Happy Pride Month, Council Meeting Preview, Events & More!

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Dear Friend,

Happy Pride to all of Oakland! We kicked off Pride Month at City Hall by raising the Pride Flag as a symbol of justice. We acknowledge that the first Pride was a response to violence against Queer and Trans people, and that today, injustice persists through anti-LGBTQ+ legislation across the country.

We recognize this month what we should be practicing every day through action — that all people, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity or expression — are valued members of our community.



With Oakland Love,

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Nikki Fortunato Bas District 2 Councilmember + Council President

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D2 Town Hall Summary + Next Steps

On Saturday, May 20th, we hosted our District 2 Budget Town Hall to learn about the Mayor's proposed two-year budget and discuss our district and city priorities. With about 150 people in attendance, run in 5 languages, with 4 major topic areas, and over 10 small groups, the discussion was a success. Click here for our town hall summary, resources and next steps.



Jewish Heritage Month | Honoring Talya Husbands-Hankin

In celebration of Jewish Heritage Month in May, District 2 honored Talya Husbands-Hankin (aka Boots) for her work advocating and organizing with Love And Justice In The Streets to advance more equity and uplift the voices, organizing and policy efforts of our unhoused neighbors toward a world where Housing is a Human Right. Love And Justice In The Streets is an all volunteer-run organization, committed to increasing the capacity of unhoused Oakland residents by providing direct material assistance to individuals and curbside communities. Talya has been an invaluable partner with our D2 Office in supporting our unhoused neighbors.



First Ice Cream Social Neighborhood Clean Up

A huge thanks to all the volunteers - big and small - who picked up over 50 bags of trash this weekend, and to Bear Silber of MyGoodness Ice Cream for sponsoring the activities by treating volunteers to yummy ice cream. Watch this news story for more about Trading Trash for Ice Cream. Be sure to support our small, local businesses like My Goodness Ice Cream and Lakeview Cafe while you visit Lake Merritt.



Bike to Work Day

I had another great Bike to Work Day this year. We kicked it off at Oakland Tech, where sophomore Amalia Campbell and others created a pop-up cross walk to encourage safety and traffic calming. Thanks to Walk Oakland Bike Oakland, Traffic Violence Rapid Response and others for your advocacy.



Advocating for a strong Department of Workplace & Employment Standards

I was proud to stand with Fair Labor Oakland workers rights organizations in supporting a strong city Department of Workplace and Employment Standards, so that workers in Oakland win critical backwages and we level the playing field for responsible employers. Partnerships with trusted community-based labor organizations are essential to ensuring fair workplace laws are enforced and made real, improving the lives of thousands of workers — in restaurants and hotels, day laborers, and others — who too often labor in the shadows of our city.



Malcolm X Jazz Festival

After the Budget Town Hall, we headed over to the Malcolm X Jazz Fest and had a beautiful time with our Oakland community. Shoutout to East Side Arts Alliance for all of the hard work and organizing that they've been doing for 25 years on this amazing festival.





Fairyland Gala

This fabulous event is the most magical night of the year at Children's Fairyland, and I always enjoy it. This year's theme—Enchanted Forest—spoke to the endless possibilities when we support our children and youth. Thank you Fairyland for your creative and inclusive programming for our families.





Lake Merritt Freedom Vendor's Market | Soft Open, May 27th & 28th

It was great to see all of the different vendors out around the lake with their wares, and to see the intergenerational crowd enjoy food, music, and community outside! I'm hopeful that the Freedom Vendor's Market will become a staple opportunity for Oaklanders to support our local vendors, enjoy our lake, and enjoy our community!



Asian Youth Services Committee Awards Banquet

I had the pleasure of attending AYSC's annual scholarships awards banquet. We honored several young people who dedicated their energy, time, and talents to serve, lead, and volunteer to improve our community, and AYSC recognized them through the awarding distinguished youth scholarships.



Oakland Public Library Advocates Spring Mixer

Huge appreciations to the amazing volunteers with the Library Advisory Commission and Oakland Public Library Advocates. Our libraries are one of our best assets for Oaklanders of all ages and backgrounds. Be sure to check out the many events at our libraries this month.



Tuesday 6/6: Council Meeting Preview

Highlights for this coming Tuesday, June 6th, 2023 City Council Meeting:

- Item 9: Just Cause Amendment Requiring Actual Injury For Breach of Lease Evictions From: Council President Bas and Councilmember Jenkins
- Item 10: HHAP And Measure Q Homelessness Funding Report FY 2023-2024 From: Human Services Department
- Item 6.8: Resolution in Support of California State Senate Bill 50 (Bradford) From: President Pro Tempore Kalb and Council President Bas
 - Item 6.9: Recognizing the Cultural Impact of 7th Street
 - From: Councilmember Fife
- Item 6.18: Clean Lake Contract Agreement
 - From: Oakland Public Works
- Item 6.23: 1310 Oak Street/ Museum of Jazz and Art ENA
 - From: Economic & Workforce Development
- Item 6.26: OFCY 23 24 Grant Renewal Recommendations
 - From: Human Services Department
- Item 6.27: Sugar Sweetened Beverage Community Advisory Board Funding Recommendations

From: Office of the Administrator

We are meeting in person at City Hall with an option to join via Zoom. Please note that mask requirements are in place inside City Hall and other public facilities. We are taking public comment on each agenda item, so make sure to fill out your speaker card to participate in public comment for those items you care about — see the agenda for instructions — or submit an ecomment. We look forward to seeing and hearing from you!



🙀 Community Calendar 🙀



Native Craft Fair - Intertribal Friendship House, June 4th, 11am - 5pm

If you've been to the Intertribal Friendship House, then you know how LEGENDARY the Indian tacos are! This Sunday, the \$5 Indian taco is BACK at the Native Craft Fair on June 4th, from 11am to 5pm. Come out to support our Native vendors, get some great food, and support the Friendship House!



Lincoln Summer Nights - monthly on 2nd Thursdays, next is June 8th

I was excited to join the launch of this year's Lincoln Summer Nights, which is an amazing community program at Lincoln Square Park happening every 2nd Thursday from 5 - 8pm. For the past 6 years, Friends of Lincoln Square Park has held Lincoln Summer Nights, a monthly multi-generational (seniors and youth) community building event in partnership with many other Oakland Chinatown organizations. The goal of the series is to strengthen community bonds by co-creating a shared sense of belonging between generations and across racial and socio-economic divides. The event series focuses on bringing art, culture, games, and other services and resources to youth, families, seniors, and the community. I hope to see you all there!





Oakland Queer Youth Trivia Night - June 9th, 6 - 8:30pm

Free youth trivia night at Oakland City Hall, featuring Guest MC Amy Schneider. Food, fun and prizes included! Hosted by Mayor Sheng Thao and the LGBTQ Center.



Trybe Events at San Antonio Park — Town Nights on June 16th

Join these summer events at San Antonio Park, hosted by Trybe. Check out the launch of this year's Town Nights on Friday, June 16 at San Antonio Park and Lincoln Square Park in District 2.



World Refugee Day - June 17th, 12 - 3pm

Celebrate the diverse cultures of refugees and immigrants in the East Bay! Saturday June 17 from 12pm-3pm at Clinton Park for a FREE event that's open to everyone.

- · Enjoy delicious halal food
- Be entertained with live music and performances
- · Keep the kids busy with fun activities
- · Discover amazing art and more!

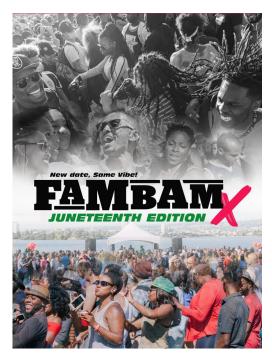
In honor of World Refugee Day, ARTogether co-hosts this annual festival to recognize the challenges faced by refugees worldwide. Let's come together to support and celebrate these resilient communities.

For any questions or accommodation requests, please email coordinator@ebrif.org, or check out this link.



Juneteenth - June 17th, 12 - 8pm

The 14th annual Juneteenth at Lake Merritt is a safe space, serving as a day of reflection and education, promoting wellness, unity, and pride here in Oakland. Oakland's Juneteenth Festival is a platform to preserve the community's rich cultural heritage and contributions to the larger society, as well as fostering a strong sense of belonging. This year there's a keynote speech by congressional candidate, Lateefah Simon and headline performance by LaRussell. The festival's great variety of music, food, and merchandise vendors, wellness workshops, art installations, youth activities, and Father's Day tribute have been a guaranteed good time for the whole family. Get tickets here, and learn more here.



Bulky Block Party - Every last Saturday of the month

Oakland residents! Do you have bulky items that you just can't seem to get rid of? Let the City help! Come to one of our Bulky Block Parties every last Saturday of the month.

Who can participate?

- · All Oakland residents, including home owners and renters.
- Who **cannot** come: businesses, for-hire haulers, contractors, painters, organizations, apartments & condominium managers, clubs, and non-profits.

For more information, check out the website here, or see the flyer below for more info.



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NEWS:

- Summer Meals: The City of Oakland is set to serve more than 100,000 meals to the approximately 33,000 students in Oakland during the summer. Read more here.
- Last week, we installed six **new interpretive signs around Lake Merritt**. Next time you're at the Lake, stop and take a look! Visit our website to learn more about the project and the people who contributed to it.https://hubs.la/Q01QCbRZ0



· Rental Housing Providers Grants Available

Are you a rental housing provider in Alameda County that has a unit in need of repairs? You could be eligible for grants up to 10K for lead paint mitigation, and 5k per unit for housing repairs. Fill out the survey here to get more information.

RAP Rental Registry is LIVE

The City of Oakland's Rental Adjustment Program's Rent Registry portal is live! The Oakland City Council has adopted a requirement to establish a rent registry for all units subject to the Rent Adjustment Program (RAP) Fee. As of July 1, 2023, owners of these units will be required to report rent and tenancy information to RAP. Because July 1, 2023, falls on a Saturday, the deadline to register will be extended to July 3, 2023. Starting in 2024: Owners will be required to confirm or update their units' tenancy information annually by March 1.

Our Boards & Commissions have vacancies! Join today!

To advance a #PeoplePoweredGovernment, we need residents like YOU to be a part of our Boards and Commissions! There are over forty boards and commissions, each with a specific stake in keeping Oakland running. Check out vacancies and apply today! Some Boards and Commissions you may be interested in are:

Police Commission, applications extended to June 7th.

- Do you want to help oversee the Oakland Police Department? Apply to be on the Police Commission, which ensures OPD policies, practices, and customs conform to national standards of constitutional policing. It takes significant time in meetings, meeting prep, and committee work, but you can help bring fair and just policing to Oakland communities. Commissioners must be over 18 and live in Oakland. They cannot be police officers or City employees. A high school diploma is not required, and formerly incarcerated people are encouraged to apply. To apply, go to www.oaklandca.gov/policecommission where you can also find more information about the Police Commission. You can watch videos of past meetings, find out about upcoming meetings, and learn about City Code Section 604, which describes the powers and responsibilities of the Police Commission. If you have any questions please call 510-368-5598 between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm any day of the week.
- Police Commission Selection Panel
- Community Policing Advisory Board
- Children's Fund Planning & Oversight Committee
- Affordable Housing & Infrastructure Bond Public Oversight Committee
- Commission on Persons with Disabilities
- Public Art Advisory Commission
- Library Advisory Commission



MLK Freedom Center Civic Engagement Summer Tour

The Martin Luther King Jr. Freedom Center is hosting their 27th annual, intergenerational Civic Engagement Tour! From June 24th to August 5, travel with an intergenerational cohort of leaders and learn to sharpen your skills, learn more about the democratic process across the nation, and create important connections! We are looking to nominate youth who have an interest in social justice, community organizing, and equity. If you know or are a youth interested in being nominated for this FREE opportunity, please email Eric Adams at eadams@oaklandca.gov. For more information about the Tour, contact Isabella Lopez at isabella@mlkfreedomcenter.org, or call (714) 335 3192.



RESOURCES:

• Check out our D2 Neighborhood pages for resources & events!

Chinatown, Downtown, Jack London: oaklandca.gov/topics/chinatown-downtown-jack-london-neighborhood

East Lake: oaklandca.gov/topics/eastlake_neighborhood Grand Lake: oaklandca.gov/topics/grandlake-neighborhood San Antonio: oaklandca.gov/topics/san-antonio-neighborhood

- Oakland Animal Services Town Halls: Check out OAS's Town Hall Series about their services and different topics you may be interested in. Upcoming Dates are: June 7th, and July 12th, 2023. Learn more here.
- Home Electrification Resources: in December of 2020, the City started requiring all new buildings to be all electric, which will create safer homes, more jobs, and an overall better Oakland. Learn more about the timeline and resources and benefits to electrifying your home here: www.oaklandca.gov/projects/electrify.
- Clean Cars for All and Charge Program: The Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Clean Cars for All program provides up to \$9,500 for income-qualified members of communities disproportionately affected by air pollution to retire older vehicles and replace them with a new or used hybrid, plug-in hybrid, electric, or fuel cell vehicle, or get a transit card or e-bike. Additionally, up to \$2,000 in funding is available for home-charging equipment and installation for purchasing a plug-in hybrid or electric vehicle. Applicants must live in a designated, eligible community in the Bay Area and their household income must fall under a specified limit based on their household size. For more information or to apply for Clean Cars for All, visit www.baaqmd.gov/cleancarsforall.
- Does your business have compost and recycling services? Fines to Businesses for lack of compost and recycling service started January 2023: If your business fails to establish compost and recycle collection or get an approved waiver, StopWaste, the Alameda County public agency working on behalf of the City of Oakland to enforce the law, will issue citations for non-compliance. Starting fines range from \$50 to \$100, depending on the size of a site's trash service and will increase every 60 days up to \$500 if a site continues to not have the required service. Actions to comply with SB 1383 and avoid fines:
 - Sign up for compost and recycle service online
 - Apply for a minimal generation waiver if your business generates a very small volume (less than 10 or 20 gallons a week) of compostable or recyclable material.
- Protect yourself, protect your community! CA Dept. of Public Health strongly recommends wearing a well-fitted, high-quality mask (N95, KN95, KF94) indoors and in crowded outdoor spaces, along with vaccination, testing, and ventilation. Find a FREE N95 mask near you online or call 1-800-232-0233.

