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Rockenstein Tees Up Honorary Mayoralty



Mike Rockenstein (right) donates mayoral race funds to the First Tee-Sacramento non-profit. Organization Vice Chair Steve Lawver (second from right) accepts the check. Carmichael Chamber of Commerce board members Rosie Buck and Brad Sanborn join the presentation.

Story and photos by Susan Maxwell Skinner

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - Golf-lover Mike Rockenstein raised more than \$25,000 to win the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce's contest for 2026 Honorary Mayor.

At a recent Chamber celebration, the Carmichael business consultant (55) donated 75 percent of his war chest to the First Tee - Greater Sacramento. Through disciplines of golf, the non-profit sponsors lessons-in-life for school-aged and disadvantaged youth.

Rockenstein's campaign scored an impressive lead over fellow candidates. "Friends and family were really generous to me," Rockenstein said. "They liked First Tee's mission to give kids opportunities they might not otherwise get."

In a tradition that dates from the 1970s, the annual mayoral race is a fundraiser for the Chamber and local charities. The contest kicks off each summer, when wannabes nominate a cause to share their bounty. In the ballot-free contest, each dollar raised represents a vote.

"I did three fundraising events with encouraging support," said Rockenstein. "But until the announcement at the Best of Carmichael (Nov. 7) I had no idea I'd won. I felt relieved; I'd been working on the campaign every day since August."

Rockenstein's interest in youth extends beyond his teenage twins, John and Morgan. He has run fundraisers to boost Carmichael's Our Lady of Assumption School. He's active in St Francis High School's 'Dads Club'. He's a 1986 Eagle

Scout (and dad to Eagle son John), Rockenstein dons khaki for Scout Master duties with Carmichael's Troop 328.

"It's critical that youth learn life skills and take the initiative in leadership," he said. "Scouting and the First Tee organization share many ideals: responsibility, integrity, honesty, courtesy and perseverance. With those qualities, you'll get a long way in life."

Mayoral service is just part of Rockenstein's gift to the area where he and his wife Jill have lived for 21 years. The businessman currently captains the Carmichael Planning and Development Council; he is a former Carmichael Recreation and Park District Chair.

Rockenstein's wife, kids and friends now call him Mister Mayor.

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Appellate Court Rejects Delta Tunnel Financing

Delta Counties Coalition News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Delta Counties Coalition (DCC) welcomes the opinion by the Third District Court of Appeal, which upheld the lower court's ruling that the State of California lacks legal authority to issue billions of dollars in bonds to finance the proposed Delta tunnel project without explicit legislative approval.

This decision affirms what Delta communities, counties, and local agencies have raised for years: that a project of this scale, cost and consequence cannot be advanced through administrative maneuvering or broad interpretations of decades-old statutes.

The court made clear that the Department of Water Resources exceeded its authority by attempting to classify the Delta tunnel as a "modification" of the State Water Project, rather than what it plainly is - a massive new conveyance facility with far-reaching impacts.

For the counties and residents who live and work in the Delta, this ruling is an important step toward transparency, accountability, and lawful decision-making. The proposed tunnel would fundamentally alter Delta land use, threaten local water supply reliability, place additional pressure on fragile ecosystems, and expose ratepayers and communities to escalating financial risk - all without clear authorization from the Legislature or any water supply benefits for affected regions.

The court's opinion underscores a basic principle: if the State wishes to pursue a project with an estimated - and questionable - price tag of \$20 billion and decades-long consequences, it must do so openly, with full legislative scrutiny and public accountability. Delta communities should not be asked to bear the environmental, economic, and social costs of a project that has yet to demonstrate clear benefits or a lawful funding path.

While proponents have suggested the ruling does not end the project, it undeniably raises serious questions about its viability. Just last year, the Governor unsuccessfully attempted to tack legislation onto the State Budget that would have bypassed many hurdles for the tunnel, and his representatives at that time confidently told the Legislature that they would prevail on this matter in court.

This calls into
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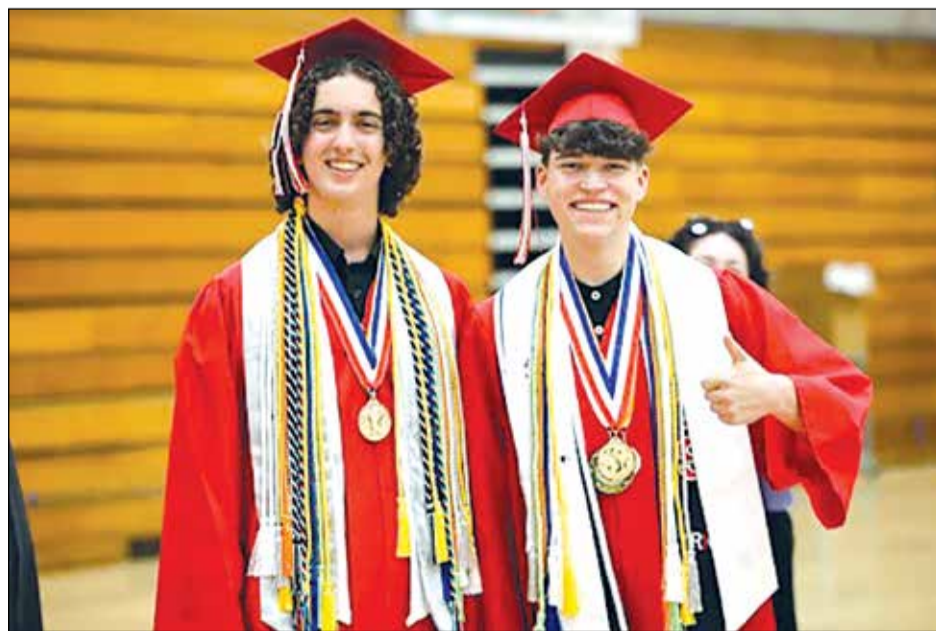
State Seal of Civic Engagement Applications Open

San Juan Unified School District News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Applications for the State Seal of Civic Engagement are now open. This opportunity is available to 11th and 12th-grade students who are engaged in their coursework, show a solid understanding of U.S. and California government, have participated in one or more meaningful civic engagement projects that address a real-world issue and demonstrate a commitment to positively impact their school, community and/or society.

Honorees will receive a gold seal of recognition on their diploma upon graduation, recognition recorded on their final transcript and a medal and certificate from the San Juan Unified School District.

To apply for the State Seal of Civic Engagement, students must visit the 2026 State Seal of Civic



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San Juan Unified students can access the Google Classroom and application by visiting sanjuan.edu/statesealapp.

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The deadline to submit applications is March 13.

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Soroptimists Give Holiday Joy to Veterans

Soroptimist International of Rancho Cordova & Gold River News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Soroptimist International of Rancho Cordova & Gold River recently completed their annual "mission" to fill and deliver holiday stockings to 150 female veterans receiving treatment at the VA Northern California Healthcare System (NCHCS).

Private businesses such as Same Day Healthcare Pharmacy (in the new SF Market), Tara Dietel's State Farm office, TruEarth Laundry Sheets, and Crumbl Cookie, as well as organizations including the City of Rancho Cordova, Visit Rancho Cordova, Sacramento County 2-1-1, Explore Rancho Cordova, Soroptimist Sierra Nevada Region and our Soroptimist club contributed items for the stockings.

The stockings included ChapStick; a squeeze ball; granola package; a pair of comfy socks; mini bottle of hand sanitizer; travel lint roller; sunglasses, medication container and mini tote bag; Crumbl cookie voucher; a package of 32 dissolving laundry sheets; hand lotion; tissue pocket pack; veteran post-it notes; gold veteran pin; aromatherapy candle; nail clippers and Emory board; stocking hat, and a beautiful holiday card wishing happy holidays and a thank you for their service. The stockings were stuffed on Nov. 20 and delivered the next day for distribution starting in December at the VA Northern California Healthcare System.

"Our Soroptimist club cares deeply for our brave veterans and the staff who serve them. We donated cases of snacks and vitamin water to the VA Northern California Healthcare System when the pandemic started, donated baby shower



Soroptimist International of Rancho Cordova & Gold River recently completed their annual "mission" to fill and deliver holiday stockings to 150 female veterans. Photo courtesy of Soroptimist International of Rancho Cordova & Gold River

items to pregnant veterans receiving care there, donated warm socks numerous times to the VA Northern California Healthcare System for veterans receiving chemotherapy and dialysis treatments, and now holiday stockings to bring

veterans some cheer during the holidays," said club vice president Sheryl Longworth. "We love our veterans and those who provide care to them."

Both last year and this year's veteran stocking "missions" were led by club secretary

and Air Force veteran, Stacy Delaney.

"Stacy did an amazing job coordinating all the donations and leading this committee," said club president Ingrid Rosten.

Club vice president

Longworth added, "Normally, our club members do not have direct contact with those we help. We generally drop off donations, materials, etc. to another organization who distributes our contribution to the actual beneficiaries."

After the 2023 holiday stocking mission, a woman dropped off some e-waste for the club's e-waste recycling fundraiser. The woman realized that the organization that provided her with a holiday stocking at VA Northern California Healthcare System earlier that day was the same organization that she was giving her e-waste to.

The veteran was so grateful to receive her holiday stocking. She shared that she was having some health challenges that affected her employment, and she was feeling down. The stocking she received brightened her day and outlook a lot.

"Knowing that a holiday gift from our heart that makes a difference in the life of a veteran, was the best feeling in the world and that's what the holidays are all about...spreading love to everyone. Our club now commits to a holiday stocking "mission" every year," Longworth said.

Soroptimist is an international 501(c)3 non-profit organization who seeks to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. The name, Soroptimist, means "best for women," and that is what the organization strives to achieve. Soroptimists are people at their best, working to help other women to be their best. Please email siranchocordova@soroptimist.net to receive more information about Soroptimist International of Rancho Cordova & Gold River, how to become a member, or just learn how you can volunteer with our club members, or visit <http://www.soroptimistranchocordova.org/>. ★

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Honorary Carmichael Mayor Mike Rockenstein takes his wife Jill and twins John and Morgan (15) golfing in Ancil Hoffman Park.

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 "It's a pretty cool title" he smiled. "I worked hard for it. I want to help strengthen the community through my year in office."
 The honorary mayoralty allows no civic power. The title bestows a high profile at Chamber events and a license to cut ribbons and shake as many hands as the businessman can manage. A ride in the July 4 parade is a major perk. He will judge burger cook-offs and play golf with elected leaders.
 Rockenstein has pushed a caddy since

childhood. He believes kids who may never belong to fancy golf clubs can gain skills and confidence from his favorite sport.
 "Golf has given me values that helped my career," he said. "In sport, you have peaks and valleys just as in your professional life. You persevere. When I'm out on a course, mentoring young people, I try to teach them to problem solve, to stay focused and to overcome adversity."
 Learn about the First Tee of Great Sacramento at www.firstteesacramento.org. ★

Serve This MLK Day

JustServe.Com News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - In 1994, Congress declared Martin Luther King Jr. Day a National Day of Service.
 Every year since, volunteers across the nation unite to lift one another through kindness, support and purposeful service. King said, 'everyone can be great ... because anybody can serve.'
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 question this project's other significant problems. At a minimum, this court decision requires the State to pause and reconsider whether continued pursuit of the tunnel is prudent, lawful, or aligned with California's broader goals for sustainable water management, climate resilience and

regional equity.
 The Delta Counties Coalition remains committed to collaborative, science-based water solutions that protect the Delta, support local communities, and provide reliable water supplies statewide – without sacrificing the rule of law or the voices of those most directly affected. ★

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Winter River: Beauty in Motion

Story and photos by Susan Maxwell Skinner

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Mere mortals count years. For the American River, seasons pass like water under a bridge. A December torrent; an August trickle. A passage for trappers, gold miners, salmonid spawners and hungry sea lions, the eternal artery has shaped Californian geography

and history for millennia. Still riding high from recent floods, she now flows into 2026. Summer diversions are memories. Now, lonely kayakers paddle in wet suits. Joggers exhale puffs of steam.

In depths and shallows, life goes on. Fish make final, fatal migrations. Their corpses are part of Nature's magnificent plan. Their decay sustains creatures and plants with magical

compounds from an ocean they will never see.

In winter, animal metabolism slows like a backwater. Coyote still scavenge to ready thin bodies for February pregnancies. Canons echo with snap-snapping, as raptors break deadwood to rebuild nurseries. Nurturing embryo fawns, deer munch on ice-frosted bottomlands.

A winter diet is slim pickings. Buds and wizened blackberries

are sweet treats. Stump moss is nutrient-packed. Dormant branches contain the essence of survival. On former goldfields, an overlooked acorn is a nugget of providence. Swans dip and dive for underwater weeds. The strong endure. The weak are food for stalwart hunters.

Unconcerned, mother river rolls on. Christmas-week storms swamp her bottomlands. Nimbus Dam floodgates send rages over

her cataracts. Flowing at nearly 8000 cubic feet per second, she uproots trees; she collapses trails; she scours dens and separates animal families. In freezing snaps, her tributaries are ribbons of silver. At sunrise, a silent army of survivors moves in her mists.

Our river is kind and cruel; a provider and a thief. She is mysterious, ever-changing and yet unchangeable. And always, she is beautiful. ★



At Gold River, a beaver chomps on dormant willow twigs.



Egret anglers reflect in a chilly slough near Riverbend, Rancho Cordova.



Winter berries brighten bluffs near San Juan Rapids, Fair Oaks.



A mated pair of Mute swans make a winter landing near Sailor Bar (Fair Oaks).



A patient heron awakes winter providence near Sailor Bar, Fair Oaks.



Lake Natoma sloughs reflect Orangevale's bluffs.



Geese make misty landing at William Pond Park, Carmichael.



Opportunistic bald eagles snag salmon corpses on Fair Oaks rapids.



The river rises to inundate low areas of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center preserve (Carmichael).



A Sea lion swims from the Delta to feast on steelhead below Nimbus Dam (Gold River).

California's Rate of Minority-Owned Businesses Ranks Third

Asana Resource Planning News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - New research has revealed the states with the highest rate of minority-owned businesses in America. California ranks 3rd nationally for the rate of minority-owned businesses per minority resident.

The state averages 28.46 minority-owned companies for every 1,000 minority residents. California is home to the largest total number of minority-owned businesses nationwide, at 278,770. The total minority (non-white) population in California is 9,796,587.

Work management experts Asana analyzed data from the 2021 U.S. Census on businesses owned by members of racial minority groups. These figures were compared with non-white population data to reveal which states had the highest rate of minority-owned businesses per 1,000 minority residents.

The composition of minority-owned businesses in California is dominated by one group: Asian-owned businesses are responsible for 169,863 firms, over 60 percent of the total. There are 15,014 Black or African American-owned firms in California and 9,595 American Indian or Alaska Native-owned firms.

A spokesperson from Asana commented on the study, "The West appears to be the best region for minority-owned



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businesses, with seven of the 10 states with the highest rates located there.

"Minority business owners in America can receive support from several avenues to help give

their ventures a better chance of success. Support includes government grants, Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) grants, financial consultations, and the National

Minority Supplier Development Council's Business Consortium Fund."

The number of businesses owned by members of racial minorities was gathered from the

2021 U.S. Census by state.

This was then compared with the non-white population per state (from the 2020 US Census) to give the number of minority-owned businesses per 1K minority population per state.

This was ranked from highest to lowest. The number of businesses owned by each race per state was also included and ranked per state, giving which race owns the most businesses per state.

Race populations are calculated as the total number of people who identify with that race. This includes multiracial people. This also means that the non-white population was calculated by subtracting the white population from the total population. Due to this, the sum of all races for a state will most likely be greater than the state's minority population due to multiracial people appearing in the separate population counts of multiple races.

Some values for a number of businesses owned by race per state were missing and thus estimates were used to fill the gaps using the following method. The average number of race-owned businesses per 1K race population was calculated per race. This was used in combination with each state's and race's population to calculate an estimated number of businesses owned by race per state.

To learn more about Asana visit: <https://asana.com/uses/resource-planning>. ★

California Residents Lose \$2.5 Billion to Cybercrime

Click Insights News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - New research has revealed the states where residents are most likely to fall victim to cybercrime. California ranks 7th nationally for the rate of cybercrime complaints, with 244 reports per 100,000 people. The state incurred the highest total financial losses from cybercrime in the entire nation, amounting to \$2,539,041,635. The average loss per victim in California was significantly high at \$26,376.

The study by Click Insights analyzed 2024 data from the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) to determine which states had the highest number of cybercrime complaints per 100,000 residents, along with the financial impact of these crimes per victim.

Cybercrime complaints are complaints to the Internet Crime Complaint Center in regards to any criminal activity that involves a computer, computer network, or digital device, where data or money is stolen, or harm is caused. Examples may include credit card fraud, government impersonation



The state incurred the highest total financial losses from cybercrime in the entire nation, amounting to \$2,539,041,635. Photo courtesy of Freepik

scams, personal data breaches, phishing, and cryptocurrency scams.

The losses per victim in California average \$26,376.

James Owen, co-founder of Click Insights, commented on the findings:

"These results highlight how serious the cybercrime threat has become across the United States. The FBI reported over 859,000 internet crime complaints in 2024, with total losses surpassing \$16 billion, a nearly \$4 billion jump from the year before.

Alaska's rate of 915 complaints per 100,000 residents is especially notable against that fact, showing that smaller or more remote states are not immune to digital risks. Even in states with fewer reports, like Wyoming, where victims lost an average of \$31,592 each, the financial damage can still be devastating."

Data was gathered from the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) 2024 Report, which provides state-by-state information on cybercrime complaints and financial losses.

Population figures were used to calculate the number of complaints per 100,000 residents in each state to determine relative risk levels.

Total financial losses and average losses per victim were also analyzed to provide a comprehensive picture of cybercrime impact across the United States.

For more information about the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center, visit: https://www.ic3.gov/Media/PDF/AnnualReport/2024_IC3Report.pdf

To learn more about Click Insights visit: <https://insights.clickintelligence.com/>. ★

Marketing Firm Fined for Selling Health Data

Company ordered to stop selling Californians' personal information

California Privacy Protection Agency News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Privacy Protection Agency Board has issued two new decisions following settlements reached by the Enforcement Division's Data Broker Enforcement Strike Force.

The first decision requires Rickenbacher Data LLC, d/b/a Datamasters, a Texas-based reseller of personal information for targeted advertising, to pay a \$45,000 fine for failing to register as a data broker in violation of California's Delete Act. The decision also orders the company to stop selling all Californians' personal information.

According to the decision, Datamasters bought and resold the names, addresses, phone numbers and email addresses of millions of people with Alzheimer's disease, drug addiction, bladder incontinence and other health conditions for targeted advertising. In addition, Datamasters bought and resold lists of people based on age and

perceived race, offering "Senior Lists" and "Hispanic Lists," as well as lists based on political views, grocery store purchases, banking activity and health-related purchases. The company engaged in these activities in 2024 without registering with the California Data Broker Registry.

As a result of the Board's decision, Datamasters will stop selling all forms of personal information about Californians, effectively removing it from the marketplace in California.

"Reselling lists of people battling Alzheimer's disease is a recipe for trouble," said Michael Macko, the head of enforcement at CalPrivacy. "In the wrong hands, these lists could be used to target people for more than just advertising. The same risks apply to selling lists of seniors, people who identify as conservative or liberal, or people who purchase sensitive health products. History teaches us that certain types of lists can be dangerous."

Tom Kemp, the agency's executive director added, "Californians have a clear way

to push back and regain control now that CalPrivacy's DROP system is live. If you are concerned about data brokers selling your personal information, I highly recommend that you sign up for DROP."

The second decision requires S&P Global, Inc., a New York-based provider of data and technology, to pay a \$62,600 fine for failing to register as a data broker due to an administrative error. In addition to the fine, the decision requires S&P Global to adopt procedures for registration and compliance auditing to prevent similar errors in the future.

The Delete Act requires data brokers to register with CalPrivacy annually in January and pay a fee that funds the Data Broker Registry and the Delete Request and Opt-out Platform (DROP). DROP is a first-of-its-kind deletion mechanism that allows consumers to direct all data brokers to delete their personal information in a single request.

CalPrivacy's Recent Enforcement Actions to Protect Californians

CalPrivacy continues to actively enforce California's cutting-edge privacy laws. Listed are some of the recent action taken by Cal Privacy.

Issuing a decision requiring Tractor Supply Company, the nation's largest rural lifestyle retailer, to pay a \$1.35M fine and change its business practices for CCPA violations.

Issuing a decision requiring a nationwide clothing retailer, Todd Snyder, Inc., to change its business practices and pay a \$345,178 fine for CCPA violations.

Issuing a decision requiring American Honda Motor Co. to change its business practices and pay a \$632,500 fine for CCPA violations.

Securing a settlement agreement requiring data broker Background Alert — which promoted its ability to dig up "scary" amounts of information about people — to shut down or pay a steep fine.

Bringing more than ten enforcement actions against additional unregistered data brokers.

Launching the bipartisan Consortium of Privacy Regulators to collaborate with states across the country to implement and enforce privacy laws nationwide.

Partnering with the data protection authorities in Korea, France and the United Kingdom to share information and advance privacy protections for Californians.

The California Privacy Protection Agency (CalPrivacy) is committed to promoting the education and awareness of consumers' privacy rights and businesses' responsibilities under the California Consumer Privacy Act, Delete Act and Opt Me Out Act.

Consumers can visit [Privacy.ca.gov](https://www.privacy.ca.gov) to access helpful and up-to-date information and tips on how to exercise their rights, protect their personal information and learn about the Delete Request and Opt-out Platform (DROP). In addition, CalPrivacy's website provides important information about Board Meetings, announcements and the rulemaking process. ★

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David Rapaport and Estee Rapaport, 9224 Sweetdale Court, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "JellyBee Toffee/Jelly Bee Toffee" 9224 Sweetdale Court, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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JELLYBEE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09029
Naomi Scott and Christopher Scott, 10841 Ballantrae Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mademoiselle Spa & Wellness Center" 11079 Yakima River Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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SPA 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08729
Philana Tauriette Boyd, 6149 Jeanine Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "True Presence Counseling" 7996 Old Winding Way #310, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 2, 2025
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TRUE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08596
Diana Russell, 1329 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-3, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gilded Beauty Spa" 1329 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-3, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2025
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GILDED 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08946
Howe Bout LLC, 1537 Howe Avenue, Suite 118, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Howe Bout Nails Salon" 1537 Howe Avenue, Suite 118, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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HOWE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09081
Mercedes Ramirez, 2781 Bridgeford Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "La Columna Barber & Beauty Salon" 2108 El Camino

Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 16, 2025
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BARBER 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08973
Pentabridge LLC, 9502 Village Tree Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MSS Matching Support Services" 3550 Watt Avenue Suite 190-2, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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MSS 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08987
Ledger and Bean Collective LLC, 4239 Erie Court, Santa Clara, CA 95054 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ledger and Bean/Active Scoops" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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LEDGER 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07707
Yordanos Beyene, 8028 Tototom Parkway, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Adeli Kitchen/Tesi Adel" 4900 Madison Avenue Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 15, 2025
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ADELI 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09084
Quierra Trammel, 7643 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden State Events/Golden State Event Company" 7643 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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GOLDEN 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09044
G. Boparai MD LLC, 44 Brightwood Circle, Danville, CA 94506 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Med Center Medical Clinic" 6600 Madison Avenue Suite 7, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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MED 1-16-26

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A La Zen Homes, 585 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A La Zen Homes/Zen Homes" 581 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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ZEN 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08719
A2Z Specialty Solutions, 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A2Z Solutions" 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 1, 2025
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A2Z 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08259
Fallon Golf Inc., 11511 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "iFit Golf" 11511 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09105
James Ernest Ballas, 2845 37th Street #16, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A1 Response Lock-n-Key" 2845 37th Street #16, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 17, 2025
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A1 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09073
Esteban Alberto Estrada Corella, 5416 Jackson Street Apt 18, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Onyx Auto Glass" 5416 Jackson Street Apt 18, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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ONYX 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08970
Oswaldo Ezequiel Gonzalez, 4741 Camino Royale Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "OGP Landscaping Maintenance" 4741 Camino Royale Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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OGP 1-16-26

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Car Mall LLC, 6538 Twin Park Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the

Fictitious Business Name(s) "Car Mall Auto Sales" 6538 Twin Park Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 14, 2025
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CAR 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08396
Roberto Evan Delgado and Zoe Woomer, 9109 Castlebar Way, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ink Worms Printing Services" 9109 Castlebar Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 12, 2025
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INK 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09068
Origin Solar USA Inc, 910 Pleasant Grove Boulevard #353, Rosevale, CA 95678 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Origin Solar USA" 9198 Greenback Lane #200, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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ORIGIN 1-16-26

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Gabriel Gutierrez, 2756 Primo Way, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GGB Services" 2756 Primo Way, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 16, 2025
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Aziz Kadrov, 6052 Landis Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 and Aleksandr Girzhu, 8344 Wildflower Way, Antelope, CA 95843 and Elijah Kibukevich, 5055 Road 66 NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837 and Vladimir Chuguy, 8045 Mariposa Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 and Liona Koval, 4800 NE 118th Court, Vancouver, WA 98682 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Acts Academy" 5031 Jackson Street, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08985
JMBN Inc., 3444 Garfield Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Margolis Gaming Labs" 3444 Garfield Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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MARGOLIS 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09038
Tyree Jovan Montgomery, 1068 Hayer Circle, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Vantage View Security Group" 1068 Hayer Circle, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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VANTAGE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09134
Foxyea Inc., 3104 O Street #390, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Video Streaming Services Company" 211 Lathrop Way Suite E, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 18, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08779
Gabriel Carstens, 7848 Gull Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Suave Focus" 7848 Gull Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
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SUAVE 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09160
Connor Sheeran and Natalie Sheeran, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "gelico" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 19, 2025
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GELICO 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09008
Christina Jorgensen, 7300 Fairytale Street, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Serene Sage Creations" 7300 Fairytale Street, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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SERENE 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09018
Maya Juhl, 9270 Elm Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fusion Emoto" 9270 Elm Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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FUSION 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09207
Bohany LLC, 3720 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AAA (Advanced Adult Assistance/Alfaro Ranch" 3720 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025
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AAA 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09214
Mark Allen Burris, P.O. Box 1173, Folsom, CA 95763 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Urban Mosaic/Average Faulty Human" 1141 Newmark Way, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025
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URBAN 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08507
Valeri Stuparyk, 3348 Chiswell Way, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "FixMate LV" 3348 Chiswell Way, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 18, 2025
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FIXMATE 1-23-26

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Ella Sushinskaya, 2958 Logansport Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MP Motors" 2958 Logansport Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 19, 2025
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MP 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09006
Poopaw Solutions, LLC, 2108 N Street #9445, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Taho Haus" 2108 N Street #9445, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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TAHO 1-23-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09297
Girls Dad LLC, 910 2nd Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AAA Priority Jet Detailing" 910 2nd Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 26, 2025
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AAA 1-23-26

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Jerias Abusada, 2329 Fulton Avenue Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Foxline Auto Sales" 2329 Fulton Avenue Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 19, 2025
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FOXLINE 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09163
Alexander Dagoberto Cruz, 8501 Middlesex Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Health Inspection Preparedness Evaluation Consulting/Hipe Consulting" 8501 Middlesex Way, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 19, 2025
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HEALTH 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09351
MSG Limited Liability Company, PO Box 160231, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Frenchy Gourmet" 1714 21st Street, Unit 102, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
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FRENCHY 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09352
Kallas & Co., 84 W. Santa Clara Street, Suite 700, San Jose, CA 95113 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bon Jour Cafe" 2377 Gold Meadow Way, Suite 100, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
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BON 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09064
SN Auto Body, 2307 Sierra Madre Court #A, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SN Auto Body" 11353 Pyrites Way Unit 03, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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SN 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09217
Damaris E Aguirre Pacheco, 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DP Marketing" 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025
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DP 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09210
JC Uniform LLC, 6140 Auburn Boulevard, Citrus Heights, 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "JC Embroidery" 6140 Auburn Boulevard, Citrus Heights, 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025
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JC 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09242
Doo Doo Squad, LLC, 4090 Wayside Lane Unit A, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Doo Doo Squad" 4090 Wayside Lane Unit A, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 23, 2025
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DOO 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09385
Dayoona Corp, 3200 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ray's Chicken and Fish" 3200 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
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RAYS 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09267
Abdul Baseer Karimi, 3804 Madison Avenue Apt 19, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Roadely" 3804 Madison Avenue Apt 19, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 24, 2025
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ROADELY 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09349
Rokham Momand LLC, 8453 Ceonothus Court, Elk Grove, CA 95824 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Affordable Towing and Road Side Service" 7000 Franklin Boulevard Suite 195, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
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AFFORDABLE 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09058
Ashton Arnold and Juan Cardoza, 1100 Howe Avenue #498, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rivers Edge Cafe" 8740 La Riviera Drive Suite C, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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RIVERS 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08755
Team G&C, Inc, 8107 Oahu Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "C Light Landscapes/Peck N Trim" 8107 Oahu Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
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LIGHT 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08489
Nicole Pearson, 3525 4th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ai Systems and Strategy Collective" 3525 4th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 18, 2025
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AI 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09013
Nava Medical P.C., 1565 Exposition Boulevard Suite 120, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Face Body & Soul Wellness & Aesthetics" 1565 Exposition Boulevard Suite 120, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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FACE 1-30-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09229
Vincent Andre Garcia, 7506 Farmgate Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Swan And Sword Tattoo" 5941 San Juan Avenue Suite 13B, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 23, 2025
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SWAN 1-30-26

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Honeycomb Renovations Services Inc., 6931 Butterball Way, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Honeycomb Renovations Inc." 6931 Butterball Way, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 30, 2025
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Yurii Horbonos, 5149 Kovanda Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Car Doctor Y&O" 5149 Kovanda Avenue, Carmichael, CA

95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2026
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Arnold Sarkisyan, 3301 N Park Drive #3616, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ATC Express" 3301 N Park Drive #3616, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026
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Kevin Quintanilla, 7128 Thomas Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blooming Bazaar" 7128 Thomas Drive, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026
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BLOOMING 2-6-26

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Jaime Sanchez Aguirre and Veronica Sanchez, 3081 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aztec Graphic Designs" 3081 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08851
Aileen's Delish LLC, 6841 Sandrock Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aileen's Delish Catering and Event Services" 882 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09106
Humberto Valdivia, 5831 Rosebud Lane Unit C, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Placer County Handyman" 5831 Rosebud Lane Unit C, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 17, 2025
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Karen Katzmark, 4005 Manzanita Avenue #6-427, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Demt Equine Services" 9712 Fair Oaks Boulevard A6, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026
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Daniel Williams, 237 West Ascot Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Daniel Williams Flooring" 237 West Ascot Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00001
Deanna M Sesso, 8195 Caribbean Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 30, 2025
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BRAVE 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00001
Deanna M Sesso, 8195 Caribbean Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2026
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COMPLEX 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00049

Andriy Melnykov, 5150 Madison Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026
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SILVER 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00227
Gregory John Fagundes, 4158 Cahakia Place, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 8, 2026
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
STAR 2-6-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-09438
Shiva Ghasemi, 9709 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 30, 2025
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NUTRIWIZE 2-6-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-03792
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Medic, 65 Quinta Court Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 20, 2025
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MEDIC 1-16-26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV029119
Mohad Haroon Shams & Horia Shams has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohad Yousef Shams to Yousef Shams. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 3, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Dec 26, Jan 2, 9, 16, 2026
SHAMS 1-16-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV028982
Gurbir Kaur has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Gurbir Kaur to Gegini Kaur. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 12, 2026, 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: December 4, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Dec 26, Jan 2, 9, 16, 2026
KAUR 1-16-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV030460
MohammadMahdi Darabi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of MohammadMahdi Darabi to Adrian Darabi. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 8, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, 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: December 17, 2025
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026
DARABI 1-23-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV031520
Raquel Morales Nunez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Diego Alcaraz Morales to Diego Morales. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 6, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
GUTIERREZ 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV031035
Jermaine Dante Jackson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jermaine Dante Jackson to Jermaine Dante Despanie and Vivienne Mae Despanie to Vivienne Mae Despanie and Camille Nai Jackson to Camille Nai Despanie. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 6, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
GAINES 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000212
Alex Gutierrez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ariella Ivy Cruz Gutierrez and Isaias, Alejandro, Marin to Isaias Alejandro Cruz Gutierrez and Elias, Angel, Marin to Elias Angel Cruz Gutierrez. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 9, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 6, 2026
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
SCHIEFFER 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000118
Ruling Zhang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ruling Zhang to Emily Ruling Zhang. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 17, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, 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: January 5, 2026
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026
ZHANG 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000209
Jonathan David Schieffer has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jonathan David Schieffer to Jonathan David Adair. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 22, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, 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: January 6, 2026
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SCHIEFFER 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV031045
FNU Anjuman has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of FNU Anjuman to Anjuman Shaheen. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 8, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, 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: December 22, 2025
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ANJUMAN 1-30-26

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV027193
Heather Elizabeth Pocan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Heather Elizabeth Pocan to Heather Elizabeth Gaston. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 24, 2026, 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: November 10, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: January 9, 15, 23, 30, 2026
POCAN 1-30-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV028982
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that the intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on sold property pursuant to sections 21700-21716 of the business and professions code, section 2328 of the UCC, section 535 of the penal code and provisions of the civil code. The undersigned will sell at a public sale, by competitive bidding on or after Friday, **January 16th, 2026 at 9am and end on January 23** on the Premises where the said property has been stored and which are located at **Store & Go LLC, 21 Massie Court, Sacramento, 95823**. The following delinquent tenants' items described as appearing to be and/or possible: Misc. Furniture, household items and boxes (contents unknown)

Lee Wahitaker, Alice Karsten, Sharon

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INVITATION TO BID

Garney Pacific, Inc. is soliciting sub bids from qualified MBE/WBE/SBE/DBE firms for the Ladera & Winding Way Wells Improvements Project, WP #2, 60% GMP for Carmichael Water District. Bids are due February 10, 2026 at 2:00 PM.

Complete scope of work can be found in the specifications. We are requesting quotes for trades including, but not limited to the following: Aggregate Supply (327992) | Site Fencing (238990/444180) | Paving (238990/237310) | Concrete Supply (327390/327320) | Rebar Supply and Install (238120) | Steel Tank (332420/323312) | Pipe and Valve Supply (332911/332919) | Prefabricated FRP Structures (325211) | Electrical (238210) | Misc Metals (332999) | Metal Canopy (238120/332312) | Pipe Disinfection (332996) | Excavation and Site Work (238910) | Erosion Control (541330) | Instrumentation and I&C (334519) Visit <https://www.garney.com/upcoming-bids/for> access to the bid documents for this project.

Garney Pacific, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer and is available to offer assistance where needed. We strongly encourage all MBE/WBE/SBE/DBE firms interested in this project to submit a competitive bid. Garney fully intends to meet or exceed the participation requirements for this project and is prepared to assist all subcontracting firms in achieving their highest quality of work while maintaining the industry's most competitive values.

Due to the funding requirements for this project, BABA requirements are in place.

Garney Pacific, Inc. is a union contractor, all subcontractors on the project must utilize union labor. Garney requires that all potential subcontractors are prepared to provide a 100% Payment and Performance Bond from a US Treasury listed Surety Company. Garney will reimburse Subcontractors for the required bond premium, so please provide your bond rate at the time of bid. The decision to bond any or all subcontractors shall be at the sole discretion of Garney Pacific unless the specific project contract documents have other requirements. Please contact us for any insurance, bonding or other project related questions. Garney Pacific, Inc. is a signatory to Laborers & Operators unions.

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Hello Kings fans, and welcome to the land of misfit toys. Yes, Sacramento fans have had to endure a nauseating start to the 2025-26 season, and I can say with some certainty that fans are not satisfied with the lack of transparency coming from the organization.

General manager Scott Perry and owner Vivek Ranadive have not given the Sacramento fan base a true picture of what the future holds, and that makes for nervous and unhappy fans.

On a positive note, if you're a fan that believes staying away from attending games when the big ballers come into town is a good idea, you had better think again.

Your Sacramento Kings, largely shorthanded for most of the season, have registered wins against the Warriors, Nuggets, Bucks, Mavericks, Timberwolves, Heat, and the Houston Rockets twice!

Yes, the 22-13 Houston Rockets have suffered defeat at the hands of the Kings twice this season, and this should give every Kings fan a glimpse into the possible with this year's team.

Center piece and focal point of the team Domantas Sabonis has been relegated to the bench with injuries for the largest part of this season, and you can add to the list Keegan Murray, Zach Lavine, Malik Monk and many others.

That is not to say that other teams aren't suffering with the injury bug as well, but what every fan should find solace in is the fact that this team can defeat any team in the NBA on any given night.

So, will Scott Perry blow up this team, or take the conservative route, and take note of the upcoming draft and simply try to add key pieces where the team is weak? The vast majority believe this could turn into a complete blowup year that could see some of your favorite faces donning the uniform of a different team soon.

I for one, am not in favor of turning things upside down and starting from scratch. Not if Domantas Sabonis is being included in the new makeover. If building around this enigmatic big man is in the cards, count me in. Domantas adds a dimension that shows up in the scoring column and in rebounding too, and no one

has a bigger motor or a better attitude than the Sacramento Kings center. His double double prowess and even triple double capability is worth the price of admission and then some.

The real question is how attached are the Kings to 4th year man Keegan Murray? Like Sabonis, Keegan has been a fan favorite and so far, the Kings have been reluctant to include his name in trade talks. But is Keegan the next Kevin Martin? A 1st round draft choice that was always just this far from taking the next step but never quite being able to get there.

Stats show that Martin played six seasons for the Kings averaging 17.0 points per game, 3.2 rebounds and 1.9 assists.

Murray in 3 1/2 seasons has averaged 13.0 points per game, 5.6 rebounds and 1.4 assists. Neither player has played in an all-star game, and of the two, Keegan is a decidedly better defender. But have the Kings already seen the best of Keegan Murray? If that is the case, by all means pick up the phone when teams call with an interest, and at the very least get a draft pick instead of trading away our draft picks as former administrations have done.

Are we in uncertain times with this franchise? Yes, unequivocally yes! But at some juncture someone has to have the internal fortitude to make what are probably going to be unpopular decisions.

For this writer, I'm heartened that Scott Perry had nothing to do with trading away DeAaron Fox. I would like to think this general manager has real NBA brain power, and that positive changes are just around the corner.

On the flip side, if NBA teams are calling to make unreasonable demands that will only weaken an already weak franchise, then hold pat and wait for the draft!

OKC, Indiana, Detroit, and others have developed their teams via the draft and there's no reason the Kings can't do the same.

Don't lose heart Kings fans. Your Sacramento Kings just handed the Houston Rockets a double-digit defeat Sunday afternoon, and word has it Domantas Sabonis will be back before much longer!

All the best! ★

Urgent Issues Loom Over Newsom Campaign



By Dan Walters,
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Political California cranked up for the New Year Monday.

The Legislature reconvened after a 114-day recess, Gov. Gavin Newsom renewed his nascent campaign for president and the dozen or so men and women who covet his job continued to seek ways to reach a so-far-uninterested electorate.

Newsom's interview Monday on MS NOW, the cable channel beloved by Democratic politicians and activist voters, implied anew that his final year as governor will be dominated by his all-but-certain bid for the White House in 2028. He spent much of the week criticizing President Donald Trump for refusing aid to Los Angeles fire victims and cracking down on undocumented immigrants.

Newsom's preoccupation will color whatever he and the Legislature do about a deficit-ridden state budget and a half-dozen or so other stubborn issues that have emerged or become more acute since Newsom took office seven years ago.

In past years Newsom has been lackadaisical about delivering the annual State of the State message to the Legislature that the state constitution requires. But he'll perform the chore later this week, then unveil his response to the projections of semi-permanent, multi-billion-dollar deficits.

Gabe Petek, the Legislature's budget analyst, sees an immediate \$18 billion gap between income and outgo that could mushroom to \$35 billion if not closed. He's warned that Newsom and legislators can't count on a sluggish economy to solve their problem.

They have used a variety of gimmicks, including raids on emergency reserves, off-the-books loans and deceptive accounting gambits to stave off the day of fiscal reckoning, but the shortfall, born of overspending revenues, has continued.

"If our estimates hold, the Legislature will face a fourth consecutive year of budget problems — all during a period of overall revenue growth," Petek said in a November analysis. "As it stands — with larger forecasted deficits and many fewer tools available to address them — California's budget is undeniably less prepared for downturns."

The Legislature's leaders, pressed by a powerful progressive contingent, don't want to reduce the health care and income support services they so willingly enacted after Newsom declared, erroneously, that the state had a \$97.5 billion surplus three years ago.

Progressives and their allies in public employee unions and other left-of-center groups want to close the budget gap with new taxes and are sponsoring two ballot measures, one to extend a surtax on the highest-income taxpayers that's due to expire and a second to impose a new wealth tax on the state's billionaires.

Newsom has steadfastly rejected tax increases to deal with the deficit, unwilling, obviously, to become a pro-tax presidential candidate. But neither has he offered, so

far, anything other than gimmicks to solve the problem his wildly off-base 2022 surplus declaration created.

The state's stubborn budget deficit is just one of the issues that continue to defy resolution as Newsom's final year begins. Other issues include high levels of homelessness and poverty, a housing shortage that's just as acute as when he took office in 2019, an insurance crisis born of chronic wildfires, a woebegone bullet train project, soaring costs of living, persistent water supply uncertainties and a looming shortage of gasoline as refineries close due to hostile state regulation.

On top of everything, California's \$4 trillion economy is more or less stuck in neutral, with the nation's highest unemployment rate, no net job growth since the COVID-19 pandemic and severe employment cutbacks in signature sectors, such as film and TV production technology.

The stark existence of such issues during Newsom's final year as governor is not only a potential drag on his presidential campaign, but it colors the cast-of-thousands campaigns to elect a successor.

Will the would-be Democratic governors be willing to point out Newsom's leftover issues — especially the budget deficit — and tell voters how they would approach the challenge? Or would they merely joust over who can be the loudest?

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

Social Security Matters

Why Didn't My Friend's Wife Get All Her Social Security Immediately?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: A friend told me about what he believes is a strange thing in the Social Security system. His wife reached her full retirement age (FRA) of 66 several years ago. She delayed filing for Social Security past her FRA and claimed on her 68th birthday in June of that year, exactly 2 years after her FRA. When she filed, she was told she would receive approximately \$300/month, which, of course, was more than she would have received at her FRA. She was told however that she would only receive \$300/month as of January 1 of the following year. Between June of the year she turned 68 and filed for SS until the end of that year, she would receive an amount less than \$300. This lower amount was the amount she would have received if she had filed in December, the year she turned 67. She said she was told that was how SS works. She would never receive the difference in benefits she lost from June through December of the year she filed. If the above is true, can you explain? **Signed: Astounded Friend**

Dear Astounded: What your friend described is, indeed, a unique methodology for how Social Security

handles benefit payments for those who choose to wait beyond their full retirement age (FRA) to claim SS benefits. To understand it, let me first describe how Social Security retirement benefits are calculated.

At full retirement age, a person is entitled to 100% of the SS benefit they have earned from a lifetime of working. That FRA benefit amount is known as the person's "Primary Insurance Amount" (PIA) and is based upon the highest earning 35 years over the individual's lifetime. From those past years, average lifetime monthly earnings are computed, known as the person's "Average Indexed Monthly Earnings" (AIME). Their AIME is subjected to a formula which yields their Primary Insurance Amount — the benefit the person is entitled to in the month they attain their full retirement age — typically about 40% of the person's average monthly lifetime earnings. However, if the person chooses to do so, they can wait beyond their FRA to claim Social Security to get a monthly benefit even higher than their PIA, by earning Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs).

DRCs are applied to the person's PIA when they claim Social Security. For each month after FRA the person claims, they will have .667% added to their PIA. That means that for each full year of delay, that person will get an extra 8% added to their PIA. For someone (like your friend's wife) who claimed 24 months after her FRA, she would receive a benefit 16% higher than her FRA amount. However, Social Security

normally only applies DRCs in January of each year.

So, even though your friend's wife claimed her SS benefits in June, 24 months after her FRA, she would initially only get the DRCs she had accumulated through the end of the previous year — in this case, about 18 months' worth of DRCs, or an SS payment about 12% higher than her PIA (her FRA amount). She would not get her remaining earned DRCs (another 4%) until January of the following year. So, in effect, the wife's initial benefit didn't reflect all her earned DRCs until her later January benefit payment. Thus, the wife essentially lost that extra benefit money for the period between June and December of the year she claimed Social Security. In other words, she wouldn't get the full 16% amount until SS applied the additional 4% DRCs to her benefit payment the following January. And that is why your friend's wife initially received a payment a bit less than the \$300 Social Security said she was entitled to by waiting 2 years after her FRA to claim.

This surprises many who choose to wait beyond their full retirement age to claim Social Security. But, curiously, this process doesn't apply to those who wait until age 70 to claim their SS benefits. For those who wait until age 70 to claim, Social Security will immediately apply all DRCs that they have accumulated and provide them with their maximum SS benefit immediately.

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Don't Annex Greenland

digious reserves of critical minerals, and maybe fossil fuels, as well.

If it fell into our lap, it'd be an excellent addition to our territorial holdings. There's a reason that American statesmen have long coveted the island.

The problem is that it's not currently available. What are other options? A lightly armed contingent of U.S. crossing guards could probably take it over in a couple of days. The challenge, though, is political and diplomatic, not military.

A NATO ally seizing the territory of another NATO ally would obviously be a grave threat to the integrity of the alliance. Would Denmark invoke Article 5 against the United States? It has the makings of a good spoof musical, but it's not something anyone should want to experience in reality.

Although Trump has said in the past that he doesn't take military force off the table — an amazing statement in and of itself — he's also talked of buying Greenland. The Danes, though, say it's not for sale, and the Greenlanders don't want to be bought.

If Trump really pushes the issue and forces Denmark and NATO into a corner with the 82nd Airborne ready to go on an airstrip somewhere, he could probably compel a sale, but it'd be courting a diplomatic crisis and damage the reputation of the United States without enough upside.

We can almost certainly get whatever we need from Greenland without violating a friendly country's

sovereignty or straining a world-historical alliance to the breaking point. We already have a missile-defense base there. The 1951 Greenland Defense Agreement between Denmark and the U.S. allowing us to keep bases could presumably be updated and extended. Given the national security importance of rare earths to the U.S. and NATO, it should be possible to unlock Greenland's minerals.

Instead of clapping back at Trump, Danish Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen should be reaching out for a steak dinner at Mar-a-Lago and offering a deal. While public pressure gets Trump's back up, private persuasion — and a warm relationship — goes a long way. The Panamanians managed to get Trump to stop talking about taking back the Canal (for now) with prudent concessions.

For his part, Trump should realize that making everyone in a friendly nation hate him doesn't help his cause. His talk of annexing Canada last year helped Justin Trudeau's party survive a national election that it should have lost. His Greenland saber-rattling is presumably making it harder for Denmark to work with him on sensible cooperation.

If Nicolas Maduro got what he deserved, Denmark is a different matter. Even the unsentimental, results-oriented Trump foreign policy needs to distinguish between friend and foe.

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SacRT Announces Police Services Staffing Transition

Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT) News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) has announced a transition in its Police Services Department staffing, which went into effect Jan. 10. After nearly 34 years of dedicated service, SacRT's contract with the Sacramento Police Department will conclude, marking the end of a long-standing partnership that has played a vital role in supporting transit safety and security in the Sacramento region.

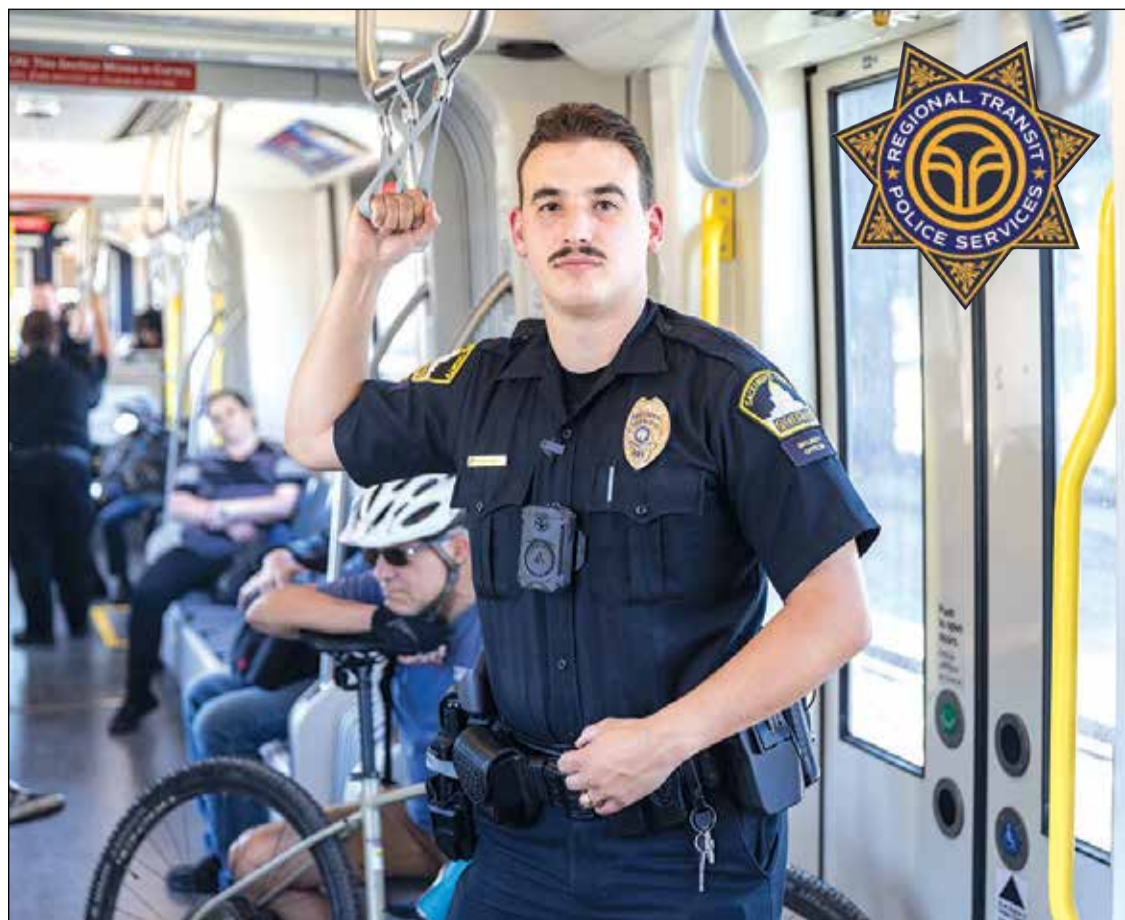
To ensure continued safety coverage across the transit system, beginning on Jan. 11 SacRT has expanded its partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, increasing Sheriff staffing levels.

The Sheriff's Department is actively hiring and training additional deputies to support this smooth transition.

SacRT's enhanced safety team will include one lieutenant, three sergeants, nine deputies, two detectives, eight (armed) sheriff security officers, 50 transit ambassadors and 70 Blue Knight security guards.

SacRT's 24/7 Security Operations Center (SOC) will continue to operate from the Sacramento Police Department's Real Time Information Center, ensuring seamless coordination in emergency response and maintaining a strong collaborative relationship.

The SacRT Board of Directors



SacRT has expanded its partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, increasing Sheriff staffing levels. Courtesy photo Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT)

recently approved an additional \$1 million investment in security for FY26 to further enhance rider safety and comfort. This funding will support additional Transit Ambassadors (from 40 to 50), hire two additional staff in the Security Operations Center, and expand security guard presence at stations, on vehicles and in parking lots.

SacRT has remained committed to creating a safe, welcoming environment for all riders and employees throughout the

transition. By establishing a clear vision, developing a comprehensive plan, and executing that plan with discipline and innovation, SacRT has been able to build multiple layers of safety and security into its operations ensuring a smooth transition. Through new technologies, enhanced procedures, and continued strong partnership with community organizations and law enforcement, SacRT's bus and rail systems now rank among the safest in the country.

SacRT aims to have a Transit Ambassador, Security Guard, or Sheriff's Department staff member on every light rail vehicle. Transit Ambassadors will provide fare checks, customer service and rider support.

Over 2,000 live cameras monitored in real time, with access to city and county networks will provide advanced surveillance. An AI drone program, launching in 2026 will maintain clean environments and improve operational performance at stations,

along tracks and at bus stops/shelters.

The Public Address System ("Voice of God") allows Security Operations Center staff to communicate directly with individuals at stations. The Aert SacRT App enables riders to report safety concerns or cleanliness issues directly to SacRT's security team. Download at sacrt.com/AlertSacRT.

"Safety and security remain our top priority at SacRT," said SacRT General Manager/CEO Henry Li. "We are proud to expand our partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department and continue investing in innovative technologies and staffing strategies that ensure our riders feel safe and supported throughout their journey."

"We are honored to strengthen our partnership with SacRT and expand our presence across the transit system," said Sacramento County Sheriff Jim Cooper. "Our deputies are committed to providing professional, responsive service to help ensure a safe and secure environment for all SacRT passengers and employees."

SacRT's multi-layered safety approach, strong partnerships, and investment in technology underscore its unwavering commitment to rider and employee safety. Learn more on the programs in place at sacrt.com/safety.

As part of the transition, SacRT Police Services will update to a new logo reflecting the expanded partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. ★

An Unseen Danger: The Deadly Toll of Road Debris

AAA Northern California News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- When considering one of the factors linked to tens of thousands of crashes across the United States, many of them deadly, you might expect the answer to be drunk or distracted driving. However, a recent study by the AAA Foundation of Traffic Safety found a surprising, yet equally dangerous, culprit: road debris. AAA researchers analyzed nationwide police data and other research and found road debris was likely a factor in more than 319,000 crashes between 2018 and 2023, resulting in more than 32,000 injuries and 433 deaths.

"Road debris" is generally defined as any object on a roadway that does not belong in a driving environment. The most common types of debris include vehicle parts (tires, bumpers, wheels) and unsecured cargo that fell off a vehicle (furniture, BBQ grills, mattresses, etc.)

The study noted that many drivers involved in crashes made dangerous maneuvers like sudden swerving to avoid road debris. Maneuvers like these accounted for about a quarter of injuries and nearly half of all deaths.

"Many of these crashes would have been easily preventable if drivers properly secured their cargo," AAA Mountain West Group spokesperson Doug Johnson said. "Securing loads and keeping your car maintained seems



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like common sense, but too often we have seen many fail to do so and resulting in tragedy."

All 50 states require drivers to secure their cargo. Penalties for unsecured loads resulting in crashes range from \$10 to \$2,500, and in some cases, jail time.

To properly secure a load tie down items with rope, netting, or straps, attach large objects directly to the vehicle or trailer, cover the load with a sturdy tarp or netting, avoid overloading the vehicle and double-check that everything is tight and secure before driving.

Keep an eye out for road debris. Eyes up and on the road, avoid distractions. Give space and room to respond. If possible, warn others. Tap your brakes to signal to drivers behind you that there is debris in the road ahead. Keep your vehicle properly maintained. Repair or replace any loose car parts.

AAA Mountain West Group is a membership and full-service leisure travel organization, proudly serving over 6.8 million Members across Alaska, Arizona, Nevada, Northern California, Montana, Wyoming and Utah. AAA delivers unmatched expertise and value through roadside assistance and electric vehicle (EV) resources, along with comprehensive auto repair, travel, insurance, financial, and home security services. Powered by 5,300 dedicated Team Members, AAA is on a mission to revolutionize solutions that help our Members. ★

January is Dog License Amnesty Month

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- January is Dog License Amnesty Month, and all month long Sacramento County is making it easier for dog owners to get their dogs licensed without penalties.

For the entire month, past due fees and fines are waived for dogs that have never been licensed before. If you have been putting it off, this is the perfect time to take care of it without added cost or stress.

In Sacramento County, all dogs and cats over four months old are legally required to be licensed and vaccinated against rabies. This requirement exists to protect pets, people and the community as a whole.

Every dog license requires proof of a current rabies vaccination. Rabies is fatal but



Take advantage of Dog License Amnesty Month by visiting a Bradshaw Animal Shelter vaccination clinic and receive a rabies vaccine at no charge with purchase of a dog license. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

preventable, and ensuring dogs are vaccinated is a critical part of keeping our community safe.

Licensing your dog does more than check a box. It has real benefits for both you and your pet.

Lost dogs are reunited with their families faster because a license provides immediate identification. Licensing also helps ensure dogs are vaccinated against rabies,

which protects other animals and people. Staying licensed keeps you in compliance with county law and helps you avoid citations or fines down the road.

Bradshaw Animal Shelter will continue to offer vaccination clinics as capacity allows. Pet owners who attend a Bradshaw Animal Shelter vaccination clinic and purchase a dog license at the same time may receive a rabies vaccine at no

cost, while supplies and appointment availability last.

Pet owners can find additional low cost rabies vaccination clinic options by visiting the Bradshaw Animal Shelter website at <https://animalcare.sacramento.gov/#gsc.tab=0>.

Bring your dog to a Bradshaw Animal Shelter vaccination clinic during January. Purchase a dog license while you are there. Your dog will receive a rabies vaccine at no charge with the license purchase.

Dog License Amnesty Month is about education and access, not punishment. Licensing your dog helps keep them safe, supports public health and ensures you are following the law.

If your dog is not licensed yet, January is the easiest and most affordable time to take care of it. ★

Optimist Club to Sponsor Speech Contest

Sacramento Breakfast Optimist Club News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- The Sacramento Breakfast Optimist Club is encouraging area students to speak their minds about this year's topic, "The Moment I Realized I Belonged - My Definition of Community" as part of the Optimist International Oratorical Contest for the 2025-26 school year.

The contest will be held 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Sierra Oaks office of Windermere Real Estate Company, 2580 Fair Oaks Blvd, Suite 20, Sacramento.

The Optimist Club will judge the local students' speeches based on content and presentation to determine the top winners. Top finishers will receive cash awards of \$500, \$300 and \$100, with the two top

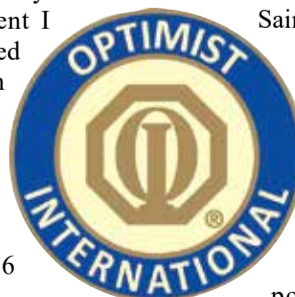
finishers moving on to the Zone level and possibly the District level, for an opportunity to win college scholarship money.

Winners of the District level will be eligible to compete in the Western Region competition in St. Louis, Missouri, held at Saint Louis University.

Regional contest winners will then compete in the World Championship, also held at Saint Louis University. Students could possibly win up to \$22,500 in scholarships.

The contest is open to students under the age of 19 as of Oct. 1, 2026.

The deadline to submit the contest application and copy of the student speech is Feb. 16. Students wishing to participate in the oratorical contest can find out further information by contacting Contest Chair, Tim Reardon at timreardon23@me.com or at 916-502-3412. ★



Doug LaMalfa, a Steadfast Advocate for California's North State, Dies at 65

By Maya C. Miller,
CalMatters.org

Rep. Doug LaMalfa, a fourth generation rice farmer and Republican who represented much of California's rural north in Congress, has died in office, setting off a scramble to replace him ahead of the November midterm election. He was 65.

His unexpected death Tuesday further shrinks the party's already razor-thin majority in Congress, which now stands at 218 following Georgia Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene's resignation. The GOP can now only afford to lose two members on any party-line vote.

LaMalfa's passing also sets up a potentially confusing scenario for his constituents in the 1st Congressional District, one of the five that were significantly redrawn under the voter-approved Proposition 50 last year.

Under California law, Gov. Gavin Newsom must call a special election within 14 days to fill the remainder of LaMalfa's term. That election will take place using the existing congressional district map, a seat that stretches from much of the Oregon-California border through rural Shasta and Sutter counties and strongly favors Republicans.

In November, though, voters will cast ballots under the new Democratic-leaning district lines adopted by voters. That means the likely Republican victor of the special election would only serve a few months before being forced to run in a heavily Democratic-favored seat.

"Somebody's going to work really hard to be in Congress for five months before they're highly likely to lose in November," said Matt Rexroad, a Republican strategist and redistricting expert.

LaMalfa died during emergency surgery at a Chico hospital, according to the Butte County Sheriff's Office, which said his family called 911 after the congressman experienced a "medical emergency" in his home.

While President Donald Trump and House Republicans could consistently count on



U.S. Rep. Doug LaMalfa addresses attendees during a town meeting at the Chico Elks Lodge on Aug. 11, 2025. LaMalfa, who represented California's rural North State, has died at 65. Photo by Salvador Ochoa for CalMatters

LaMalfa's support for conservative priorities such as last year's mega domestic policy bill, he never adopted the fire-brand or antagonist persona that many of his colleagues preferred.

Instead, LaMalfa developed a reputation as a pragmatic and affable member who prioritized water access and forestry management, key interests for his largely forested, fire-prone and agricultural-heavy district. It's those issues that led him to staunchly oppose Proposition 50, Gov. Gavin Newsom's redistricting plan that proposed to lump much of the rural north with parts of the far more urban and liberal San Francisco Bay Area.

LaMalfa was known for his steadfast commitment to issues that affected his district. One tradition of his was to stake out the president after the State of the Union speech. In those precious few minutes, as the leader of the free world descended the dais and moved to exit the chamber, LaMalfa would make his legislative requests. As the Washington Post reported, after President Joe Biden's

final address, LaMalfa asked the president to force the U.S. Forest Service to speed up permits for cutting timber, telling the president, "We gotta cut some trees."

LaMalfa strongly opposed Prop. 50, framing the gerrymander as a significant loss of representation for rural Californians. At a press conference last fall, he stressed how much he loved representing the farmers, ranchers and other agricultural workers in his district, rattling off names of small towns such as Fort Goodwin and Cedarville, where he said he's knocked on countless doors and held various town halls over the years.

"I know where all those places are," LaMalfa told the handful of reporters gathered in the Butte County Farm Bureau lodge. "Do you think that's going to happen when people from Cedarville, Modoc County, are lumped in with people from Sausalito and Marin County?"

LaMalfa was already expecting the toughest race of his career in November following voters' approval of Prop. 50

and its new Democratic-leaning districts. Although the voter registration advantage was stacked against him, LaMalfa previously told CalMatters that he intended to "give it his all" no matter who its voters were.

Several Democrats had already declared challenges, including state Sen. Mike McGuire — who represents Santa Rosa, a new part of the district — and Chico State Professor Audrey Denney, who previously challenged LaMalfa in 2018 and 2020.

It's possible that LaMalfa's successor won't be known for several months, depending on when Newsom schedules the special election and whether any candidate receives 50% of the vote. If not, voters will have to cast ballots in an additional runoff election.

House Republicans would benefit from filling the vacancy as quickly as possible, given their razor-thin margin.

The closest comparison is when former Republican Rep. Devin Nunes resigned in 2022 to lead a new Trump-backed media outlet. Newsom called a special election for early

April, with a run-off election that coincided with that year's regularly scheduled statewide primary. Republican Connie Conway ultimately won the seat and served for six months before bowing out and foregoing reelection after the district was redrawn.

It's not yet clear whether Newsom will schedule the special election for LaMalfa's seat to coincide with the statewide general election primary on June 2. A special primary election would need to be set nine weeks prior, with the top two candidates proceeding to the run-off unless one candidate amasses more than 50% of the vote.

Newsom spokesperson Izzy Gardon said he has not yet chosen a date.

"I would assume the governor will try to delay as long as he can," said Rob Stutzman, a California Republican political consultant.

California Republicans face their greatest chance of victory if they can clear the field and avoid a run-off election by uniting behind a single candidate who can attract more than 50% of the vote.

The top two names circulating as likely successors are Assembly member James Gallagher, the former Republican leader who is term limited and can't run for re-election, and former Sen. Brian Dahle, who termed out last year. Neither immediately responded to texts and calls asking whether they will consider running.

"I'm in shock. My mentor, a man who was like a big brother to me, is suddenly gone," Gallagher said in a statement Tuesday. "Doug LaMalfa was a one of a kind, humble and dedicated public servant. I'm lost and can't imagine life, public service or politics without Doug."

"We mourn the loss of Congressman LaMalfa whose unwavering dedication and tireless service made a lasting difference for North State residents," Dahle wrote on social media.

None of LaMalfa's Democratic challengers immediately said whether they would run in a special election. ★

Newsom Forecasts a Rosier California Budget

By Yue Stella Yu,
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Gov. Gavin Newsom's office on Friday forecast a "modest shortfall" of \$2.9 billion for the upcoming fiscal year, down sharply from previous estimates in a nearly \$349 billion budget proposal that relies heavily on continued windfalls from tech and AI stocks.

The governor's 2026-27 budget proposal projects \$9 billion more in revenue than anticipated, banking on the AI-driven economy to last. It's significantly rosier than the grim outlook by the nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office, which in November projected an \$18 billion deficit.

"A downturn in the market is one of the top risks," said state Department of Finance Director Joe Stephenshaw.

Newsom's spending proposal is nearly \$30 billion more than this year's budget. It includes \$248.3 billion in the general fund, the primary account for state operations, up by \$18 billion

The spike in spending is partly driven by the need to implement federal cuts to the Medi-Cal program and constitutional requirements to deposit portions of higher-than-expected revenue into education and state reserves.

The budget calls for the University of California to get \$350 million more in 2026-27 and the California State University system to get \$365 million more, largely to fulfill Newsom's 2022 promise to increase the universities' spending by 5% annually for five years.

Newsom's budget doesn't include any cuts to K-12 schools, and preserves some of his initiatives related to school meals, community schools, after-school and summer programs and transitional kindergarten. Per-pupil spending would jump slightly to \$27,400. It also includes a \$509 million increase in special education funding, and a 2.41% cost-of-living increase.

Newsom's proposal is the opening salvo



Gov. Gavin Newsom speaks during the State of the State address in the Assembly chamber at the state Capitol in Sacramento on Jan. 8, 2026. Photo by Miguel Gutierrez Jr., CalMatters

in months of budget negotiations that begin in earnest in June.

The projected deficit could balloon to \$22 billion in fiscal year 2027-28, a problem the governor will address in an updated fiscal forecast in May, Stephenshaw said.

Other state departments will see less funding under Newsom's spending plan, though Stephenshaw emphasized that there were no major cuts in the proposal. Newsom wants to spend \$1.3 billion less on housing and homelessness next year, slashing the department's budget by more

than half. Stephenshaw said some one-time dollars for housing and homelessness have run out and the state is not proposing to renew them.

Newsom's sunnier forecast could delay calls for long-term financial fixes such as new taxes.

Nodding to "long-term structural challenge," Newsom wants to deposit \$3 billion into the state's rainy day fund Budget Stabilization Account, as well as \$8.6 billion into two other reserve accounts. He's also proposed spending \$11.8 billion over the next four years,

including \$3 billion this upcoming year, to pay down the state's pension liabilities.

"There are encouraging signs in the California economy," Newsom said in a written statement accompanying the budget. "Yet history teaches us that prosperity, if taken for granted, can vanish as quickly as it arrives. California's responsibility is to act with steady hands and anticipate future instability."

Newsom did not attend Friday's budget presentation, after he painted a rosy picture of California's fiscal future during his State of the State address Thursday. Flashing top-line numbers, the Democratic governor touted billions of dollars more in revenue, proposed new investments in education and pledged more toward the state's reserves and pension debt.

He avoided revealing the budget deficit and did not say whether closing the gap would require painful spending cuts to core services like childcare, food assistance and Medi-Cal, the state's health care coverage for low-income residents, especially as federal funding diminishes.

Newsom teased multiple new proposals, such as fully funding the state's universal transitional kindergarten program and providing universal before and after-school programs at elementary schools.

The TK program will cost \$1.9 billion annually, according to his budget proposal.

Newsom also proposed spending \$1 billion to add high-needs community schools and redirecting \$1 billion in Proposition 1 mental health funds annually for housing and homelessness.

County government officials were dismayed the budget doesn't include more robust funding to backfill federal cuts in Republicans' mega domestic policy bill passed last year.

"If the state doesn't step up, communities across California will crumble," said Graham Knaus, CEO of the California State Association of Counties, in a statement Friday. ★

Stingy Defense Helps Women's Basketball

Sacramento State News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Senior Benthe Versteeg and junior Keanna Salave'a each finished with double-doubles on the day and the Sacramento State defense limited visiting Weber State to just 13 second-half points on Jan. 3 as the Hornets won their first Big Sky Conference game of the year, 60-39, at Hornet Pavilion.

The victory snapped a three-game skid for the Hornets, who moved to 7-8 overall and 1-1 in league play. The 39 points allowed are tied for the fewest surrendered this year and the fewest given up to a Division I opponent since defeating San Jose State, 66-39, on Dec. 15 of last season.

Led by 15 points from Sydney White, the Wildcats fell to 6-9 overall and 0-2 in league play, limited to just 29 percent shooting overall for the game and just 20 percent (6-for-30) in the second half.

Versteeg and Salave'a each posted their second double-doubles of the year, while Salave'a accomplished the feat for

the second time in the team's last three games. The last time the Hornets finished with a pair of double-doubles was against Eastern Washington in last year's Big Sky Tournament when Versteeg and Jaydia Martin accomplished the feat.

Versteeg finished with a season-high 18 points to go with 10 rebounds for her 12th career double-double, adding five assists and a career-high six steals. The 18 points surpassed her previous high of 14 against Nevada, while the six steals were just one shy of the school single-game top five.

Salave'a finished with 13 points and 13 rebounds — both Sacramento State career highs — while the 13 rebounds were the most by a Hornet this year. Six of her 13

boards came on the offensive end while adding a pair of assists, two steals, and a block. Saturday marked her fourth double-digit performance in her last five games.

Junior guard Natalie Picton also finished in double figures, adding 12 points to go with three rebounds and a pair of steals.

Sacramento State which never trailed in the game, threw the first punch out of the gates, opening the contest with a 13-2 run, including the last nine straight while holding Weber State scoreless for four minutes.

The Wildcats answered by scoring seven of the final nine points of the first quarter, but still found themselves down eight after one.

After trading baskets to start the second

and trailing by as many as 10 points twice, Weber State got as close as four points with just under three to play in the quarter before Jaety Mandaquit drained a three-pointer and Salave'a scored inside to give the Hornets some breathing room and an eight-point advantage at the break.

The Hornets then owned the second half, doubling up the Wildcats in the final 20 minutes while holding Weber State to just three field goals in the third and fourth quarters.

Sacramento State scored the first seven points of the third period to rebuild the lead back to 15, then led by as many as 16 in the early part of the fourth before pulling away. The Hornets finished the game on a 12-3 run en route to the victory.

Aside from a 38-31 advantage on the glass, Sacramento State turned the Wildcats over 24 times, turning those into 25 points to the good, while outscoring Weber State in the paint, 34-18.

The Hornets have only one game next week, hosting travel partner Portland State at 1 p.m. Jan. 10 to close out a three-game homestand. ★



Jace Rodriguez Named to FCS ADA Academic All Star Team

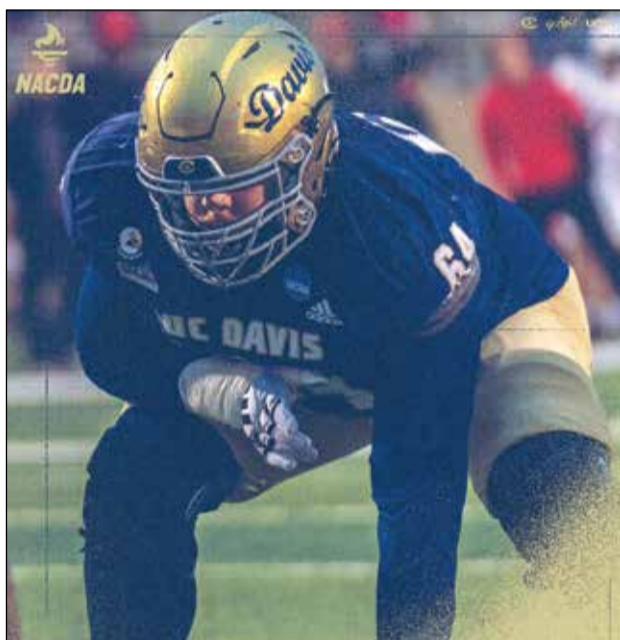
UC Davis Athletics News Release

CLEVELAND (MPG) - The Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association (FCS ADA) has named 57 student-athletes to the 28th Annual Academic All-Star Team, listing UC Davis football senior offensive lineman Jace Rodriguez as part of the collection of academic all stars.

Rodriguez was a key member of the Aggie offensive line during the 2025 season, making 12 starts while appearing in all 13 games for the Ags. He was an important interior piece of an Aggie front that opened holes for the 27th-best rushing attack in the nation and the 17th-best passing offense.

The Patriot League led the way with 10 student-athletes placed on the 2025 All-Star Team, along with the Coastal Athletic Association with nine student-athletes, the Big Sky Conference with eight student-athletes and the Missouri Valley Football Conference with seven recipients.

Current Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association (FCS ADA) President, Kurt McGuffin, director of athletics at University of Tennessee Martin, stated, "This year's honorees exemplify what it means to be complete student-athletes, excelling both in the classroom and in competition. It is always rewarding to recognize outstanding individuals who embody the values and standards of our division,



Rodriguez was a key member of the Aggie offensive line during the 2025 season, making 12 starts while appearing in all 13 games for the Ags. Photo courtesy UC Davis Athletics

and this year's selections are no exception. We extend our sincere congratulations to all nominees and especially to those receiving this well-deserved recognition."

To view the complete list of winners, visit: <https://nacda.com/documents/2026/1/3/2025FCS-Finalx3.pdf>

Football players from all Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) institutions are eligible for the award. Each of the nominees were required to have a minimum grade point average of 3.20 (on a 4.00 scale) in undergraduate or graduate study and have been a starter or key player with legitimate athletics credentials. They must have reached their second year of athletics and academic standing at the nominated institution and have completed a minimum of one full academic year at the nominated

institution. They also must have participated in 50 percent of the games played at their designated position.

Now in its 31st year, the Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association's mission is to enhance Football Championship Subdivision football. For more information on the Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association (FCS ADA), please visit www.fcsada.com. The Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association (FCS ADA) is administered by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), which is in its 61st year. For more information on National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and the 19 professional associations that fall under its umbrella, visit www.nacda.com. ★

Countdown to Kickoff

Republic FC Releases

Action-Packed 2026 Schedule

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - USL Championship recently announced the full schedule for the upcoming 2026 season, including the group stage matches for the Prinx Tires USL Cup. For the third straight year, Republic FC will kick off the season at home when it hosts defending Western Conference Champion FC Tulsa on Saturday, March 7.

Twenty-two of Sacramento's 30 regular season matches will come against Western Conference opponents. The Indomitable Club will face off with each team twice with an additional game against FC Tulsa and Phoenix Rising FC. Interconference play will see Republic FC face off with six Eastern Conference teams, including league debutants Brooklyn FC (April 21) and Sporting Club Jacksonville (August 1).

Following the season opener, Republic FC heads out on the road to face Lexington SC on March 14 before returning home for a three game homestand against Monterey Bay FC, El Paso Locomotive FC, and Phoenix Rising FC. Additional marquee matches include a season series with NorCal rival Oakland Roots SC on July 25 and Oct. 24, and a road match against defending league champions

Pittsburgh Riverhounds on August 8, and a Sunday match against San Antonio FC on Sept. 20.

The league's announcement also included the group stage matches for the in-season 2026 Prinx Tires USL Cup. Republic FC will begin its quest to return to the Cup Final with a home tie against League One side Spokane Velocity FC on April 25 followed by a road match against Oakland Roots SC on May 16. Play continues back at Heart Health Park against Monterey Bay FC on June 6 before closing out the group stage on the road against League One debutant Athletic Club Boise on July 11. USL Cup results will not count towards the regular season.



Additional details, including kickoff times, broadcast information, and theme nights will be announced in the coming weeks.

The only way to guarantee access to all 17 home games – as well as a pre-season friendly – is by becoming a 2026 Indomitable Member today. Season ticket memberships offer a range of benefits including discounts on merchandise and access to exclusive fan experiences, as well as priority seat selection in the new Republic Stadium at The Railyards. For more information, or to purchase a membership today, visit SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships. ★

River Cats, Giants to Meet at Exhibition Game

Sacramento River Cats News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The fifth battle between the Sacramento River Cats and their parent affiliate, the San Francisco Giants, is set to get the River Cats baseball season underway on Sunday, Mar. 22 at 5:07 p.m. Fans can now secure their seats as single-game tickets are now on sale.

"We're thrilled to once again host the San Francisco Giants at Sutter Health Park for what has become a highly anticipated way to start the River Cats season," said Sacramento River Cats President and COO Chip Maxson. "It's a chance for Sacramento fans to welcome rising Giants stars, reconnect with familiar faces who once wore the River Cats jersey, and matchup in a unique atmosphere against our big-league affiliate. Sacramento's love for baseball runs



Tickets are now on sale for the exhibition game between the Sacramento River Cats and the San Francisco Giants taking place on Sunday, Mar. 22. Courtesy photo Sacramento River Cats

deep and this game provides another opportunity to celebrate that passion."

Each of the past two years has seen the River Cats leave the clash of affiliates as the victor, though it came in two very different fashions. While the Giants took an early 2-0 lead in 2025, the River Cats came back to win with four consecutive runs for a 4-3 victory. Meanwhile, the 2024 edition saw Sacramento

cruise to an 8-1 victory.

Tickets for this matchup are now available online only on Ticketmaster. Fans interested in booking a suite or hospital-ity space, can contact the sales office at (916) 371-HITS (4487) or tickets@rivercats.com. The Sutter Health Park ticket office is closed for the offseason and will reopen in March. Updated ticket office hours can be found at www.milb.com/sacramento/tickets/ticket-office. ★



Sac State Announces Leadership Change



Pictured is Randy Dedini, former women's soccer coach. Courtesy photo Sacramento State

Sacramento State News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento State Director of Athletics

Mark Orr announced a change in leadership for the Hornets' women's soccer program, parting ways with head coach Randy Dedini.

"I would like to thank Randy for his many years of distinguished service to Sacramento State athletics and the women's soccer program," Orr said. "We wish him the very best in his future endeavors."

Dedini wrapped up his 19th season as head

coach in 2025 and was also an assistant with the Hornets for three seasons from 2004-06 before taking over the top spot. During his time at the university, he finished with the most victories in program history (130), winning a regular season crown and three league tournament titles during his tenure.

A search for a new head coach will begin immediately. ★



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