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## Reforming the System

I am pleased to share that my Immigration Reform Resolution received unanimous bipartisan support from the San Diego City Council. This resolution urges a comprehensive reform and includes a pathway to citizenship. Our country's current immigration system does not reflect our national priorities, needs, and values. This solution is a more sensible approach to improving immigration laws. We live in a border city with thousands of residents that are immigrants and refugees who work, own homes, operate businesses, as well as contribute to San Diego's economy and cultural identity. As someone whose father immigrated to the United States from Mexico as part of the Bracero program, I recognize how lack of immigration reform hurts people, our economy, and our coun-

try as a whole. There are many people who come to this country aspiring to be successful and productive in their communities. Allowing a bridge to citizenship, as this reform supports, would give them that opportunity.

**"I recognize how a lack of immigration reform hurts people"**

The support received from City Council is only the first of many steps needed to improve the economic, social, and cultural well-being of San Diego in regards to this issue. As I fight to ensure that our City's priorities on immigration reform are clearly

understood by policymakers, I will need your help. If you have any questions regarding immigration reform, please call me at (619) 236-6688 or e-mail me at davidalvarez@sandiego.gov.

--Councilmember David Alvarez

## Clean Water for San Diego



As a San Diego native and Chair of the Natural Resources and Culture Committee, Councilmember Alvarez has been fighting for innovative ways to solve our City's looming water crisis. He is proud to announce that San Diego has taken a giant step towards

a safe and long-term source of drinking water. Upon the recommendation of the City's Natural Resources and Culture Committee, the City Council unanimously approved the results of the Advanced Water Purification Demonstration Project last month.

The majority of San Diego's water is currently imported from Los Angeles and the Colorado River, and the City faces increasing costs as this supply diminishes more every day. This leaves the average family spending as much as \$105 per month on water. However, this project showed that recycling our wastewater is an environmentally responsible alternative to consider as it will allow the City and our residents

to avoid paying more for this limited resource. Councilmember Alvarez is now taking the next steps needed to build upon this successful project.

The Mayor and City Council's support for this project is critical in utilizing local, clean, and reliable water sources. However, we can all do our part to make a difference. The Councilmember encourages you to take a tour of the Water Purification Demonstration Project to learn more about water reuse in our city. You can register online to visit the site at <http://www.sandiego.gov/water/waterreuse/demo/> or by calling his office at (619) 236-6688.

Hot coal depository and bench installed at Grant Hill Park.



**Fixed**



To report a problem in your neighborhood,  
call: 619.236.6688

### >> Logan Heights

## Rebuilding Together

Councilmember Alvarez had a great time celebrating National Rebuilding Day with Rebuilding Together San Diego as he worked side by side with community volunteers and representatives from various corporations to paint, clean, and repair homes. Rebuilding Together San Diego is a non-profit organization dedicated to the revitalization of neighborhoods and community facilities throughout San Diego County. Every April, this group hosts National Rebuilding Day, where "mini-makeovers" are given to needy homes and community facilities. This year, participants worked together to fix several houses, a church, and a Mason Temple in Logan Heights.



Our neighborhoods have been neglected for too long, so it is encouraging to work with passionate residents who care deeply about the beautification and safety of our neighborhoods. Please consider getting involved with similar events in the future and by more actively reducing your own waste. We can all do our part.



## Most Interesting Person in District 8--Sara Espinoza



Our youth are the future of our neighborhoods, and it is always inspiring to learn about ones that strive to make a difference. Sara Espinoza, a 14-year-old Logan Heights resident, is a great example.

It is clear that Sara has already demonstrated her commitment to education and her communi-

ty. She has maintained a 4.0 grade point average while participating in music, the arts, and other activities. Outside of school, she volunteers at the library, tutors younger children, and is President of the Logan Heights Library Teen Council. She is constantly seeking for ways the Teen Council can get involved with projects that will help the group grow and better serve the community. They recently hosted a book and tamale sale, and they are already in the process of planning a Haunted House event at the Logan Heights Library.

### Otay Mesa >>>

## Community Cleanup

Councilmember Alvarez is proud to announce the success of a community cleanup that recently took place in District Eight. I Love a Clean San Diego organized two cleanup locations in Logan Heights. Military and community volunteers teamed up and spent the day beautifying our neighborhoods. As a result, an outstanding amount of at least 63,000 pounds of waste was collected and removed.

This cleanup is just one way we can work together to maintain and improve our communities. Our families deserve a healthy neighborhood in order to live an enhanced quality of life, and we should work together to make sure that happens. By ensuring a cleaner neighborhood, this not only provides safer areas to live in and for children to play in, but also improves other social and economic aspects as well.

Please contact our office if you would like to know about any similar events in the future, or if you would like to request a community cleanup in your area.

## Happening Across D8

**Saturday, June 29th**  
Latino Music Festival  
2258 Island Avenue  
11:30am-6pm

**Saturday, June 29th**  
San Ysidro Independence Day Festival  
Larson Athletic Field,  
455 Sycamore Road  
11am-9pm

**Thursday, July 4th**  
Independence Day-Office Closed

**Thursday, July 18th**  
Remington Hills Neighborhood  
Coffee with Councilmember  
6pm-8pm

**Friday, July 19th**  
Sherman Heights Office Hours  
2258 Island Avenue  
3pm-5pm

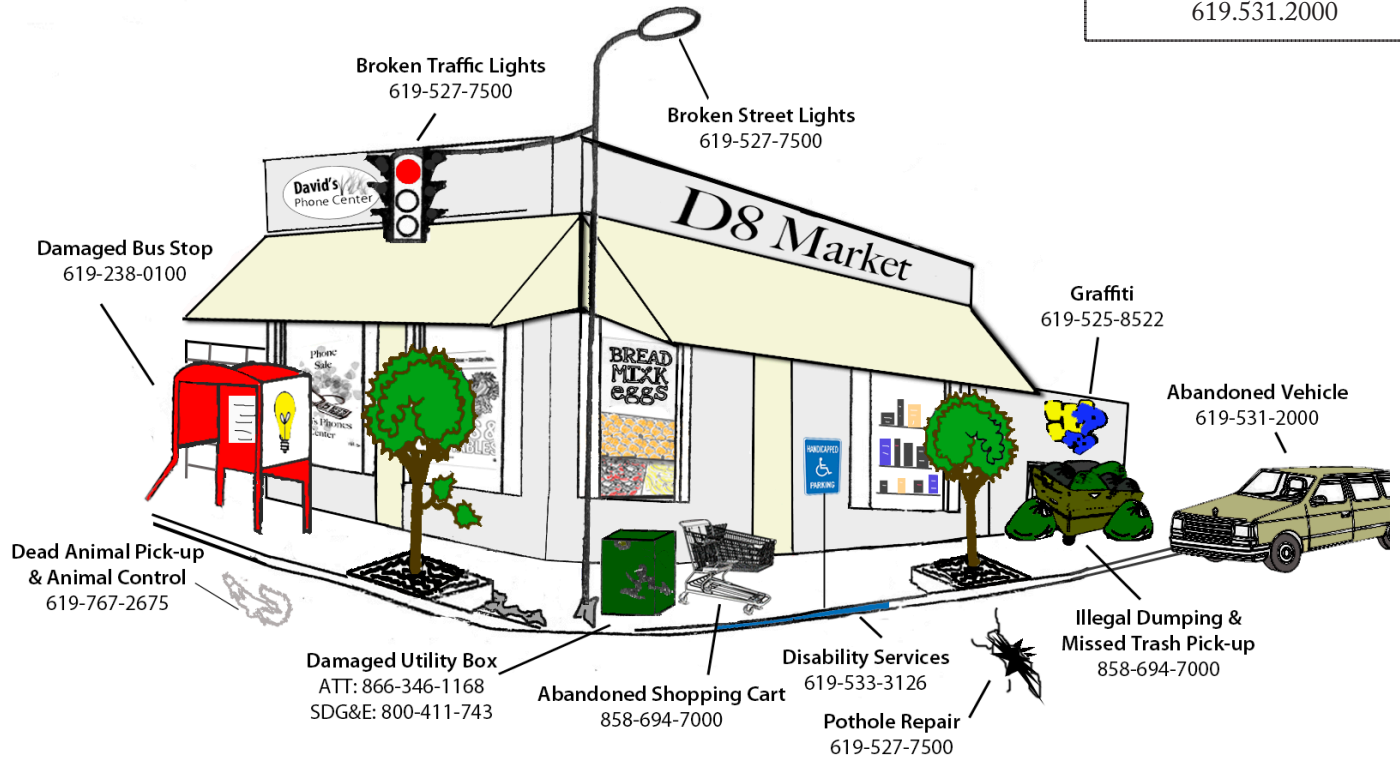
**Thursday, July 25th**  
Trolley Renewal Blue Line  
Groundbreaking Ceremony  
Barrio Logan Trolley Station  
11am

### Councilmember David Alvarez



# Who Should I Call???

Non-Emergency Police  
San Diego Police Department  
619.531.2000



OR

Call **Councilmember David Alvarez**: 619.236.6688

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