



Update Sunnyvale

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Sunnyvale Unity Gathering



On Wednesday, May 29, approximately 300 community members gathered in support of the eight pedestrians injured on April 23 and to find ways to heal and strengthen our ties. The City partnered with the Islamic Networks Group, faith leaders, local nonprofits, and community members to address issues of hate and bigotry as well as show solidarity with diverse faith and cultural communities in Sunnyvale. As part of the event, attendees wrote approximately 150 notes of support for the injured, celebrated Iftar in solidarity with our Muslim community, and wrote post-it notes committing to actions to make Sunnyvale a more welcoming and connected community. A video of the event will be made available on the City's website. Local media coverage can be found here: [KTVU](#), [NBC](#), [KPIX](#), [KCBS](#).

2019 Law Enforcement Torch Run

The 2019 Law Enforcement Torch Run will pass through Sunnyvale on Thursday, June 13 between 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. to raise awareness and funds for the Special Olympics. Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) runners will receive the Flame of Hope from the Santa Clara Police Department at Halford Ave. and El Camino Real and run along El Camino Real to Bernardo Ave. where they will handoff to Mountain View and Los Altos Police Department runners. The Flame of Hope will continue its journey, passing from police department to police department until it reaches UC Davis on Friday, June 21 to light the caldron at the 2018 Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games. [Sponsor the Public Safety team or an individual runner.](#)



CERT Graduation

On Saturday, May 18, 32 new members of the Sunnyvale Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) graduated from a seven-week program in disaster preparedness and disaster response skills. This was the 52nd CERT class put on by DPS and the Sunnyvale Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV) organization.



The skills taught during the CERT program include fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. The class culminated in a disaster simulation drill where CERT volunteers practiced their skills in search and rescue, medical triage, and first aid.



CERT volunteers help supplement and support first responders during an emergency or disaster. The safety skills they learn help to keep themselves, their families and their neighborhoods safer.

The next Sunnyvale CERT class begin September 5, 2019. For more information and to register, please visit [Sunnyvale CERT Fall 2019 on Eventbrite.](#)

Department of Public Safety and Senior Center Teach Pedestrian Safety for Older Adults

On May 15, 2019, the Sunnyvale Senior Center, in partnership with DPS, hosted the third in a series of four workshops focusing on Pedestrian Safety for Older Adults. These workshops are possible due to funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety. Fifteen Sunnyvale residents attended the three-hour workshop, which covered topics such as Skills for Safe Walking, the Walking Environment, and Education and Enforcement programs in the City. Attendees participated and gave feedback about the challenges

facing seniors in the walking environment in Sunnyvale neighborhoods, and the group brainstormed strategies and solutions. The next workshop will be take place on Aug. 13, 2019. For more information contact Management Analyst Jhoanne Navarro-Tran at phone 408-730-7162 or jnavarro-tran@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

[Police Activities League 49ers Flag Football](#)

The Sunnyvale Police Activities League wrapped up its first full season of 49ers Prep Flag Football with 80 Sunnyvale youth ages 7 to 14 years old. More than 20 coaches including several members of the Public Safety Department and the community helped make the inaugural season a tremendous success. For six weeks, 10 teams met Saturday mornings at the King's Academy for one hour practice sessions followed by one hour games. The season finale, on Saturday, May 11, featured DJ Thumpz (Officer Jahari Tracy), hotdogs hosted by the Sunnyvale Moose Lodge, and several 49ers players who came out to run drills, pose for photos with the kids, and sign autographs. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this season a success. For more information please contact Lieutenant Jose Ramirez at joramirez@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



[Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Awards Ceremony](#)

On Tuesday, May 21, Sunnyvale DPS held its annual Awards Ceremony recognizing staff for their outstanding performance throughout the 2018 team year. Sworn officers, dispatchers, professional staff and volunteers were recognized with various awards ranging from Officer of the Year (Detective Karin Jenks and Detective Matthew Hutchison), Professional of the Year (Ashoorina Barreto), Volunteer of the Year (Carolyn Lutticken), Bronze Medal of Distinction awards (Barron Renzi and Paul Fukuma), and multiple Life-Saving Awards and Distinguished Service Awards. Congratulations to the citizens, officers and professional staff who have performed above and beyond the call of duty to serve our Sunnyvale community. For more information contact Captain Ava Fanucchi at 408-730-7158.



[Excellence Award for Sunnyvale's Investment Policy](#)

For the twentieth consecutive year, the City of Sunnyvale's Investment Policy (Policy) received the Policy Certificate of Excellence Award from the Association of Public Treasury of the United States & Canada in May 2019. A rigorous review of the policy by a five-member Policy Certificate Committee included

measuring against 18 different investment area standards. Receiving the certification, a nationally recognized distinction, demonstrates that the Policy remains in compliance with all applicable federal, state government codes, standards and requirements. An investment policy establishes the parameters for investing government's funds, identifies the investment objectives and tolerance for risk, and serves as a communication tool on investments guidelines and priorities. The Policy is reviewed and adopted by Council annually. For more information contact Finance Manager – Accounting Inderdeep Dhillon at indhillon@sunnyvale.ca.gov.

Sunnyvale Police Activities League “Glam Squad”

Fremont High School held its prom on Saturday, May 11 and ten deserving girls were treated to a pre-prom salon day thanks to Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety dispatcher Millie Sansom who had the idea to create a “glam squad” to help girls get ready for prom night. The Glam Squad included Volunteers from the Public Safety Department and from the community to pamper the girls by styling their hair, doing their makeup, and polishing their fingernails. The young ladies were referred by Fremont High School staff and were treated to party food and take home goody bags filled with makeup products, all donated from our local community. Thank you to the Sunnyvale Police Activities League, Public Safety personnel, Millie Sansom, Dori Fontaine, Ashoorina Baretto, Rachel Vasquez, Elaine Ketell, and Victoria Ketell and all the community volunteers (pictured) who spent their Saturday helping ten amazing young women get ready for their prom. For more information please contact Lieutenant Jose Ramirez at joramirez@sunnyvale.ca.gov.



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NOVA Workforce Review Released for May

On a monthly basis, NOVA produces a [Workforce Review](#) report that aggregates data from the recently released [State jobs report](#) for the NOVA eight-jurisdiction consortium. The May edition includes the article titled, “Thanks to immigrants, California is changing for the better before our eyes.” Immigrants of today are more highly educated than in the past, bring more advanced skills and are attracted to California because of the opportunities offered by the technology sector. Of all California workers with bachelor’s degrees, about 30% were immigrants. With U.S.-born, college-educated baby boomers rapidly retiring and U.S. birthrates failing to keep pace with the retirements, immigrants can provide the much-needed talent to fill the expected workforce shortage in Silicon Valley. The unemployment rate for the San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara Metropolitan Statistical Area was 2.4 percent in April, down from 3.0 percent in March; and the state unemployment rate was 3.9 percent in April, down from 4.6%.



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sunnyvale Art Club Exhibition

Saturday, June 8 and Sunday, June 9 between noon and 5 p.m. at the Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Ave. Celebrate local art with the Sunnyvale Art Club and their annual exhibition. The work of over 40 artists will be on display during this popular two-day event. Admire oil paintings, watercolors, acrylic paintings, sculpture and other media on display in the Library Program Room. Join us on the Library plaza for outdoor painting demonstrations by Club members who will also be selling some of their work. For more information, please contact 408-730-7300.

Free Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Camp for Girls, Grades 4 to 8



The Columbia Neighborhood Center and Sunnyvale School District, in partnership with Girlstart, are offering free STEM summer camps for girls entering grades 4 to 8. Camps are available July 22-26 (grades 4 to 6) and July 29-Aug. 2 (grades 7 and 8) at Lakewood Elementary School. Registration begins (for all camps) June 10 at the Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave. For more information, call 408-730-7800 or [email the Columbia Neighborhood Center](#).

Summer StoryWalk®

Thursday, June 13, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Las Palmas Park, 850 Russet Dr. Families with children of all ages are invited to take a stroll through Las Palmas Park and discover the pages of *Rufus Blasts Off* by Kim T. Griswell along the way. Can't make it on June 13? Join us for more StoryWalk® events on July 11 at Lakewood Park, 834 Lakechime Ave. and Aug. 8 at Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way. For more information, please contact 408-730-7300.



Summer Teen Fitness Challenge

Sunnyvale teens ages 11 to 18 are invited to take a 4-week summer challenge. Teens will work with a personal trainer to build strength, coordination and endurance and learn to cook healthy foods with hands-on cooking lessons from a certified nutritionist. The program will run Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, June 11 through July 3, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC), 785 Morse Ave. Registration and \$20 cash deposit is required. Participants who attend all four weeks with one absence or less will have their deposit returned! Register (in-person only) at CNC, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 408-730-7800 or [email the Columbia Neighborhood Center](#).



[Neighborhood Outreach Meeting for Proposed Residential Development at 925 S. Wolfe Road](#)

An outreach meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 13, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Landmark Apartments Clubhouse, 925 S. Wolfe Rd. The meeting will be hosted by SummerHill Homes (the developer) and will provide the public opportunity to comment regarding the redevelopment of an existing apartment complex. The proposed 117-unit multi-family housing project would include 2- and 3-story townhomes and condominium units. For more information, contact Momoko Ishijima at mishijima@sunnyvale.ca.gov or 408-730-7532.