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***MEMORANDUM***

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**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Sabrina B. Landreth

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

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**INFORMATION**

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***Upcoming City of Oakland Job Announcements*** – During the week of December 16, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Assistant Chief of Fire (Promotional)
- Sewer Maintenance Leader (Restricted)

For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

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***Shop Local All Season Long*** – Through the holiday season, shoppers can skip the stress of standing in lines to have fun, find great gifts and keep their money in Oakland supporting local businesses, providing local jobs and bolstering the city's economy. The one-stop portal at [ShopOaklandNow.org](http://ShopOaklandNow.org) is packed with information on holiday events, the #ShopOAKProud photo contest, online directories and a helpful concierge service.

With the inclusion of places to shop, eat and have fun, Oaklanders have many options on where to spend their dollars locally. The season-long campaign encourages Oakland residents and visitors to put their money where their hearts are by shopping locally. This theme aims to capture the immense pride and affinity residents have for Oakland. Through **noon on Friday, December 20**, post your shopping selfie taken at local Oakland businesses, use the hashtag **#ShopOAKProud** in your post and tag the Oakland business where the photo was taken to be entered to win two round-trip tickets to any Southwest Airlines published, domestic destination including Hawaii.

Know what you want to give, but stumped where to find the gift item in Oakland? The free [Concierge Service](#) will help you find one-of-a-kind items at a local, independent business. To encourage turn-over of parking spots to better ensure availability for shoppers, the City will maintain standard pricing at all street meters and in City-owned garages and lots Monday through Saturday, with free parking on Sundays. Learn more about [holiday transportation and parking](#).

For more information, please read the [media release](#) or contact Harry Hamilton, Marketing Coordinator, at [hjhamilton@oaklandca.gov](mailto:hjhamilton@oaklandca.gov).

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***Teens, Come Make Your Own Jewelry at the Library*** – On Friday, December 13, 3:30pm, teens can come to the Melrose Branch Library (4805 Foothill Boulevard) for a fun, free, hands-on workshop. Artists from the Rock Paper Scissors Collective will guide you in creating your own beautiful jewelry. Great for gifts! All workshop supplies are provided. This program will also be offered at César E. Chávez Branch (3301 East 12th Street) on Wednesday, December 18, 2pm; and at Temescal Branch (5205 Telegraph Avenue) on Wednesday, December 18, 2pm. For information, contact Sharon McKellar, Supervising Librarian, at [smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:smckellar@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7613.

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***Kids Can Make Light-up Snowflake Cards at the Library*** – On Friday, December 13, 4pm, children are invited to come make light-up snowflake cards at the West Oakland Branch Library (1801 Adeline Street). Learn how to use simple LEDs to add real sparkle to your holiday cards this year! We will provide lights, batteries, paper snowflakes, and paper – kids just need bring their imagination. This program will also be offered at the following locations/dates:

- Temescal Branch (5205 Telegraph Avenue) on Saturday, December 14, 11:30am
  - Brookfield Branch (9255 Edes Avenue) on Tuesday, December 17, 1:30pm
  - Eastmont Branch (in the Eastmont Town Center, 7200 Bancroft Avenue) on Wednesday, December 18, 3pm
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***AAMLO Plans to Boost Stewards Membership with Motown Holiday Celebration*** – On Saturday, December 14, 6:30–8:30pm, the African American Museum & Library at Oakland (AAMLO; 659 14th Street) is hosting a Motown Holiday Celebration. Get up close and personal with special guest, Oakland native Henry Delton Williams, “Designer to the Stars.” Williams will offer remarks about the concluding 60th Anniversary festivities for Motown and its distinctive sound that had America “dancing in the streets.” Co-hosting the event, the Friends and Stewards of AAMLO (SAAMLO) are holding a membership drive – here’s your chance to join us to help AAMLO continue to provide poignant and exciting programs and collections. Be sure to bring a

heathy pantry staple (e.g., whole grains, pasta, canned tuna) to support Alameda County Food Bank.

For information, contact Bamidele Agbasegbe-Demerson, Chief Curator, at [BAgbasegbe-Demerson@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:BAgbasegbe-Demerson@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 637-0200.

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***Sign-spinning Class for Youths at Eastmont Library***– On Thursday, December 19, 3:30–5pm, youths ages 10–16 can come to the Eastmont Branch Library (in the Eastmont Town Center, 7200 Bancroft Avenue) to learn skills in sign-spinning. Sign-spinning is a job that a young person can get that is fun, competitive, physically active, creative, and profitable. McKinley (“Kin”) Williams is a professional sign spinner will teach basic sign-spinning techniques and safety rules. We will meet in the children's area of the library, warm-up, and relocate to the street corner to continue our lessons. Please wear loose comfortable clothing, tennis shoes, and be prepared to sweat and have fun! Advanced registration is required: contact Nichole Brown, Librarian II, at [nbrown@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:nbrown@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 615-5726.

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***A Holiday Tradition*** – Weekends from **Sunday, December 1 until Sunday, December 15**, Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development presents “A Walk-Through Wonderland” at the Dunsmuir Hellman Historic Estate located at 2960 Peralta Oaks Court. Celebrate the season by enjoying Holiday Tea, Breakfast with Santa, touring the decked-out Mansion, and be sure to stop by our magical gift shop to take a little piece of the Holiday Tradition of Dunsmuir with you. Come for the sights, fun, food, entertainment, and most of all the memories. Find event dates and purchase tickets online [here](#). For more information call (510) 615-5555.

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***Holiday Caroling on Lake Merritt*** – From Thursday, December 5 until Tuesday, December 24, the Lake Merritt Boating Center is offering select days of on-the-water holiday caroling tours launching from 568 Bellevue Avenue inside Lakeside Park. Enjoy the Holiday room with hot cider and cookies before beginning your voyage around Lake Merritt. Experience a unique view of Oakland as your Water Sleigh glides past the 18<sup>th</sup> Street Fountain & Holiday Cove before returning to the Boating Center. Times vary. The admission fee is \$8 per person or \$120 for a private charter of the whole boat. For more information and to view the flyer, please visit [www.sailoakland.com](http://www.sailoakland.com). For more information, please contact Gabriel Gipson, Acting Boating Supervisor, at [ggipson@oaklandca.gov](mailto:ggipson@oaklandca.gov) or (510) 238-2196.

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***Winter Break Holiday Camps*** – For the weeks of December 23 – 27 and December 30 – January 3, Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development is hosting youth day camps at recreation centers across the City. Campers have the opportunity to experience a variety of exciting winter and holiday themed activities that may include arts & crafts, cookie baking, create a snow globe, and engage in sensory play -- all with a dash of scholastic brain-teasers. Activities and camp

hours vary by site. For camp details and to register please visit [OPRYD](#) or contact the individual recreation center:

- Allendale Recreation Center, 3711 Suter St. (510) 535-5635
- CP Golden Gate Recreation Center, 1075 62<sup>nd</sup> St., (510) 597-5032
- Carmen Flores Recreation Center, 1637 Fruitvale Ave. (510-535-5631
- Dimond Recreation Center, 3860 Hanly Rd. (510) 482-7831
- deFremery Recreation Center, 1651 Adeline St. (510) 238-7739
- FM Smith Recreation Center, 1969 Park Blvd. (510) 238-7742
- Franklin Recreation Center, 1010 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St. (510) 238-7741
- Lincoln Square Recreation Center, 250 10<sup>th</sup> St. (510) 238-7738
- Manzanita Recreation Center, 2701 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. (510) 535-5625
- Mosswood Teen Inclusion Center, 3612 Webster St. (510) 597-5038
- Studio One Art Center, 365 45<sup>th</sup> St. (510) 597-5027
- Holiday Basketball Tournament (Middle School Boys), (510) 238-3495
- Rainbow Recreation Center, 5800 International Blvd. (510) 615-5751

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***Junior Warriors Basketball League*** – From Saturday, January 18 to Saturday, March 14, Oakland Parks, Recreation & Youth Development is hosting the Junior Warriors Basketball League for boys and girls ages 4-14. Youth learn the fundamentals of basketball, rules, regulations, and good sportsmanship. Fee is \$50/person and all skill levels are welcome including Schools and Club teams. Registration is now open; sign up at your local recreation center or at [cityofoakland.perfectmind.com](http://cityofoakland.perfectmind.com). Volunteer youth sports coaches needed! For more information or to volunteer contact Recreation Leader II, Tony Sirivongsa at [tsirivongsa@oaklandca.gov](mailto:tsirivongsa@oaklandca.gov) or (510) 238-2952 or Sports Coordinator, Frederick Morris III, at [fmorris@oaklandca.gov](mailto:fmorris@oaklandca.gov) or (510) 238-3496.

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Respectfully submitted,

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