



CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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**CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY &
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**
DISTRICT FOUR

DECEMBER 3, 2008 WEEKLY UPDATE



Proclamation presented by Councilmember Tony Young for Community Collaboration Day on December 2, 2008.

COUNCIL ACTIONS: COUNCIL REGULATES SALES OF USED CARS ON CERTAIN STREETS.

On Tuesday, December 2, 2008 the San Diego City Council, in response to complaints from citizens throughout the city, unanimously approved an ordinance which regulates the sale of cars on certain streets. Streets affected in District 4 include certain areas along Euclid Avenue, Elm Street, 45th Street, Cardiff Street, Jamacha Road, San Felipe Street, Logan Avenue, 35th Street, 36th Street, 45th Street, Home Avenue and Fairmount Avenue. We have all seen lines of dusty, dirty cars parked along certain streets with large dollar amounts written all over the windows. This action will help address the concerns that some of our streets are becoming sites for used car lots and eyesores for the community. The Ordinance calls for signs to be posted, parking violation notices given out, and cars towed if not removed 24 hours or more after the notice.

On Tuesday, December 2, 2008 I presented a resolution to several organizations that are working together to encourage under-aged youth to stay off the streets after curfew hours. My colleagues and I declared “Community Collaboration Day” to honor the many individuals and organizations involved in this successful collaborative effort. Over the summer, the San Diego Police Department working in collaboration with community members, County, City, and civic organizations, conducted curfew sweeps that took over 250 youth between the ages of 12-18 off the streets late at night. Working with volunteers, these organizations sometimes are up until 3:00 a.m. on a Saturday morning assisting officers with informing parents and counseling youth about



the dangers and pitfalls of being on the streets after curfew. Their positive interactions actually save lives! I commend and thank the many volunteers and organizations involved in this outstanding effort.

YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

City/County Reinvestment Task Force, Councilman Tony Young, County Supervisor Ron Roberts, Citi, San Diego Housing Commission and, the Asian Business Association of San Diego proudly present: Smart Money Investing Workshop 2008 Youth Summit will be held on December 8, 2008 at 1122 Broadway 4th Floor Conference Room from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Investing tips on: short and long term investment and how to invest on a shoestring budget. For more information please call (858) 277-2822.

The San Diego Food Bank is hosting its annual Holiday Food Drive to provide food for those less fortunate this holiday season. The 2008 Holiday Food Drive will run from November 1 to December 31. Please drop-off non-perishable food items in the Food Bank's famous red collection barrels at VONS, Trader Joe's and Stater Brothers grocery stores throughout the county, or food can be delivered directly to the San Diego Food Bank warehouse: 9850 Distribution Avenue, San Diego 92121. The San Diego Food Bank needs food that will provide nutritious meals for people in need. Our most needed items include: canned meat & tuna; canned soups; canned fruits and vegetables; peanut butter; canned beans; spaghetti; dry cereal; rice and mac & cheese. Important note: the Food Bank cannot accept perishable items or items in glass jars due to food safety regulations.

Special Schedule in Effect for City Libraries During Holiday Season, December 24 through January 1: All Libraries will be Closed on December 25 and New Year's Day A special schedule for the City of San Diego Public Library will be in effect from Wednesday, December 24, 2008 through Thursday, January 1, 2009. The schedule is as follows:

Monday, December 22 and Tuesday, December 23 2008

All libraries will be open regular hours

Wednesday, December 24, 2008

All libraries will be open 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 25, 2008

All libraries closed

Friday, December 26, 2008

Open 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Central Library, 820 E St., 619-236-5800
Valencia Park/Malcolm X Branch Library, 5148 Market St., 619-527-3405
Open 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Carmel Valley - 3919 Townsgate Drive, 858-552-1668
City Heights/Weingart - 3795 Fairmount Avenue, 619-641-6100
College-Rolando - 6600 Montezuma Road, 619-533-3902
Mira Mesa - 8405 New Salem Street, 858-538-8165
Mission Valley - 2123 Fenton Parkway, 858-573-5007
Otay Mesa-Nestor - 3003 Coronado Avenue, 619-424-0474
Pacific Beach/Taylor - 4275 Cass Street, 858-581-9934
Point Loma/Hervey - 3701 Voltaire Street, 619-531-1539
Rancho Bernardo - 17110 Bernardo Center Drive, 858-538-8163

Who says Community Service can't be Fun? Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County Be a Big Brother or Big Sister! Bigs In Schools and Community Mentoring Program! For more information on how you and your group can volunteer, Please call (858) 536-4900 x213. Apply online at www.SDBigs.org.

The Grand Parent's Connection! Grand Parent's Connection is a group of grand parent's, offering support for grandparents or relatives, who are raising children under the age of 18. The group offers open discussion, and guest speakers who focus on issues affection grandparents of other relatives who are raising children with information on resources available on their communities. They meet Thursday Mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Tubman Chavez Center (415 N Euclid Avenue). For more information please call Shearl Lambert at (619) 931-9548 or email her at shearl2530@sbcglobal.net.

San Diego Home Loan Counseling and Education Center Home Buying Counseling Services Counselors are ready to assist you in Budget Counseling, Reviewing the home buying process, Explaining various loan programs, Pre-qualification services, Referral, Development of a written home buying plan of action. For more information contact (619) 624-2330 or www.sdhome loan.org.

English as a Second Language; FREE ESL Classes! Will be held every Monday: Conversation/Vocabulary, Wednesday: Reading/Writing and Friday: Grammar/Spelling from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Horton Elementary (5050 Guymon Street). Parent and Community Room 18 and FREE childcare in Room 28. Computer Lab: Mornings and Afternoons with an appointment. New computers with: beginning-advanced. English, GED and Pronunciation software.



NO FEE! For more information call (619) 388-4806.

GET INVOLVED! Skyline-Paradise Hills Planning Group needs you! If you are interested in recommending and advising the San Diego City Planning Commission and the City Council on changes regarding zoning (building and property improvements), zoning violations, street conditions, traffic signals, speed bumps and conditional-use permits, etc. the Skyline-Paradise Hills Planning Group would like to invite you and other residents and neighbor volunteers from the Skyline and Paradise Hills community to attend every Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Paradise Hills Recreation Center, 6610 Potomac St. 92139.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the Fiscal Year 2010 (July 2009 - June 2010) are now available.

There are three ways to obtain a copy of the application:

1. A hard copy of the application can be downloaded and printed from the web site: www.sandiego.gov/cdbg. Click on the “Applications, Forms and Regulations tab.
2. Request for the application to be sent electronically from the CDBG Office.
3. Pick up a hard copy at the CDBG Office located at 1200 Third Ave. San Diego, CA 92101.

Please keep in mind the Application Timeline Process:

November 3, 2008	Application Packets Available
November 17, 2008	Applicant Workshops (10 a.m. and 2 p.m.), War Memorial Bldg., Balboa Park
December 10, 2008	Applicant Workshops (10 a.m. and 2 p.m.), War Memorial Bldg., Balboa Park
December 17, 2008	Applications Due at 5 p.m.

For further questions regarding the application process, contact the CDBG Office at (619) 236-6476 or cdbg@sandiego.gov.

STREET SWEEPING INFORMATION

Street Sweeping provides two primary benefits to the City. The more obvious benefit is the collection and removal of paper, leaves, and other visible debris that collect in the gutters. This debris can block storm water facilities, causing localized flooding during heavy rains. An equally important, but less visible benefit is the removal of metal particles and other hazardous waste products left by passing vehicles. For more information regarding Street Sweeping please call (619) 527-3482 or visit www.sandiego.gov/street-div/strsweep.shtml.

GRAFFITI INFORMATION

ONE-STOP

City of San Diego Graffiti Control Hotline: (619) 525-8522

GRAFFITI REPORTING

San Diego Police Department: (619) 531-2000

Graffiti Strike Force: (619) 515-2754

Email Pictures to Police Officer Oscar Amado: oamado@pd.sandiego.gov

Online Reporting Form: www.sandiego.gov/graffiti

GRAFFITI REMOVAL CONTACTS-*Know the exact location of the graffiti!*

Urban Corps Graffiti Hotline: (800) 829-6884

Cal-Trans (graffiti along state highways/freeways): (858) 467-4042

If graffiti is not removed within 48 hours call Diane Valdez: (858) 467-4009

Online Reporting Form: www.dot.ca.gov/maintform

SDG&E: (800) 411-7343

Cox Cable: (619) 263-9251

U.S. Postal Service: (800) 275-8777

City Traffic Signs: (619) 527-7500

Traffic Signal Control Boxes: (619) 527-7500

GRAFFITI REMOVAL SUPPLIES

“Paint Bank”- Free recycled paint and supplies: (619) 527-5419

Appointments Monday, Wednesday, Friday- 9:30-1:30 p.m.

Project CLEAN- Linda Pennington (City Heights only): (619) 563-4014

Fox Canyon Neighborhood Association-Jose Lopez: (619) 282-2788

Paint, rollers, brushes, 4 basic paint colors

CITY RESPONSE TIMES FOR GRAFFITI REMOVAL

Public right-of-way/City-owned property: 4 days

Private property-responsibility of owner: depends on owner

OTHER CITY RESOURCES

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal: (858) 694-7000

4TH DISTRICT COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP INFORMATION ONLY: PLEASE CALL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OFFICERS FOR LOCATIONS!!!

Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District.

I commend, thank, and congratulate the many community volunteers, city staff, non-profit organizations and EDCO Waste & Recycling Services that assist in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort we all must continue to be involved in. Special community cleanup events areas are selected based upon citizen requests, pledges of community involvement and previous citizen participation levels. Please feel free to call Solid Waste Code



Enforcement Officer Alejandro Alvarado at (858) 627-3317 if you would like to request a clean-up in your area and/or if you have questions.

At the November 19, 2008 community clean-up held in the 4th District community of Valencia Park, a total of 7.56 tons of waste was collected, 6.65 tons were non-recyclables and .91 tons were recyclables consisting of metals and appliances from the neighborhood. William Asher, from Valencia Park, community members, and the Neighborhood Code Compliance Department, are commended for their assistance and support.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.

- George Bernard Shaw

I am in total agreement with him and I am very proud and thankful of the fact that residents throughout the 4th District also share this belief. Please join me or a member of my staff at the following Community Councils meeting this week:

Valencia Park Town Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, 2008 at 6:30p.m at Valencia Park Elementary School, 5880 Skyline Drive (Derrick White staffs this meeting)

Southeastern Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Neighborhood House Association, 841 S. 41st Street (Bruce Williams staffs this meeting)

Jamacha Community Council Meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 7210 Lisbon Street (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Emerald Hills Town Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:00p.m at Johnson Elementary School, 1355 Kelton Road (Roosevelt Williams staffs this meeting)

Eastern Area Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 2755 55th Street (Bruce Williams staffs this meeting)

Mountain View Park Rec. Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at Mt. View Park, 641 Boundary Street (Roosevelt Williams staffs this meeting)



Skyline/Paradise Hills Planning Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 7:00p.m at Paradise Hills Rec. Center, 6610 Potomac Street (Bruce Williams staffs this meeting)

Oak Park Community Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Oak Park School-Auditorium, 2606 54th Street (Jimmie Slack staffs this meeting)

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

“Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

—Dr. Martin Luther King

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions. Please visit the City's web site at www.sandiego.gov and view the many boards and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are.

Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.

The San Diego Youth Commission is searching for two District Four youth ages 14-22 to sit on their board as Commissioners! Commissioners advise and provide recommendations to the City Council on pertinent issues to youths. They meet monthly to work on common goals, devise plans, and create policies important to young San Diegans. In addition, the Youth Commission will have the opportunity to develop their own policy agenda and review issues sent to them by the City Council. The San Diego Youth Commission offers youths the opportunity to see first hand how government works and it allows youths to represent themselves and their peers in a positive manner. The Commission is also a fantastic opportunity to bring together young people from various ethnic, socio-economic, and geographic backgrounds to debate issues, create meaningful policies and learn more about other communities in San Diego. For more information or to apply as a Commissioner of the San Diego Youth Commission please contact Jasmine Holt at (619) 236-6644 or jdholt@sandiego.gov.



SAVE THIS DATE:

Shop the World at the 3rd Saturday International Marketplace! Check it out!

A new and different open-air shopping experience for all of San Diego. Monthly, every third Saturday from 12:00pm to 6:00m thru Dec. 20th at *Where the World Meets* inside Market Creek Plaza (336 Euclid Ave.)

The 29th Annual 2009 Martin Luther King Jr. Parade “Living the Dream” “Let Freedom Ring” presented by Zeta Sigma Lambda Chapter and Alpha Phi Alpha Scholarship Fund, Inc.

will be held on Saturday, January 17, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The staging area will be at Tailgate Park (13th and Imperial Ave.) The Parade route will be North on Park Blvd. to J St. West on J St. to 7th Ave. South on 7th Ave. back to Tailgate Park. For more information please contact the Martin Luther King Jr. Parade Committee at (619) 264-0542.

Water For Children Africa’s 12th Africa Trade and Business Conference

Saturday, January 31, 2009: San Diego Super Run 2009 10K and 5K will benefit Water For Children Africa. For more information please contact www.kathylopererevents.com.

UAAMAC’s 2009 Event Series: *Building the Beloved Community* The 14th

Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfast will be held on January 19, 2009 from 7:30am to 10:00am and the *Summit: Building The Beloved Community* will be held on February 20-21, 2009 from 6:00am to 7:30pm at the Joe and Vi Jacobs Center (404 Euclid Avenue). The Community Breakfast will include a presentation of Hero/Shero Awards and a reading of the winning essays from the MLKJ Youth Essay Contest. The Summit will focus on best practices, and the development of an action plan for implementing these practices in five areas: Economic Development, Public Education, Public Health, Judicial Reform, and Family Stability. For more information please call (619) 264-1213.

Learn how to Garden- Water Smart! Take a FREE class on California Friendly Gardening for the Water Wise Gardener. March 7, 2009 from 8:30am to 12:30pm at Clairemont Community Center. Call (619) 570-1999 to reserve a spot!

THANK YOU...for reading my E-mail Message for the Week. If you would like to receive this E-mail on a regular basis, please e-mail me at anthonyyoung@sandiego.gov.

