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

Important Weekly Update April 29, 2020

Dear Community,

My office continues to closely monitor the evolving situation around the pandemic, as we focus on economic resources and food security. We are diligently working to provide our community with accurate information. Since my last update, here's what you need to know.

Budget Review Committee Public Comment Hearing Thursday, April 30 at 6 p.m.

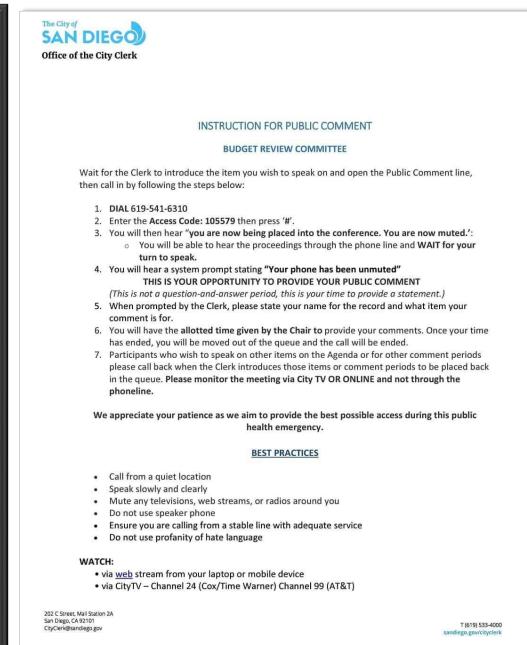
The City has a new system in place for live participation during the Budget Review Committee hearings.

In lieu of in-person attendance, the public may participate and provide comment via telephone, using the Budget Review Committee <u>webform</u>, email submission or via U.S. Mail of written materials.

This proposed FY '21 budget has been severely impacted by the pandemic. Proposed cuts will disproportionately impact our community, including library closures on the weekend, cutting the FREE STAR/PAL program (the only one of its kind in the city), and many other impacts to neighborhood services.

We are committed to fighting for the equitable distribution of funding.

We must use a scalpel as opposed to a hatchet for these cuts.



CALL TO ACTION

We encourage all of you to make your demands known during the public hearings. We are not willing to sit idly by as our community needs are ignored and go unmet.

To participate in the live meetings or to submit written comments,

and <u>for a complete list of hearings from May 4th through May 8th</u>, please visit:

https://www.sandiego.gov/council-committees/budget-review-committee



FOOD + DIAPER DISTRIBUTION FREE EVENT 05.03.2020 | 11AM - 4PM

NO RESTRICTIONS. DRIVE-THRU STYLE. NON PERISHABLE FOODS, DRINKS, SUPPLIES + DIAPERS.



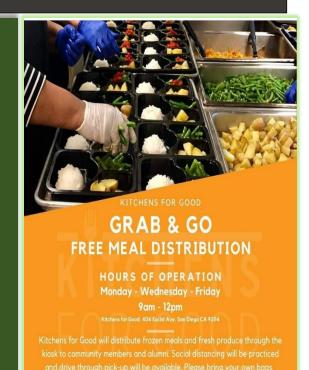
TACKLING FOOD INSECURITY

Many grass roots organizations are working tirelessly to ensure that our residents do not face food insecurity.

On Sunday, May 3, 2020, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Southhills Church will have a food and diaper distribution FREE event.

Kitchens for Good continues its free meal distribution on M, W, F from 9 a.m. – Noon.

We work diligently to connect you with <u>resources</u>. Please see flyers for details





More Important Resources

Learn how to make a face covering: <u>https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-</u> <u>Coverings-Guidance.aspx</u>

Masks: Little Saigon Foundation San Diego is giving out free masks! They have made and distributed over 20,000 face masks. These masks are reusable and washable. Distribution hours: 11am- 6pm Monday to Sunday. Pick up at 3412 Central Ave, San Diego, CA 92105. Call/text (619) 362-6063 or email: contact@littlesaigonsandiego.org for more information.

MTS | Effective May 1st, riders must wear face coverings: <u>https://mailchi.mp/sdmts/face-masks-</u> required-on-board-starting-51?e=de1047811d

Reporting essential workers without face masks: <u>https://211sandiego.org/publichealthorder</u>

Diamond Neighborhoods Family Health Center offering COVID-19 Testing

May 4th - 8th

Many community members have inquired about the availability of testing in our community. Beginning Monday, outdoor testing will be available at the Diamond Neighborhoods Family Health Center located at 4725 Market Street.

For contact information, hours and testing capacity, please visit:

https://www.fhcsd.org/diamond-neighborhoods-family-health-center/

For more Family Health Centers of San Diego outdoor testing locations and dates, please visit: https://www.fhcsd.org/coronavirus-covid-19/

Sincerely,

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Monica Montgomery, Councilmember Fourth Council District