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## **AMERICAN RIVER PARKWAY SPRING CLEANUP: APRIL 13, 2024**

The **American River Parkway Foundation's second largest annual cleanup** is right around the corner!

The American River Parkway Spring Cleanup takes place on April 13 from 9am to 12pm at eight locations along the 23-mile stretch of the Parkway.

My family and I have personally been involved in this cleanup many times. This is an opportunity for the community to come out and show their support for our urban jewel. It's also a terrific way to spend a Saturday morning in nature bonding as a family, collecting community service hours, and encouraging team building.

Each year, this event draws hundreds of volunteers and removes thousands of pounds of trash from the Parkway. There are opportunities for individuals, groups, and families to participate. **The Foundation has partnered with [SacRT](#), and they are offering free rides to the Spring Clean-Up!** To ride free, simply print or screenshot this [FREE RIDE FLYER](#) at this link. Do not forget to present the flyer to a SacRT bus driver or fare inspector on the light rail upon request. Only one flyer is needed per group.

Please note, *the Spring Clean-Up is weather and water level dependent and will only be held if conditions are safe for volunteers. If the event is canceled, those who have registered will be notified at least 24 hours in advance. To get more information and to register, go to the [American River Parkway Foundation website](#).*

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## **SECOND ANNUAL FIRST- TIME HOMEBUYER EXPO**

The Sacramento Association of REALTORS® is thrilled to invite you to the annual First Time Homebuyer Expo! This educational event equips attendees with the resources and knowledge needed to embark on the journey to home ownership.

Date: Saturday, April 27th

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: SAR's Mack Powell Event Center – 2003 Howe Ave  
in Arden Arcade

No charge for attendees!

Take the first step towards owning your dream home and discover how to build generational wealth and security for your family through home ownership. Gain valuable insights and education while enjoying a day of family-friendly fun, including a kids zone, raffle, free lunch, and more!

For more information and to register, visit the [Sacramento Association of Realtors event webpage](#).

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Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Fair Housing Committee

2nd ANNUAL FIRST-TIME



# Homebuyer expo

Find Your Path to Homeownership

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

10AM - 2PM | 2003 HOWE AVE, SACRAMENTO, CA

**Your Journey Begins NOW!**

Learn valuable homeownership resources & education.

Early registration  
encouraged



Scan QR Code OR email  
cgonzalez@sacrealtor.org

- **FREE Admission**
- **Family-Friendly Fun**  
Kids Zone & FREE Lunch!
- **Expert Panelists**  
Engage in Q&A session
- **FREE Down Payment  
Resource Guide**
- **Raffle Prizes**

*Dedicated to helping the community build generational wealth*

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) does not belong in residential curbside collection carts. When products you use at home have a caution or warning label, they likely contain harmful chemicals on their own or when mixed. Often, these items contain ingredients that can contaminate the environment and threaten our health. They may also catch fire or even explode if placed in the curbside Garbage, Organics, or Recycling carts. Here are some examples of HHW items:

- Automotive fluids – oil, antifreeze, brake/transmission fluid
- Aerosol cans with any amount of product
- Batteries (all)
- Cleaners
- Fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent bulbs (CFL)
- Paint
- Pesticides/herbicides

Residents are encouraged to go through their cabinets, sheds, and garages to gather up old paint, automotive fluids, pool

chemicals, cleaners, pesticides/herbicides, aerosol cans, batteries, mercury thermometers, fluorescent tubes, CFL light bulbs, and even unused medications, for proper disposal at a local drop-off facility at no charge. Please check with the facility before you go to make sure it accepts your items.

### **HHW items accepted at the North Area Recovery Station (NARS)**

Residents can drop off up to 15 gallons or 125 pounds of the following hazardous waste items per month at the North Area Recovery Station at NO CHARGE. Check the [items that are accepted at North Area Recovery Station \(NARS\)](#).

### **HHW items accepted at Kiefer Landfill Special Waste Facility**

The Kiefer Landfill Special Waste facility also accepts drop-offs of up to 15 gallons or 125 pounds per month from residents. Check the [items accepted at Kiefer Landfill Special Waste Facility](#).

For [NO-COST drop-off and proper disposal, NARS and Kiefer Landfill also accept electronic waste \(e-waste\)](#), which contains toxic metal materials content. E-waste includes TVs, CRTs (cathode ray tubes) computers/monitors, printers, copiers, faxes, tablets, and cell phones from residents.

### **For safety, follow these procedures for packaging and transporting items to a drop-off Facility:**

- Be sure to read and follow the product labels when handling HHW products.
- Keep products in their original containers, if possible. Label materials that are not in their original containers.
  - NOTE: Do not put motor oil in any container that was used for bleach, acid, or flammable liquid.
- Do not mix products or allow products to accidentally mix.
- Place leaking containers in a larger, plastic container with a tight-fitting lid.
- Put all products upright in a cardboard box so they do not tip over in transport.
- Make sure all lids are tightly sealed to prevent any spills.
- Transport products in the back of a pickup truck or in a car trunk. Ensure adequate ventilation if transported inside a passenger vehicle.

- Keep flammables out of direct sunlight and away from sources of heat, spark, flame, or ignition. Do not smoke near products.
- Remain in your vehicle upon arrival at the facility, prepare to show your driver's license, and allow staff to offload your household hazardous waste.

[Go to RecycleReboot.com to learn more about HHW and to participate in fun activities!](https://www.recycle-reboot.com)

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## TO SAVE A LIFE – ONE PILL CAN KILL: FENTANYL EDUCATION EVENT

Fentanyl poisoning continues to be a deadly street drug that is taking lives daily. As the crisis deepens, Arrive Alive California, Inc., has partnered with local businesses and other organizations to combat this epidemic and raise public awareness about the dangers to public health and safety.

The lethal menace of fentanyl does not discriminate. It threatens people of all backgrounds, ages, and socioeconomic groups. Sacramento County is not immune to this deadly scourge. In 2022, the county witnessed a staggering 2,829 overdoses, and the numbers continued to rise in 2023 with 1,730 overdoses recorded by August. Many of the overdoses have resulted in fatalities. In 2021, 215 lives were lost due to fentanyl poisoning, which tragically rose to 226 in 2022. In 2023, the death toll was already 230 by October.

Arrive Alive California, Family Community Church, Night Watch Security, and Family Books & Gifts is hosting a community event, “**To Save A Life – One Pill Can Kill**”. At this event, you will learn about the crisis every age group in our community is facing, what forms Fentanyl can take, and how to use Narcan to treat someone in crisis.

There is no charge for this event. It will be held at **Family Community Church, 6331 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, CA 95660 on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 7:00pm.**

To register for this event and receive a gift and giveaway opportunity, visit the [event registration page](#). For more information about this event call 916-334-7700.

**TO SAVE A LIFE**  
**ONE PILL CAN KILL**

**LEARN:**

- Statistics effecting every age
- What forms Fentanyl can come in
- What is Narcan & how to administer it properly

**WHEN:** **Thursday, April 18th 7:00PM**  
Doors open at 6:30pm

**WHERE:** **Family Community Church**  
6331 Watt Avenue, N. Highlands, CA 95660

Sponsored by:

**Free**  
**Register Here**  
Let us know you're coming for a free gift & giveaway.

## **CAPITAL REGION SMALL BUSINESS WEEK RETURNS APRIL 28 - MAY 4**

Save the date! The Capital Region Small Business Week returns April 28 - May 4 with a full calendar of events to celebrate YOUR entrepreneurial spirit. Join small business champions and industry leaders from across the Sacramento region for:

- Networking & matchmaking events
- Chances to connect with free resources
- Small Business Awards
- Small business pop-ups & more!

Stay tuned for more news and head to [capitalregionssmallbusinessweek.org](http://capitalregionssmallbusinessweek.org) to learn more.



## NOTTOLI PLACE CELEBRATES ITS FIRST YEAR

Nottoli Place, affectionately named after retired Sacramento County District 5 Supervisor Don Nottoli, celebrated a special milestone in March to mark a full year of sheltering services for older adults in Sacramento County. In its first year, Nottoli Place helped more than 60 older adults experiencing homelessness.

On March 15, 2024, community members, County staff, members of Volunteers of America (VOA), and those living at Nottoli Place gathered to celebrate the success of the facility for its first anniversary. Retired Sacramento County District 5 Supervisor Don Nottoli joined the celebration and spoke about the importance of offering a safe place for seniors who are experiencing hardship.

A former client of Nottoli Place shared his story of living there and how his social worker and VOA staff helped him find a permanent home at an apartment in Natomas. Reflecting on

his experience, Hershell spoke candidly about the challenges he faced while navigating homelessness and the difference Nottoli Place made in his life. He is just one of many clients who have stayed at Nottoli Place and moved into permanent housing.

Several clients attending the event talked about how Nottoli Place is more than just a shelter, it's a place that provides them hope and helps them transform their lives.

The client's experiences reflect the goal of Nottoli Place, which is to provide a place with dignity and support. Through the partnership with VOA, [Sacramento County's Adult Protective Services](#) hopes Nottoli Place can continue to empower older adults and serve as a way of helping our community for years to come.



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## PROM ATTIRE DONATION DRIVE

Another Choice Another Chance (ACAC) has been providing community-based counseling and support services to youth and families in underserved communities throughout Sacramento County since 1987. They understand the impact that enrichment activities and milestone events can have on the quality of life for our youth.

As prom season fast approaches, ACAC will be hosting a **Prom Attire Donation Drive** and **Prom Attire Giveaway** event for high school students who in some cases would not be able to attend prom due to limited financial resources to purchase prom attire. ACAC hopes to help make the dream of attending prom a reality for all!

ACAC is seeking community partners to support their Prom Donation Drive by agreeing to be a "Donation drop-off



location". ACAC will provide and deliver the donation boxes to be placed at the designated drop-off locations. The boxes will include an informational flier and ACAC's contact information. Donations will take place from March through April, at which time ACAC will pick up the boxes.

For more information, or to donate, contact ACAC at 916-388-9481 or email Okeema Polite at [opolite@acacsac.org](mailto:opolite@acacsac.org).



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## WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SPRING AND SUMMER?

The **Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District** has released its new **2024 Spring/Summer Activity Guide** at **this link:** <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/d90aaef39d.html> . The Guide features activities like preschool, sports, summer camps, facility rentals, and more.

The Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District is hard at work adding programs to benefit you and your family. For more information about the Park District and available activities,

please visit the [Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District website](#).

MISSION OAKS RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT

SUMMER CAMP EDITION  
Scan QR code to view the fun!  
ELEVATE & RECREATE 2024

Spring + Summer  
Recreation Guide 2024

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The graphic features a photograph of children playing with a large, colorful parachute on a grassy field. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with a blue and green color scheme. A QR code is prominently displayed with an arrow pointing to it, and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and a website are at the bottom.

## COMMUNITY CONVERSATION REGARDING THE US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AMERICAN RIVER COMMON FEATURES

Supervisor Pat Hume and I are joining Congressman Ami Bera and team members from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for

a virtual community conversation about the flood control work being done along the American River east of Campus Commons, otherwise known as the American River Common Features Project. This will be a virtual meeting with an opportunity to hear the latest about the project and receive answers to many questions from the community.

When: April 8, 2024, 4 p.m. Pacific Time

You must register to attend. All questions must be submitted via the registration form:

Register / submit questions at this link. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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## **LISTEN TO THE NEW SAC COUNTY PODCAST**

Sacramento County recently introduced its new podcast series, "County Conversations: Sac County Podcast." This monthly show aims to give listeners an inside look at the County's activities, programs, and the people who run them.

The goal is to make County governance more relatable by featuring interviews with leaders and discussing various programs. By tuning in, you'll get a better understanding of how the County works to serve its residents.

The first episode, available now, features Marlon Yarber, our Chief Probation Officer for Sacramento County. Marlon gives a behind-the-scenes peek into the Department of Probation, clears up common misconceptions about probation, discusses the department's focus on helping people rehabilitate, and shares inspiring stories of overcoming obstacles.

Subscribe to the podcast on your favorite podcast platforms by searching for "Sacramento County" and selecting the "County Conversations" episode. You can also listen to episodes on the [County's podcast webpage](#).



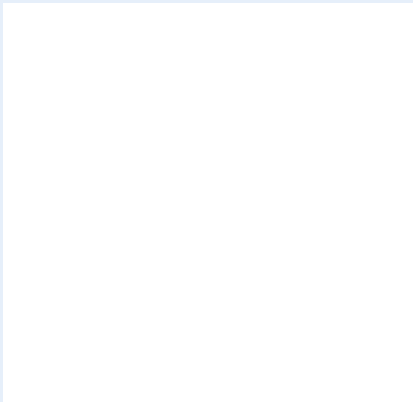
## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Sacramento County's Office of Economic Development (OED) is creating an updated Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP) to steer priorities, programs, and resources for the next five years.

In January 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved a consulting contract with HR&A Advisors, Inc. (HR&A) to spearhead the EDSP development. With four decades of experience, HR&A excels in delivering economic development solutions for cities, counties, and special districts.

Throughout 2024, HR&A will engage with the community and stakeholders, conduct a thorough economic analysis, and craft an actionable strategy and roadmap for OED. The updated EDSP will build upon existing regional economic development efforts, prioritize inclusive strategies, and introduce new approaches for future economic development.

The development process will be transparent, with regular updates on milestones, timelines, and opportunities for community involvement. Residents and stakeholders are encouraged to participate in shaping Sacramento County's economic future. For more information and updates on the EDSP development process, visit the [Economic Development Strategic Plan webpage](#).



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