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AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN D2



Photo: The Ramada Inn in the Midway District.

Last week, the state granted San Diego \$20.75 million in Homekey funding, a significant investment that will create 75 affordable rental units with supportive services for homeless individuals. We know that housing ends homelessness, and our commitment to providing affordable housing is a real solution. The funding will rehabilitate two properties in the Midway District and Ocean Beach in District 2. The partnership between the state, county, and city is critical because it is creating more affordable housing options for those experiencing homelessness. I want to thank Governor Gavin Newsom, Mayor Todd Gloria, County Supervisor Chairperson Nora Vargas, and the San Diego Housing Commission for their leadership and commitment to ending homelessness. For more information on the Homekey program, follow the link: Affordable Housing

SVO AMENDMENTS

My team and I have been working to clarify the amendments to the Sidewalk Vending Ordinance. My Chief of Staff, Venus Molina, presented the amendments which will include clearer language that protects constitutional rights and swifter procedures to address rogue vendors. The amendments were heard at the Community and Neighborhood Services (CNS) Committee meeting that I chaired on Thursday, October 5, 2023. The Committee unanimously supported the amendments, and I look forward to bringing them to the full City Council before the end of the year.





Photos: The SVO Amendments presentation at the Committee meeting and speaking with the media.

SB43 SIGNED

Last week, Governor Gavin Newsom signed SB43, the bill that will modernize and improve state conservatorship laws to better help individuals with the most extreme mental health issues. Mayor Todd Gloria, state, local officials, mental health providers, and I spoke at a rally on September 29, 2023, to urge the Governor



to sign SB43. In San Diego last year, the City Council and Mayor Gloria approved an ordinance, creating a Conservatorship Unit within the City Attorney's Office. Councilmember Marni von Wilpert and I proposed the ordinance, and it passed. The Unit makes conservatorship possible for those with the hardest-to-treat mental health challenges and who have no one to look after them.



Photos: The SB43 Rally at City Hall.

GREEN BIN ROLLOUT COMPLETED





Photos: The City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department (ESD) staff in Mission Beach.

The City of San Diego's Green Bin rollout program started earlier this year, and the last green bins were delivered on September 29, 2023 in Mission Beach. A total of 267,642 green bins have been delivered, and as a result, organic recycling has more than doubled in the past year. It's good news because organic waste in landfills generates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. I want to thank the ESD staff for all their work. If you still need a green bin, you can request one on the **Get It Done App** or you can call 858-694-7000.

LGBTQ+ CENTER'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY



Photo: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the San Diego LGBTQ+ Center.

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the San Diego LGBTQ+ Center. I am so proud of the work the Center has done and will continue to do in our communities. The Center is a vital resource in the region, and its programs and services continue to make such a positive impact on our LGBTQ+ community.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. By bringing awareness to domestic violence, we can normalize talking about domestic violence to support victims and survivors. Last week, my Council colleagues and I gratefully accepted \$6.2 million in grant funding from the San Diego County to be used for emergency shelters for survivors of domestic violence, including human trafficking and sexual abuse victims. Stop the cycle of domestic violence.



SDPD WOMEN'S HIRING EXPO

The San Diego Police



Department is holding the "Women's Hiring Expo" for its third year on Saturday, October 28, from 8 a.m. to noon! Get an inside look at what it takes to be a police officer and participate in roleplaying scenarios. To learn more and register for this event, follow the link: **SDPD Women's Expo 2023**

FSHD MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

Facioscapulohumeral Muscular Dystrophy, or FSHD, is one of the three most common muscular dystrophy diseases that affect at least one million people worldwide. This devastating disease slowly robs its patients of the ability to perform everyday activities. To bring awareness to the disease and recognize the FSHD Society in San Diego, I presented the organization with a City Proclamation. The FSHD Society's "Walk 'n' Roll to Cure" event helps raise awareness and provides education and support to those living with FSHD. The FSHD Society works closely with San Diego's renowned research institutions that are making significant breakthroughs toward discovering a cure for FSHD.





Photos: At the FSHD Society's "Walk 'n' Roll to Cure" event at Harbor Island Park.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

October is Breast Cancer Awareness

Month. It's a time to focus on the importance of educating ourselves about breast cancer risk factors, regular screenings, early detection, and finding a cure. Every year, one in eight women in the United States and 2.3 million women worldwide will be diagnosed with breast cancer. In the U.S., nearly 42,000 women and 500 men will die from breast cancer every year. I want to thank the American Cancer Society, the Susan G. Komen Foundation, and many other cancer organizations who work so hard every year to provide education, resources, and support to people living with breast cancer.



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS



Old Town San Diego is preparing for its annual Día de Los Muertos celebration on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. The event is a tradition in Mexico, and other Latin American countries, who honor loved ones who have passed away. This year's Old Town festivities have an exciting lineup with traditional activities that include a candlelit annual procession. The event starts at the **Immaculate Conception** Church at San Diego Avenue and Twiggs Street, and it ends at San Diego Avenue to El Campo Santo. To learn more about the Old Town event and other activities, follow the link: **Dia de los Muertos**

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