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The Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, the National Park Service, Beatrice and Kevin Olsen, Cosumnes Community Service District and the Native Sons of the Golden West were all contributors to get these educational signs erected at Willard Park.

**Story and photos by
Idaly Valencia**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Many Elk Grove residents might recognize the names of local parks and streets but few might know the history behind them. Willard Park is one such place, named after a man with a direct

connection to American exploration history. Willard Park, located in the East Franklin neighborhood, is a reminder that names can carry a deep historical connection to the Elk Grove area. Three large signs at the park educate visitors about the Lewis and

Clark Expedition. One specifically tells the story of Alexander Hamilton Willard, the person for whom the park was named. A sign dedication was held June 10 at Willard Park to honor this historical link. The project was made possible through efforts

by the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation and Alliance, the National Park Service, Beatrice and Kevin Olsen, the Cosumnes Community Services District and the Native Sons of the Golden West. The signs detail the life

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Council Adopts Balanced Budget



**City of Elk Grove
News Release**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - On June 17 it was announced that the Elk Grove City Council unanimously adopted a balanced \$411 million budget for the 2025-26 fiscal year, which takes effect on July 1.

The Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget includes an operating budget for day-to-day city programs and services. The city's General Fund budget is \$97.4 million for Fiscal Year 2025-26, which is about \$4.9 million (5.3%) more than last fiscal year. The long-term financial outlook shows a balanced General Fund budget (revenues are more than expenditures) annually over the next five years.

"This year's budget reflects the city's ongoing commitment to delivering high-quality programs and services for our residents," said Elk Grove City Manager Jason Behrmann.

"With a balanced budget for the year ahead, including a General Fund that remains in the black not just this year, but for the next five years, we are well-positioned to support our community's needs today and plan wisely for tomorrow," he said.

Budget highlights include: 14 new positions, including one funded from Measure E and three conversions from contractors to city staff positions; the Elk Grove Library construction project; several one-time initiatives funded by Measure E: Grant Line Business Park Infrastructure Improvements; pavement rehab on Laguna and Elk Grove boulevards; Laguna Creek Inter-Regional Trail Crossing at State Route 99; Trails Wayfinding Program Implementation; Citywide Traffic Signal Enhancement and Congestion Relief Project; enhanced policing efforts through new and expanded use of technology and training; enhanced economic development initiatives for Historic Main Street, a Mural Festival and the development of an Arts and Creative Economy Strategy; increased funding for housing and homelessness supported by Measure E for Permanent Shelter Scoping and Design as well as a Middle-Income

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Stars, Stripes and Good Times

Events to Attend on Fourth of July



The annual Run 4 Hunger is another activity that residents look forward to during Independence Day weekend. It includes a 5K, 10K and the Kids' Fun Run. Photo courtesy of Elk Grove Food Bank Services

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Independence Day is approaching soon, which means celebrations of red, white and blue are underway. There will be several events in the community of Elk Grove that residents can plan to attend and stay entertained this

Fourth of July weekend.

Salute to the Red, White and Blue

The Salute to the Red, White and Blue is Elk Grove's premier patriotic celebration marking the nation's independence. Join the City of Elk Grove to celebrate the city and nation

July 4 at Elk Grove Regional Park, 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road.

Presented by Sky River Casino, the day will feature vendors, food trucks, live entertainment and a fireworks show to top off the night.

This year will be a particularly special event because the city will

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Police Arrest 18-Year-Old in Double Homicide

Elk Grove Police Department News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The Elk Grove Police Department is investigating a double homicide that occurred early June 23 at a residence in the 8200 block of Triplefin Way.

At approximately 5:35 a.m., officers responded to a call regarding a shooting inside the home. Upon arrival, two people, a 51-year-old man and a 19-year-old man, were found dead at the scene.

The circumstances leading up to the shooting were initially unclear; however, through the course of the investigation, detectives determined that the incident stemmed from an argument among family members.

Based on the

investigation, 18-year-old Noah Battaglia was identified as the suspect who allegedly shot and killed two family members during the dispute.

Battaglia, who had left the house before the responding officers arrived, was located approximately two hours later at a house in South Sacramento.

Battaglia was taken into custody and booked into the Sacramento County Main Jail on two counts of homicide.

The Sacramento County Coroner's Office will make identification of the deceased.

Anyone with information regarding this investigation is asked to call the Elk Grove Police Department Investigations Bureau at 916-478-8060 or Crime Stoppers at 916-443-HELP (4357). ★

Commissioners Tour Ag Water Recycling Project



From left, California Water Commission Vice-chair Kim Gallagher, Commissioner Ty Bland, Commission Chair Fern Steiner, Commissioner Jose Solorio, Commissioner Sandi Matsumoto and Commissioner Alex Makler at the Stones Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Elk Grove. On June 18, the water commissioners toured the Harvest Water agricultural water recycling project. Courtesy photo

California Water Commission News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - On June 18, the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SacSewer) hosted a public bus tour of the Harvest Water Program as part of the California Water Commission's June

meeting. The Commission administers the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) to fund the public benefits associated with water storage projects.

One project, the Harvest Water Program, has received final funding and is under construction.

The Harvest Water Program is a

conjunctive-use project to store and manage groundwater while improving stream flow, enhancing groundwater-dependent ecosystems, sustaining agricultural lands and improving regional water supply reliability.

This project, once constructed, will provide reliable, high quality recycled water to agricultural

lands and existing habitats in southern Sacramento County.

The tour included several SacSewer and WSIP-funded Harvest Water Program sites, including the EchoWater Resource Recovery Facility, Harvest Water Pump Station, Bufferlands and active pipeline construction areas. ★

Free Personal Document Shredding Event Saturday

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The City of Elk Grove and Republic Services are hosting a free document shredding event from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, June 28 at Elk Grove City Hall, 8401 Laguna Palms Way.

Residents can bring up to three banker boxes (12"x15"x10") of personal paper documents for safe and secure shredding. Documents can

be disposed of whether they're loose, folded, stapled or in envelopes.

Only personal paper documents are being accepted. Documents such as business records, large metals, binders, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, slides, credit cards or cassettes will not be accepted.

Republic Services staff will be responsible for paper document unloading and shredding. This drive-thru event is open only to residents of Elk Grove. ★

Science Café Presents Volcano Discussion

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The Elk Grove Science Café hosts its monthly science-related conversations for adults and teens to create a community connection as well as enjoy complimentary treats. The theme for this month: volcanoes!

The upcoming conversation on Wednesday, July 2 is "Your Friendly Neighborhood Volcanoes," featuring artist and scientist J Humphreys, Ph.D., who will be talking about a geologic history of California as told by volcanoes.

Members of the community can engage in this TED Talk-type of

discussion and learn about how a tiny piece of volcanic debris can tell a continent-size story.

This Science Café discussion will be hosted by A Seat at the Table Community Initiative, located at 9257 Laguna Springs Drive, Suite #130 in Elk Grove.

This free community



event will be from 6:30 to 8 p.m. July 2. To reserve a spot, register by scanning the QR code. ★



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Stars, Stripes and Good Times



Geoffrey Miller & The Rockin' Rousers will perform from 4 to 6 p.m. July 4 at Horn BBQ, 9700 Railroad St. Photo courtesy of Geoffrey Miller & The Rockin' Rousers

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 be celebrating its 25th birthday, so attendees can expect a lot of surprises this year including the addition of a drone show!

Watch as 200 illuminated drones take to the sky in a synchronized performance celebrating Independence Day with vibrant animations, patriotic symbols and immersive storytelling.

This all-new aerial experience from Skyworx Drone Shows will lead into Elk Grove's traditional fireworks display from Pyro Spectaculars.

The event starts at 6 p.m. with the "Let Freedom Ride" bike parade, which is open for anyone to join. Those that would like to participate just need to bring any item with wheels, get to decorate it for free and be part of the parade that will be held inside the park.

At 7:30 p.m., ceremonies will commence with a live concert called "Rock with You, The Michael Jackson Experience." This is a tribute to the late King of Pop that will feature two Michael Jackson

performers that rock his look and signature MJ moves.

The drone show and the fireworks display will start at 9:30 p.m.

For more information about this event, visit elkgrove.gov/event/salute-red-white-and-blue/july-04-2025-0500pm.

Celebrate 4th of July at Horn BBQ

Horn BBQ, located at 9700 Railroad St., will host an old-school American BBQ bash that includes fun for the whole family on Friday, July 4.

This event will feature a classic car show as well as a vendor market with local businesses, artists and creators from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Live music will be available from 4 to 6 p.m. performed by Geoffrey Miller & The Rockin' Rousers.

Attendees can expect to enjoy slow-smoked barbecue all day, cold drinks and "backyard vibes."

There will be no entry fee for classic car owners interested in bringing their

vehicles and showing them off in style.

Run 4 Hunger

The annual Run 4 Hunger is another activity that residents look forward to during Independence Day weekend. It includes a 5K, 10K and the Kids' Fun Run.

According to the Run 4 Hunger website, this event has been a staple in Elk Grove for 20 years where folks can walk, run and give back to the community. Participating brings families, friends and neighbors together for a morning of fun, fitness and philanthropy all in support of Elk Grove Food Bank Services.

Run 4 Hunger will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 4. Participants are to meet at the District56 Center at 9701 Big Horn Blvd. and should arrive at 6:30 a.m.

Amenities and swag will be available to those who participate in the races such as a pancake breakfast, Zumba warmup session, race shirts, finisher medals, awards and post-race snacks. Register at egrund4hunger.com. ★

Park Signs Honor Ties to Lewis and Clark



Philippa Newfield and her husband, Philip Gordon, traveled from their home in San Francisco to participate at the sign dedication on behalf of the Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance; a support group for the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

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of Willard, a blacksmith from New Hampshire who joined the Corps of Discovery and accompanied Meriwether Lewis and William Clark on their expedition from 1804 to 1806. After living in Wisconsin for about 25 years, Willard and his wife, Eleanor McDonald, settled in Georgetown, now called Franklin, where they spent the rest of their lives.

"He had 12 children and one of his sons had come and settled in the Sacramento Valley because of the Gold Rush. So, Willard comes at the age of 74 across the California Trail and sets up shop here. He had a farm," said Philippa Newfield, a member of the Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance.

Willard's farm might have helped supply the Gold Rush, making him a California pioneer. He and his wife also owned land that is now part of the privately-held area within the Stone Lakes National Wildlife Refuge off Interstate 5 (I-5).

Beatrice Olsen, a direct descendant of Willard, attended the sign dedication and shared a family anecdote.

"You think about coming across the states and say, 'Oh, we'll just take the oxen and wagon.' It was so bumpety-bangy that a lot of the time they would walk," Olsen said. "He had already done it once and he did it again at age 74 with his wife and a bunch of kids."

Willard died March 6, 1865, at age 86, and was buried at Franklin Cemetery in Elk Grove. He was the second-to-last survivor of the expedition.

Newfield and her husband, Philip Gordon, traveled from San



The middle sign in the Willard Park series shares the legacy of Alexander Hamilton Willard and sheds light on York, who was an enslaved man and the only African American person on the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Francisco to take part in the dedication on behalf of the Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance, a support group for the preservation of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

"The story and the trail are only as good as the next generation that travels the trail and knows the story because it was an epic adventure," Newfield said. "The trail really has a lot of opportunities for recreation as well as history."

Mike Dopson of the Cosumnes Community Services District said that the signs were installed six to seven months ago, with the June 10 gathering serving as the official celebration. The district is responsible for the parks and recreation department in Elk Grove.

The signage project began when John Hess, a Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation member, reached out to Elk Grove's parks and recreation about bringing the signs to Willard Park, according to Dopson.

Hess, who is part of the foundation's Southwest region, also spoke at the event, explaining how and why the signs came to be.

"I was aware that in Elk Grove, there are various places named after

Willard," Hess said. "I drove over to this park and then realized that it had a nice sign with the name of the park but it doesn't explain where the name came from."

In June 2017, Hess had previously helped install a similar set of signs at Franklin Cemetery. The new signs at Willard Park are identical, featuring the same historical content and illustrations.

Jim Entrican of the Native Sons of the Golden West said the group contributed to the original signs at Franklin Cemetery and also supported the new ones. Entrican was at the sign dedication representing Elk Grove Parlor No. 41 and Lodi Parlor No. 18, which joined efforts to contribute funds for a sign at Willard Park.

"Any opportunity we have to get the attention of folks to tell the story of Lewis and Clark, we're going to try to take," Hess said. "We have had previous meetings in Elk Grove due to the Willard gravesite and I thought the public should know more about Elk Grove's connection to the Lewis & Clark Expedition."

Willard Park is at 9650 Cresleigh Parkway. ★

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Housing initiative.


"Our budget reflects Elk Grove's values, investing in safety, services and quality of life, while planning responsibly for the years ahead," said Elk Grove Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen.

"We are grateful that our city continues to enjoy good fiscal health and remains in a strong position to consider big things for Elk Grove's future."

Because even the nation's top economists are finding it hard to predict our fiscal future, the city will maintain a 25%

reserve, or "rainy day fund," to assist with navigating future economic uncertainty and cash flow needs. The city council also continues to fund the city's Opportunity Reserve that adds flexible funding for projects, acquisitions, unforeseen events or other needs of the community. The Opportunity Reserve is also fully funded at 5% of adjusted appropriations.

Details of the city's budget can be found online at elkgrove.gov/budget. For more information, contact Budget Manager Nathan Bagwill at 916-627-3361 or nbagwill@elkgrove.gov. ★






AMBASSADOR OF THE MONTH


Ryan Lowery

Ryan and his parents moved to Elk Grove in 2000, he then graduated from Elk Grove High School in 2002 and attended Sacramento State shortly after to study Business. Over the years Ryan worked a few different jobs from bartender, to delivery driver to sales representative. Ryan's true passion is working with local Elk Grove residents and hearing their unique stories.

Ryan married his high school sweetheart Sarah who is currently a teacher for CAVA in 2007 and they just celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary. Ryan and his family moved to Fallbrook in 2017 to establish his roots in east Elk Grove. They have 2 daughter's Abigail and Eliza who attend Albani Middle school and Edna Batey Elementary school respectively. Ryan's free time consists of competitive soccer with his 2 daughters, movies with the family and playing with his dog Kali.

Ryan joined the Brooks Painting team in 2023 as an estimator. Brooks painting is a residential and commercial painting company that specializes in exterior, interior, cabinets, epoxy and miscellaneous other coatings. When Brooks joined the chamber last year they immediately saw the benefits and only months later Ryan decided to go a step further to join the Ambassador team. Ryan truly looks forward to working with the Elk Grove Chamber and the Ambassador team to make Elk Grove the best community it can be!




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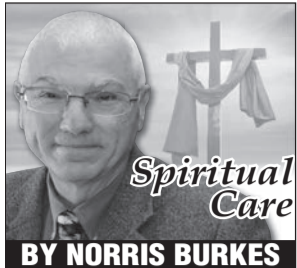
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Good Marriages Require Sweat Work



Spiritual Care

BY NORRIS BURKES

Wedding season is in full bloom for Elk Grove Park and area churches, I've seen the lovely dresses spilling from stretch limos, flowers flowing, and jewelry sparkling.

Looking at this outside view, I see the signs that the couple spent countless hours sweating the details of their lavish affair.

But long before this summer spectacular, I hope someone has asked the couple this question:

"You've prepared for the special day, but what have you done to consider the lifetime you are committing to?"

It's a question I always asked the couple in my role as officiant and premarital counselor. But it was the questions the couple asked of me that sometimes threw me off guard.

For instance, just a few weeks before a wedding, I once had a groom-to-be toss me a "by-the-way bomb."

"My fiancée wants to omit the promise, 'Till death do us part.' Would that be a deal breaker for the ceremony?"

Deju vu. It was the same question from a bride-to-be who asked me to change the promise to read, "Till love do us part."

I told both couples, "I really have to stick with the unabridged format."

The first couple responded by finding another chaplain. The latter couple dissolved their marriage when the groom left on a Navy cruise and the bride parted to go with a land lover.

Unfortunately, marriage

counseling is far less comedic and much more frustrating.

The most frustrating thing is that I feel like I have been blessed with a marriage that I cannot clone in others.

A good marriage is a complicated dish, and I don't have the recipe, or I'd publish it. Often, I've come home from a difficult counseling case, and I'll hold my wife tight.

There is no greater priority than my marriage, because I believe God gave marriage to mankind as the closest equal to unconditional love. Despite God's intention for marriage, many are willing to take the risk of making marriage analogous to hell.

While working as a hospital chaplain, a respiratory therapist burst into my office, "Chaplain, Chaplain! She said 'yes!'"

"She" was another therapist who'd just accepted his wedding proposal after two years of dating.

I knew them well enough to assume their biggest challenge would be to quit smoking. Despite what respiratory therapists witness, some still smoke like chimneys.

He heralded the news from floor to floor until he arrived on the bottom floor — literally and figuratively. His last stop was the nurses' station where his old girlfriend was the shift manager.

She invited him into a supply closet where her congratulatory "hug" went much farther than it should have. In a hot Texas minute, a two-year relationship went up in smoke.

Hospital administration congratulated them both with unpaid vacations.

When I've seen people like these therapists risking something so precious, I'm often left shaken. It makes me try to define and categorize what I have in a vain attempt to keep it and control it. I wish it worked that way.

I am not entirely sure what my wife and I have. It's the kind of love that continues, whether I burn the toast or burn my temper. It's a love that tells me I'm forgiven before I ask. It's the kind of love described in our wedding vow that "halves a sorrow and doubles a joy."

Like many couples, we sometimes go to bed dead tired, sometimes too tired for the fun I seek and too tired for the prayers she wants. But we rarely are too tired to talk out our day and absolutely never too tired for our three good night kisses and "I love you."

Still, maybe there is a thing that I know about marriage that respiratory therapists also know about smokers.

Therapists, who watch smokers die, know they are no less likely to become smokers.

Ministers, who watch marriages die, aren't any less likely to divorce. It takes work to quit smoking, and it takes work to make marriages successful.

So, at the end of the day, I realize there is something Freudian about the way my fast fingers often seem to mistype "sweetheart" into "sweatheart."

The typo is a great reminder that a good marriage takes a lot of work and spiritual sweat. Good marriages require honest heart work, but most especially real sweat work.

"I love you Sweat-heart!"

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All of Norris's books can be ordered on Amazon. Autographed copies can be obtained on his website www.thechaplain.net or by sending a check for \$20 for each book to 10566 Combie Rd. Suite 6643 Auburn, CA 95602. ★

RELIGION NEWS

Grace Church Hosts Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered ministry offering help in finding freedom from the issues (hurts, hang-ups and habits) controlling your life.

Meetings are held weekly on Friday evenings at 7 p.m. at Grace Church, located at 9766 Waterman Road, next to Mel Dogs.

Sunday Worship begins at 10 a.m. For more information call (916) 714 3444 or email office@gracechurcheg.org. Visit GraceChurchEG.org.

Events at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

Our next Jazz & Blues Concert at our church will be on July 6, when Cheryl Saltel Tiburzi will bring us a Tribute to Patsy Cline. Aug 3, Blues music by Julie & the Jukes. Concerts are held the first Sunday of every month through November.

Singer/songwriter Scotty Inman will return to District 56 with a concert on Nov. 14. His music is remarkable, with messages

of faith, family and life. To reserve your seats: itickets.com/events/481804. A portion of the proceeds will go to several charities.

Rev. McNamara welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 a.m. Our church is at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn.

We have open Communion the first Sunday of the month. For more information, Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or elk-grovepres@gmail.com.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church's Mass Schedule

Elk Grove's St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church invites everyone to celebrations of Holy Mass at 8700 Bradshaw Road.

Mass will be held there at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays.

They also have weekday Masses at 9 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

For more information, call (916) 647-4538, visit www.

SMGCC.net, or download the MyParish app and enter the code, 55321.

Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Services

Community members are invited to the Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove.

Sunday School and nursery services are available. For more information, visit www.FieldOfHopeUCC.org.

Chabad of Elk Grove Offers Torah Classes

Local community members are invited to attend free weekly Torah Classes that will be offered by Chabad of Elk Grove. Each class will be held from 6:45-7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at a private location.

The course, "Flashbacks in Jewish History," will examine how our past informs our future. Rabbi Chaim Groner leads the discussion. For location, call (917) 724-4443. ★

CLASS NOTES

Nissen Earns Degree at George Fox University

MPG Staff

NEWBERG, ORE. (MPG) - Austin Nissen of Elk Grove was among the undergraduate, accelerated online degree and graduate-level students who received diplomas from George Fox University at its spring graduation

ceremony in May 2025. Nissen earned a bachelor of science in psychology.

George Fox University is a Christian college classified by U.S. News & World Report as a "Best National University." More than 4,000 students attend classes on the university's campus in Newberg,

Oregon, and at teaching centers in Portland and Redmond, Oregon. George Fox offers more than 60 undergraduate academic programs, accelerated online degree programs for working adults, six seminary degrees, and 15 masters and doctoral degrees. ★

Ochoa Promoted at State Agency

Office of Gov. Gavin Newsom News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Patricia "Patti" Ochoa of Elk Grove has been appointed special assistant to the secretary at the California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

Ochoa has been staff services manager I at the California Business, Consumer

Services and Housing Agency since 2016, where she has held multiple roles since 2013, including administrative assistant II and administrative assistant I. She was the administrative/executive assistant at the California Air Resources Board from 2008 to 2013.

This position does not require Senate confirmation, and the compensation is \$108,000. Ochoa is a Democrat. ★

MEETING MINDERS

Community members can watch these meetings online and submit public comments for the officials to review.

The Elk Grove City Council has its regular meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. To view the meeting, visit the city of Elk Grove's website, ElkGroveCity.org.

The Elk Grove Planning Commission

has its online meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of the month. A live video stream of this meeting can be viewed at ElkGroveCity.org.

The Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors has in-person meetings at 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd. ★

Places of Worship

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8701 Elk Grove-Florin Rd.

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POLICE LOGS

June 14

1:01 a.m., State Highway 99/Grant Line Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Diana Romero, 65, on warrant charges.

2:07 a.m., Calvin Road/Merry Hill Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Allyah Brown, 29, on DUI/drug, driving with an open container, driving without a license and resisting arrest charges.

3:46 a.m., Grant Line Road/State Highway 99, Elk Grove Police arrested Noah Jacob, 25, on possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

10:38 a.m., 8200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Andre Dewitt, 32, on warrant charges.

11:11 a.m., Franklin Road/Big Horn Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested John Sparks, 44, on warrant charges.

9:03 p.m., 8300 block of Power Inn Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Randell Tillis, 38, on giving false identification to an officer and warrant charges.

10:13 p.m., Bruceville Road/Timberlake Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Lejuan Mosley, 25; and Summer Ivory, 36, on possession of cocaine or heroin charges.

June 15

1:58 a.m., 100 block of Sky River Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Nicolas Santos, 47, on DUI charges.

4:11 a.m., 100 block of Sky River Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Roni

Plascencia, 30, on battery charges.

5:26 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Frank Rodriguez, 58, on domestic violence, vandalism and resisting arrest charges.

June 16

8:15 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Andre Junious, 35, on domestic violence charges.

10:30 a.m., 9400 block of Rainbow Falls Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Enos Edobaa, 25, on assault by means likely to produce great bodily injury charges.

5:36 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Cresleigh Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Chavele Johnson, 36, on warrant charges.

8:11 p.m., 4900 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Derick Maddison, 47, on public intoxication charges.

8:52 p.m., 10600 block of Sheldon Woods Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Jacob Maag, 39, on DUI/drug charges.

10:52 p.m., Kammerer Road/Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Chanon Saephran, 41, on possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of hard drugs with priors charges.

11:28 p.m., Elk Grove Florin Road/Four Seasons Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Ashneel Naidu, 33, on DUI, driving with an open container and speeding charges.

June 17

9:14 a.m., 9400 block of Harbour Point Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested David Simms, 35, on resisting arrest, battery on a peace officer, non-current registration and driving without a license charges.

9:43 a.m., 10400 block of Grant Line Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Sara Sanders, 50, on burglary charges.

5:14 p.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Tashae Woods, 30, on battery causing serious bodily injury and resisting arrest charges.

8:41 p.m., 7400 block of Wilsail Court, Elk Grove Police arrested Keion Bennett, 38, on warrant charges.

9:34 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Daniel Marks, 42, on domestic violence and possession of an assault weapon charges.

June 18

12:29 a.m., Red Fox Way/Laguna Springs Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested a male juvenile, 13, on reckless driving, driving without registration, driving without a license and resisting arrest charges.

3 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Paul Afeiluk, 29, on domestic violence, child endangerment and assault with a deadly weapon charges.

4:16 p.m., 9200 block of Franklin Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Jessica Avendano, 32, on vandalism

charges.

5:14 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Sarah Jarrett, 38, on domestic violence and child endangerment charges.

5:58 p.m., 8800 block of Bond Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Daniel Theobald, 35, on possession of a controlled substance charges.

8:13 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Alejandro Gonzalez-Garcia, 27, on domestic violence charges.

9:34 p.m., 9200 block of Harrogate Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Jamil Scoggins, 26, on warrant charges.

June 19

4:52 p.m., 9000 block of Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Jay Bagube, 39, on speeding and exhibition of speed charges.

11:13 p.m., 8900 block of Weeping Fig Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Alicia Rosales, 43, on hit and run with injuries charges.

1:14 p.m., 7400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Alicia Hinojos, 64; and Michelle Watkins, 60, on shoplifting and petty theft with priors charges.

1:05 a.m., Grant Line Road/Wilton Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Anthony Daniels, 33, on warrant charges.

Arrest reports for June 20-23 were unavailable by press time. ★

ARTS CALENDAR

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Bike the Rails in Amador

Story and photos
by J.G. Wirt

IONE, CA (MPG) - The feel as the railbike glides down-grade is like riding a giant go-kart, but this one has power assist and good brakes.

Outdoor adventurers can take a ride on the Rail Explorers excursion on the old Amador Central right-of-way for a mild bit of leg exercise and a big dose of foothill scenery.

When you arrive to board your two-seater or quad railbike, the staff will explain the bikes' workings and the route's rules. The bikes are heavy and roll on hefty wheels, so this will be a solid ride. You will learn about the brakes and the need to keep your distance from the bike in front of you.

The guidance also covers the need to roll up and stop at each grade crossing so the Rail Explorers team can operate the crossing arms and allow the parade of railbikes to cross the thoroughfares while traffic waits.

Your railbike has your party's name in a waterproof, magnetized tag so you board the right one, and seatbelts are mandatory, although helmets are not.

Once underway, by giving the bike a little boost with your pedaling feet, the quiet motor will take over.

The railbikes' speed tops out at 15 mph, and the right-front rider controls the handbrake.



A Rail Explorers railbike wheels through a small canyon on the Amador Central line.



Rail Explorers staffers turn the railbikes on an air-powered lift before the downhill return trip.

There's black metal mesh between your feet and the railbed, so you can see right through. You and fellow riders need to pedal a bit to keep the motor going, and you'll need to keep an eye out for slowing railbikes ahead. The bikes have brake lights and even headlights for twilight tours.

Other than that, enjoy the scenery and the

clickety-clack of the rails.

The ride from the depot along a steady uphill to the turnaround is four miles. Once there, you'll disembark for a breather and maybe a snack while the staff rolls each bike to an air-powered turntable lift to spin it for the return trip.

Staff then give a downhill-safety primer before you reboard and it's away you go.



Rail Explorers staff control the crossing arms and flag the crossing at three thoroughfares each way. Riders also must watch for rural traffic at private rail crossings and be mindful of cattle.



Signs on the downhill route warn of upcoming stops for grade crossings.



A railbike crosses the Highway 88 bridge.

On the downhill, you'll realize how much you appreciated the motor power coming uphill. The railbike doesn't freewheel, but it will keep gaining speed until it hits the limiter.

You can take pictures or video while you take in the scenery and keep an eye out for the next stop for traffic.

The scenery each way

ranges from meadows and trees to narrow rocky canyons and rural farmland. You're advised to watch for and slow for cattle.

Before you know it, the staff is coupling all the bikes together to roll back to the depot to complete your eight-mile trek.

Rail Explorer trips are available every day through Labor Day week and cost \$90 for a tandem

or \$175 for a quad. Groups of 10 or receive a 10% discount. A gift shop, restrooms and shade are on site.

Ione is about 33 miles east of Elk Grove. The depot is at 702 Hunter Lane just south of Ione on Highway 124.

For information and reservations, visit railexplorers.net/tours/Amador.

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Pup Pool Days Benefit SPCA

By Seth Henderson

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A pet boarding facility is sponsoring and hosting four Splashy Hour open-swim sessions for dogs to "get a break from the Sacramento heat" that doubles as a Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) fundraiser.

Between July and August, the Animal Den Pet Resort and Spa, located at 4060 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, features an in-ground "doggy" pool and attached play yards, allowing dogs to run around as much as they want.

Two 90-minute swimming sessions will be held on July 16 with the first starting at 5:15 p.m. and the second starting at 7 p.m. Only dogs are allowed in the pool.

Two sessions on Aug. 13 mirror the July 16 schedule with the first starting at 5:15 p.m. and the second starting at 7 p.m.

Each dog must be accompanied by at least one person. Ticket prices are \$35 per dog and admission for owners is free. Each of the four sessions has a limit of 30 dogs and 60 people.

All proceeds will benefit the animals at the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Dog owners must show proof of current vaccines ((Rabies, DHPP and Bordetella) for their dog ahead of time to info@animaldenpetresort.com with "Splashy Hour" in the subject line.

According to the



Multiple dogs trot into the shallow water of the Animal Den Pet Resort and Spa's in-ground pool during a previous Splashy Hour event in partnership with the Sacramento SPCA. Photo courtesy of the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Animal Den Pet Resort and Spa, this event is best suited for dogs who are well socialized and comfortable playing in large groups. Animal Den employees reserve the right to observe all dog interactions and make necessary decisions to keep all dogs and humans safe.

Adult beverages will be available for purchase.

A community sponsor of the event is Pet Evolution, a locally-owned franchise in Folsom, located at 25065 Blue Ravine Road, Suite 110. Pet Evolution provides an array of grooming and dietary services for pets, promoting health and wellness.

Featured vendors at the Splashy Hour include Howling Apparel; Photogra-V; Rocky and Stella's Treats; and Xochi's Pawfections.

Howling Apparel sells printed dog-tie bandanas and stickers, according to its Etsy shop page. The company's Instagram profile said its production is considered "small batch" and it's based



A black dog is soaking wet and sticking its tongue out during a previous Splashy Hour event at the Animal Den Pet Resort and Spa, giving the event an ear up. Photo courtesy of the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

in California.

Photogra-V, a photography company run by Victor Martinez and his wife, Deanna, assists adoption agencies around Sacramento and the Bay Area, according to its Instagram profile. They also take professional photographs of dogs and their owners, according to Photogra-V's website. Booking contact information can be found at photogra-v.com.

Rocky and Stella's Treats is a Latina owned all-natural dog and cat

treat company that advertises "no sugar, no dyes, minimal ingredients" on its Instagram profile. On its website, products range from ostrich and chicken heads to plush toys and pinatas. Other products include T-shirts, cakes and breath mints for dogs.

Xochi's Pawfections features many themed bandanas and plush toys on its website, including pastries, tacos and a "Pawchata Toy," playing on the popular Latin American drink, horchata. Xochi's also gives back to a local animal shelter, according to its website.

The Animal Den Pet Resort and Spa offers memberships that give access to its pool and playground, with new members signing up at Splashy Hour to receive their first month of membership for free, according to its event flier. Membership access is Thursday and Friday nights, and Saturdays and Sundays.

More information about the Splashy Hour can be found at sspc.org/splashy-hour.

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87 Animals Receive New Homes



Quincy, 8 months old, is one of 87 animals adopted from the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals during California Adopt-a-Pet Day on June 7. Photo courtesy of the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Sacramento SPCA News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) joined more than 150 organizations in California to help find loving homes for pets during the second annual Adopt-A-Pet Day on June 7.

Thanks to CalAnimals, San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, all pet adoptions were sponsored during this one-day event.

Eighty-seven animals were adopted from the Sacramento Society for

the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals on Adopt-A-Pet Day: 26 dogs, 56 cats and five small animals.

Three of the SPCA's adventure-loving dogs, Amigo, Suri and Dolce, who were previously featured in Sacramento SPCA postings, were also adopted.

And last week, Cosmo, who was transferred to the Sacramento Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in January in response to the Los Angeles fires, was adopted following a foster furlough adventure shared on social media.

If looking for a pet to join your family, view the SPCA's adoptable animals at sspc.org/adoptable.

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ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV012808

Tajinder has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tajinder to Tajinder Singh.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 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.
Dated: May 30, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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TAJINDER 7-4-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV013701

Fernando Medina, Jr. has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Fernando Medina, Jr. to Joseph David Ariaga.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 8, 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: June 10, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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ARCIAGA 7-11-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
AUDREY R. FROELICH
CASE NO. 25PR001881

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Audrey R. Froehlich.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Mary C. Hastings, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Mary C. Hastings be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the 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 July 3, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are 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: Alyssa L. Bolan, 2270 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 1200 Roseville, CA 95661; 916-786-7515
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22-943678-CL Order No.: **FIN-22009618 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/24/2015. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **Hung Huynh, a single man Recorded: 9/30/2015** as Instrument No. **XXX** in Book 20150930 Page 0154 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **SACRAMENTO** County, California; Date of Sale: **8/5/2025 at 9:00 AM** Place of Sale: **At the East Main Entrance of the Gordon D. Schaber Sacramento County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$383,286.50** The purported property address is: **6600 CASTRO VERDE WAY, ELK GROVE, CA 95757** Assessor's Parcel No.: **132-1270-066-0000 132-1270-066** **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **800-280-2832** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-22-943678-CL**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the trustee sale, you can call **619-645-7711**, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-22-943678-CL** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was

held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE POST-SALE OVER BIDDERS:** For post-sale information in accordance with Section 2924m(e) of the California Civil Code, use file number CA-22-943678-CL and call (866) 645-7711 or login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com>. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders rights against the real property only. Date: **QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711** For **NON SALE** information only Sale Line: **800-280-2832** Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Post-Sale Information (CCC 2924m(e)): **(866) 645-7711 Reinstatement or Payoff Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318** QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION TS No.: **CA-22-943678-CL** IDSPub #0248785 6/20/2025 6/27/2025 7/4/2025
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 7-4-25

T.S. No.: **2025-13747-CA** APN: **132-0890-062-0000** Property Address: 5813 ISAAC WAY, ELK GROVE, CA 95757/**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/9/2017. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.** A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **Eugene Reed, Jr. and Laura Banks-Reed, husband and wife as joint tenants** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Nestor Solutions, LLC** Deed of Trust Recorded **7/11/2017 as Instrument No. 201707110091 in Book - Page -** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Sacramento** County, California Date of Sale: **7/22/2025 at 1:30 PM** Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$320,648.65** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **5813 ISAAC WAY ELK GROVE, CA 95757** A.P.N.: **132-0890-062-0000** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for

any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **1.866.684.2727** or visit this Internet Website www.servicelinkasap.com, using the file number assigned to this case **24-00369-2FNT**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you

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exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 1.866.684.2727, or visit this internet website www.servicelinkasap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-00369-2FNT to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee

receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. The real Property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real Property described above is purported to be: 9515 Newington Way, Elk Grove, CA The under-

signed Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining unpaid balance of the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust (together with any modifications thereto). The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the Property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the

initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$115,599.12 (Estimated), provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do busi-

ness in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The Property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the Property receiver, if applicable. DATE: June 11, 2025 FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY, TRUSTEE 24-00369-2FNT 5170 Golden Foothill Parkway, Suite 130 El Dorado Hills, CA 95762 916-636-0114 Sara Berens, Authorized Signor

SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.servicelinkasap.com AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 1.866.684.2727 A-4845839 06/27/2025, 07/04/2025, 07/11/2025 ELK GROVE CITIZEN 07-11-25



LEGAL NOTICE

25TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF PLAQUEMINES
CASE NO. 69661

SELENE FINANCE, LP versus THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF JERRY W. NOLAND AND THE UNOPENED SUCCESSION OF CHARLOTTE NOLAND ARELLANO

TO CANDACE GREGORY-ABBOT as INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF JERRY W. NOLAND: Selene Finance, LC has filed a lawsuit requesting a writ of seizure and sale to enforce its mortgage against the property at the municipal address 105 Jay Street, Belle Chasse, Louisiana in which the Succession of Jerry W. Noland holds an interest to collect principal in the amount of \$134,366.86 with interest thereon at 5.625% per annum from March 1, 2024 until paid, plus all expenses, costs, attorney's fees, and other amounts incurred or advanced (if applicable). If you fail to file an objection to this petition with the Court, the property will be sold by the Plaquemines Parish Sheriff's Office on September 10th, 2025. If you are Candace Gregory-Abbot or know the whereabouts of Candace Gregory-Abbot, please contact Yorsch Law Group, LLC, 4532 West Napoleon Avenue, Suite 201, Metairie, LA, 70001, Telephone: (504) 321-5000 immediately.

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

CLIMATE COMPASS PROJECT

DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

JUNE 27, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the City of Elk Grove, as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) for the below referenced Project. The Draft SEIR analyzes the potential environmental effects associated with the proposed Project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In accordance with Section 15087 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of Elk Grove has prepared this Notice of Availability (NOA) to provide responsible agencies and other interested parties with notice of the availability of the Draft SEIR and solicit comments and concerns regarding the environmental issues associated with the proposed Project.

LEAD AGENCY: City of Elk Grove
Office of Strategic Planning and Innovation
Attn: Carrie Whitlock, AICP
8401 Laguna Palms Way
Elk Grove, CA 95758
Email: cwhitlock@elkgrove.gov

PROJECT TITLE: City of Elk Grove Climate Compass Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The General Plan Planning Area is 48.8 square miles (31,238 acres) and includes all land within the current city limits as well as lands outside the city limits in the four designated study areas (i.e., north, east, south, and west study areas). The General Plan Planning Area is generally bounded by Interstate 5 (I-5) on the west; Calvine Road and the City of Sacramento on the north; Grant Line Road and Deer Creek on the east; and Eschinger Road on the south. State Route (SR) 99 traverses north-south, bisecting the city near its center.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed Climate Compass (Plan) is a comprehensive update to the City of Elk Grove's (City's) current Climate Action Plan (CAP), adopted in 2019. The proposed Plan establishes a roadmap for the City to achieve its greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction targets and includes actions and strategies to adapt to anticipated climate-related impacts. In addition, the proposed Plan aligns local efforts with Assembly Bill (AB) 1279 (2021-22 Legislative Session), which requires California to achieve net-zero GHG emissions and an 85 percent reduction in anthropogenic GHG emissions by 2045.

The Climate Compass contains six chapters and technical appendices, which provide additional details on the topics covered in the Plan. A brief summary of the main components of the Plan is provided below:

- **Chapter 1, Introduction:** Provides an introduction to the Climate Compass as well as to the overall climate action planning process and key methodologies and terms. This chapter also provides an overview of the development of the Plan to date, including summarizing public and agency input, as well as how the Plan fits in with the State's larger climate planning efforts.
- **Chapter 2, GHG Inventory and Targets:** Provides the foundation for the Climate Compass, presenting the City's GHG emissions inventory, emissions forecasts, and the targets for reducing emissions in line with State and local goals.
- **Chapter 3, Climate Action Strategies:** Addresses the comprehensive strategies and actions the City would implement to reduce GHG emissions across various sectors, such as energy, transportation, land use, and waste management, while also promoting community resilience and adaptation to climate change impacts.
- **Chapter 4, City Operations:** Focuses on the strategies and actions the City would adopt to reduce GHG emissions from City operations.
- **Chapter 5, Implementation and Monitoring:** Details the implementation framework for the Climate Compass, including timelines, funding strategies, partnerships, and the monitoring and reporting processes to ensure the Plan's success.
- **Chapter 6, Work Cited:** Provides the sources used in the development of the Plan.
- **Appendices** include more detailed information on GHG emissions inventories and forecasts, strategy quantification, and supporting documents, such as a cost analysis and funding and financing roadmap.

The Plan establishes strategies and actions to reduce GHG emissions generated from current and future activities within the city as well as GHG emissions generated by City facilities and operations. The Plan is structured to align with State and regional laws, policies, regulations, and plans to reduce GHG emissions and improve resilience to climate change-related impacts. State regulations related to GHG emissions that are applicable and were current at the time of the development of the Plan include Senate Bill (SB) 32, AB 1279, and the California Air Resources Board's (CARB's) 2022 Scoping Plan for Achieving Carbon Neutrality (2022 Scoping Plan) at the State level

The Plan has been developed to provide:

- A baseline of major sources of GHG emissions;
- A projection of future GHG emissions expected to occur within the Planning Area and be generated by City operations;
- Targets for reducing GHG emissions to specified levels that are aligned with State laws and policies; and
- Strategies and actions to reduce GHG emissions to meet the targets.

More specifically, the Plan identifies the following:

- Baseline GHG emissions for the Planning Area and forecasts potential increases in these emissions over time, both for the Planning Area (i.e., "community") and for City operations.
- GHG emissions reduction targets for 2030 and 2045 in alignment with the State's GHG reduction goals as directed by the 2022 Scoping Plan and AB 1279.
- Strategies and actions to achieve the 2030 and 2045 GHG emissions reduction targets for both community and City operations.

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Draft SEIR has not identified any environmental issue areas as having potentially significant environmental impacts from implementation of the Climate Compass. Within the General Plan Planning Area, there are sites that are listed on the Hazardous Waste and Substances Sites List as set forth in Government Code Section 65962.5.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 49-day public review period for the Draft SEIR will commence on **June 27, 2025** and end on **August 15, 2025**, for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Any written comments on the Draft SEIR must be received at the address listed below within the public review period.

City of Elk Grove
Office of Strategic Planning and Innovation
c/o Carrie Whitlock
8401 Laguna Palms Way
Elk Grove, CA 95758
cwhitlock@elkgrove.gov

The Draft SEIR is available for review at City Hall, located at the address above, as well as online at the City's website at <https://elkgrove.gov/cap>.

Virtual PUBLIC MEETING: The City of Elk Grove will be holding a virtual public meeting to discuss the findings of the Draft SEIR on **July 22, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.** This virtual meeting will be for informational purposes only. Registration for the virtual meeting is available at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/kbrRJtJQSoCbvtvrQoQLSg>

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City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on **Tuesday, July 22, 2025**, for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

10250 IRON ROCK WAY – REPLACE H.V.A.C. UNITS (FM2002) AND CORPORATE YARD RE-REROOFING/RESEAL OFFICE SECTION OF BUILDING (FM2103) PROJECT

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: demolition and removal of existing rooftop Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) units, partial reseal and repair of the existing roof and procure new rooftop HVAC units and install the new units.

The Scope of Work also includes any and all materials to replace the HVAC units and maintain a complete and functional system, including fire alarm equipment and connections to the new HVAC equipment at the City owned, and occupied facility located at 10250 Iron Rock Way, Elk Grove, California 95624 (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the work is \$1,346,330.

Bidder shall have current standing as a City approved pre-qualified Bidder prior to submitting a bid for this Project. Bidders that submit a Bid without being pre-qualified shall have their Bid deemed non-responsive.

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class "B" General Building Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California. The Contractor shall possess and demonstrate such possession or list a Subcontractor that possesses a current valid Class "C-10" Electrical Contractor's License issued by the State of California, Class "C-20" Warm-Air Heating, Ventilating, and Air-Conditioning Contractor's License issued by the State of California, and Class "C-39" Roofing Contractor's License issued by the State of California.

Local Hire and Community Workforce Training Agreement Requirements:

This Project is subject to the requirements of the City's Local Hire and Community Workforce Training Program and the City's Community Workforce Training Agreement (CWTA). A copy of the CWTA and a summary of its requirements (CWTA Summary) is attached to this solicitation. By submitting a bid, the Contractor acknowledges that they have read and understand all the requirements, terms, and conditions of the CWTA, and have included all costs associated with compliance with the CWTA in its bid.

In accordance with the CWTA, the Contractor and all listed subcontractors must execute Addendum A to the CWTA ("Agreement to be Bound") and provide a copy of the executed document to the City before the contract can be awarded. Each subcontractor for Work covered by the CWTA listed on the bid, hired in anticipation of the bid, after the time of bid or after contract award must also execute Addendum A to the CWTA. No subcontractor shall perform Work prior to executing Addendum A and providing a copy of the executed document to the City.

Contractor must include the provisions of this section, as well as a copy of the CWTA, in every subcontract for Work covered by the CWTA.

Substitutions:

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 3400(c) the City may make a finding that designates a particular material, product, thing, or service designated by a specific brand or trade name for one or more of the purposes as described in Section 3400(c)(2). As required by Section 3400(c) the City has made such findings as further described in the Supplemental Conditions Section C-19. These findings, as well as the materials, products, things, or services and their specific brand or trade may be found in Section C-19 of the Supplemental Conditions.

Pre-Bid:

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at the Corp Yard located at 10250 Iron Rock Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624.

For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Alisha Olson, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department
Telephone: (916) 261-1840 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Kimberlee Marlan, Administrative Assistant, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department
Telephone: (916) 627-3315 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$50.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$75.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: _____ Date: _____
Christina Castro, PE
Capital Program Division Manager

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
NOTICE INVITING BIDS
Railroad Water Treatment Plant PLC Replacement Project**

The Florin Resource Conservation District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the Railroad Water Treatment Plant PLC Replacement Project at the office of the Elk Grove Water District no later than July 3rd, 2025, at 2:00 PM at which time or thereafter said bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids shall be valid for 60 calendar days after the bid opening date. Work includes furnishing of all labor, materials, tax, equipment, and services for the Treatment Plant PLC Replacement Project as outlined in the Contract Documents, including all plans, specifications, and all addenda for this project. Bids must be submitted on the District's Bid Forms. Bidders are responsible for purchasing and/or obtaining all the contract documents. Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained electronically by contacting the District office or at: Sacramento Regional Builders Exchange, 5370 Elvas Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95819, (916) 442-8991.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on sold property pursuant to Sections 21700 through 2176 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code ad provisions of the Civil Code. The Undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the **9th day of July, 2025** at 10:00 AM on the premises where said property has been stored and which is located at **Elk Grove Mini Storage, 8585 Elk Ridge Way, Elk Grove CA, County of Sacramento, State of California**. The following units consists of a misc. of household, garage, and personal items;

Unit # D025 Angello Stout

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in **CASH**. All purchased items sold **AS IS WHERE IS** and must be removed at time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between the owner and the obligated party. Auction services conducted by:

Storage Auction Experts
John Cardoza # 5860870

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Call for Artists: Expressions in Plein Air Competition

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center will host a competition art show for its exhibition titled "Expressions in Plein Air," where artists can win an award and a cash prize for their creations. The exhibition will begin the first Saturday public reception on Sept. 6, and the showcase will continue through Sept. 25.

According to the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center,



Logo courtesy of the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

Plein Air painting is about leaving the four walls of your studio behind and experiencing painting and drawing in the landscape.

The practice is centuries old; however, it was made into an art form by French artists of the Impressionist movement. The creation of transportable paint tubes and the box easel, the precursor to the plein air easels of today, allowed artists the freedom to paint "en plein air," which is the French expression for "in the open air."

The competition will be judged by artist John Angell, who is an award-winning

photographer and encaustic artist, a heated wax medium, with artwork displayed in the Museum of Encaustic Art's permanent collection.

His art is also featured in private collections throughout the United States, Tokyo and Strasbourg.

Angell is a Sacramento resident who, since 2021, has had his artwork accepted in more than 100 exhibitions. He received honors in 12 of

those shows, including fourth place in the Crocker Kingslet exhibition and top honors in the Yolo Arts Art Farm Show.

All mediums are being accepted. There is an entry fee of \$15 for gallery artists or a \$20 fee per entry, per piece (non-refundable), with a limit of three entries per artist.

The Best of Show award earns a \$100 prize. First Place will receive \$75 and Second Place will receive \$50. Additional ribbons

will be awarded at the discretion of the judge.

The deadline to apply for this competition is Monday, July 21. Those who are accepted will receive a notification by July 25 via email. The artist reception is from 4 to 7 p.m., and awards will be announced at 5:30 p.m. on Sept. 6.

To enter, visit elk-grovefineartscenter.org and click on the "Exhibitions Tab" and then "Calendar of Events." ★

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City of Elk Grove – City Council NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Wednesday, July 23, 2025** at the hour of **6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove City Council will conduct a public hearing at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, California, to consider the following matter:

Amendment to Elk Grove Municipal Code Chapter 3.08 (Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax).

The proposed action includes an amendment to Elk Grove Municipal Code Chapter 3.08 (Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax) to provide an exemption from the transient occupancy tax for transient occupancies of complimentary rooms.

Information or questions regarding this item should be referred to Kara Taylor-Seeman, (916) 627-3410, or to the office of Finance, 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA, 95758. All interested persons are invited to present their views and comments on this matter. Written statements may be filed with the City Clerk at any time prior to the close of the hearing scheduled herein, and oral statements may be made at said hearing.

If you challenge the subject matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA, 95758, or by email to jilindgren@elkgrove.gov at or prior to the close of the public hearing.

Dated/Published: June 20, 2025 and June 27, 2025

JASON LINDGREN
CITY CLERK, CITY OF ELK GROVE

ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (916) 478-3635. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

Elk Grove Citizen 6-20, 6-27-2025

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Elk Grove Unified School District, hereinafter referred to as the District, will receive sealed proposals for the **Charles Mack Elementary School, Front Landscape Improvements** project at Facilities and Planning Department, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Room 206, Elk Grove, California 95624 until **3:00 p.m., local time, on Thursday, July 10, 2025**, at which time bids will be opened.

Each bid must conform to the requirements of the Drawings and Project Manual and other documents comprising the Contract Documents, which are available from Signature Reprographics, 620 Sunbeam Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95811, (916) 454-0800. Prime Contractors may obtain copies for a non-refundable cost of **\$50 per set**. Signature Reprographics maintains the project plan holders' list, so it is a requirement that prospective bidders purchase their plans from Signature Reprographics to ensure that all potential bidders possess a complete set of documents including any addenda for the project. Plans may be previewed online at www.egusdplans.com

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid conference will be held on **Tuesday, July 1, 2025, 11:00 a.m.** at the **Charles Mack Elementary School, 4701 Brookfield Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823**. The District's Representative and architect will be present to discuss the project. Bids received from parties not attending this mandatory pre-bid conference will be rejected as non-responsive. All bidders are **required** to attend the pre-bid conference in its entirety.

This project involves minor exterior site work improvements including removal and replacement of turf, shrubs, irrigations, select portions of concrete, flagpole and pole light fixtures. This project requires a **Class A or B license**.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 *et seq.* payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. This project has a goal of 3% Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) participation per the State Allocation Board requirements. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements apply to this project.

NOTE: The complete Notice to Contractors is included in the bid documents.

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,
Sacramento County, California

BY: Michael Bean
Senior Construction Manager
Elk Grove Unified School District

Elk Grove Citizen 6-20, 6-27-2025

LEGAL NOTICE

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Board of Education of the Elk Grove Unified School District, County of Sacramento, State of California, will receive sealed Requests for Proposals (RFPs), pursuant to Government Code 53060, up to but no later than **JULY 15, 2025, at 4:00 P.M. PST.** for:

RFP# 799-25/26 Superintendent Search Services

The RFP must be obtained, submitted, and received electronically online through the EGUSD online Bonfire Procurement Portal at <https://egusd.bonfirehub.com>

The District reserves the right to reject any and all RFPs received in whole or part, to waive any irregularities in the RFPs, and to be the sole judge of the suitability of products and services being offered.

For assistance, please contact Brad Minami at bminami@egusd.net or by phone at (916) 686-7773.

Brad Minami
Director, Purchasing & Warehouse
Elk Grove Unified School District

Elk Grove Citizen 6-27, 7-4-2025

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Elk Grove Unified School District, hereinafter referred to as the District, will receive sealed proposals for the **Joseph Kerr Middle School, Fire Alarm 2025** project at Facilities and Planning Department, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Room 206, Elk Grove, California 95624 until **3:30 p.m., local time, on Thursday, July 10, 2025**, at which time bids will be opened.

Each bid must conform to the requirements of the Drawings and Project Manual and other documents comprising the Contract Documents, which are available from Signature Reprographics, 620 Sunbeam Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95811, (916) 454-0800. Prime Contractors may obtain copies for a non-refundable cost of **\$50 per set**. Signature Reprographics maintains the project plan holders' list, so it is a requirement that prospective bidders purchase their plans from Signature Reprographics to ensure that all potential bidders possess a complete set of documents including any addenda for the project. Plans may be previewed online at www.egusdplans.com

A **MANDATORY** pre-bid conference will be held on **Wednesday, July 2, 2025, 9:00 a.m.** at the **Joseph Kerr Middle School, 8865 Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove, CA 95624**. The District's Representative will be present to discuss the project. Bids received from parties not attending this mandatory pre-bid conference will be rejected as non-responsive. All bidders are **required** to attend the pre-bid conference in its entirety.

This project includes updating existing fire alarm system at (4) old existing campus buildings, upgrade existing main fire alarm control panel, loop in (2) new existing buildings with new FACP for a new single campus-wide fire alarm. This project requires a **Class C-10 license**.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 *et seq.* payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. This project has a goal of 3% Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) participation per the State Allocation Board requirements. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements apply to this project.

NOTE: The complete Notice to Contractors is included in the bid documents.

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS/PROPOSAL TO PERFORM LEASE-LEASEBACK CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE EXTERIOR FAÇADE REPAIR AT 8 SITES PROJECT

The Elk Grove Unified School District ("District") is requesting a Statement of Qualifications/Proposal (SOQ/P) from Contractors holding a **Class B** license, to perform Lease-Leaseback construction services for the **Exterior Façade Repair at 8 Sites** project.

If your firm is interested in being considered for this project, the submittal requirements and deadline for SOQ/P responses are as follows:

- Electronic copy in PDF format of a completed SOQ/P, submitted thru Dropbox
- As part of this RFQ, all participants must complete a Pre-qualification Application, if you have not already
- SOQ/P packet, and Pre-qualification Application can be accessed at www.egusdplans.com
- Completed SOQ/P must be received no later than **Tuesday, July 15, 2025, by 4:00 p.m.**

The District will not review submittals received after the time and date above. Facsimile (FAX) copies of the SOQ/P will not be accepted. The Administration reserves the right to accept or reject any and all SOQ/P, to negotiate with any and all-responsible firms, and to waive any informality in the process. The District is not responsible for any expenses related to the preparation or presentation of the SOQ/P, including travel costs. The SOQ/P may be withdrawn at any time prior to the closing date and time for receipt of SOQ/P.

In order to control information disseminated regarding this SOQ/P, firms interested in submitting SOQ/P are directed not to make personal contact with members of the Governing Board or District Administration with the exception of the individual, or department staff listed on the SOQ/P packet. This includes unauthorized visits to District-educating facilities.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 *et seq.* payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. This project has a goal of 3% Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) participation per the State Allocation Board requirements. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements applies to this project.

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Keep Fourth of July Fireworks Safe and Legal

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- With Independence Day coming up, it's always a good idea to know the risks of fireworks, only use legal fireworks and stay safe when using them. If you see or suspect illegal firework usage, reporting it is encouraged. When it comes to fireworks, we want to keep it safe and keep it legal.

The use or sale of illegal fireworks will result in fines. In 2022, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors adopted a social host ordinance that levies fines, starting at \$1,000, against property owners who either use or allow the use of illegal fireworks on their property, in addition to fines for use in places such as the American River Parkway, schools and parks.

“Host” means a person who knowingly permits or allows fireworks to be lit, exploded or sold on private property owned or controlled by the person.

If the illegal fireworks are being set off from your property, you are responsible for the fines. Penalties for violations are \$1,000 for the first violation, \$2,500 for the second violation within one year of the first violation, \$5,000 for each additional violation within



It's always a good idea to know the risks of fireworks, only use legal fireworks and stay safe when using them. Image by Barbara A Lane from Pixabay

one year of the first violation and \$10,000 for each violation that occurs at schools, parks and within the American River Parkway.

Calls for service throughout the county increase dramatically on July 4 and emergency response resources are stretched extremely thin.

During the Fourth of July holiday weekend, use 9-1-1 for emergencies only, such as an active fire, injury or immediate threat to persons or property. Each

jurisdiction has provided an alternative method to report illegal fireworks sales and usage.

The unsafe use of fireworks can cause severe burns, amputations, blinding and even death. Damaging fires might occur when children use fireworks unsupervised by adults. Parents are responsible for any property damage or injuries caused by all fireworks.

All legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks and must bear the State Fire

Marshal's seal. Safe and Sane Fireworks can only be sold from noon June 28 through 9 p.m. July 4. Safe and Sane Fireworks can only be used between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. from June 28 to July 4. Any firework that goes up in the air or explodes is illegal and dangerous.

To maintain safety, always have a non-combustible bucket of water to dispose of fireworks and leave fireworks in the water overnight before disposing. Always have an

available hose connected to water in case of fire and do not use fireworks near dry grass or other flammable materials. Do not use fireworks under a canopy, covered balcony, covered patio or under a tree or bushes.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in unincorporated Sacramento County to 916-874-5115 or reportfireworks@saccounty.gov.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in the City of Sacramento to 916-808-FIRE (3473) or the Sacramento Fire Department app.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in Rancho Cordova to 916-362-5115 or the Rancho Cordova Connect App.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in Citrus Heights to 916-727-5500 or seeclickfix.com.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in Elk Grove to 916-714-5115 or fireworks@elk-grovepd.org.

Report illegal fireworks sale and usage in Galt to 209-366-7000.

Aren't sure who or how to report? Call 3-1-1 to be connected to the right place.

Together, we can ensure that Independence Day celebrations are fun, safe and do not cause undue injury or fire in our communities. ★

Mosquito Samples Test Positive for West Nile Virus

Sacramento Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District announced on June 18 that the first signs of West Nile virus (WNV) activity have been detected in Yolo County as one mosquito sample collected from Davis has tested positive for the disease.

This finding comes a week after a mosquito sample also tested positive in Sacramento County.

“As the weather gets warmer, WNV activity will steadily increase,” said Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District Manager Gary Goodman. “This is a cause for concern, especially as summer is around the corner and we are approaching the hottest months of the year when activity typically intensifies. We urge residents to continue taking proper precautions to protect themselves from mosquitoes.”

The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District’s “D’s” of Mosquito Prevention practices include

draining standing water that might produce mosquitoes and avoiding being outdoors dawn and dusk. Also dress appropriately by wearing long sleeves and pants when outside and defend yourself by using an effective insect repellent and following label directions. Another practice is to make sure that door and window screens are in good working condition.

Call district personnel at 1-800-429-1022 or visit www.FIGHTtheBITE.net to address mosquito problems.

In response to the recent findings, the district will continue to monitor West Nile

virus activity through widespread mosquito trapping and testing. In addition, to quickly reduce mosquito populations and protect public health, ground treatments will also be conducted in areas where virus-positive mosquitoes have been detected.

For current information about district activities, visit www.FIGHTtheBITE.net. Residents can also subscribe to mailing lists to receive email notifications for upcoming mosquito treatments by zip code. To sign up, go to Spray Notifications on the website. ★

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Thursday, June 26 through Sunday, June 29

Annual Yard Sale – 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Elk Grove Park. Vintage and antique glass, crystal, linens, jewelry, clothing, books, small appliances, toys, tools, furniture and more. For more information, call the Elk Grove Historical Society, 916-685-8115. 9941 E. Stockton Blvd.

Saturday, June 28

Dive-in Movie – 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Elk Grove Aquatics Center. Relax in the water or unwind poolside while enjoying “Luca,” starting around 6 p.m. See cosmunesd.gov for more information. 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Friday, July 4

Run 4 Hunger – 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Brought to you by the Elk Grove Food Bank. Whether you’re a seasoned runner or just looking for a great way to start your Independence Day, there’s a race for you. Your participation helps provide essential food and resources to thousands of individuals and families in need.

More information and registration at egrun4hunger.com. 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Salute to the Red, White & Blue – 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Elk Grove Park. Join us for Elk Grove’s premier patriotic celebration marking the nation’s independence. Presented by Sky River Casino, the day will feature vendors, food trucks, live entertainment and fireworks show to top off the night.

Plus, we’re celebrating the City’s 25th birthday so expect a lot of surprises including the addition of a drone show. More information at elkgrove.gov. 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road.

Saturday, July 5

Wilton Bingo – Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds go to two nonprofits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History

Group. 9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road.

Saturday, July 12

E-Sports Fighting Games Jamboree – 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Albani Recreation Center. Visit cosmunesd.gov for more information. 8830 Sharkey Ave.

Friday, July 18

Fridays in the Grove – Christmas in July, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Who says you must wait until December to feel the holiday magic? Join us for a free, no-registration-needed event that brings the chill of winter right into the heart of summer. Glide into the holiday spirit with our pop-up ice skating rink, groove to beats from a live DJ, and enjoy a festive atmosphere that brings Christmas cheer six months early.

All skate equipment is provided; your socks are all you need to bring. 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Library Events

Friday, June 27: Outdoor family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Morse Community Park, 5540 Bellaterra Drive. (F) Lunch at the Library, noon to 1 p.m. Youth 18 and under are invited to join us for a free meal. (EG) and (VH)

Saturday, June 28: Explore and Learn, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) West Coast Falconry, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Join us to get an up-close look at real falcons to learn how they survive in the wild. We’ll even watch a falcon take flight. (F) STEAM for kids, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (VH) The Science Wizard – summer reading program, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Enjoy an interactive show that brings laughter and learning. (EG)

Tuesday, July 1: Lunch at the Library, noon to 1 p.m. Youth 18 and under are invited to join us for a free meal. (EG) and (VH) Elk Grove Navigator office hours, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Participants can connect with trained navigators who offer guidance, answer questions, and link clients to resources such as shelters, food assistance

and housing. (EG)

Wednesday, July 2: Explore and learn, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (VH) Lunch at the Library, noon to 1 p.m. Youth 18 and under are invited to join us for a free meal. (EG) and (VH) Summer reading program – Perler Beads, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. (NW) Crafternoon for all ages, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F)

Thursday, July 3: Lunch at the Library, noon to 1 p.m. Youth 18 and under are invited to join us for a free meal. (EG) and (VH) Adult Space, 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Discover engaging activities, enjoy light refreshments and meet good company. (VH)

Saturday, July 5: Explore and learn, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) Adult space – senior yoga with Coach Sarah, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (NW) STEAM for kids, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EG)

Call 916-264-2920 or 800-561-4636 for more information on any of these events.

Ongoing Events

Elk Grove Certified Farmers Market – every Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon at 8245 Laguna Blvd.

Rotary Club of Elk Grove – every Wednesday for lunch at noon, at The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. More information at elkgroverotary.org.

Widowed Persons Social Club – June 27, 10 a.m.: Hand and Foot card game at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Gerri at 916-698-1940.

July 3, Noon: No-host Lunch & Bunco at Patty’s Pizza, 8591 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact Lois at 916-212-4196 or Susie at 916-798-0007.

July 4, 10 a.m.: Pinochle at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

July 5, 10:30 a.m.: Coffee Gathering at Peets Coffee, 7127 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

July 7, 10:30 a.m.: WPC Board

Meeting at the Oaks Mobile Home Park Clubhouse, 116 Calle Entrada, Elk Grove. Open to all members.

July 7, Noon: Lunch at Captain Crab, 8471 Elk Grove-Florin Road, EG. Contact is Barbara at 916-516-6009.

July 8, 9:15 a.m.: Meet at Big Lots parking lot for State Capitol Tour by reservation. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

July 9, Noon: No-host Lunch followed by Beginners’ Pinochle at Original Mike’s, 9139 E. Stockton Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

A widowed person may attend up to three events while deciding if they wish to join WPC.

Contact Bonnie at 916-422-1522 if you are interested in membership.

Meetings for Veterans

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. Next meeting will be July 23. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave.

American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233 – general meetings the fourth Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m. Next meeting will be Thursday, July 24 (June was cancelled due to a conflict with the Legion Convention).

The Post Family Breakfast on the first Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. will change location for July 5 and Aug. 2 to Bert’s Diner, 8972 Grant Line Road, Elk Grove. For more information, call 916-683-6128.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District 56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

VFW Post 2073 – second Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District 56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. For more information, call 916-684-3849. ★

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Women's Empowerment Receives \$20,000 from Safe Credit Union

Women's Empowerment News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Women's Empowerment received a grant of \$20,000 from SAFE Credit Union to provide housing readiness training, transitional workforce housing and financial empowerment training to Sacramento women who have experienced homelessness.

Women's Empowerment's comprehensive program helps women access safe homes they can afford now for their families while they secure jobs with upward mobility so they can eventually afford permanent housing.

"We are so grateful to SAFE Credit Union for recognizing the powerful role affordable housing plays in our community and the many facets that go into making it work, from financial empowerment to housing readiness training

and transitional programs," said Lisa Culp, the executive director of Women's Empowerment. "Thanks to grantors like SAFE, we can continue to offer our long-term solution to homelessness that also meets immediate needs as we navigate Sacramento's ongoing housing crisis."

Each woman begins with Women's Empowerment's two-month employment-readiness and empowerment program that helps women who are unhoused pick up the tools to secure a safe home and steady job. She receives free transportation assistance and childcare for children up to age five in the group's onsite child development center. She works one on one with a social worker, housing specialist, employment specialist and volunteer career mentor, and attends a range of classes on job-readiness, financial empowerment,

housing readiness and more. She receives health services and can join support groups.

Graduates of the initial program can return for services at any point in their lives when they need additional tools, including counseling, job search and retention support, access to a professional clothing closet, financial coaching, support from a housing specialist, health services, financial assistance for housing support, paid job training and transitional workforce housing.

Women's Empowerment offers the most comprehensive job-readiness program in the Sacramento area designed specifically to help women break the generational cycle of homelessness for themselves and their children. In 2024, 155 graduates secured employment or enrolled in advanced training or school and 89% of graduates maintained or

improved their housing. Since 2001, 1,955 women have graduated from the program with more than 4,000 children. Women's Empowerment is funded through private donations from the community and grants. To make a donation visit Womens-Empowerment.org.

"SAFE is thrilled to be able to help women get a strong start on a healthier and higher quality of life," said Lauren LeBov, a community impact manager at SAFE Credit Union. "We are especially committed to community programs like these that demonstrate our philanthropic goals to support affordable housing and life-skill development initiatives."

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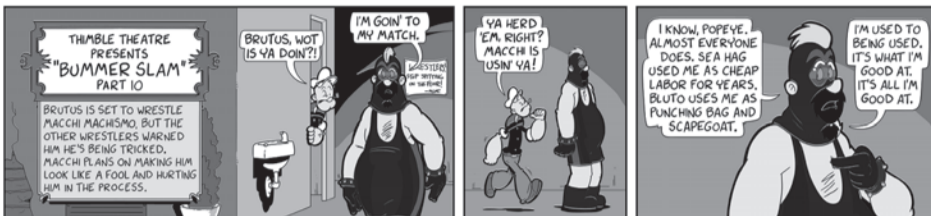
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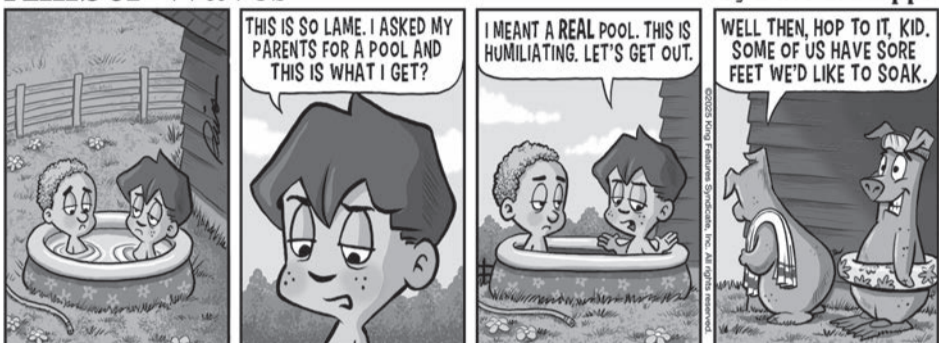
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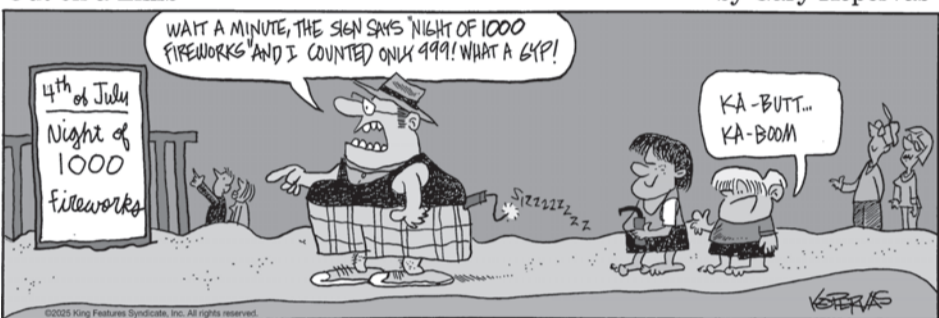
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Williams is Nation's Second Best Tight End

University of California, Davis Athletics News Releases

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - University of California, Davis' returning senior tight end Winston Williams has been named the second-best returning tight end in the nation by HERO Sports as part of its 2025 Football Championship Series season preview.

Williams was a 2024 First Team All-Big Sky Conference honoree and he ended the season leading all Big Sky tight ends in touchdown receptions, finishing second in the nation for most receiving touchdowns by a tight end.

When the 2024 season came to an end, Williams had racked up career numbers finishing with 265 receiving yards on 34 receptions, snagging six touchdowns while averaging 19.0 yards per game.

Aggie senior Ian Simpson joined Williams on the list, coming in at No. 24, giving the Aggies a pair among the Top 25 returning tight ends in the nation.

In other football news, UC Davis football has been ranked among the best in the nation, this time No. 11 in the country as part of the 2025 HERO Sports FCS Preseason Top 25 Media Poll.

The Aggies are among five Big Sky teams represented in the poll, and the No. 11 ranking places UC Davis as the third highest team in the conference to earn a ranking. No. 2 Montana State, No. 7 Montana, No. 10 Idaho and No.



The Aggies finished 2024 No. 5 in the nation after going 11-3 and making a deep run into the NCAA FCS Playoffs, reaching the quarterfinals for only the second time in program history while going 7-1 in Big Sky play. Photos courtesy of UC Davis Athletics

12 Sacramento State all joined the Aggies inside the Top 25.

This season, the Aggies open 2025 in Montgomery, Alabama in a ranked match up against No. 12 Mercer on ESPN as part of the FCS Kickoff Classic and they will make key trips to Washington, No. 10 Idaho while hosting Causeway Classic rivals No. 12 Sacramento State on Nov. 22 to wrap up the regular season.

The game at Washington is set for the BIG 10 Network and the game at Montana State is scheduled to be picked up by a linear ESPN network and, along with the season opener on ESPN, the Aggies will play a program record three games on national television



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FCS Playoffs, reaching the quarterfinals for only the second time in program history while going 7-1 in Big Sky play.

Second-year head coach and 2024 Eddie Robinson Award finalist Tim Plough and the Aggies return a collection of starters, including All-American safety Rex Connors, 2024 Fred Mitchell Award finalist Hunter Ridley and All-Big Sky Conference honorees Williams, Eli Simonson and Ernesto Nava.

UC Davis also signed and secure a strong collection of incoming freshmen and transfers from other programs to fill out a strong and competitive roster.

Season tickets are on sale now, and fans can head here to secure their spot in Shredville for the 2025 season. Tickets start at \$100 for new alumni and \$140 for the general public.

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ARC Swimmer Named State Athlete of the Year



Cayden Pitzer, a sophomore and a swimmer from American River College, was named Tri-Swimmer of the Meet and won Performance of the Meet awards at a recent state event held at Santa Rosa Junior College. Photo courtesy of American River College

Compiled from California Community College Athletic Association and American River College websites

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - American River College swimmer Cayden Pitzer was recently honored as the 2024-25 California Community College Sports Information Association (CCCSIA) State Male Athlete of the Year, solidifying his status as one of the top junior college athletes in the state.

Pitzer shares this prestigious recognition with Breanna Lutz of Palomar College, who earned the State Female Athlete of the Year award for her outstanding softball season.

The sports information association started the State Athletes of the Year honors in 2011-2012.

Pitzer's performance in the pool this year was nothing short of dominant, according to the American River College website. Pitzer shattered multiple school and meet records, consistently placing first in his individual events while also anchoring American River College's powerhouse relay teams. His versatility and power in the breaststroke and IM events made him the man to beat at the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCCAA) State Championships.

Pitzer not only brought personal accolades but was instrumental in leading American River to top finishes at each level of competition, according to the college website. His commitment to

excellence helped set a new standard for the Beavers' men's swim program, long considered one of the premier aquatic teams in the state.

Pitzer was named Tri-Swimmer of the Meet and won Performance of the Meet awards at the recent state event held at Santa Rosa Junior College.

The sophomore set a state meet record in the prelims for the 200-yard individual medley at 1:46.80 and later won the event gold at 1:47.63.

In the opening men's event, Pitzer helped the Beavers win the 200-yard freestyle relay. He then participated in a state record-setting swim as American River College won the 400-yard medley relay.

Pitzer opened day two with another state record as he joined teammates Josh Branson, David Tsypan and Gar Long to win gold in the 200-yard medley relay (1:28.86).

Pitzer then busted an 11-year record with a magnificent new state standard of 52.98 in the 100-yard breaststroke.

On the final day, Pitzer missed another state record by just .03 with his first-place triumph in the 200-yard breaststroke. Fittingly, Pitzer helped American River College close the meet with a win in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Pitzer recently earned a scholarship to continue his academic and swimming career at the University of Kentucky.

It is the fourth time that a swimmer has won the men's Athlete of the Year award. ★

Women's Tennis Recruits Among Mid-Major Top 25



Last season, the Sacramento State University women's tennis team claimed its second straight Big Sky Conference Tournament title and NCAA Tournament berth. The Hornets were included among the region's best teams, ending the spring ranked No. 5 in the Northwest Region, according to the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's final poll. Photo courtesy of California State University, Sacramento

California State University, Sacramento Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - California State University, Sacramento women's tennis team's 2025 recruiting class has been ranked No. 18 in the nation among all mid-major programs, according to Tennis Recruiting Network.

"We are very excited for our new Hornets to finally arrive to campus this fall," head coach Sophie Breault said. "We have another strong recruiting class that will help us further elevate the program to new heights."

It is the second time in the program's history that the Hornets have been ranked among the Top 25, both coming in the last three seasons after Sacramento State's class of Reese Walker, Irene Riva and Elena Mercioiu was the No. 16 mid-major class prior to the 2023-24 campaign. The Hornets were among those receiving votes in 2024.

Sacramento State University is the only Big Sky Conference school and one of only four West Coast programs, along with San Diego (No. 7), Cal Poly (No. 13) and University of California, San Diego (No. 23), to make this year's mid-major ranking, which includes all colleges in all divisions except for those in the four so-called "power" conferences in college football, including the ACC, Big 10, Big 12, and SEC, as well as the Ivy League. The rankings do not factor in incoming transfer student-athletes or those who competed at another university in 2024-25.

The Hornets' incoming class is made up

of three players who have international ties.

Lisann Brinkmann is one of the top juniors in Germany, ranking as high as No. 109 in the German women's division and ranked No. 21 in the Under-18 division at the time of her signing.

Mexico's Cami Maldonado Gutierrez is ranked as one of the country's top 10 juniors while Isabella Temenugov, who was born in the Czech Republic, was the No. 32-ranked junior in Southern California and ranked as high as No. 24 in the Czech Republic at the time of her commitment.

Sacramento State University wrapped up the 2025 spring with a 21-4 overall record and a 7-1 mark in Big Sky play, finishing second in the regular season standings before claiming its second-straight league tournament crown and National Collegiate Athletic Association Tournament berth. The Hornets gained an Intercollegiate Tennis Association national ranking for the first time since 2015, reaching as high as No. 49 in the nation, while finishing the year ranked No. 5 in the Northwest Region and tied for the second-highest regional ranking since 2008 behind only the 2010 squad which reached No. 4 in the midseason rankings.

Memphis leads the 2025 top mid-major recruiting classes, followed by Rice, Furman, Louisiana Tech, University of Massachusetts, Florida Gulf Coast, San Diego, Stetson, Florida Atlantic and Air Force rounding out the Top Ten, with Navy, Fordham, Cal Poly and others including Sacramento State University, MIT, and Seton Hall completing the Top 25. ★

Blake Willey Claims Championship Silverware

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On opening night, homegrown player Blake Willey became the second youngest player to start for Republic FC in a season opener.

Now, he's added another milestone to his breakout year.

On the week of June 11, the 18-year-old lifted the championship trophy in the Union of European Football Associations Friendship Cup.

Willey appeared in every match, including two starts, and added an assist to help the U.S. U18 Men's National Team go 4-0 against some of the top national squads in the world.

This was Blake's most senior national team call up to date. He has been on U.S. Soccer's radar since he was young, earning multiple Talent I.D. invitations, two stints with the U16s, and a training camp appearance with the U17s.

He first joined Republic FC as a part of its youth academy in 2017 and played at every age

level before becoming the seventh homegrown player to sign a pro contract with the club ahead of the 2024 season. In 2022, he was named the U15 Team MVP after leading his team to become the only non-Major League Soccer club to reach the MLS NEXT Cup semifinals.

Now in his second pro season, Willey has emerged as one

of the United Soccer League's brightest young stars. Prior to his national team selection, Willey appeared in every game across all competitions. In league play, Willey is among the team leaders across several stats categories, including seven chances created, nine tackles won and an 84% passing accuracy. ★