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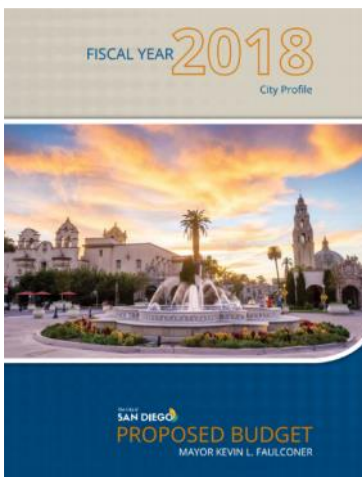
Be Prepared - Create Defensible Space



San Diego has experienced record-breaking rainfall over the last year. Unfortunately, much of the grass that has sprout up from the rain has already dried out and poses a very large fire hazard. San Diego County, state and local fire officials are advising residents to obey the law and create 100 feet of defensible space for the safety of their homes and for firefighters.

Defensible space is 30 feet of lean, clean and green zone and 70 feet of reduced fuel zone. Learn how to create defensible space around your home at http://calfire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact_sheets/DefensibleSpaceFlyer.pdf, and prepare for wildfires with CAL FIRE'S 'Ready for Wildfire' app. Download the app for access to checklists, wildfire alerts and fire incident pages. <http://readyforwildfire.org/Ready-for-Wildfire-App/>

FY2018 Budget Prioritizes Infrastructure and Neighborhood Services



On June 6, I voted for a \$3.57 billion budget that invests in infrastructure, public safety, core neighborhood services and other critical City needs. I'm proud of the priorities reflected in San Diego's FY18 budget overall.

Prop. H, the Rebuild San Diego initiative, will go into effect dedicating an extra \$17.8 million to infrastructure improvements. This contributes to the Mayor's overall \$445 million budget for infrastructure, the largest investment in over a decade. The budget also maintains operating hours at libraries and recreation centers at the highest levels in over a decade. Learn about library programs and events at <https://www.sandiego.gov/public-library> and rec centers at <https://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/centers>



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Free Veterans Entrepreneurial Jumpstart Program



The Veterans Entrepreneurial Jumpstart (VEJ) Program is now accepting applications for its Cohort III, September-October 2017. VEJ provides veterans with the training, skills and service necessary to start their own small business. This program is offered at no charge to eligible veterans, including travel and living expenses. Applications are due July 1. Learn more about enrollment at www.sju.edu/vej

Additional Recycling Bin

Learn how you can get an additional free blue recycling bin if you pick it up. Call Environmental Services at 858-694-7000 and press '0' to speak to a customer service rep.

<https://www.sandiego.gov/environmentalsevices/collection/general/containers>

Rattlesnake Safety



District Five is full of beautiful open space and trails, but as the weather warms up, these natural features can contribute to an increase in rattlesnake sightings in residential areas. This year, the County Department of Animal Control has already received more than 89 calls

reporting sightings of rattlesnakes in District Five.

If you encounter a rattlesnake, what should you do?

- A– Yell at it
- B– Sneak up on it
- C– Stand still then calmly walk away from it

The answer: C. If you encounter a rattlesnake or hear its warning rattle, please stand still until you locate it, then calmly walk away and call the County's 24-hour dispatch line at 619-236-2341. Animal services asks for you to keep an eye on the rattlesnake from a safe distance, so you can direct their officer to the right spot. Learn more about rattlesnake safety at www.sddac.com/content/dam/sdc/das/pdf/brochures/Snake_Brochure.pdf

Fun fact: Rattlesnakes are deaf to airborne sounds!

Get Involved

Do you live in Black Mountain Ranch? Are you interested in shaping development decisions in your community? Then apply to fill the vacant BMR seat on the Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board. Community Planning Groups provide official recommendations to the City on community goals and land development proposals.

Learn more about the PQ Planning Board:

<https://www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/ranchopeñasquitos>

In the Community



22nd Fiesta de los Peñasquitos

Awarding students from Rancho Peñasquitos schools for their community service.



Bike to Work Day

Supporting bike commuters in D5 for Bike to Work Day.



Share Your Love of Reading

Reading to kindergarteners at Walker Child Development Center.



Breaking ground on the San Diego International Airport's new Federal Inspection Station.

Business Profile: Wine and Canvas San Diego



Sabre Springs couple, Carolyn and Marcus, own Wine and Canvas San Diego, a mobile art entertainment company. Wine and Canvas provides all the materials you need to “unleash your inner Picasso” while you bring and sip on the cocktail of your choice. They specialize in corporate and private events of all sizes as they can travel to office settings, hotels, wineries/breweries and private homes. Check out their website to see how they can create a fun painting experience for you and your next gathering.

<http://www.wineandcanvas.com/san-diego-ca.html>

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Community Calendar

PQ Certified Farmer's Market

Every Saturday | Salmon River Rd & Fairgrove Ln.
<http://www.ymca.org/rancho/farmers-market.html>

Scripps Ranch Farmer's Market

Every Saturday | 10380 Spring Canyon Road
<http://www.srfm.org/>

RB Alive! Street Fair

June 4 | Bernardo Center Drive between Lomica Drive and Bernardo Plaza Court
<https://chamber.sdbusinesschamber.com/events/>

Introduction to Girl Scouts

June 6 | Rancho Peñasquitos Public Library
<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/introduction-girl-scouts>

Scripps Ranch Community Fair

June 11 | Alliant International University
<https://www.scrippsrancho.org/committees/community-fair>

Family Game Night

June 16 | Rancho Bernardo Library
<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/family-game-night-8>

Barks and Brews

June 17 | Ballast Points
<https://houndsavers.org/2017/05/barks-brews-at-ballast-point/>

Red Cross Blood Drive

June 21 | Carmel Mountain Ranch Library
<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/red-cross-blood-drive>

Technology You Can Use

Get It Done: Do you have a non-emergency City issue in your neighborhood? Report problems like unstable trees, potholes, graffiti, broken street lamps and more with the Get it Done San Diego webpage or free mobile app at www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done



Get It Done

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Rancho Encantada | Rancho Peñasquitos | Sabre Springs | San Pasqual
Scripps Miramar Ranch | Torrey Highlands



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