

County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER

Board Meeting Date: 5/14/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Michael Callagy, County Manager
Subject: County Manager's Report #8 of 2019

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

Mobile CalFresh office gets ready to roll

The Human Services Agency officially rolls out its new CalFresh Mobile Office May 16 at Bayshore Elementary School in Daly City. The first deployment occurs during CalFresh Awareness Month. Rather than requiring clients to seek services at a brick and mortar HSA office, the mobile office meets them where they are at remote locations throughout San Mateo County. This is particularly convenient for clients who work non-traditional schedules. Workers staffing the mobile office will promote CalFresh, start applications and host special days at which individuals can apply for benefits and receive an EBT card that same day. The department is currently piloting the route and future locations, which will be available to the public shortly.

Public Safety

DOJ honors County team protecting elders from abuse

The federal Department of justice recently honored the County's Elder and Dependent Adult Protection Team (EDAPT) with its Crime Victims Financial Restoration Award during the annual National Crime Victims' Service Awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. EDAPT is a collaboration of staff from Aging and Adult Services (AAS), the District Attorney's Office and County Counsel. Since the program began in January 2016, EDAPT staff have conducted more than 425 trainings, outreach seminars and community education programs to promote awareness of elder financial abuse and services available to victims. The team has shortened the response time in investigating financial elder abuse with work that has resulted in \$1.7 million in restitution for financial abuse victims. The collaborative effort is largely funded by Measure K.

Community Services

Half Moon Bay Library honored for excellence in architectural design

Accolades for the new Half Moon Bay Library continue to grow - and rightfully so. Most recently, the American Association of Architects (AIA) and the American Library Association (ALA) recognized the library for excellence in architectural design. The 22,000 structure, designed by Noll & Tam Architects, was one of six libraries receiving the 2019 ALA honor. The design reflects the small-town feel of Half Moon Bay using environmentally resilient design and materials. The library is expected to be certified LEED Gold and projected to a net zero energy building.

The ALA award joins four other impressive honors for the library: the Project of the Year Award in the Sustainability/Green category from the American Public Works Association Silicon Valley; a Green Building Award from Sustainable San Mateo County and the American Institute of Architects of San Mateo County; the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Northern California Chapter Honor Award in the GIVE/Social Responsibility category; and, a Special Commendation for Sustainable Community Infrastructure from the American Institute of Architects, San Francisco Chapter.

Measure K

Magical Bridge Playground looking to December opening

With construction delayed by 86 days of rain and unhealthy air due to devastating fires, workers are now busy at Redwood City's Red Morton Park building the county's first playground for visitors with all abilities and disabilities. The Magical Bridge Playground Foundation plans to complete construction and open the playground in December. As you are aware, Magical Bridge builds playgrounds where all children, families and community members feel welcome and come "to play together, regardless of age, size or ability." Your Board has committed \$125,000 in Measure K funds to bring the dream of an all-inclusive playground into a reality.

News, Upcoming Events and Updates

Sustainability employee named Bike Commuter of the Year

Congratulations to our very own Avana Andrade of the Office of Sustainability who was recently named 2019 Bike Commuter of the Year in San Mateo County. Andrade joins her peers in eight other Bay Area counties being honored by Bay Area Bike to Work Day (BTWD) organizers for their commitment to using bicycling as their primary mode of transport. Andrade works on the County's Climate Action Plan which BTWD recognized gives her a "keen awareness that transportation is one of the county's largest sources of emissions." The group also noted that Andrade gives advice to others about biking and teaches valuable skills like fix a flat bicycle tire. Andrade and the other winners were honored May 9 as part of Bike to Work Day celebrations.