



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

## Media Advisory

### CITY OF SAN DIEGO HOSTS YOUTH FORUM FOR SAN DIEGO COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

April 24, 2009

**WHAT:** High school students from the San Diego region are coming together to talk with community leaders about the vision for the region's environmental future. The City's 2009 Youth Forum, titled "Planning Our Future: Tag! You're It!" will bring together the leaders of today with the leaders of tomorrow. The Environmental Services Department is hosting the 9th annual Youth Forum for high school students. The students will learn about education and career opportunities in the environmental field, view an IMAX science film, and explore exhibits in the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Students need to be pre-registered by April 18, 2009.

**WHEN:** **SATURDAY, April 25, 2009**  
**10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**WHY:** The future for the San Diego region holds tremendous opportunities and many challenges. Questions concerning the availability of energy, water, clean air, open space, affordable housing, and the adequate preparation of students to compete in the job market are critical to consider.

The Forum will provide high school students a platform to express their hopes and concerns, and will offer recommendations for environmental priorities for the next 20 years. One of the highlights of the Forum is a discussion with San Diego Councilmember Todd Gloria and Chula Vista Councilmember Steve Castaneda.

The annual City Youth Forum follows National Environmental Education Week 2009, April 12-18, and Earth Day 2009, celebrated on April 22. This program is funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E, under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.

**WHO:** --City of San Diego Councilmember Todd Gloria  
--City of Chula Vista Councilperson Steve Castaneda  
--Approximately 100 high school students from the San Diego region.

**WHERE:** **Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**  
**1875 El Prado, San Diego, CA 92101**  
**Balboa Park**

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