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Well, here's hoping that this last storm was winter going out with a bang. The good news is we have a better than average snowpack for the second year in a row and our reservoirs are filled to the brim. Judging by the verdant green trees and blooms everywhere you look, it appears spring is here and coming on strong. Lisa and I were blessed to get away to Yosemite over the holiday weekend and nothing quite beats the splendor of California in the springtime.

Our efforts to get out in the District continue: we have been holding more community meetings, most recently on public safety with Sheriff Cooper, representatives from the District Attorney's office and our partners with the CHP. Also, I have been supporting many of our local nonprofits, sometimes even helping them raise funds as their auctioneer. If you have an event coming up, please make doubly sure to share an invitation with us. Unfortunately, I can't get to all of them, but we do try and get around as much as our schedule allows.

Later this year, we will add to our focus, efforts in the Rosemont community, specifically geared toward strengthening connections between their business community and resources that might help them thrive and foster a more vibrant local economy. If you live in the area or are interested in revitalization and small business support generally, please keep an eye out for our announcement about a small business symposium in the community soon.

Now for something a little different as I reflect on a couple of losses I've endured from the dais recently.

The first was admittedly a bit of a protest position when I voted against adopting our Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Action Plan. The plan needed to be adopted in order to be eligible for the funds that will be used to enter into contracts with many of our service providers. However, it referenced a 79-page "Community Standards" document that will guide those contracts, which the Supervisors were never shown. As I said, the plan needed to be adopted to receive the money, but I felt it was time to be on record that continuing to double down on spending guided

by policies that clearly don't seem to be getting the desired outcomes no longer makes any sense.

The other instance when I was outvoted stings a little more personally. You may have read that the Board voted to switch janitorial services at the Sacramento International Airport. For the last 13 years or so, we have contracted with PRIDE Industries. A portion of their workforce, and their social enterprise model, employs people who are differently abled and who require job coaches to be successful in even the most seemingly menial tasks. To hear the stories of these folks and how much personal stake they put into their work reminds one that sometimes dollars and cents aren't the only consideration in every arrangement. For me, I would have preferred to reject the proposals and renegotiate a new contract with PRIDE, but I don't disparage my colleagues for taking the more fiscally driven (and potentially more politically unpopular) action. My only hope is that as spring signifies rebirth and new beginnings that these employees are allowed to continue and still feel supported within this new contract.

As always, please encourage your friends and neighbors to subscribe to these newsletters or check out my Facebook page here.

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Work on APOT Continues

Efforts to address Ambulance Patient Offload Times in Sacramento County are progressing, through our shared commitment to improving emergency response efficiency and ensuring prompt access to medical care.

As a brief recap, APOT refers to Ambulance Patient Offload Time and is the length of time it takes for ambulance crews to transition patients into the care of hospital staff. Paramedics are required to wait with a patient until a complete transition into the care of the hospital is made. Prolonged APOT delays can strain emergency resources, potentially impeding timely responses to subsequent emergencies, especially when emergency rooms are also overwhelmed.



Fortunately, various stakeholders and agencies are working collaboratively to tackle this issue. The County recently hosted an APOT summit bringing together over 130 healthcare leaders from across Sacramento representing County Emergency Medical

Services (EMS), fire districts, ambulance companies, local hospitals and community-based organizations. The summit provided a platform for sharing challenges and innovative solutions.

Our EMS team, who is working hand-in-hand with local hospitals to help develop compliance plan, invited guest speakers to the Summit to showcase their hospitals' top strategies for addressing APOT concerns. For instance, Sutter Health has implemented a new system to track transfer of care data effectively, while Mercy San Juan has designated medics to expedite the transfer process.

Legislative action prioritizing reduction of APOT times is being implemented by first responders and healthcare providers. Specifically, a new state law is requiring each local EMS agency to establish an APOT standard, not to exceed 30 minutes, 90% of the time by July 1, 2024. Emergency rooms are required to implement APOT time reduction protocols by September 1, 2024, with EMSA (Emergency Medical Services Authority) oversight and monthly monitoring of APOT times. Together, these two ends of emergency care are working on plans to ensure Sacramento County improves upon its APOT times which will allow us to confidently say we no longer have the longest waiting time in the state, and soon be able to say we no longer have the second longest wait time either.



Seriously though, I am glad to see the optimization for APOT becoming a priority in our County and across the state as this challenge remains difficult, requires a lot of collaboration, and is critical to getting people proper medical attention and timely access to emergency care.

Senator Ashby recently introduced Senate Bill 1180 to expand ambulance reimbursement options, specifically to allow ambulances to get reimbursement from healthcare providers for taking patients to alternate destinations such as mental health facilities, when appropriate. Currently, a significant challenge faced by paramedics and firefighters is that only trips to the emergency room qualify for reimbursement. Exploring avenues to extend reimbursement eligibility to alternate destinations, such as clinics or mental health facilities, would be pivotal in alleviating pressure on emergency rooms and ensuring that patients receive the appropriate level of care.

I, myself, have directed some district funds to funding Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) programs. These programs, staffed by advanced medical technicians and paramedics, can offer on-site help for less severe medical issues. Whether a simple diagnosis, managing an on-going health condition, or a quick prescription refill, the MIH programs can also help get people the care they need without leaving the comfort of their homes while continuing to free up critical space in our emergency rooms.



This year, we are recognizing the 50th Anniversary of EMS Week from May 19th to 25th. EMS week was established to honor and celebrate the work of EMS workers who tirelessly serve our communities. Let us take a moment to say a big thank you to these heroes for their incredible efforts!

I'll conclude with a parting message that I've said before and I'll say again; I am committed to the APOT issue to ensure everyone receives the care they need, when they need it, and to relieve the burden on our emergency rooms so that our first responders are freed up and available for the next emergency call. You can learn more about this important effort here in my future newsletters.

City – County Homeless Services Partnership Agreement

At the March 12th Board of Supervisors meeting, the County Department of Homeless Services and the County Department of Health Services presented the outcomes of the 1st year of the City - County Homeless Services Partnership Agreement. This is an agreement between the City and County of Sacramento to collaboratively address homelessness, especially within the City of Sacramento where we see a high concentration of folks living unhoused and needing services.

The crisis of unsheltered homelessness is one that impacts our entire community. Although the City and County of Sacramento have made significant investments over the past several years to increase the availability of shelter services and permanent housing options, homelessness, and its impacts, continues to rise.

The Partnership
Agreement holds the City
and County to specific
outcomes on four main
areas of work: Outreach,
Services,
Shelter/Housing and
Training/Information.

After looking at the data that has been collected and reviewing the outcomes from the last



seven months, I was pleased to see that most of the key provisions in each specific area of work have been accomplished or are well on the way to completion.

Some of the accomplishments that have come out of the Partnership Agreement include:

- adding 10 encampment teams, 25 encampments workers and 10 mental health workers within the City of Sacramento;
- providing four Core Centers and a sobering center within the City of Sacramento;
- providing an additional 200 safe stay beds in the County;
- finalizing an affordable housing plan and seeking additional funding for mental health and homeless issues.

Both the City and County also continue to work on data sharing, training opportunities and offering Public Health education to shelter operators.

The collaboration between the teams from the City and County has already proven to be effective and serves as a robust framework for ongoing cooperation. Together, we are dedicated to enhancing our efforts to help our most vulnerable residents.

First Anniversary of Nottoli Place



Last month marked a special milestone for Nottoli Place, a shelter for older adults in Sacramento County. On Friday, March 15, community members, County staff, members of Volunteers of America (VOA) and those living at Nottoli Place gathered to celebrate the success of the facility on their first anniversary.

Named after my predecessor and project champion, Supervisor Don Nottoli, Nottoli Place is a 15-bed facility for adults aged 60+ who are eligible for Sacramento County's Adult Protective Services (APS) and experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

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.



"They're all like family," one client said about the staff and those living at Nottoli Place. The client's experiences reflect the goal of Nottoli Place, which is to provide a place of dignity and support while offering a safe space for older adults and their pets until they can find more permanent housing. The reality is there are people who live good lives who have had bad things happen to them and it is important that society steps up to protect them. Through no fault of

their own, whether they are victims of abuse or neglect or being taken advantage of, Nottoli Place is a safe haven for them to come and feel restored, to alter their faith and their hope.

Through their partnership with VOA, Sacramento County 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.

If you or someone you know has been the victim of elder abuse, neglect or elder financial abuse, contact law enforcement and <u>Sacramento County Adult Protective Services</u>.

Community Conversation: American River Common Features Project



Supervisor Rich Desmond and I will be 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: Monday, April 8, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

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

To register/submit questions, please use the following link: <u>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.</u>

Out & About in District 5



Had a great time at the inaugural Sacramento County Women & Girls Festival in honor of International Women's Day held at Sacramento City College.



Celebrating the diversity of Sacramento at the Holla Mahalla Nagar Kirtyan at the Bradshaw Sikh Temple. Glad to partake in this wonderful event with other local public officials including, Elk Grove City Councilmember Rod Brewer, Sacramento County Supervisor Patrick Kennedy, Elk Grove City Councilmember Darren Suen and Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen, Folsom City Councilmember YK Chalamcherla and Sacramento City Councilmember Rick Jennings.







Congratulations to the Rancho Cordova Youth Center as they celebrate their 1st birthday! Pictured with me are Rancho Cordova City Councilmembers Linda Budge and Siri Pulipati and City Manager Micah Runner.





As Chair of the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority, I was honored to attend the launch of the new, state-of-the-art Siemens Venture Rail Cars at the Stockton Rail Maintenance Facility.







Thank you to the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office, CHP and the District Attorney's Office for joining me at my Public Safety Town Hall in Walnut Grove and a special thank you to Sheriff Jim Cooper. Pictured with me in the top photo is Sgt. Ron Milton and CHP Cpt. Eric Jones.



Hanging out with the Rancho Cordova Kiwanis Club at their monthly meeting.

Upcoming Events

TOWN HALL

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Public Safety



Sacramento County Supervisor
Pat Hume



Sacramento County Sheriff
Jim Cooper

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Isleton Community Center 208 Jackson Blvd Ext, Isleton, CA 95641



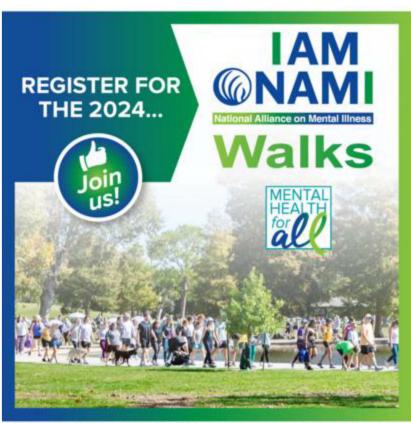
Join Supervisor Pat Hume and Sheriff Jim Cooper with representatives from the District Attorney's Office and CA Highway Patrol in a community forum to discuss public safety.

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NAMI Walks Northern California on May 4th in Sacramento.

Register here:

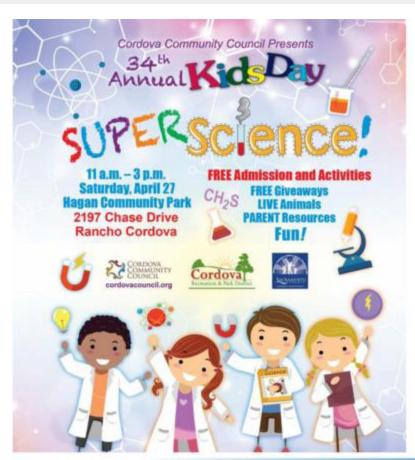
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Call for Art

Stop Stigma Sacramento is organizing art exhibits around Sacramento County and on its website to recognize Mental Health Awareness Month this May!

Individuals living with a mental health condition, or those supporting others who live with a mental health condition, are welcomed to submit artwork to help dispel myths and mental health stereotypes and promote messages of wellness, hope and recovery.

Art Submission Guidelines:

WHO: Artists must be Sacramento County residents

WHAT: One piece per artist may be submitted. Acceptable forms of art include:

- · Physical Artwork must be wall mountable and ready to hang
- · Digital Artwork must not exceed 4 minutes in length

DEADLINE: Tuesday, April 23, at 5 p.m.

DROPOFF LOCATIONS AND TIMES:

- TUESDAYS 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (March 26-April 23)
 Sacramento County Department of Health Services
 7001-A East Parkway, Lobby, Sacramento, CA 95823
- THURSDAYS 1-4 p.m. (March 28-April 18)
 Sacramento County Public Health
 9616 Micron Ave #670, Sacramento, CA 95827

For a full description of art requirements and more information on digital art submissions, visit StopStigmaSacramento.org/get-involved/art-displays.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: All artists must submit a signed submission form and the release of liability form (available here)*

Questions? Email info@stopstigmasacramento.org

*All artwork is subject to review and may or may not be put on display or published to our website. Submissions using discriminatory, derogatory language or inappropriate materials will not be displayed or published to our website.





Stop Signs Sucramento to part of the "Mental Rivest: It's not always what you think," project funded by the Sivision of Behavioral Realth Services through voter-approved Proposition ES, the Rental Realth Services Act (RESA)



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