

Dear Neighbor,

As we progress through July my hope is that we experience a greater measure of Oakland love, joy and peace. On our road to recovery, let's continue to exercise empathy and grace for one another while we overcome this challenging time. I understand many of your uncertainties around the **increase in Covid cases in Alameda County**, the spike in crime and violence, and yet I remain confident we will build back a stronger and more vibrant community.

I would like to thank everyone who supported <u>our budget amendments</u> by emailing the Council and/or making a public comment at the June 24 Council meeting. With your advocacy we were able to secure investments in our **Department of Violence Prevention** (DVP), district parks, community based organizations (CBOs), and illegal dumping services, but it was still not enough to meet the increased needs of our community for more equitable funding and resources. After reviewing the proposed budget allocations, and hearing from many of you at Home Owner Association, Neighborhood Council, and CBO meetings, it is clear that the proposed amendments by several of my colleagues did not reflect Council's full commitment to ensuring a more equitable investment was made for East Oakland. As a representative of a community ravaged by COVID-19 diagnosis, deaths, hospitalizations, the loss of 500 businesses, and the exacerbation of an existing public safety crisis, illegal dumping, unemployment, and homelessness, I simply could not vote for a budget that delivered less to East Oakland. I will continue to champion resources being restored, as done in the City's more affluent areas, for us all to realize a just recovery.

This funding gap is also evident in the 5-3 Council decision to not support a OPD cost-saving amendment I uplifted that brought forward an academy from year 2 into year 1. This prudent action would have granted us the next two

years to build out our Mobile Assistance Community Responder of Oakland (MACRO) pilot program in East Oakland, and other public safety alternatives, while maintaining current yet declining police staff levels. Given the 400% year to date increase in homicides in our police area, not having adequate violence interrupters, and a budget that delivered three less OPD 911 response teams, many of our residents are concerned. This past weekend alone, the number of pending 911 calls in Oakland reached 401, of those calls, 344 were from East Oakland residents. As I noted during the budget meeting, our neighbors have expressed being traumatized and tired of carrying the weight of Oakland's violence. We have to work collectively and more intentionally to bring our neighbors the much-needed safety resources and peace every Oakland resident deserves.

I remain fully committed to supporting the items that did reflect the desires of our District 7 residents, including additional investments into the Department of Violence of Prevention, public safety alternatives, MACRO, arts and culture, and other community programs. I also look forward to working with the Department of Violence Prevention, the Oakland Fire Department, and the Oakland Police Department to advance a holistic and transformative public safety response, with accountability to our community.

On July 26, the Council will revisit our proposed amendments to deliver increased traffic and public safety measures, illegal dumping, blight code enforcement, and improvements to business corridors in East Oakland. I encourage residents to join this meeting and voice your support for additional resources or email the full council at Council@oaklandca.gov.

Yours in Service.

Treva Reid

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Keep Oakland Safe & Protected

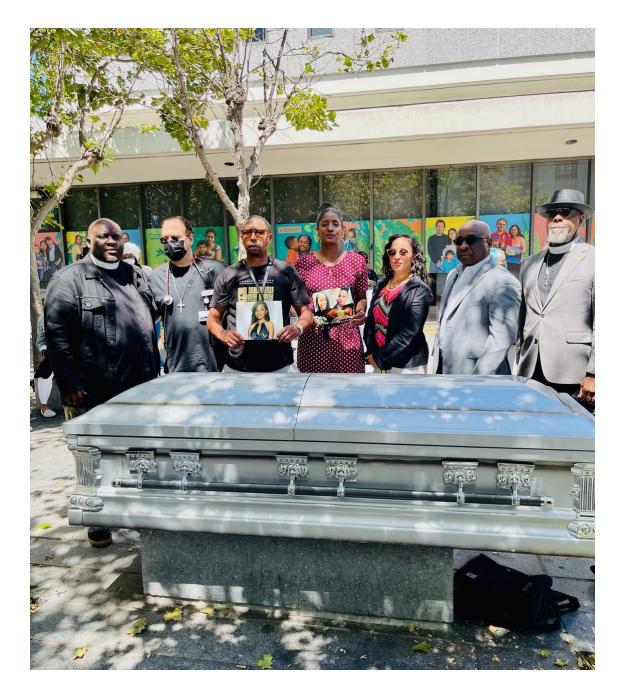
We must continue to progress our goals to reimagine and transform our public safety system. As we face growing challenges through the pandemic, it is critical that proven strategies and approaches are resourced and implemented.

COVID-19 Health Update: Alameda County has lifted its shelter-in-place order and has fully aligned with the State of California's <u>Beyond the Blueprint</u> guidance. Restrictions like physical distancing and capacity limits have ended. Daily life moving forward may resemble pre-pandemic days in many ways, and vaccinated people can go unmasked in various settings. Even with a number of restrictions lifted, businesses may require masking or capacity limits on their own. Remember to bring a mask when you are out in public in case you are requested to wear one. Effective, July 16, masks are recommended indoors.

COVID-19 variants are still spreading widely among those who are vaccinated and unvaccinated. If you aren't vaccinated yet or haven't completed your vaccination series, we strongly encourage you to drop in to a <u>community-based site</u> or <u>make an appointment</u> to protect yourself from COVID-19. Anyone who missed their second dose can call (510) 208-4VAX to schedule an appointment.

Additional COVID-19 Resources:

- Join weekly COVID-19 briefings with **Roots Community Health Clinic**
- Vaccination rates by zip code and census tract are available on <u>Alameda</u>
 <u>County's data dashboard webpage</u>
- COVID-19 vaccine FAOs
- Find a <u>vaccination clinic near you</u> or call 510-208-4VAX (510-208-4829). Residents can drop by a location near them and don't need an appointment at County-supported vaccinations Points of Dispensing (PODs) and most pop-ups.
- A message from Alameda County Health Officer Dr. Nicholas Moss.



Addressing Gun Violence in Oakland:

On Thursday, June 24 & July 8, <u>Roots Community Health Center</u>, <u>Dope Era</u> and <u>SF Black Wall Street</u> held a press conference calling for <u>Alameda County</u> <u>Board of Supervisors</u> and <u>Public Health Department</u> to <u>declare gun violence</u> <u>a public health emergency</u> and invest \$100 million in the Black communities that are hit the hardest. I look forward to working with this collective to champion this issue on a local level and bring additional resources into our community.

Saturday, June 27, also brought the <u>unveiling of new banners and artwork</u> <u>along International Blvd (E 14th)</u> that amplify our community's collective call to end gun violence. It was an honor to join <u>Vision Quilt</u>, <u>Adamika Village</u>, <u>Oakland Frontline Healers</u>, and <u>East Oakland Youth Development Center</u>, for

this incredible ribbon-cutting event for these peace banners and a rally to end gun violence.

On July 10, I joined Chief LeRonne Armstrong (OPD), Chief Guillermo Cespedes (DVP), community organizations and the loved ones of those who have been killed in Oakland, for a much-needed "Stand-Up for a Safe Oakland" Rally & March at Lake Merritt. Appreciations to everyone who came out and showed their support as we continue to work to address gun violence in our community and support those who are deeply impacted.

Here is <u>a list of free resources</u> for those who may be in need of trauma and grief counseling care.

Keep Oakland Housed

In order to tackle the weight of Oakland's current housing crisis, we must implement proven and innovative housing solutions. We must counter the systemic barriers that have continuously disabled pathways to homeownership and generational wealth for Black and Brown community members, resources must be distributed to those most impacted.

Apply to be a Homekey Service Provider: The City of Oakland Department of Housing and Community Development has released its **Request for Qualifications (RFQ)** for qualified housing sponsors to own, operate, and provide services for permanent affordable housing for homeless and formerly homeless individuals and households under the **State Homekey program**. The RFQ seeks to identify a qualified pool of Homekey sponsors in anticipation of the 2021 State Homekey NOFA this summer.

All qualifications must be submitted via the Project Sponsor Application form on the City of Oakland <u>Homekey page</u>.

Oakland Station Senior Apartments: Oakland residents 62+ can now lease affordable one-and-two bedroom units at this new mid rise development, located on 10800 International Blvd. Learn more by visiting https://www.oaklandstationsenior.com/ or calling (510) 672-4535.

Keep Oakland Open & Working

Aiding in our local goal for a just and equitable recovery, my office will continue to advocate for and uplift career, workforce, and economic development opportunities for East Oakland residents.



#RespectHealthCareWorkers: On June 30, I had the pleasure of standing in solidarity with <u>SEIU-UHW</u> as they continue their fight against Kaiser's proposed lay-offs of patient care techs. As someone who has relied on caregivers to provide care to my parents, when could I could not, I cannot imagine laying off people who serve as the backbone of our hospitals.

Caltrans is Hiring: <u>Click here</u> to learn more about Caltran jobs available in Alameda County, and throughout the state. Current opportunities include Engineering, Maintenance, Information Technology, Accounting, Legal, Surveys, Planning, Human Resources, Environmental, and more!

Apply to work for AC Transit: Visit https://www.actransit.org/careers to check out the amazing career opportunities at AC Transit! They are currently looking for bus operators, whose pay begins at \$22.11/hour after training. Learn more about becoming a bus operator by clicking-here.

Openings at ASM Global: Are you ready to join the ASM Global Team? <u>Click here</u> to apply for their current openings at the Oakland Coliseum, which include Arena Event Scheduler, Human Resource Manager, VIP Suite Concierge, and more!



BOLD Construction Group is Hiring: Contact Jose Ramirez at (510) 220–0070, to learn more and apply for the open office/administrative sales and field/labor positions at BOLD Construction Group!

Keep Oakland Clean & Beautiful

We need safe, clean, thriving, environmentally healthy, walkable communities with sustained small businesses. All of us must continue to work together to uplift a culture of cleanliness in our community.

Clean California Kick-Off: On July 7, my office joined Caltrans as they kicked off their <u>Clean California Initiative</u> with a clean-up event in District 7. As we promote a culture of cleanliness throughout our District, and in the City of Oakland, it is great to have strong partners like Caltrans who are equally dedicated to beautifying our community.



Brookfield Village- Columbia Gardens Community Trash Pick-Up: Thank you volunteers from the <u>Black Cultural Zone</u>, <u>Oakland Department of Public Work's "Adopt-A-Spot" initiative</u>, and 31y Neighborhood Council for organizing an amazing clean-up. It was a pleasure to pick-up litter and meet new neighbors who are keeping East Oakland clean.

East Oakland Abandon Auto Tow Sweep: Following growing concerns and outreach by East Oakland residents, on July 8, OPD removed 50 abandoned vehicles from East Oakland, with plans of partnering with our office for ongoing support.

Keep East Oakland Prioritized

We will continue to work towards and invest in maintaining the critical and essential municipal services such as wildfire protection, library, youth, senior services, parks and recreation that our residents deserve.

HELP US KEEP THE WALGREENS ON 82ND & INTERNATIONAL OPEN:

With less than one month's notice, Walgreens announced its plans to shut



7/7 Special CED Meeting on Howard Terminal

Watch the Commmunity & Economic Development (CED) Meeting on Howard Terminal, with presentation by the City's Finance Department and Dave Kaval from the Athletics. [Photo Cred: Oakland A's]

Watch Here

7/20 Council Meetings on the Development of Howard Terminal & the Oakland Coliseum



Howard Terminal @ 9:00am

Item 2: Council will vote on a resolution to approve the Oakland Athletics to develop a new ballpark at The Howard Terminal. Click the



Oakland Coliseum @ 1:30pm

Item 6: Council will vote to adopt a resolution to enter an exclusive negotiating agreement with the African-American Entertainment Group. Click the button below to

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District 7 Howard Terminal & Coliseum Survey

Take this brief 4-question survey in advance of the 7/20 council meetings to share your thoughts on the Oakland A's proposal for Howard Terminal and the development of the Coliseum.

Take Survey

Upcoming Council Meetings: Attend the following Council meetings to voice your perspective and advocate for East Oakland!

- Tuesday, July 20 at 9;00am Special City Council Meeting
- Tuesday, July 20 at 1:30pm City Council Meeting
- Monday, July 26 at 1:30pm Special City Council Meeting

Visit https://oakland.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx to download the Council meeting agendas, which include instructions on how to log-in and make a public comment. Residents unable to attend can still email their thoughts to my office at district7@oaklandca.gov or to the full Council at council@oaklandca.gov.

REMINDER: OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL & COUNCIL COMMITTEE

MEETINGS ARE NOT SCHEDULED FROM 7/27 – 9/12

Keep East Oakland Served & Connected

We are committed to keeping you informed and engaged with our work to champion District 7's priorities. Let us stand together to deliver more equitable outcomes and advance solutions to move East Oakland Forward.



Acts of Grace Food Pantry Re-Opening: It was a pleasure to be a part of the reopening of the Grace Baptist Church (GBC) 's Acts of Grace Food Pantry. Located at 705 98th Avenue, this East Oakland staple has served the community for over 22 years under the leadership of Mrs. Lola Hardy and the support of Alameda County Food Bank. For more information about their pantry, which is open every 2nd & 4th Wednesday from 12–2pm, please contact Executive Assistant Edna Brown at lolasbearcountry@sbcglobal.net

National Night Out: For those who are hosting National Night Out public events on Tuesday, August 3, my office would love to show our support. Please email us at <u>district7@oaklandca.gov</u> with event details and we look forward to seeing you there!

East Oakland Sports Center Pool and Water Park: Effective Thursday July 8, aquatics staff from Temescal & Lions Pool will shift to **East Oakland Sports**Center (EOSC) as we phase the re-opening of the Pool and Water Park. The EOSC Water Park and Pool will re-open from 8:30am-5:15pm and operate on a Monday and Thursdays until additional certified lifeguards become available.

AC Transit Update: AC Transit recently lifted their physical distancing requirements, returning to pre-pandemic bus capacity limits. Federal mandates require that masks be worn to ride so we continue to offer, at no cost, masks and hand sanitizer on board every bus. Learn more about how they plan to keep riders safe at www.actransit.org/ready.

Extended BART Hours: On August 2, will return to its normal pre-pandemic service hours. In the interim, BART will be extending its late-night limited trains leaving downtown San Francisco at 11:30pm serving nine stations on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from July 15-July 31.

Zonehaven: Oakland Fire Department and Oakland Police Department, along with a countywide taskforce made up of emergency management agencies, recently launched of the <u>"Know your Zone"</u> campaign to help residents and businesses be better prepared for the next evacuation or emergency, through an online platform called <u>Zonehaven™</u>.



#OaklandUndivided (OU) is on a mission to close the digital divide in Oakland by making sure that every public school aged youth (and their family) has access to a computer and internet. This is critical as we move closer to school coming back into in-person session since the pandemic began. For resources on how to obtain a computer for your household, please visit their website here: https://www.oaklandundivided.org. Special thanks to the U.S Deputy Secretary of Education, Cindy Marten, who joined us at OU's July 1st celebration!

Check-out the following directory of City resources:

- Oakland Emergency Response 911 or (510) 777–3211
- Oakland Police Department Non-Emergency Line (510) 777-3333

- Oakland Fire Department Non-Emergency Line (510) 444-3322
- **Oakland Senior Services** (510) 238–3762
- Abandoned Auto Detail (510) 777–8538 or use the OAK 311 app

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