The People's Councilmember **Monica Montgomery** Council District 4

Important COVID-19 Weekly Update April 15, 2020

Dear Community,

As promised by the federal government, Economic Impact Payments (EIP) are being (have been) deposited into many accounts for filers who had direct deposit for income tax returns filed this year (or in 2018). This payment is being issued as part of the economic stimulus for workers outlined in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. To learn more about the EIP, who is eligible, and the paper check process, please visit: https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impactpayment-information-center. Please continue to email your concerns to <u>cd4news@sandiego.gov</u>.

Important Updates from Governor Newsom

- <u>Roadmap for Relaxing COVID-19 Lockdowns</u>: This plan outlined six (6) indicators that will determine • when and how to relax the current stay-at-home policies, which include: (1) the ability to monitor and protect our communities through testing, contact tracing, isolating, and supporting those who are positive or exposed; (2) the ability to prevent infection in people who are at risk for more severe COVID-19; (3) the ability of the hospital and health systems to handle surges; (4) the ability to develop therapeutics to meet the demand; (5) the ability for businesses, schools, and child care facilities to support physical distancing; and (6), the ability to determine when to reinstitute certain measures, such as the stay-at-home orders, if necessary.
- <u>New Initiatives to Support California Workers Impacted by COVID-19</u>: The Employment Development • Department (EDD) will launch a new call center on Monday that will operate 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to expedite assistance to workers. In addition, California has developed an immigrant resource guide to provide information about COVID-19 related assistance, including public benefits, that are available to immigrant Californians.

To read more about the state's response, please visit:

https://www.gov.ca.gov/california-takes-action-to-combat-covid-19/

Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation (JCNI) The Southeastern San Diego COVID-19 **Rapid Response Fund & Local 145**

Thank you to our San Diego City Firefighters (Local 145) and their new 19 Days of Fighting COVID-19 Support Campaign.

For nineteen (19) days, the firefighters are partnering with elected officials to identify organizations to receive



a funding award.

My office picked the JCNI's Southeastern San Diego COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund, which supports community that have in our nonprofits been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

A special thank you to Local 145 President Jesse Connor, Captain Jason Shanley who made the presentation on behalf of the firefighters, JCNI Board Member Laila Aziz for her concept leadership on forming this fund, and Alvenesia Sims who received the official check presentation on behalf of JCNI. Nonprofits may apply here: <u>rapidresponse.fund</u>.

To donate to the fund, please email info@jacobscenter.org.

To watch the simulcast of the Councilmember, Captain Shanley and Ms. Aziz discussing the importance of the fund, please click here.



Special City Council Meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2020

During the April 7 Special City Council Meeting, the People's Councilmember made a motion to continue this item to provide a more equitable distribution of funds among Council Districts with respect to streets scheduled for resurfacing, specifically asphalt overlay.

Yesterday, the item returned to the docket, but the inequities were not remedied. There is a disconnect between the Overall Condition Index (OCI) for the streets in the Fourth Council District, and what residents experience when walking, biking and driving within our community.

The Councilmember could not, in good conscience, support this item that did not include the essential needs of our district or represent a more equitable distribution of this funding source.

The item narrowly passed with a 5-4 vote. The Council President and Councilmembers Montgomery, Ward, and Moreno sent a strong message that they are not 'rubber stamping' items that do not adequately represent the needs of their communities.

Food Security Resources

- Every Tuesday at 4 p.m., I Am My Brother's Keeper Grab & Go Fresh Food Bank is open to our community. Pre-register here: <u>https://bit.ly/3bKyYpP</u>
- For a complete list of District 4 Food Banks, please see the resource compiled by our office:

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/cd4-foodbank-information.pdf

• For a complete list of **District 4 Grocery Stores** with special shopping hours for our seniors:

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/cd4-grocerystore-list.pdf



San Diego Workforce Partnership Jobs Portal and Southeastern San Diego Live Well Internships

- Jumpstart your job search with the over 200 jobs that are now available on the San Diego Workforce Partnership Career Portal. They also offer online workshops, layoff transition webinars and much more. To apply: <u>https://workforce.org/portal/</u>
- Southeastern San Diego Live Well Internships: This invaluable internship program provides young adults, ages 18–24, with PAID job readiness training. Please share this information with the young adults in our community. To apply, please visit: linktr.ee/cd4monica.

Sincerely,

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Monica Montgomery, Councilmember Fourth Council District