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Empowering District 9's Youth

District Nine is home to one of the youngest populations in the City. In City Heights, almost half of the population is under the age of 24. Given the variety of programs and services our city provides to our youth, from recreation centers to libraries, I am asking them for their input during the upcoming budget process. By working collaboratively, I look forward to supporting and representing their needs!



These are just some of the youth-related resources I am delivering to District Nine:

- **Job Fair on Saturday, April 20 from 10am to 2pm at the Mid-City Gym, 4302 Landis St.** I will be working with the City Heights Youth Collaborative to bring jobs to the youth of City Heights. Attend and take the first step to obtaining a job or an internship, and to network with future employers.
- My Council colleagues and I fund **Connect2Careers**, formerly known as Hire-A-Youth, to help young adults obtain summer internships, jobs skills and work experiences. Please visit www.workforce.org/news/connect2careers or call (619) 228-2945.
- Beginning in the spring of 2013, my office will oversee the **City's Youth Commission**, which advises the Mayor and Council on issues affecting San Diego's young residents.
- On March 22, I attended the weekly **Mid-City CAN Youth Council** and met with the Council District 9 Youth Advisory members. The Youth Council works to empower and educate youth through community organizing. Currently these dedicated youth are advocating for skate parks in the community. For more info: <http://www.midcitycan.org/youth-council/about-youth-council>

Thanks, Marti

Mission Statement

Empower constituents to improve their quality of life, economy, and neighborhoods through the effective use of a responsive, transparent, and trustworthy city government.

My Goals:

Provide Safe Neighborhoods, Empower People, Deliver Resources,
Create Economic Opportunity, Promote Trust In Government

District 9 Communities

- Alvarado Estates
- Azalea Park
- Castle
- Cherokee Point
- Chollas Creek
- Colina Park
- College Area
- Corridor
- El Cerrito
- Fairmount Park
- Fairmount Village
- Fox Canyon
- Hollywood Park
- Islenair
- Kensington
- Mountain View
- Mt Hope
- Ridgeview
- Rolando
- Southcrest
- Swan Canyon
- Talmadge
- Teralta-East & West
- Willie Henderson

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Safety Speaks

At the March 13, 2013, Public Safety & Neighborhood Services meeting, Councilmember Emerald joined with Councilmember Alvarez in urging their colleagues to approve a resolution supporting Federal legislation reinstating the Assault Weapons Ban.

“As public servants, the core responsibility we hold is to keep people safe,” said Councilmember Emerald. “Assault weapons that carry large ammunition clips are not needed for hunting or family protection and represent a serious threat to public safety in our communities.”

The resolution calls for new legislation prohibiting the sale, transfer, importation and manufacture of assault weapons as well as large ammunition magazines. In recent years, incidents of mass shootings in schools and public places have increased at an alarming rate.

As always, to share your ideas and concerns for improving public safety, please contact Committee Consultant Drew Ector by calling (619) 236-7038 or emailing Dector@sanidiego.gov.

The next Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee will be held on April 10, 2013 at 2pm in the Council Committee Room, 12th Floor, 202 C Street San Diego CA, 92101.

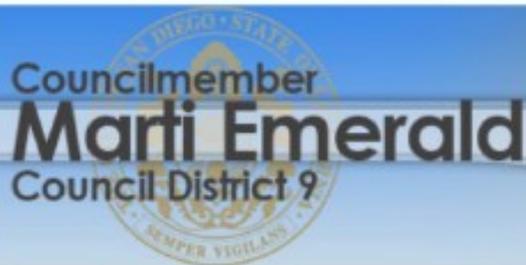
Budget Hearings And Your Priorities

Last month, my colleagues and I adopted the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Priorities Resolution, which states the City Council's official stance on where the City should focus its resources over the next year. Each Councilmember brought his or her own ideas and perspective to the table, but the common themes were: **enhancing public safety**, including increased funding for police, firefighters and lifeguards; and greater **investment into our infrastructure**, such as repairing our aging streets, sidewalks and City buildings.

What are YOUR priorities for the FY2014 budget? Where do you want to see taxpayer dollars invested? Mayor Filner releases his Proposed Budget on **April 15** and presents it to me and my fellow Councilmembers on **April 16**. From **May 6-10**, we will hold marathon hearings on the budget for each City department and agency, and make the final decision in **June**. These are public meetings, and I encourage you to participate, whether by coming to City Hall to listen and give feedback, or contacting my office with your thoughts.

Starting April 15, the proposed budget will be posted online at: www.sandiego.gov/fm/proposed/index.shtm.

Understanding the City's Budget Process can be difficult, but the **Community Budget Alliance** can help! Join Alliance's "**How to Read a Budget**" Workshop on **April 4** from 6pm-8pm in the Price Charities Building, 4305 University Avenue #640, 6th floor.



Need a Job?

Join San Diego City Councilmember Marti Emerald and
The Coalition to Keep City Heights Youth Safe for a Youth & Job Fair.

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2013

Time: 10 AM to 2 PM

Location: Mid-City Gym
4302 Landis Street
San Diego, CA 92105

- *Job Interviews
- *Internships
- *Resume Help
- *Interviewing Tips



- *Door Prizes
- *Snacks
- *Music
- *Dance



Join Councilmember Emerald
And I Love A Clean San Diego
At Eight City Heights Locations
On Saturday, April 27, 2013



I Love A Clean San Diego's CREEK to BAY Cleanup

Join us at eight City Heights locations:

Manzanita Canyon - 4140 Manzanita Dr.
Swan Canyon - Hamilton Elementary, 4483 Olive St.
47th Street Canyon - Myrtle and 46th
Chollas Creek - Chollas Parkway N. and Boyce Lane
Chollas Creek - Chollas Parkway and Quince St.
Chollas Creek - Sunshine Park, 4402 Federal Blvd.
Chollas Creek - 47th St. and Chollas Parkway
N. Swan - Redwood and 44th

For more information contact:
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**Don't forget your
reusable bottle,
work gloves, and
bucket to help cut
down on waste!**



**9AM - noon
SAT April 27th
Creektobay.org**

Neighborhood Focus: Peaceful, Friendly, Rolando

The slogan says it all: Rolando (ROL) is one of San Diego's hidden gems. Single family homes with long-time residents who lay down roots and make the neighborhood better by fostering community engagement. Great people, great value and a great place to live.

Established in 1927, Rolando embodies true character with its hidden stairways, called "Catwalks," connecting neighbors through the rolling hills. For an in-depth history of Rolando, local Historian James Newland may be reached at newljones@cox.net or (619) 203-2957. Two celebrated annual events in Rolando are the Rolando Street Fair (4th Sunday in March) and the BOO! Parade (last Saturday in October).



Marti, Spiderman & Rolando resident Sandi Buehner at the 2013 Rolando Street Fair.

Here are some ways you can get involved with the numerous community groups in Rolando:

- The Rolando Community Council sponsors the Annual Street Fair and monthly book sales, www.rolandocommunitycouncil.org
- The College Area Business Improvement District (BID) sponsors the Annual BOO! Parade and the College Area Taste, www.collegeareabid.com
- The College-Rolando Library, located at 6600 Montezuma Road, sponsors events for the whole family, www.collegerolandolibrary.org
- The College Neighborhoods Foundation hosts home tours and aims to preserve the history of these neighborhoods, www.collegeneighborhoods.com

April Community Events

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 – Corridor & Teralta West Neighborhood Alliance Meeting

Join your City Heights neighbors from 7pm to 8:30pm to discuss upcoming neighborhood events and neighborhood safety. Meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Metro Villa Apartments, located at 4071 39th Street. For more information, contact either Maria Cortez at (619) 795-6618 or Jennifer Guerra at jguerra@cityheightscdc.org or (619) 961-1053.

Saturday, April 13, 2013 – NAKland Free Children's Fair is a free children's fair in City Heights organized by the Nu Alpha Kappa fraternity at SDSU. NAKland will be held from 10am to 4pm at Teralta Park, at 40th St. and Orange Ave. The event will feature food, games, entertainment and a free toy for children attending the event. For more about the event, please visit: <http://www.naksdsu.org/nakland/>.

Sunday, April 14, 2013 – College Area Taste will feature over 25 local College Area restaurants from 11am to 3pm. Tickets may be purchased ahead of time online or on the day of the event. To learn more about the event, please visit: www.CollegeAreaBID.com.

Saturday, April 20, 2013 – Youth Resource and Job Fair sponsored by Councilmember Emerald and the Coalition to Keep City Heights Youth Safe. This free event will help youth find jobs, internships, counseling and resources. The event will be held at the Mid-City Gym, 4302 Landis Street, from 10am to 2pm.

Saturday, April 27, 2013 – San Diego Creek To Bay Clean Up

Take some time out to enjoy a beautiful Spring day in San Diego by volunteering to keep it clean! Councilmember Emerald will be visiting eight sites in City Heights from 9am to 12pm. The clean up will be held in several locations throughout District 9; to find a location near you, please visit: <http://www.creektobay.org>.

Marti In The District



Councilmember Emerald at the El Cerrito Community Council, discussing the Crawford High and Mann Middle School’s modernization project. The review period for this project is being extended to April 22. For more info, please contact Kathryn Ferrell at kferrell@sandi.net or (858) 627-7298.



Councilmember Emerald at the Harriet Tubman Village Charter School Joint Use Park public forum, voicing the importance of community involvement and input into the design of this exciting project.



Thank you to Reality Changers for welcoming Councilmember Emerald as a judge at the February 28th speech tournament! She thoroughly enjoyed listening to students’ life stories and personal experiences.



Franklin Elementary students, Urban Corps and Councilmember Emerald planting trees around the school in celebration of Arbor Week.

SUMMER INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

San Diego City Councilmember Emerald’s office is currently accepting applications from motivated high school and college students looking to gain experience interning for an elected official for this summer 2013.

Interns perform a variety of functions, from administrative duties to researching community and policy issues, and have opportunities to sit in on Council and Committee meetings, participate in community events and much more. Students must be able to commit 10+ hours/week during regular business hours, and attend the occasional night/weekend event. We make it a priority to give our interns plenty of opportunities to be exposed to the full government/political experience.

Interested applicants should e-mail Cynthia Harris a cover letter, résumé and at least one letter of recommendation, along with a brief writing sample, to crharris@sandiego.gov. Please feel free to call (619) 533-5897 with any ques-