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### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

I hope to see you this evening with my staff at one of the National Night Out (NNO) parties throughout District Three. NNO is held annually on the first Tuesday in August. The goal is to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. These events provide a great opportunity to bring neighbors together to build a safer community. It is a great chance to get to know your neighbors and your surroundings as it encourages everyone to work together. Law enforcement benefits by having positive interactions with neighborhoods and building lasting community relationships.

The first official annual National Night Out occurred in August of 1984 with 2.5 million neighbors across 400 communities in 23 states. It has grown over the last 39 years, and now 38 million neighbors in 50 states get together once a year. These events can be as simple as a small get-together in a cul-desac, exchanging numbers for an ice cream social, or even a larger block party with food and activities for children.

Have a safe evening, and hopefully, I will see you in your neighborhood!

## SACRAMENTO FILM FESTIVAL

The California Film Foundation (CFF) is a group of Sacramento-based screenwriters who support the professional development of its members and establishes the region as the capital of California's independent cinema movement.

CFF is hosting the Sacramento Film Festival on August 18-20, 2023. The festival will include a wide selection of films made by local filmmakers to showcase the talent within the community. In addition to having general showcases, there will be specific showcases such as the CineSoul collection, dedicated to displaying works from black filmmakers. Below is the time and location of the festival:

DATES: Friday, August 18, 2023 - Sunday, August 20, 2023

TIME: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: California Railroad Museum

Please visit the <u>Sacramento Film Festival website</u> for more information.



# BACKPACK DRIVE – GETTING ALL KIDS READY FOR SCHOOL

Many students return to class this month and need to be ready! Join the Homeless Assistance Resources Teams (HART) of Fair Oaks, Orangevale, and Carmichael as they collect school supplies for those in need. There are close to 2,000 children in the San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD) who are in the process of a housing transition. This means these children are on the verge of homelessness or are currently in unstable living conditions such as living in shelters or hotels. These children are in need, and all donations are greatly appreciated!

The following supplies will be accepted:

- Teen backpacks
- Child backpacks
- Lined paper
- Binders
- Pencil case
- Spiral notebooks
- Markers
- Crayons

You can bring supplies to the following drop-off locations:

#### Fair Oaks/Orangevale Foodbank

6483 Main Ave Orangevale, CA 95662

SJUSD Resource Center Attention: McKinney Vento

3700 Garfield Ave. Rm 14 Carmichael, CA 95608

For any questions or concerns, please contact Carol Horst at carolhorst60@gmail.com.

**Volunteers of America's Operation Backpack** is an initiative to fill in the gap for children experiencing homelessness,

poverty, and otherwise underprivileged circumstances. While the drop-off donation locations have closed, you can still donate online from now through September 8, 2023, by visiting the <a href="Operation Backpack website">Operation Backpack website</a>. Your donation will help provide backpacks, school supplies, and funding for academic enrichment.

Rancho Cordova's Vidyadaan Backpack Drive supports local students and families in need by providing backpacks and other school supplies. You can drop off the following items at 11825 Spring Walk Way, Rancho Cordova:

- Earbuds
- Erasers
- Glue sticks
- No. 2 Pencils
- Pencil sharpeners
- Notebook/Composition books
- Backpacks (Character/Color/Pattern)
- Scissors
- Black Dry Erase markers
- Kleenex
- Crayons

For more information, call (224) 374-9892.



# UNSECURED PROPERTY TAXES DUE IN AUGUST

Annual bills for Sacramento County unsecured personal property taxes for the fiscal year **2023-2024** were mailed in **July** and are payable without delinquent penalties through **Aug 31, 2023.** 

Every year in July, unsecured property tax bills are mailed to all owners of unsecured property such as boats, aircraft, equipment related to business, and leased fixtures.

If you own property described above and have not received a tax bill, please contact the Sacramento County Tax Collector's

Unsecured Property Tax Unit at (916) 874-7833, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Please Note—Nonreceipt of a tax bill does not excuse delinquency or allow the tax collector to cancel penalties or collection costs!

Tax bills become delinquent if not paid in the Tax Collector's Office by 5:00 p.m. on Aug. 31, 2023, or received by mail bearing a postmark of Aug. 31, 2023.

If the tax bill is not paid by the delinquency date:

A 10% penalty and collection cost will be added. DMV reregistration may be withheld on watercraft if unsecured property taxes are reported. Further fines will be applied if the bill continues to remain unpaid.

Payments may be made via mail or in person at the County Tax Collector's Office located at **700 H Street**, **Room 1710**, **Sacramento**, **CA 95814** between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Property Taxes may also be paid online by e-check or credit card with the <u>Sacramento County Property Tax Bill Information System website</u>.



### BLUE ZONES IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Sacramento County Public Health has joined forces with Blue Zones, the global leader in longevity research and community well-being transformation, to launch <u>Blue Zones Activate in Sacramento County</u>. The Blue Zones initiative includes assessments and plans to help residents live better and longer lives. The effort will begin with an in-depth assessment of the County to determine how to make it a dementia-friendly community and a healthier place to live, work, and thrive.

The launch of Blue Zones Activate in Sacramento County is the result of the Governor's Task Force on Alzheimer's Prevention, Preparedness, and the Path Forward. Launched in 2019, the task force delivered groundbreaking recommendations on preparing California for an aging state and offered long-term Alzheimer's and dementia-related solutions.

Counties and cities that are prepared to step up to the challenge will follow the Blue Zones' environmental approach to transform their communities into dementia-friendly environments that support a healthy lifestyle that can prevent, reduce, and sometimes even reverse the damaging effects of dementia. Long-term, place-based initiatives by Blue Zones in communities across the country have already resulted in widespread population well-being improvement. Sacramento County is the first community in California to use the Blue Zones model to create a dementia-friendly community that supports the well-being of all residents.



### **ESKATON CARE CENTER**

Eskaton Care Center, a long-time provider of stand-alone skilled nursing services has proposed the sale of three skilled nursing facilities, two of which are in Sacramento County District Three:

- Eskaton Care Center Greenhaven
  - o 148 licensed beds
- Eskaton Care Center Fair Oaks
  - o 149 licensed beds
- Eskaton Care Center Manzanita
  - o 99 licensed beds

The Attorney General is reviewing the proposed sale and will be conducting public meetings to receive comments on the proposed sale and to consider the Health Care Impact Statement prepared by a consultant engaged by the California Attorney General. The meetings are scheduled for Monday, August 7, 2023, as follows:

9:30 p.m. – Eskaton Greenhaven 455 Florin Road, Sacramento, CA, 95831

1:00 p.m. – Eskaton Fair Oaks 11300 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks, CA, 95628 3:30 p.m. – Eskaton Manzanita 5318 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608

You may present your views on the proposed transaction at the public meetings or by contacting Heidi Lehrman, Deputy Attorney General, at 916-210-7835,

<u>Heidi.Lehrman@doj.ca.gov</u>, or by mail at 1300 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. The deadline for receipt of written comments is August 11, 2023.



### NON-STOP FLIGHTS TO MIAMI

Sacramento International Airport (SMF) is thrilled to announce the first-ever nonstop service to Miami International Airport (MIA) via American Airlines, offering exciting travel opportunities and providing a seamless journey from the capital city of California to sunny Miami. The inaugural flight will depart on December 21, 2023.

With the launch of this new nonstop route, travelers from Sacramento can now easily access the vibrant city of Miami, known for its stunning beaches, lively cultural scene, and vibrant nightlife. Whether it's basking in the Florida sunshine, exploring the enchanting neighborhoods of Little Havana and Wynwood, or indulging in the city's diverse culinary offerings, Miami has something to offer every visitor. Additionally, Miami is a major hub for international flights, connecting easily to popular destinations like Cancun, Jamaica, the Bahamas, and the Dominican Republic. It also allows Sacramento residents to easily start exciting cruises from the Port of Miami.

To celebrate the launch of this highly anticipated nonstop service, SMF encourages travelers to book their flights early to secure their preferred travel dates and take advantage of the exciting opportunities awaiting them in Miami and beyond.

Flights are available now to purchase through the <u>American</u> Airlines website.



# UCP OF SACRAMENTO AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

UCP of Sacramento and Northern California is a leading provider of programs and services for children and adults with developmental disabilities. UCP offers programs and services to help clients and their families to live a life with increased independence, productivity, and self-confidence. Below is a list of upcoming events to share with others that may benefit from UCP and what they offer.

#### Golf Lessons

DATE: Thursday, August 3, 2023 TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12: 00 p.m. LOCATION: Cordova Gold Course

9425 Jackson Rd, Sacramento, CA 95826

#### Kayaking Trip

DATE: Friday, August 4, 2023 TIME: 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Sacramento State Aquatic Center 1901 Hazel Ave, Gold River, CA 95670

#### **UCP Soccer**

DATE: Saturday, August 5, 2023, & Saturday, August 9, 2023

TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. LOCATION: Street Soccer USA

2408 8th Street, Sacramento, CA 95818

For more information about UCP Sacramento and Northern California Programs, visit the UCP of Sacramento website.



### KIDS DON'T FLOAT – BUT LIFE VESTS DO!

Summer temperatures have been rising and the heat is on! Cooling off in Sacramento means heading out to the river and having fun. We know it's easy to forget how dangerous the river can be, especially for children. Kids Don't Float but life vests do. Wearing a life vest is the simplest way to stay safe while enjoying the water for many more hot days to come.

Sacramento County ordinances require any child under the age of 13 to wear a life vest before accessing any public waters, and a violation of the ordinance by a parent or guardian is punishable with a fine of \$500 and/or six months in jail. It is your responsibility to make sure your child is wearing a life vest. Sacramento has several life vest borrowing stations along public waterways. Below is a list of places where you can borrow and return them.

- \* Discovery Park (2 sites)
- \* Ancil Hoffman Park
- \* Howe Avenue River access
- \* Paradise Beach
- \* Watt Avenue River access
- \* River Bend Park
- \* Sunrise River access
- \* City of Sacramento Sand Cove

Life vests are also available at <u>Sacramento area fire stations</u>. Each Fire station offers 8 to 12 life vests in kid sizes. For more information, please visit the <u>Regional Park's website</u>.

