

SUPERVISOR RICH DESMOND
NEWS BULLETIN
Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, District 3



July 2024

Volume 4, Issue 7

IN THIS ISSUE:

- **CELEBRATING FREEDOM, UNITY, AND JOY THIS FOURTH OF JULY!**
 - **FIREWORKS**
 - **SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCE**
 - **ILLEGAL FIREWORKS ARREST**
 - **BUDGET RECAP**
 - **WATT AVE SAFE STAY COMMUNITY MEETING**
 - **CRIME LAB SHADOW DAY**
 - **NO DRINKING IN THE PARKWAY**
 - **GIVE A PAW, MAKE A DAY: SHELTER DOG DAY OUT!**
 - **OPEN OFFICE HOURS IN THE DISTRICT**
 - **YOUTH SUMMER CAMP**
-

Supervisor Rich Desmond
Third District
Sacramento County
Board of Supervisors
700 H Street, Suite 2450
Sacramento, CA 95814
richdesmond@sacounty.gov

PHONE: (916) 874-5471
FAX: (916) 874-7593

[Follow Us on Facebook](#)

CELEBRATING FREEDOM, UNITY, AND JOY THIS FOURTH OF JULY!

Join me for the [64th Annual Carmichael Elks #2103](#), "Celebrating American Spirit" Parade. The parade begins at 10:30 AM at Fair Oaks Blvd from Marconi to the Elks Lodge on Cypress Ave. Fair Oaks Blvd will be closed to through traffic from 10:00 AM to 12 noon.

Available for purchase:

- Breakfast 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
- BBQ Lunch: 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Live Music:

- Crystal Image 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- Rough Cut Blues Band 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

After the parade:

- Pie Contest
- Raffle
- Swimming
- Dancing
- and more

Rancho Cordova's All-America Celebration!

Rancho Cordova Fourth of July is a two-day festival and parade celebrating the local community and our American heritage. It is the signature event for the community.

4th of July PARADE, CARNIVAL RIDES, CONCERTS, FIREWORKS!!

- Date: **July 3-4, 2024**
- Time: **July 3rd 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM**
 - **July 4th 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM**
- Location: **Hagan Community Park, RC**

For more information, visit the [39th Annual Rancho Cordova Fourth of July Celebration!](#) website.

Cottage Park 4th of July Celebration

Join us on the 4th of July for a Community Celebration at **Cottage Park Pool!** Bring the whole family to wave the red, white and blue!

Cottage Pool will be open from **2:00 - 6:00 pm** with discounted pool admission for the public! FREE food and drinks will be provided by the Fulton Avenue Business Association while supplies last.

July 4th Freedom Run SACRAMENTO

Location: **Sutter's Landing Regional Park, 20 28th St, Sacramento, CA 95816, USA**

Start times: **Thursday, Jul 4, 2024**

- 5K Registration: 8:00 AM
- 10K Registration: 8:00 AM
- Half-Marathon Registration: 8:00 AM
- Virtual Run (5K/10K/13.1): 8:00 AM
- Family 1 Mile Fun Run: 8:00 AM



FIREWORKS

Sacramento County encourages residents to be safe when using fireworks this Fourth of July season. The unsafe use of fireworks can cause severe burns, amputations, blinding, and even death. Damaging fires occur when children use fireworks unsupervised by adults. Parents are responsible for any property damage or injuries caused by all fireworks. Follow these tips to ensure your celebration is safe for everyone:

KEEP IT LEGAL

- All legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks and must bear the State Fire Marshal's seal.
- Safe and Sane Fireworks may only be sold through 9 PM on July 4th.
- Safe and Sane Fireworks may only be used between 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM through July 4th.

- Any firework that goes up in the air or explodes is illegal and dangerous.

KEEP IT SAFE

- Always have a bucket of water to dispose of fireworks and leave soaking overnight before disposing.
- Always have a hose connected to water available in case of fire.
- Do not use fireworks near dry grass or other flammable materials.
- Do not use fireworks while under a canopy, covered balcony, covered patio, or under a tree or bushes.

How to Report Illegal Fireworks:

- Unincorporated County: 916-874-5115 or reportfireworks@saccounty.gov
- City of Sacramento: 916-808-FIRE or the 916-264-5471 or the [Sacramento Fire Department App](#)
- Folsom: fireworks@folsom.ca.us or seeclickfix.com/folsom
- Rancho Cordova: 916-362-5115 or [Rancho Cordova Connect App](#)
- Citrus Heights: 916-727-5500 or seeclickfix.com
- Galt: 209-366-7000
- Not sure who to call? Dial 3-1-1 to report!

SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCE

On June 24, 2022, in response to increase in illegal fireworks, the Board of Supervisors [adopted an ordinance](#) to add host liability and penalties for violations of the county code. “Host,” as it relates to this ordinance, means a person who knowingly permits or allows fireworks to be lit, exploded, or sold on private property owned or controlled by the person, and the person knows or reasonably should have known that the fireworks would have been lit, exploded, or sold.

Amending Sacramento County Code Chapter 4.54 created new host responsibilities that include liability and penalties with increased fines for violations of the county code relating to Fireworks and provides an additional tool for reducing the harm caused by using illegal fireworks. Penalties for violations are as follows:

- \$1,000 for the first violation
- \$2,500 for the second violation within one year of the first violation
- \$5,000 for each additional violation within one year of the first violation
- \$10,000 for each violation that occurs at schools, parks and within the American River Parkway

The ordinance to add host liability for illegal fireworks allows fire, law enforcement (including Park Rangers), and Code Enforcement agencies to hold the owner or person in charge of real property or conducting an illegal fireworks event responsible for the costs of response associated with the presence of emergency personnel, the discharge of illegal fireworks on

private property or the American River Parkway, and any aiding and abetting the discharge of illegal fireworks.

ILLEGAL FIREWORKS ARREST

As many of you know, I have been working with the Sheriff's Office, Sac Metro Fire, Code Enforcement, and many others to stop the proliferation of illegal fireworks in Sacramento County. Illegal fireworks are extremely dangerous, cause devastating wildfires, and disrupt the peace and quiet of our neighborhoods. I am happy to share the following press release about the arrest of a major distributor of illegal fireworks in Sacramento County. I will personally talk to District Attorney Thien Ho to encourage his office to prosecute the individuals involved and seek the strongest penalties available.

Sacramento County Sheriff's Central Division Problem-Oriented-Policing (POP) Deputies and Investigators from the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District received an anonymous web tip provided by concerned citizens within Sacramento County about an online advertisement for illegal fireworks posted on social media. An investigation was conducted and a search warrant into a residence on Emory Court in South Sacramento was authorized.

The Sheriff's Special Enforcement Detail executed the search warrant at the residence, resulting in a significant seizure. The operation yielded nearly 8000 pounds of illegal fireworks, five firearms, and over \$20,000 in cash. This successful outcome is a testament to the collaboration of our agencies and the concerned citizens who provided the tip.

All legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks and must bear the State Fire Marshal's seal. Safe and Sane Fireworks may only be sold through 9 PM on July 4th and may only be used between 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM through July 4th. Any firework that goes up in the air or explodes is illegal and dangerous.

BUDGET RECAP

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously on June 5 to approve the [\\$8.8 billion Recommended Budget](#) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25.

The \$8.8 billion spending plan consists of \$3.5 billion in Enterprise and Special Revenue Fund appropriations (utility rates, fees and other dedicated revenue), \$3.8 billion in General Fund appropriations (funded with \$990 million in discretionary resources, \$1.5 billion in reimbursements from restricted funds, and the remaining \$1.3 billion in Federal, State and fee revenue dedicated to specific purposes), and \$1.5 billion in Restricted Funds.

The Recommended Budget recognized new or enhanced areas of growth, including:

Health Services increased by **\$28.4 million** for increased acute psychiatric inpatient costs, Behavioral Health Bridge Housing funding, increased capacity and services at Permanent Supportive Housing units, and behavioral health services at the Youth Detention Facility.

Child, Family and Adult Services increased by **\$5.7 million** (\$4.5 million Net County Cost) for Child Protective Services welcome and assessment center services and family resource center court-mandated parenting workshops.

Human Assistance increased by **\$4.2 million** (\$100,000 Net County Cost) for childcare payments for CalWORKs participants and funding for a position in the County Veterans Services Office.

Sheriff increased by **\$3.9 million** (\$1.2 million Net County Cost) for a mobile command vehicle, required software expenditures and required body-worn camera licenses and equipment.

Correctional Health Services increased by **\$3.4 million** (\$300,000 Net County Cost) for a Medication Assisted Treatment Program, additional pharmacy positions (both of which support the County's obligations under the Mays Consent Decree Remedial Plan) and a new electronic health record system.

Community Development increased by **\$1.2 million** (\$1 million Net County Cost) to support the Infill Acceleration Program, the Climate Action Plan and two Planning Technician positions.

Homeless Services and Housing increased by **\$1 million** (before reimbursements) to fund beds at a planned Safe Stay Community and three new positions and services supporting administration for the department.

This year's reductions totaled \$6 million, which will result in the deletion of 31 vacant full-time equivalent (FTE) positions as well as other budget reductions across several departments. **No filled positions were recommended for deletion.**

The Recommended Budget's most significant reductions include:

Health Services reduced by **\$2.2 million** including consulting contracts, operational supplies and the deletion of 14 vacant FTE positions.

Child, Family and Adult Services reduced by **\$1.8 million**, including the deletion of 16 vacant FTE positions.

In addition to staff recommendations, the Board added two full-time equivalent positions: a criminal attorney in the District Attorney's office and a criminal attorney in the Public Defender's Office. The funding for those two positions will come out of the appropriation for contingency, reducing that appropriation from \$15.1 million to \$14.5 million.

The Board also supported a three-year funding commitment to the Black Child Legacy Campaign in future budget recommendations through Fiscal Year 2026-27.

By the Numbers:

- Total Budget: \$8.8 billion
- General Fund: \$3.8 billion

- Enterprise and Special Revenue: \$3.5 billion
- Restricted Funds: \$1.5 billion
- Number of Employees: 13,646



WATT AVE SAFE STAY COMMUNITY MEETING

Join me, Supervisor Sue Frost and Supervisor Phil Serna for a community meeting where you will be updated about the Safe Stay Community located at 4837 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, CA. We will be joined by the Department of Homeless Services and Housing, City Net, and the consultant for the development of the site, NORR Associates, Inc. who are providing architectural designs and engineering services.

- **DATE: Tuesday, July 30, 2024**
- **TIME: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM**
- **LOCATION: Kay F. Dahill Community Center, North Highlands Recreation and Park District, 6040 Watt Avenue, North Highlands, CA 95660**

Please join us for an update on the property and renderings of the site. For questions regarding this meeting, please call (916) 874-5471.

CRIME LAB SHADOW DAY

Explore the world of criminalistics with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office during the Crime Lab Youth Shadow Day. This exclusive opportunity invites high school students from Sacramento County to shadow professionals at the Sacramento County District Attorney's Crime Lab and gain insights into forensic science careers.

Participants will:

- Gain an understanding of evidence preservation and chain of custody protocols.
- Witness demonstrations on bullet trajectory and presumptive blood testing.
- Experience crime scene investigations (CSI) and observe real drug chemistry displays.

- Learn about the examination process for TRACE cases.

Registration is open to current Sacramento County high school students, with a minimum grade level of 9th grade for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Priority will be given to senior high school students.

Space is limited to 40 students each session (80 students total) and on a first come, first served basis. Please register early.

MORNING & AFTERNOON SESSIONS OFFERED

- **WHEN: Friday, July 26, 2024**
 - Registration is 30 minutes prior to class start times.
 - ***MORNING SESSION: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** (lunch will be provided, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.)
 - ***AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** (lunch will be provided, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.)
- **WHERE: District Attorney's Crime Lab ~ 4800 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95820**

To Register visit the [Sacramento District Attorney's website](#)

- **Application Deadline: July 12, 2024**

For questions, please email YouthPrograms@sacda.org.



NO DRINKING IN THE PARKWAY

Visitors to the American River Parkway are permitted to consume or possess alcohol in designated areas, **but there are permanent alcohol bans at specific locations including:**

- The bluffs near Old Fair Oaks Bridge
- El Manto river access
- Sarah Court River access
- Paradise Beach recreation area
- Discovery Park
- Tiscornia Beach

- Sutter's Landing

Additionally, during **4th of July, Labor Day weekend, and Memorial Day weekend**, alcohol is temporarily prohibited along the Parkway between Hazel and Howe Avenue, as well as at Sherman Island. Glass beverages are prohibited throughout the year along the Parkway. It's important to note that alcohol and water sports are not a safe mix, as alcohol can impair judgement and lead to risky decisions. [Read more about staying safe on the water.](#) [Learn how to get an alcohol permit for a special event.](#)

If you have any questions about alcohol, contact the Ranger Dispatch Office at 916-875-7275.



GIVE A PAW, MAKE A DAY: SHELTER DOG DAY OUT!

The Bradshaw animal shelter has recently launched a new program called Barks & Rec (Barks and Recreation) – an engaging initiative that gives shelter dogs a well-deserved break from their kennels. This program gives Sac County residents an amazing opportunity to take out these canine companions on a fun-filled day out in the Greater Sacramento region.

The Barks and Rec initiative isn't just a break for shelter dogs. The day out presents a space for these soon to be adopted pets to develop the necessary social skills, explore the outdoors, and display their wonderful personalities – it's about nurturing their growth whilst preparing them for a permanent home. This program also gives the community the opportunity to enjoy the company of these beloved pets without any long-term commitment.

To learn more about the Barks and Recreation Program, visit [the Bradshaw Animal Shelter website](#). To learn more about [adopting a pet](#), stop by the **Bradshaw Animal Shelter at 3839 Bradshaw Road in Sacramento, CA Tuesday-Sunday noon to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday noon to 6:00 p.m.**



GIVE A SHELTER DOG A DAY OUT WITH BARKS & REC



OFFICE HOURS IN THE DISTRICT

In an effort to provide more opportunities for constituents to engage with their elected officials, I will be hosting **open office hours in the District**. This will be a time for individuals to come and discuss various issues they may be seeing throughout their community with myself and staff in-person.

- **DATE:** Thursday, July 18, 2024
- **TIME:** 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- **LOCATION:** 3636 American River Drive, Sacramento, CA 95864

Constituent's will be seen on a first come first serve basis in 15-minute intervals.

For questions, please call (916) 874-5471 or email richdesmond@saccounty.gov

YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

Higher Heights Community Development Corporation (HHCDC) is hosting its first summer youth camp for 25 youth participants ages 12 -17 years old.

By attending this camp, youth will gain clear sight of their plan for their young adult years (age 19-25). "My Young Adult Me" is an opportunity for the youth to engage in enriching activities, develop valuable skills, and forge lasting friendships in a safe and nurturing environment.

During this summer camp, the youth will be reflecting on how they want to show up for their future selves as well as attending workshops in job preparation and college readiness, presented by SETA, financial literacy presented by Safe Credit Union, and etiquette presented by HHCDC.

At the conclusion of this camp, the youth will celebrate their accomplishments and share what they have learned at a formal reception on Saturday, August 3, 2024. At the reception, they will receive a certificate of completion, a \$100 stipend, and a backpack and school supplies to prepare them for the 2024/25 school year.

HHCDC is seeking volunteers and sponsorships for this camp. For more information you may visit the ["My Young Adult Me" camp website](#) or call Sheandell Gibson at 916-412-5028.



Links starting with "https://lnks.gd/l/" in this established County Communication channel are safe.

[Sign up to receive the latest news from Sacramento County.](#)

Our free news notifications are not a substitute for official means of notification where such exist. You can view or update your subscriptions at any time on your [User Profile Page](#) by just using your email address. For questions or assistance, contact [subscriberhelp.govdelivery.com](#). [Unsubscribe](#).