

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER

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Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: County Manager's Report #22 of 2017

RECOMMENDATION:

Accept this informational report.

BACKGROUND:

This report will provide you with updates on a variety of County initiatives focusing on Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Community Services and Performance, in addition to reports on legislation and issues that require your action. We also will keep you and the public informed about new services, upcoming events and general updates.

DISCUSSION:

Health and Human Services

Human Services Agency collecting toys in annual drive

The Human Services Agency has been gearing up for its annual Children's Fund Holiday Toy Drive. The toy drive is the Children's Fund hallmark program to provide a new toy to our foster youth and low-income children in County programs. The generosity of our communities have resulted in providing gifts to more than 3,500 children last holiday season. There are various ways to contribute: visit the Children's Fund Amazon wish list to purchase a new toy; make a financial contribution to the Holiday Gift Program; or, donate new toys and gift cards directly to the program. For more information, visit: http://childrensfund.smcgov.org/.

Community Services

County releases new map, GIS data

Following our successful second GIS Day which gave the public a glimpse at the County's amazing online mapping functions and apps, our Information Services Department has released the equivalent of over 400 GB of imagery data on our map and GIS data open data portal. The data is also available on the County's general purpose open data portal. The public can use it to view aerial photography of the county, digital elevation models and shaded relief from 2006 and 2017 as well as near infrared imagery from 2017. This data is used by our GIS analysts and partners for a variety of mapping and analysis including vegetation mapping, creating contour lines, and building footprints.

These image services can be used in any online map and are available at http://data-smcmaps.opendata.arcgis.com/items and https://data.smcgov.org/browse?limitTo=href&g=map+services

Energy toolkits let public hammer away at emissions

County homeowners and renters are hammering away at greenhouse gas emissions in growing numbers while saving money, thanks to the Office of Sustainability's collaboration with San Mateo Libraries. The "Check it out! Home Energy and Water Saving Toolkit Program" offers 70 toolkits that library patrons cat all 30 community branches can borrow the same as they would a book. Toolkits include a handbook and supplies like weather stripping and an LED lightbulb that residents use to measure and correct energy overuse, heat loss and water leaks.

Since April, the tool kits have been checked out 353 times which has reduced 42 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions - the equivalent of taking nine passenger vehicles off the road annually. The data also indicated that the 353 households will save a combined \$18,900 annually on their energy bills.

Measure K

Measure K helps stop senior scams

Watch your money! The Health System's Aging and Adult Services division has created an easy-toread infographic to help seniors and their loved ones to identify common financial scams. Seniors make an alluring target as they are more likely to have savings and excellent credit. What are some common scams and ways to identify them? A caller claims a grandchild is in trouble and needs money wired immediately. Or a senior is told that paying a fee will lead to a lottery prize.

The infographic can be found on the Health System's Facebook page (
www.facebook.com/SMCHealth) while more information can be found at www.smchealth.org/SeniorScams http://www.smchealth.org/SeniorScams. Funding from Measure K contributes to protecting seniors from financial scams and other abuse. Anyone suspecting a senior is being scammed, abused or neglected, should call San Mateo County's Aging and Adult Services confidential hotline at 1-800-675-8437.

News, Events & Updates

County meeting on Stanford General Use Permit draws crowd

The County's community meeting on Stanford University's General Use Permit application drew nearly 60 people to Oak Knoll School to share their concerns about the potential traffic, noise and air quality impacts if Stanford is given permission to expand. Santa Clara County's Board of Supervisors will make the final approval decision but our County felt it was important to hear from our residents whose unincorporated neighborhoods within San Mateo County are near the proposed development area.

Planning & Building is summarizing the comments collected during the meeting and will submit them as part of the County's formal comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). The Santa Clara County Planning Commission has extended the comment period until Feb. 2, 2018. At a Board meeting in January, we anticipate having a draft letter to Santa Clara County regarding the DEIR agendized.