-around supports," said Tomiquia Moss, Business, Consumer Services and Housing Secretary. "In partnership with counties, these state resources will create pathways to stable housing and independent lives."

The awards were granted by the Transitional Age Youth programs



The funds will help counties prevent homelessness by providing services for youth transitioning out of foster care or probation systems in California. Image by Cord Allman from Pixabay

administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, which include the Transitional Housing Program, the Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program, and the Transitional Housing Plus Housing Supplement Program.

"Many young adults exiting the foster care or probation systems face homelessness and need resources and guidance to thrive," said Housing and Community Development Director Gustavo Velasquez. "These programs, and the important partnership with our counties, helps our

vulnerable youth receive the tools and support they need to secure and maintain housing and succeed in the future."

The \$56 million in awards are allocated to counties based on need as demonstrated by each county's percentage of the statewide total of young adults who are currently or formerly in the foster care or probation systems. The awards are as follows:

Transitional Housing Program which helps county child welfare agencies identify and assist with housing resources and improve service coordination, received

\$33.3 million for 52 counties.

Housing Navigation and Maintenance Program, which provides counties funding to train child welfare agency social workers and probation officers working with non-minor dependents as housing navigators with a broad understanding of available housing resources, received \$13.7 million for 51 counties.

Transitional Housing Plus Housing Supplement Program, which allocates grants to assist young adults who have exited foster care on or after their 18th birthday in counties with the state's highest market-rate apartment rental costs, received \$9 million for six counties.

With the investment announced May 23, the three programs will have funded housing assistance for 14,048 young adults ages 18 to 24 since 2020. Of the counties eligible to receive Transitional Age Youth funding this round, 52 of 56 accepted Transitional Housing Program awards; 51 of 56 counties accepted Housing Navigation & Maintenance Program awards; and all six counties eligible for Transitional Housing Plus Housing Supplement Program accepted their awards. Counties that declined awards even after receiving technical assistance from Housing and Community Development indicated a combination of low Transitional Age Youth caseload and insufficient staffing for a new program. Consistent with previous years, any funds that were declined were redistributed to eligible counties with the highest demonstrated need.

The Point in Time Count for homelessness among the age group served by Transitional Age Youth dropped from 11,403 in 2020 to 9,908 in 2022, and again to 8,569 by 2024.

Counties receiving funding include Alameda, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Mono, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Placer, Plumas, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Ventura, Yolo and Yuba. ★

LaMalfa Celebrates Senate Repeal of Extreme Vehicle Emissions Mandates



Doug LaMalfa

Office of Congressman
Doug LaMalfa
News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) -

On May 22, Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) applauded the Senate's passage of three Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolutions that block California's sweeping vehicle emissions mandates from taking effect nationwide. The measures now head to President Donald Trump's desk for signature.

"I'm happy to see the Senate follow the House in pushing back on California's extreme vehicle mandates," said Congressman LaMalfa. "These rules are completely unrealistic and would have made it harder for working families to afford a reliable car or truck. Forcing California's failed model onto the rest of the country is bad policy and bad for consumers. Americans should be free to choose the vehicles that fit their lives and budgets, and I look forward to

seeing the President sign these resolutions into law."

Congressman LaMalfa co-led the resolutions with Representatives John Joyce (R-Pennsylvania), John James (R-Michigan) and Jay Obernolte (R-California).

Under the Clean Air Act, states are generally prohibited from setting their own tailpipe emission standards for cars and trucks. However, California has a unique exemption under Section 209, which allows the state to establish its own emissions regulations if it submits a waiver to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and receives approval. Once granted, these California standards can also be adopted by other states under Section 177 of the Clean Air Act. Currently, about a dozen states follow California's emissions policies, effectively turning the state's regulations into a nationwide mandate.

President Joe Biden's administration approved several controversial waivers requested by the California Air Resources Board (CARB), allowing the state to impose extreme emissions rules that impact car and truck costs and availability across the country. These include:

Advanced Clean Cars II (ACC2): Approved in December 2024, this regulation mandates that 35% of new car sales be zero-emission by 2026,

increasing to 100% by 2035. At least 12 states have already adopted Advanced Clean Cars II. Failure to meet this goal means a maximum penalty of \$25,000 per non-compliant vehicle sold to consumers.

Advanced Clean Trucks (ACT): Approved in March 2023, this regulation forces truck manufacturers and retailers to meet strict zero-emission quotas by 2035, including 55% of Class 2B-3 truck sales, 75% of Class 4 to 8 straight truck sales and 40% of truck tractor sales. At least 11 states have adopted Advanced Clean Trucks.

Omnibus Low-NOx Emissions Rule: Approved in December 2024, this regulation imposes aggressive emissions reductions on medium- and heavy-duty truck and other engines, requiring NOx emissions to be cut by 75% below current standards for Model Year 2024-2026 compared to 2010 levels and particulate matter emissions to be cut by 50%.

Congressman Doug LaMalfa is the Congressional Western Caucus chairman and a lifelong farmer representing California's First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba counties. ★

Gavin Newsom's Off-The-Mark Budget Numbers Undermine His Credibility Again



By Dan Walters,
CALMatters.org

Governor Gavin Newsom's revised state budget assumes California will see a sharp decline in projected revenue, largely because President Donald Trump's tariffs will slow the nation's economy.

Newsom blames a "Trump slump," as well as an anticipated increase in spending on Medi-Cal, California's medical program for the poor, for punching a \$12 billion hole in the budget.

Both of those factors, however, underscore a consistent trend in budgets Newsom has proposed and signed during the last six years, projections of income and outgo that miss the mark, often by many billions of dollars, thus undermining the credibility of the governor's financial depictions.

The most obvious example happened in May 2022, as the state's economy was recovering from the brief, but severe recession caused by shutdowns during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Newsom presented a revised 2022-23 budget that was \$14 billion higher than his original proposal, boasting that the state was experiencing a \$97.5 billion surplus. "No other state in American history has ever experienced a surplus as large as this," Newsom said as he unveiled the revision.

The budget he signed a

month later added still another \$7 billion in spending with immense new commitments, including cash payments to poor families, expanded health care for undocumented immigrants and new funds for early childhood education.

The surplus Newsom extolled, however, was an illusion. He and his budget advisors had assumed that a one-time spike in state revenues would be permanent, setting a new base of personal and corporate income taxes and sales taxes well in excess of \$200 billion a year.

But it didn't happen. A year ago, a brief passage in Newsom's 2024 to 2025 budget revision acknowledged the error.

"Due to the revenue spike from 2019 to 2020 to 2021 to 2022, the budget acts of 2021 and 2022 were based on forecasts that projected substantially greater revenues in the last two fiscal years than occurred," the budget declared.

"Substantially greater" indeed.

An accompanying chart on revenues from the state's three major tax sources revealed that "The total difference across the four fiscal years is a negative \$165.1 billion," meaning the error was \$40 billion or more a year.

However, the fiscal damage was done. Newsom and the Legislature had already committed the state to tens of billions of dollars in new spending based on revenues that didn't exist. They created what's called a structural deficit, a chronic gap between income and outgo, that's currently estimated at \$10 billion to \$30 billion a year.

One might think that, having made such an immense error of fiscal judgment,

Newsom and his Department of Finance would be ultra-careful in projecting revenues and spending.

Apparently not. Last year, one of those 2022 commitments based on the erroneous surplus projection, the extension of Medi-Cal coverage to everyone in the state, including undocumented immigrants, took effect. Early this year, the administration revealed Medi-Cal costs were outpacing expectations by more than \$6 billion, mostly due to the coverage expansion.

In other words, it's a double whammy. The false assumption of budget surpluses has been compounded by a false assumption about Medi-Cal costs, thereby worsening the structural deficit that, if left to fester, would compound itself even more. The Legislative Analyst's Office says the deficit could reach \$42 billion by 2028-29.

The administration's sorry record on income and outgo projections should make the Legislature and the voting public very skeptical of Newsom's current assumption that the "Trump slump" from tariffs will punch an even larger hole in the budget.

That certainly could happen, but with tariffs and their impact shifting day-to-day, putting any number on the revenue impacts is nothing more than guesswork. And we already know that the administration's fiscal guesses are unreliable.

Dan Walters is one of the most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. ★



Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



What do the Dallas Mavericks and the Sacramento Kings have in common? Both teams traded away inexplicably the face of their franchises, and both were in the recent lottery draft with almost impossible odds to acquire the #1 pick.

The Dallas Mavericks traded beloved Luka Doncic to the L.A. Lakers, and GM Nico Harrison somehow retained his job. The Mavericks came to the NBA lottery night with a 1.8 percent chance of acquiring the #1 pick. Fans know that the lottery is anyone's guess, as the Dallas Mavericks defied the odds and are poised to choose 6'9" Cooper Flagg out of Duke.

At 6'9" and 225 pounds, as impossible as it may seem, the Mavericks are poised to replace Luka with a carbon copy that is 3 inches taller and 8 years younger.

After Harrison's Lakers trade, nothing's certain in Dallas, but it's hard to imagine anyone botching the most obvious pick since, dare I say, Luka Doncic, who was acquired via trade after being drafted #3 by Atlanta.

Dallas has come close but has brought home a championship since Luka was acquired from Atlanta in 2018. Now, with Kyrie Irving at the point and Anthony Davis in the paint, 18-year-old Cooper Flagg might just be the missing piece.

The Sacramento Kings Monte McNair was not as fortunate, as his trade of DeAaron Fox was too much to overcome, and Sacramento fans must wait to see what basketball acumen new GM Scott Perry will bring to the table.

Perry finds himself immediately on the hot seat, as there is no time to make any more mistakes.

Pundits say Jure Holiday may become available as the Boston Celtics look to fine tune their lineup, and Holiday is a player that can help on both ends of the floor.

The Kings have improved their team defensively, and that is in no small part to building from within, as Keon Ellis continues to raise eyebrows with his defensive skills, and Keegan Murray has made similar strides over the past two seasons.

Holiday commands a steep paycheck at over 40 million a year, so at least one

high priced King would likely have to go. Many believe that would point to a trade involving DeMar DeRozan, but a trade involving 3-point specialist Zach Lavine can't be ruled out.

Whether the Kings make a play for Holiday or someone else, it's certain that Scott Perry and assistant B.J. Armstrong will be looking to add a true NBA point guard, and not just a capable fill-in.

King's fans would love to see Devin Carter make a leap forward and show fans why he was drafted in the first round a year ago. Carter had many moments last season that gave rise to the notion that this could be the Kings point guard of the future. Only time will tell, but it's unlikely that the new front office will be in wait mode.

Sacramento is looking for some of the Dallas lottery magic, and if there's anything we've learned about the NBA, nothing is taken for granted.

Scott Perry and B.J. Armstrong deserve to show what they can bring to the table, and just how well they can assess talent. A new culture is brewing, and fans are going to have to wait to see what that will look like.

I'm guessing that next season will bring a renewed focus on defense, and even without a trade, the Kings have a roster that can either start or bring players off the bench that can play defense at a high level.

Expect to see changes in the roster, sooner rather than later. If Jrue Holiday is among those changes, he gets my vote, as I believe Holiday's game would be a natural fit for the Kings, and he checks multiple boxes.

For many fans, it's not hard to remember the agonizing 20-win seasons, so despite the disappointment that 40 wins created last year, don't lose heart.

There is real talent on this team, and has been stated many times before, Domantas Sabonis is the real deal. I hope Scott Perry realizes what he has, because this is one big man to build a team around, and I want to see Sabonis in the paint next season leading the NBA in rebounds and double doubles once again!

All the best Kings fans and keep the faith! ★

Social Security Matters

Will "DOGE" Hurt our Social Security or Medicare Benefits?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social
Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am a new AMAC member and have an important question for you, and your answer will be greatly appreciated. My question is: Is the new DOGE effort going to help us, or hurt us, all those living on Social Security and receiving Medicare benefits? Please let us know soon. **Regards: Worried Senior**

Dear Worried Senior: Here at the AMAC Foundation, we offer free access to everyone, the public as well as AMAC members, for our acclaimed Social Security Advisory Service, at which we answer all inquiries from anyone with questions about Social Security and enrollment in Medicare. As you can imagine, we very closely watch all action in Washington, D.C. which will affect Social Security and Medicare, especially any Congressional legislation being considered.

The new "DOGE" (Department of Government Efficiency) organization is tasked with uncovering and eliminating fraud and waste in all areas of the Federal

Government, and that includes Social Security and Medicare. But the important thing to remember is that DOGE is seeking only to discover fraud and government waste.

Recently a great deal of visibility has been given to DOGE's efforts to discover potential fraud (and waste) in the Social Security Administration. Everything we have seen thus far indicates that DOGE's efforts have identified opportunities for reducing fraud and waste at the Social Security Administration, so our expectation is that DOGE's efforts will tend to help the Social Security Administration become more efficient but not endanger anyone's Social Security benefits. Indeed, President Trump and the DOGE team have repeatedly said that no cuts in Social Security benefits will occur as a result of DOGE's efforts. Reducing fraud and waste at the SSA would tend to improve the agency's financial posture and improve their ability to pay full benefits longer. The same is true for Medicare. Actually, DOGE is very transparent and posts everything they find on this website: www.doge.gov. A quick look at this website reveals that none of what they have found at the SSA indicates any threat to SS or Medicare benefits.

I suggest that any negative news media and social media accounts of DOGE's activities be taken

with a grain of salt. All such articles are largely meant to attract attention to unlikely "doomsday" scenarios. The reality is that our government is over \$36 trillion in debt, and that debt is growing, which is an unsustainable financial path for our country. DOGE is specifically tasked with eliminating the deficit gap by reducing frivolous government spending and fraud. But reducing crucial benefits for seniors on Social Security and Medicare are NOT part of DOGE's efforts, nor their goal.

Rest assured that here at the AMAC Foundation we are watching all current DOGE efforts very closely and will vigorously oppose anything which will negatively affect Social Security and Medicare. Indeed, AMAC's stated goal is to strengthen and preserve Social Security for all future generations.

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Introducing the Trump Doctrine

President Donald Trump gave an important speech in Riyadh that may come as close to outlining a "Trump doctrine" as we'll probably see. It was a direct counterpoint to George W. Bush's second inaugural address. The simplistic way to put it is that what liberty was for Bush, money is to Donald Trump.

That's not quite right, though. The speech had values, they just weren't typical values -- accountable government, human dignity -- but simply prosperity and peace. If Bush wanted to spread freedom, Trump wants to spread gleaming high-rise buildings.

He hailed the rise in the Gulf of a Middle East "defined by commerce, not chaos, where it exports technology, not terrorism, and where people of different nations, religions and creeds are building cities together."

Notably, there is no liberty in this affirming sentence -- it's all economic activity. The speech was very critical of Iran, but his critique was that it isn't constructing anything. Instead, its landmarks "are collapsing into rubble and dust."

Trump's speech wasn't isolationist, or alien to American traditions. The address ran in the slipstream of the Hamiltonian tradition as famously outlined by Walter

Russell Mead, with its emphasis on the role of commerce in foreign affairs. And there was, as always, a Jacksonian element, as Trump spoke of smiting America's enemies. There was, however, no Wilsonianism. In a passage that got attention, Trump rapped neocons and liberal nonprofits for trying, but failing, to develop the Middle East because they didn't know or respect the culture of the region.

There is merit in this charge. We had no idea what we were getting into in Iraq and Afghanistan, while George W. Bush's vision for the spread of democracy systematically failed to account for the influence of culture, and for the centrality of order to liberty and other social goods.

That said, both Afghanistan and Iraq were originally conceived as wars of self-defense in the wake of a terror attack that shook America to its core. It's also unpersuasive to hold up the Gulf states as a counterexample of development -- anyone can run an emirate sitting atop gobs of oil and living under the U.S. security umbrella.

Trump's vision is actually as universalist as Bush's; Bush believed every country could become a democracy, and Trump believes that every country can prosper.

Iran can be "a wonderful, safe, great country, but they cannot have a nuclear weapon." Lebanon, too, can embrace "a future of economic development and peace." He'll reach out to anyone and bring them into this charmed circle of commerce and comity. "As I've shown repeatedly," he

said, "I am willing to end past conflicts and forge new partnerships."

For Trump, it's the results that matter -- the prosperity and peace -- not how a given government achieves them. That's none of our business. "I believe it is God's job to sit in judgment," he pronounced. Trump's job is to promote "stability, prosperity and peace."

In sum, the speech was a deal-maker's realpolitik, or a doctrine that we won't really have a doctrine except for trying to get everyone rich and to get along with as many people as possible.

The address was certainly bracing. But values do matter. Liberal societies are, as a general matter, more reliably our friends, and more reliably achieve prosperity. If Bush's vision advanced an unrealistic view of what motivates mankind -- all yearning for liberty, no yearning for power or revenge -- Trump drastically simplifies human motivation in his own way. As history has shown, people will fight and die for faiths and ideologies when these have nothing to do with prosperity, or actively destroy it.

Also, it should be said that standing for democratic ideals is an enormous part of America's appeal around the world, and if we get into a competition with China purely over who is richer and can cut more deals, we are kicking away a major advantage. That's likely an insight for another president, though. Trump has his doctrine.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Ask DR. UNIVERSE

Why do we Lose our Hearing when we Get Older?

— David, 10, Wisconsin

Dear David,

I love visiting with my grandcat. But sometimes I have to talk loudly so she can hear me.

I asked my friend Christine Portfors why that is. She's a biologist at Washington State University.

She told me it's all about the hair cells inside our ears.

They aren't really hairs. They're sensory cells. Hair cells have tiny, bristle-like tufts that stick out—called cilia—that look a little bit like hairs.

Those hair cells are why we can hear.

First, sounds funnel into our ears. They bonk into the ear drum and make it vibrate. Then, three itty, bitty bones make those vibrations bigger. They send the vibrations to the inner ear. There are tons of hair cells there. The vibrations ripple over our hair cells, making the cilia move or bend. It's like turning on a switch. Electrical signals zoom up the auditory nerve to our brains. Then, our brains make sense of what we're hearing.

But, as we get older, our hair cells start to break down. After years and years of responding to sound vibrations, they simply wear out.

"The real problem is that hair cells can't repair themselves or regrow," Portfors said. "So, once they wear out, they're gone—and you lose your ability to hear all those different types of sounds."

Besides normal wear and tear, there are other ways our hair cells can take damage. Sometimes ear infections, head injuries and other diseases harm them. Sometimes medicines damage hair cells as a side effect.

Sounds that are too loud also hurt your hair cells. That's extra true if the loud noises go on for a

long time or happen regularly.

Maybe you've been somewhere super noisy or had your headphones cranked up mega loud. When things were quiet again, you may have heard a ringing sound inside your ears. Portfors

says that's your hair cells alerting you that loud sound is damaging them.

Luckily, it's usually easy to protect your hair cells from loud noise. You can avoid very loud places—or only stay a short time. You can wear ear muffs or ear plugs when it's loud. You can turn down your headphones. I learned that if someone else can hear my headphones while I'm using them, that means they're definitely too loud.

Someday scientists will probably be able to fix damaged or worn-out hair cells.

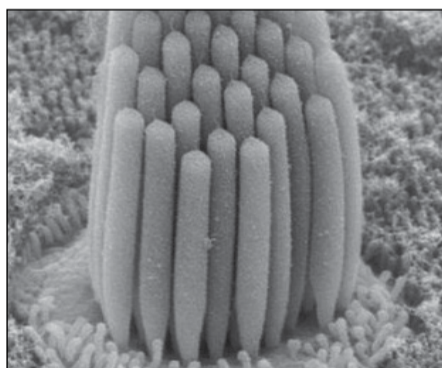
"What's interesting is birds and reptiles regrow their hair cells," Portfors said. "So, there's lots of research trying to understand why mammals don't. Is there a way that we can understand the different genetics and help humans regrow their hair cells? That's a huge area of study."

In the meantime, use your ear protection—just like you use other safety gear like seatbelts and helmets. And if you're lucky enough to have an older person in your life, help them stay connected.

It can be lonely to lose your hearing due to age, but spending time with you is ear-resistible.

Sincerely,

Dr. Universe



This hair cell is in the inner ear of a frog. The long bits that look like hairs or bits of spaghetti are the cilia. Image: NIH Image:NIH



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- Heidi's footwear, pl.
- * Hamm
- Humorous anecdote
- It doesn't take away tomorrow's troubles
- Like Mother Hubbard
- Popular pie nut
- Hiker's path
- Court
- Makes better
- *Number of soccer players on field for each team
- *Winningest FIFA World Cup country
- Common inquiries, acr.
- Carmy Berzatto's restaurant, with The
- Cul-de-_____
- In the buff
- Preacher's platform
- Poking instrument
- Smidge
- Sashay
- Bald eagle's nest
- *a.k.a. soccer field
- Lice eggs
- Located within
- 3 squared
- High rocky hills
- Post-roller coaster ride state
- Captain of Nautilus
- _____ chi
- Unforeseen obstacle
- Acronym, abbr.
- *FIFA headquarters location
- *Soccer footwear
- Uninterested
- Hundred Acre Wood's wise resident
- Parkinson's drug
- Pool problem, pl.
- Romanian money
- Wooden ship caulking
- Celt
- Cotillon ball's main attraction
- * Alexander-Arnold

DOWN

- 100 lbs.
- Elders' teachings
- Kind of history
- Widower's feelings
- Forest spirit
- Worked over with scythe
- UN labor org.
- Sun-dried brick
- Exclamation, with Louise
- Palm tree berry
- _____ Mall, London
- Ensign, for short
- a.k.a. Lighthouse of Alexandria
- *Provide with shin guards, socks and uniform, e.g.
- Drake's genre
- Playing roulette
- *FIFA Women's World Cup current champion
- Rome's Colosseum, e.g.
- Singular of cornua
- Kill (2 words)
- "By _____ of" or "by means of"
- "The _____," Dostoyevsky's novel
- U in UV
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- Coloring substances
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- Relating to blood
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- Get _____ of someone
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Youth, Dedication and Innovation Honored

2025 DOVIA Volunteer Awards Ceremony

By Ornella Rossi

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Volunteer leaders and advocates gathered May 14 at The Center at District 56 to celebrate the 2025 Directors of Volunteers in Agencies (DOVIA) Awards Ceremony, honoring exceptional contributions in volunteerism across the Sacramento region.

DOVIA Sacramento, a professional association that supports volunteer managers and leaders, recognized outstanding individuals in three categories: Youth Volunteer of the Year, Individual Volunteer of the Year and Volunteer Manager of the Year.

“Our mission is to help people who are volunteer program managers with their jobs,” said Leslie Fritz, DOVIA vice-chair. “I want attendees today to take away from this event the richness we have in the community. And maybe if we can continue to show that richness, it won’t slip away.”

This year’s event recognized 23 nominees across all categories. Each nominee received a certificate from Sacramento County Board of Supervisors representatives, including Supervisors Phil Serna (District 1), Rich Desmond (District 3), Rosario Rodriguez (District 4), and Pat Hume (District 5).

Among the 11 youth nominees, Raymond Ran and Nicole Wang, both seniors and volunteers at the Sacramento Public Library’s Arcade Branch, were named Youth Volunteers of the Year. The duo co-founded a weekly drop-in coding club for tweens, the first of its kind at the branch, helping dozens of children and their families engage with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education in a welcoming, community-driven environment.



DOVIA staff and volunteers beam with pride after another successful Volunteer Awards Ceremony. Photo by Bill Taylor

“The most rewarding part is definitely watching the kids learn throughout the program and better understand the coding concepts,” Wang said.

Ran added, “We didn’t do this project because of an award but it is nice that we got it. We didn’t even know we had been nominated so that was a surprise. It was cool seeing the kids gradually get better and faster at responding to questions.”

Their nominator, librarian Molly Millazzo, was struck by their initiative and professionalism.

“I have never had volunteers who came to me with such a complete idea and were so committed to following it through,”

Millazzo said. “It even gave me ideas for how to better work with the youth we serve.”

Lisa Couper, a longtime docent for the Sacramento Valley Conservancy, was honored as Individual Volunteer of the Year. Since 2011, Couper has led public education efforts at Deer Creek Hills Preserve, bringing passion and deep environmental knowledge to every hike and program.

“My volunteering started from wanting to preserve that open space and how critical that open space is,” Couper said. “I didn’t even know about the nomination, so winning is an even bigger surprise. It’s nice to have the volunteerism recognized but the

recognition is not why I do it.”

Karly Towne, outreach coordinator at the Sacramento Valley Conservancy, praised Couper’s commitment.

“Lisa is an easy person to nominate. If I have any sort of activity, any questions, Lisa is always there. She can do anything and be anywhere,” Towne said.

Hollis Sweet, volunteer manager at the Sacramento LGBT Community Center, was named Volunteer Manager of the Year for his transformative leadership in expanding and enhancing the community center’s volunteer and internship programs. Under his guidance, the community center now supports more than

400 volunteers across daily services and major events such as Sacramento Pride.

“When I am building a volunteer system, there are two steps I always try to keep in mind: is it going to reduce barriers and is it going to provide a meaningful opportunity?” Sweet said. “I want volunteers to have a good time and know they are having a positive impact. I’d continue this work without the award but it sure feels nice to be recognized.”

Luis Cortes, the community center’s chief development and external affairs officer, emphasized Sweet’s impact.

“We really wouldn’t be able to do half of what we do without him,” Cortes said.

The nominees for Youth Volunteer of the Year included Ethan Minton of E Train Talks, Inc.; Hadash Perez, Monica Castillo, Ran, Wang, and Sofia Guo of the Sacramento Public Library; Inta Rasmusson of Vitalant; Mary Saucedo and Sofia Maltease of WEAVE; Sara Matoba of WEAVE; and Siri Robinson of Mercy Hospital of Folsom.

For the Individual Volunteer of the Year category, nominees were Amy Labowitch of the Elk Grove Chamber of Commerce; Ann Taniguchi and Kathy Tourtillott of Vitalant; Brandon Whittle of Lavender Library; Carol Cacy, Julia Mee, and Terri Halahan of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Sacramento; Harry Weller of the American River Parkway Foundation; Joanna Johnson Felt of the American Red Cross; and Couper of the Sacramento Valley Conservancy.

The nominees for Volunteer Manager of the Year were Athena Di of CASA Sacramento and Sweet of the Sacramento LGBT Community Center and Sacramento Pride. ★

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