



# Memorandum

**TO:** Honorable Mayor &  
City Council

**FROM:** Toni J. Taber, CMC  
City Clerk

**SUBJECT:** The Public Record  
January 28, 2021 to February 4, 2021

**DATE:** February 10, 2021

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2. Letter from blair, dated January 29, 2021, regarding Blair Beekman. Friday. January 29, 2021. A thank you.
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Toni J. Taber, CMC  
City Clerk

## Fw: Opposed to the elimination of single family home zoning

Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Mon 2/1/2021 5:49 PM

To: Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** Meyere, Paul [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 10:46 AM

**To:** Mossing, Mackenzie <Mackenzie.Mossing@sanjoseca.gov>; Ho, Nathan <Nathan.Ho@sanjoseca.gov>

**Cc:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** FW: Opposed to the elimination of single family home zoning

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**From:** MARIA N BERARDI [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Thursday, January 28, 2021 10:47 AM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** Opposed to the elimination of single family home zoning

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I have been a resident of Almaden Valley for over 30 years. We have seen much growth and most of it positive. However, there has been increasing overcrowding and, in recent years, we have experienced power outages, traffic snarls just to go to the nearby grocery store, inability to pull out of the driveway in a residential street because of the level of traffic (again, a small residential street), parking difficulties at the doctors office, hospital, grocery store etc., water shortages and the increasing cost of electric, garbage and water bills which are becoming prohibitive!

If more housing in the form of multi-family and multi-plexus occurs, what is the plan for the power infrastructure?! Our systems can't handle the load now! What will happen with 4 times the load - 4 times the ranges, AC, and stoves. These are the larger residential loads. And with all new residential construction having no natural gas that means all water heaters and heating will be electric.

San Jose cannot withstand further growth, just to put more money in the pockets of rich developers and corporations who are not invested the well being of the city or its residents.

**We are opposed to the elimination of single family home zoning, with 4-plexes + 2 ADUs by right, we are in favor of keeping the original 2040 General Plan building density near rail transit hubs, urban villages and near down town per the plan.**

Maria Berardi



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Fw: Blair Beekman. Friday. January 29, 2021. \_\_ A thank you.

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Fri 1/29/2021 6:16 PM

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**From:** Gregory, Barbara <Barbara.Gregory@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 12:52 PM  
**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Subject:** Fw: Blair Beekman. Friday. January 29, 2021. \_\_ A thank you.

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Thank You,

*Barb Gregory*



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**Subject:** Blair Beekman. Friday. January 29, 2021. \_\_ A thank you.

[External Email]

Dear San Jose govt,

Thank you, incredibly, the January 11, 2021, Charter Commission, is up on You Tube.

Good luck, in how to continue this, open, community thinking, for all of the Charter commission meetings, along with, other, important commission meetings, as well.

I hope, it can be considered, for the future, how the video minutes, of sj public commission meetings, on Zoom, can be made more available, to the public.

And in ways, besides having to use, a large, bulky, Public Record Request, in the future.

For each commission, on the sj public website, it can be stated, that video minutes, can be available, with a written- in email request. This can be, one of several options, for a more open, accountable future, I know you are already considering, for the commission process.

The importance of what a commission process can bring, to a community, and its democratic process, has been developing, throughout the Bay Area, for a few years now.

Good luck, in currently deciding, how the future, of the commission process, can always be a process, of community openness, learning, and growth.

Sincerely,  
Blair Beekman

p.s.

I hope, the ideas of equity & reimagine, can be a center, of well-reasoned ideas, we can all work around, in how to decide, our better future, at this time.

I think, offering our better practices, in the next few months, can bring ideas, of both, accountability & love.

And how to better see a good, we are all trying to better understand, at this time.

This can be something of our better human nature softly, that can just as well, bring about, the ideas of justice, in the events the US Capitol, January 6th, and with the actions, of the previous administration.

A final thought - Your robust search, for a new police chief, may be important, to some, but you simply may already have, hearty, good choices, with local, experienced candidates.

To offer again, I feel, the work of Deputy Anthony Mata, can be, how to better understand, the ideas of peace, equity, reimagine & sustainability, for the future of san jose.

- blair.

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## Fw: Seeking Your Support for Energy Tax Policy

Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

Mon 2/1/2021 2:55 PM

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**From:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 12:18 PM

**To:** Agendadesk <Agendadesk@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** FW: Seeking Your Support for Energy Tax Policy

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**From:** BRUCE KARNEY <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Friday, January 29, 2021 12:27 PM

**To:** The Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo <TheOfficeofMayorSamLiccardo@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** Seeking Your Support for Energy Tax Policy

[External Email]

Dear Mayor Liccardo,

I am writing to solicit your support for proposed state legislation that could help cities increase tax revenues and hasten the switch from natural gas to electricity. The measure would enable cities and counties to tax natural gas at a higher rate than electricity if their elected officials and residents wish to do so. Your support for the idea would NOT imply that you think that San Jose should change its Utility User Tax (UUT) rates, it would simply mean that you think that communities throughout northern California should have the OPTION to do so.

I hope you will indicate your support **by adding your name** at the end of this GoogleDoc as many City Council members from nearby cities have already done:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DA5ffEmYnc0m7M3a6QeQ2AvnBI-NQGVUFmkGXUA7PMI/edit>

Should you have questions, please don't hesitate to call me at [REDACTED] or email me at [REDACTED]

Best Regards,  
Bruce Karney  
Founder, Carbon Free Silicon Valley

## Fw: No on Opportunity Housing

City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Mon 2/1/2021 8:24 PM

To: Rules and Open Government Committee Agendas <rulescommitteeagenda@sanjoseca.gov>

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**From:** Doris Livezey <[REDACTED]>

**Sent:** Monday, February 1, 2021 6:39 PM

**To:** Liccardo, Sam <sam.liccardo@sanjoseca.gov>; District1 <district1@sanjoseca.gov>; District2 <District2@sanjoseca.gov>; District3 <district3@sanjoseca.gov>; District4 <District4@sanjoseca.gov>; District5 <District5@sanjoseca.gov>; District 6 <district6@sanjoseca.gov>; District7 <District7@sanjoseca.gov>; District8 <district8@sanjoseca.gov>; District9 <district9@sanjoseca.gov>; District 10 <District10@sanjoseca.gov>; City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

**Subject:** No on Opportunity Housing

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Hello Council Members

I don't think that Opportunity Housing is the right solution and I agree with the mayor that a different approach, i.e. near transportation, makes more sense.

Regarding O.H., I am concerned for the following reasons:

- 1) D1 appears to be the most densely populated district already. We don't need more units.
- 2) District One has the fewest parkland of any district.
- 3) No allowance will be made for more traffic and more parking.
- 4) It will negatively affect property values. More units on each block will destroy the quiet nature of the single-family home neighborhoods and add to the urban clutter.

When people purchased their single homes, they were of the understanding that they are in a single family zone. To change it mid-stream is un-ethical. Anyone buying should have the option of purchasing a 4-plex or single family home wherever they wish.

Please do the right thing and vote against this as a general rule. Listen to Sam.

Doris Livezey  
San Jose



## Fw: State Approves Relief Measures for Tenants and Landlords

City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Tue 2/2/2021 10:56 AM

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**From:** Senator.Cortese@Outreach.senate.ca.gov <Senator.Cortese@Outreach.senate.ca.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 2, 2021 9:54 AM

**Subject:** State Approves Relief Measures for Tenants and Landlords

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

This pandemic has impacted both landlords and tenants across California in their ability to meet their financial obligations. To aid both tenants and landlords, the State Legislature, this week, took early action to extend the eviction moratorium through June 30, 2021 and distribute \$2.6 billion of the latest federal stimulus dollars to cover unpaid rent.

According to a PolicyLink report, in Santa Clara County alone, 37,305 households owe an estimated \$173.5 million in "back rent" (or unpaid rent). Of those households, 22,269 are low-income. When back rent is eventually due, tens of thousands of families will be faced with evictions and crippling debt while, at the same time, landlords will see severe financial hits and cashflow challenges.

While it is imperative that we take action immediately to get federal relief money out the door to protect our most vulnerable, to avoid crushing debt and mass evictions, we also need in place a backstop through tenant-landlord mediation to ensure tenants or landlords that don't receive adequate funding don't fall through the cracks.

This is why I have been pushing for, as part of this equation, increased tenant-landlord mediation services. A lifeline to both landlords and tenants, mediation is necessary to bring parties together and resolve contentious situations. To this end, I'd like to thank my colleagues on the Senate Budget Committee and Chair, Senator Nancy Skinner for moving forward with my idea for a statewide multilingual call-center to answer questions and provide direct technical support to landlord and tenants over the phone to help ensure that no one goes unhoused. For those landlords and tenants that lack internet access, this call center will be essential in helping them access the services they may need.

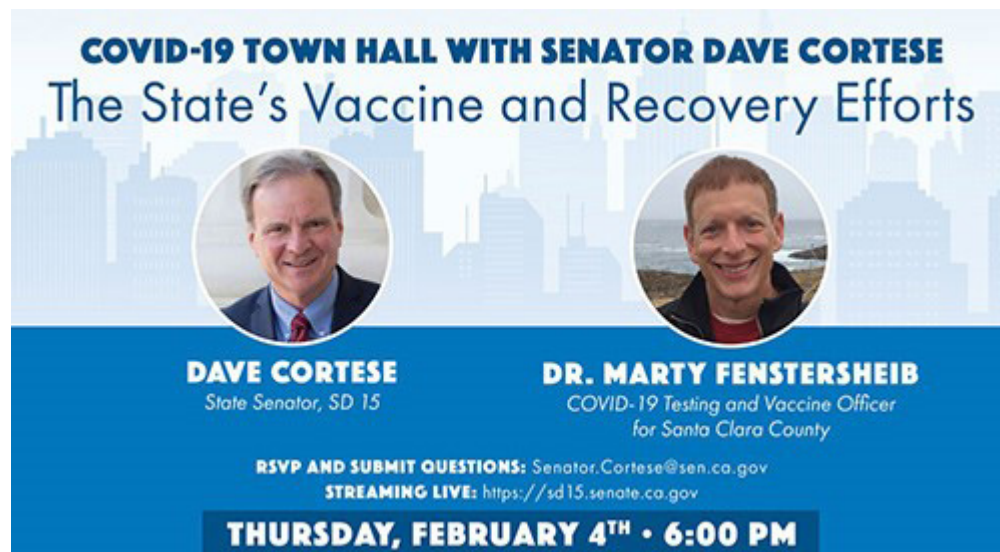
We have a responsibility to do this right so that nobody is left behind. View my [full comments here](#) and learn more by reading the below local news coverage.

Mercury News: [California lawmakers approve rent relief, eviction protections](#)

KTVU Fox: [California lawmakers extend eviction moratorium through June](#)

SF Gate: [California lawmakers agree to help cover some unpaid rent](#)

#### Town Hall with County COVID-19 Vaccine Officer



Many of you joined me on a weekly basis last year for virtual Town Halls with experts to answer your questions about the COVID-19 health emergency.

I will be hosting my next virtual Town Hall on **Thursday, February 4th at 6:00pm** that will be focused on the COVID-19 vaccine rollout across our County and the State. Along with me, you will hear from the foremost expert on this subject, Santa Clara County COVID-19 Vaccine and Testing Officer Dr. Marty Fenstersheib.

[To RSVP for this Town Hall, visit this link.](#) Upon RSVP, you will be emailed a link to join the virtual Town Hall. You can ask questions during the Town Hall or submit them in advance to [Senator.Cortese@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Senator.Cortese@sen.ca.gov)

For those of you unable to make it on February 4th at 6:00pm, the Town Hall will be livestreamed and available for later viewing on my website, <https://sd15.senate.ca.gov>, and my Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/davecortese.gov](http://www.facebook.com/davecortese.gov). Closed captioning will be available through the livestream on my website.

### EITC Awareness



Friday was EITC Awareness Day. Both the Federal EITC (EITC) and the California Earned Income Tax Credit help millions of working people claim their hard-earned dollars every year. Help us spread the word so everyone who qualifies for the credits can get them. The EITC can help increase your tax refund to help you pay for things you need like rent, groceries & transportation. Be sure to claim your money this tax season. Learn more at [CalEITC4Me.org](http://CalEITC4Me.org).

### COVID-19 By the Numbers in the State and Nation



## California COVID-19 By the Numbers

**January 28, 2021**

*Numbers as of January 27, 2021*

### COVID-19 Cases

**3,186,610** (+16,696)

### Fatalities

**38,961** (+737)

### Ages of Confirmed Cases

<b>404,631</b>	<b>1,837,255</b>	<b>606,779</b>	<b>335,853</b>	<b>2,092</b>
0-17	18-49	50-64	65+	Unknown/Missing

### Gender of Confirmed Cases

<b>1,618,782</b>	<b>1,518,121</b>	<b>49,707</b>
Female	Male	Unknown/Missing

### Hospitalizations

Confirmed COVID-19		Suspected COVID-19	
<b>16,251</b>	<b>4,196</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>87</b>
Hospitalized	in ICU	Hospitalized	in ICU

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### Positivity Rate for California:

California's positivity rate is a key indicator of community spread. As of 01/28, the 7-day positivity rate is 7.5% and the 14-day positivity rate is 8.5%.

**Nationwide COVID-19 Numbers** (reported by the Center for Disease Control, CDC, from previous day):

As of 01/28, there have been:


- 25,456,670 total positive cases, with 155,504 new cases reported from the prior day.
- 427,626 total deaths, with 4,107 new deaths reported.

For more COVID-19 data provided by the CDC, click [here](#)

### Tests Conducted in California:

As of 01/28, there have been 41,470,634 tests conducted in California. This represents an increase of 218,152 during the prior 24-hour reporting period. These numbers include data from commercial, private and academic labs, including Quest, LabCorp, Kaiser, University of California (UC) and Stanford, along with the 25 state and county health labs currently testing.

### California COVID-19 Vaccination Progress:

Total COVID-19 Vaccines Administered and Total Ordered and Shipped by Entity Type- (01/28)		
 COVID-19: Vaccine Dashboard		
<b>Total Doses Administered</b>		
2,893,493		
<b>Doses Ordered and Shipped</b>	<b>Doses Ordered</b>	<b>Doses Shipped</b>
Local Health Departments	3,523,725	3,348,600
Health System Multi-County Entities	1,293,625	1,291,250
State Agency Multi-County Entities	96,900	96,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,914,250</b>	<b>4,736,750</b>
<small>* Doses shipped and doses ordered do not include doses that were distributed as part of the CDC Long Term Care Facility program to vaccinate residents at California's Skilled Nursing Facilities and other congregate living facilities.</small>		
Data Last Updated on 1/27/2021 11:59pm		

Learn more about California vaccine distribution [here](#).

#### National COVID-19 Vaccination Progress:

National COVID-19 Vaccine Data- (1/28)	
<b>Total Doses Distributed</b>	<b>48,386,275</b>
<b>Total Doses Administered</b>	<b>26,193,682</b>

Learn more about national vaccine efforts [here](#).

#### Update on COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations, and Vaccination Efforts in Santa Clara County

As I mentioned in a previous Newsletter, the California Department of Public Health, this past week, [made the decision](#) to return the state to its tier system that will allow for the expansion of our businesses and activities with safety precautions in place in Santa Clara County, including limited service of our personal care services, outdoor operations of gyms and fitness centers, and outdoor dining. Learn more about what is open in our County at [this link](#).

The County of Santa Clara Public Health Department announced 191 new deaths from COVID-19 last week, bringing the total number of deaths to 1,395 in Santa Clara County as of January 30th, 2021. The total case count has now reached 101,453 with a 7-day rolling average of new cases (based on specimen collection date) at 722 cases per day.

As of January 30th, there were 479 COVID positive patients hospitalized in Santa Clara County (down from 585 the prior week and 638 the week before that) with 129 patients in the ICU. COVID positive patients now occupy 37% of all ICU beds, and just 14% of beds are currently available. These ICU bed capacity numbers already factor in surge beds that are staffed. More data can be found through the Santa Clara County Public Health Department's [Data Dashboards](#).

The County's [COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard](#) is updated daily with information about vaccine allocation and administration by healthcare providers throughout the county. that your official and most up-to-date source of vaccine-related information in Santa Clara County is [sccfreevax.org](#).

#### County COVID Testing Locations



Santa Clara Valley Medical Center continues to offer free drop-in and appointment-based COVID-19 testing at several locations across the county. Residents can book an appointment for various sites in [Vietnamese](#), [Chinese](#), [Spanish](#), or [English](#). Visit [www.sccfreetest.org](http://www.sccfreetest.org) to search for an available site by [City](#) or [Date](#), or to see the complete list of available [County testing sites](#).

### **Additional Community-Based and State-Operated Testing Options**

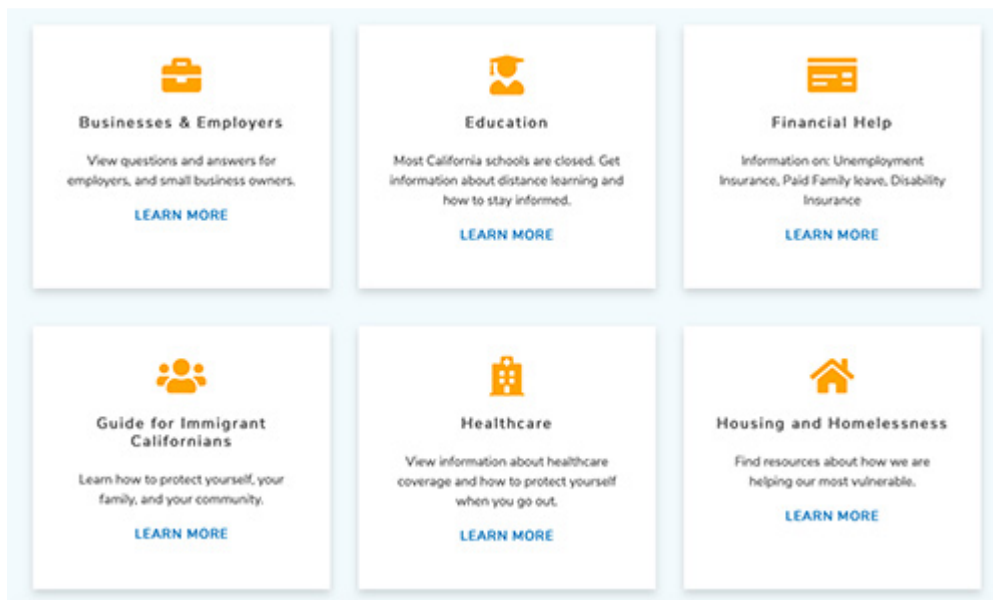
Roots Community Health Center and Gardner Health Services continue to organize free, community-based drop-in COVID-19 testing events every Wednesday. Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI) provides similar community-based testing every Friday at their Story Road site. No appointments are necessary, and all individuals are served regardless of insurance or immigration status.

- **Roots Community Health Center:** Antioch Baptist Church parking lot, 268 E. Julian St, San José, 95112. COVID-19 testing offered Wednesday from 10am to 3pm. For more information or to pre-register see [here](#) or call 408-490-4710.
- **Gardner Health Services:** Mexican Heritage Plaza, 1700 Alum Rock Avenue, San José, 95116. Testing offered Wednesday from 1pm to 7pm. For more information, call 408-457-7100.
- **AACI Health Center:** Story Road Clinic: 749 Story Rd, #50, San Jose CA 95122. Testing offered Friday from 9am-12pm. For more information, call 408-975-2763.

In addition, there are several testing sites now operated OptumServe, a State contractor. The drive through sites previously run by Verily's Project Baseline at Independence and Mount Pleasant High Schools have been transferred to OptumServe. These sites are free but require appointments. Visit [here](#) or call (888) 634-1123 to schedule an appointment:

- **Independence High School (drive through):** 617 N. Jackson Ave., San José. Testing offered Sunday through Friday from 7am to 7pm.
- **Mount Pleasant High School (drive through):** 1750 S. White Road, San José. Testing offered Monday through Saturday from 7am to 7pm.
- **Gilroy Civic Center:** 7351 Church St., Gilroy. Testing offered Friday through Tuesday from 7am to 7pm.
- **Gavilan College:** Social Science Building, 5055 Santa Teresa Blvd, Gilroy CA 95020. Testing offered Tuesday through Thursday from 7 am to 7 pm
- **Grange in Morgan Hill:** 40 E 4th Street, Morgan Hill CA 95037. Testing offered Friday from 7 am to 7 pm.
- **Valley Water (Mobile Van):** 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose CA 95118. Testing offered Wednesday and Thursday from 7 am to 7 pm
- **James Lick High School:** 2951 Alum Rock Ave., San José. Testing offered Tuesday through Saturday from 7am to 7pm.

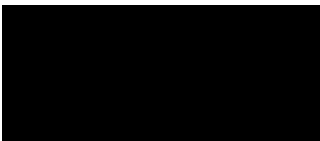
### **State Resources Posted on My Website**



State resources and services available during the pandemic have been posted on my new website: [sd15.sen.ca.gov](https://sd15.sen.ca.gov). Just click on the "COVID-19" link under the "Resources" tab of my website to get connected to some of the most frequently used state resources, including resources for businesses and employers, students, those in need of housing and financial assistance, and more.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions, comments, or concerns. I can be reached at [senator.cortese@sen.ca.gov](mailto:senator.cortese@sen.ca.gov).

Thank you,  
Dave Cortese



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## SHARKS FOUNDATION, SAP TO PROVIDE \$500,000 GRANT TO FUND AND LAUNCH CITYTEAM'S ALAMEDA COUNTY MOBILE FOOD PANTRY EXPANSION PROJECT

**FUNDS WILL PROVIDE FOOD BI-MONTHLY TO 18 TOTAL SITES IN ALAMEDA COUNTY, AN EXTENSION OF THE FOOD DISTRIBUTION MODEL ALREADY USED IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

**SAN JOSE (February 4, 2021)** – [The Sharks Foundation \(@SJSCCommunity\)](#) and [SAP \(@SAP\\_BayArea\)](#) have partnered to provide a \$500,000 grant to local non-profit organization [CityTeam \(@CityTeam\)](#) to fund and launch the **Alameda County Mobile Food Pantry Expansion Project**. The project, an extension of CityTeam's current model that establishes food distribution locations in underserved neighborhoods throughout Santa Clara County, will strategically select 18 different sites across Alameda County to provide disadvantaged community members with fresh and accessible groceries on a bi-monthly basis. The multi-year partnership begins now and will continue through the 2022-23 NHL Hockey Season.

"We are honored to partner with SAP and CityTeam on this vital and timely expansion in support of those in greatest need in our community," said Heather Hooper, Director of Community Relations & the Sharks Foundation."

To expand into the East Bay, CityTeam will partner with Alameda County Community Food Bank to identify sites across Alameda County that represent those with the greatest need. Food for the mobile pantry will also be sourced through ACCFB. As part of the Sharks Foundation and SAP grant, funds will be used to purchase a new refrigerated box truck and to cover labor expenses required to make deliveries possible. In years two and three of the partnership, funding will allow CityTeam to launch additional projects in tandem with the food pantries including a Community Clothing Program and addressing the digital divide by providing access to technology for some residents.

"Families throughout the Bay Area are in real need of safe and reliable ways to get quality food on their tables," said Anamarie Franc, Chief Operating Officer, SAP Bay Area. "At SAP, we believe in the power of partnership and are proud to work with CityTeam on the innovative Mobile Food Pantry that brings food to communities so that nobody seeking support goes hungry. We've seen this program succeed in Santa Clara County and know it will have a big impact in Alameda County."

As part of its five-year strategic plan to help end hunger in Silicon Valley, CityTeam has been eager to expand its mobile food distribution model into Alameda County and to close the gap in households with unmet needs. As reported by the Alameda County Community Food Bank and Urban Institute in November of 2019, 1 in 5 Alameda County residents' experiences or is at risk of hunger – a ratio which has grown to at least 1 in 4 due to the pandemic.

“When I came to CityTeam four years ago, we made a strategic decision to increase our focus on families struggling to make ends meet. We could not be more excited about the opportunity to fulfill that promise even further, thanks to support from the Sharks Foundation, SAP, and the Alameda County Community Food Bank. Together, we can now help even more moms, dads, kids, and seniors, in our community. This innovative partnership enables us to provide nutritious food, as well as relief and hope during a time when family budgets are stretched past their limits,” added Glen Peterson, CityTeam President and CEO.

Later this year, representatives and volunteers from the Sharks Foundation, SAP, and CityTeam will meet in Alameda County to distribute food to community members in need. Details will be announced later.

The \$500,000 grant for the Alameda County Mobile Food Pantry Expansion Project represents a growing partnership between the Sharks Foundation, SAP and CityTeam. In 2020, the Sharks Foundation and SAP provided a \$34,000 Community Assist Grant to sponsor CityTeam's Santee Neighborhood Mobile Food Pantry at Esperanza Middle School for an entire year. The partnership allowed for more than 9,500 lbs. of food, which included grocery dry goods, fresh fruit, vegetables, meat, and dairy products (made possible through a partnership with Second Harvest of Silicon Valley), to be provided to 150-200 underserved families on a bi-weekly basis. Additionally, the Sharks Foundation and SAP helped fund CityTeam's December Holiday Gift and Grocery Card Giving Event this past December.

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#### **ABOUT CITYTEAM:**

CityTeam is a faith-based nonprofit, compassionately serving our neighbors experiencing homelessness, poverty, hunger, and addiction. Our programs have locations in San Jose, San Francisco, Oakland, Portland, and the Philadelphia area. Since 1957, CityTeam has been serving neighbors in need. CityTeam aims to restore lives and rebuild communities through innovative programs, which provide food, shelter, clothing, training, and spiritual transformation. For more information visit <https://cityteam.org/>.

#### **ABOUT THE SHARKS FOUNDATION:**

Established in 1994, the Sharks Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the lives of youth and families in the community with an emphasis in the areas of education, health and safety, and character development. Since inception, the Sharks Foundation has positively impacted the lives of individuals in the community through its contributions to local non-profit organizations. The Sharks Foundation and the San Jose Sharks are committed to being to a good community partner and continuing to make a positive impact through 2040 and beyond. To learn more about how the Sharks Foundation is helping underserved youth and families in need in the community, visit the Sharks Foundation's website, view the 2019-20 Community Annual Report or connect via Facebook, Instagram or [Twitter](#).

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