



Greetings Neighbor,

Now that the Alameda County mask mandate has ended, it's more important than ever to receive your COVID booster. You can schedule a booster shot now through MyTurn CA, Alameda County Public Health, Safeway, Walgreens or your primary medical care provider, among other locations. If you

haven't already done so, remember to get your flu shot as well. Also, masking indoors is still strongly recommended by County public health officials.

In this newsletter, you will find updates on COVID-19, our March community clean-up, the Howard Terminal project, my annual blood drive, local redistricting, upcoming events, and more updates.

In service,

-Dan

p.s. I cannot send out a newsletter update without acknowledging and condemning the treacherous invasion of the sovereign nation of Ukraine by Putin's Russian military. This is a moral outrage to say the least. I support the sanctions imposed by the Biden Administration and hope that all NATO and E.U. countries follow suit. I also urge the President to expel all high-level Russian diplomats and to send back home all Russian students in the U.S. who are sons or daughters of high-ranking Russian officials.

If you would like to donate to help Ukrainian refugees, here are a few groups who are accepting donations:

- CARE UKRAINE Crisis Fund
- International Rescue Committee
- Jewish Community Federation Ukraine Emergency Fund
 KIDSAVE

Saturday Community Clean-up March. 5



Please join us **THIS Saturday, March 5th** to help clean the area around 37th and Linden Streets from 9:00am to 11:00am. My staff and I hope to see you there.

This clean-up is part of a citywide coordinated event. Tools/gloves will be provided. Masks should be worn at all times and will be provided to those who do not have them.

My staff and I are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday. Vaccinated volunteers only please. Contact Keara O'Doherty at kodoherty@oaklandca.gov_w/questions.

COVID-19 Update

The Alameda County and California masking order has changed. The County has implemented some changes outlined below. Please consider exploring the Alameda County COVID-19 page for additional information: https://covid-19.acgov.org/index. There are a few particular updates I want to make sure you are familiar with:

New State Masking Requirements strongly recommending unvaccinated and high-risk individuals to wear masks in indoor public settings

On February 28th, the State of California updated the mask guidelines and Alameda County has aligned with those guidelines. The new State of California guidance replaces the universal indoor masking requirement for unvaccinated persons with a strong recommendation that all persons, regardless of vaccination status continue to wear masks. Since February 14th, cases have declined by 66% and hospitalizations have declined by 48%. Read more here and here.

Here is a relevant perspective from the East Bay

Times: https://www.eastbaytimes.com/2022/02/16/editorial-keep-those-masks-on-in-public-indoor-spaces-and-schools/

For information on COVID testing, click here: https://covid-19.acgov.org/testing; and for more info on vaccines, click here: https://covid-19.acgov.org/vaccines.

Oakland & Northern Alameda County Blood Drive

Please join me in helping to save lives by donating Blood on **Saturday, April 2, 2022** at the Red Cross Blood Center in North Oakland. From start to finish, plan for the painless process to take no more than an hour. The donation itself lasts about 10 minutes. Please contact Deidra at dmoss@oaklandca.gov to sign up for a specific time slot.



Cesar Chavez
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Save A Life

BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, April 2, 2022

Appointments available between 9a.m. and 2p.m.

To register, contact Deidra Moss at dmoss@oaklandca.gov or (510) 238-3557



Location: American Red Cross Blood Donation Center 6230 Claremont Avenue, Oakland 94618

For more information, including eligibility requirements, visit https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html



Oakland General Plan Kicks Off

More than 100 people attended the City of Oakland's first public workshop for the <u>General Plan Update</u>. The virtual workshop focused on the <u>Housing Element</u> - an important component of the General Plan that outlines how the City will meet its housing goals for the next two

decades. Participants shared their ideas on the major housing issues facing the city and opportunities to plan for new housing throughout Oakland.

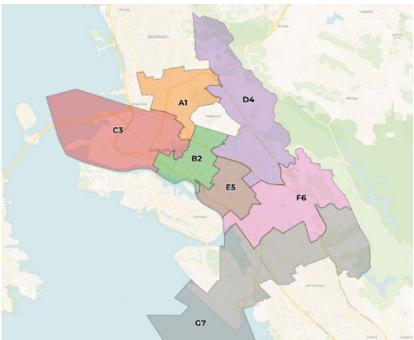
To meet the state's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA), Oakland must plan for 26,000 new housing units that are affordable to people from extremely low- to above-moderate-income households. The City, in partnership with its technical consultant Dyett & Bhatia, has launched an interactive map that will allow Oakland residents to identify specific locations where more housing should be built. The housing sites map will be open for public input until March 7.

For more information about receiving email updates and other info about the General Plan update process, click here. The next workshop will be held on March 12th.

Redistricting Commission Final Map

On February 23, 2022, the Oakland Redistricting Commission voted to approve Resolution No. 22-004 to adopt Map F5, which describes the new district boundaries for the Oakland City Council and OUSD School Board.

The final version of Draft Map F5 will be available soon! District One will lose all the portions of the district that are above (east) of Highway 13 as well as the northern most portion of the Oakland Hills. The Rose Garden and Upper Grand Lake area will be added into District One. The new lines go into effect for the 2022 elections and all Councilmembers will represent the new districts beginning in January of 2023.



I want to thank the redistricting commissioners for engaging in nuanced discussions and listening to substantial neighborhood input in creating this map. The commissioners acknowledge that the final map is not perfect, but it does reflect the hard work and input from many residents.

Oakland Slow Streets and Flex Streets

At Councilmember Kalb's request, the Council's Public Works Committee heard from Oakland Department of Transportation (OakDOT) staff regarding the status of the **Slow Streets** - Essential Places Program on February 22, 2022.

Currently in Phase Three of the Slow Streets - Essential Places Program, OakDOT is focused on pivoting from emergency response to sustainable institution of the Program within OakDOT. The transition was precipitated by many factors including, the end of shelter-in-place and neighbors of adjoining streets expressing increasing concern regarding the negative effects they experienced due to Slow Streets. Phase Three of the Slow Streets - Essential Places Program involved three strategies: (1) Expand Essential Places with permanent pedestrian safety improvements at essential services; (2) implement a permanent Slow Streets network; and (3) support neighbors' use of streets for community-building through temporary street closures. The staff report can be found here.

OakDOT's website was updated to include information about the future of the program, including how residents can submit more input.

FLEX STREETS - Information about the flex streets program for local businesses can be found

here: https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/business-use-of-streets-and-sidewalks-initiative.

Dan's Community Office Hours



Dan continues to hold monthly Community Office Hours to hear directly from residents about their neighborhood and citywide concerns. He enjoys connecting with District 1 residents-- currently via phone due to covid safety protocols -- and looks forward to eventually doing these in person once again. Please

contact Deidra Moss (dmoss@oaklandca.gov or 510.238.3557) if you'd like to sign up to speak with Dan. Usually the 1st Saturday of the month-although this March and April will be on the 2nd Saturday of the month.

Point-In-Time Count of the Unhoused

On February 23, more than 500 volunteers awoke at the crack of dawn to conduct the first Point-In-Time Count since 2019. Until now, the count had been delayed due to COVID-19. Every two years, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires communities to conduct a Point-in-Time (PIT) Count of individuals, youth, and families experiencing homelessness and provide accompanying data. A "snapshot" of homelessness (both sheltered and unsheltered) in our community and nationally. Locally, the data helps:

- Inform program, policy, funding, and system design
- Measure progress in decreasing homelessness
- Increase public awareness
- Advocate for additional funding and resources to end homelessness
 More info here.

Additionally, we're continuing to work on identifying and creating additional housing for our local unhoused population, while urging the County to up its efforts to help some homeless individuals overcome drug dependency.

Howard Terminal Ballpark

On February 17, a <u>vote by the City Council</u> to certify the Howard Terminal ballpark project Environment Impact Report was a key moment for this project. However, there is much more work to do. A companion Resolution by myself and Councilmembers Bas and Kaplan helps put focus on ensuring that any waterfront ballpark district includes new affordable

housing, and would get built with strong environmental standards. Now that the Final EIR has been certified, the floor is set for negotiating robust community benefits that our residents demand and deserve, as well as the final development agreement, and other necessary approvals still pending. Getting this across home plate will require the A's to be flexible and to compromise. This is not a done deal yet. Feel free to check out the <u>SF Chronicle Interactive Ballpark Plan</u> and the <u>article on next steps</u>.

Violence Prevention Efforts

Click here for the latest information from our Department of Violence Prevention (DVP). Serious determined efforts are underway from DVP and key NGOs in Oakland.

Oakland Parks & Rec Now Hiring Accepting Summer Interns

Oakland Parks, Recreation, & Youth Development (OPRYD) Department is now hiring for all part-time summer jobs, including Recreation Leader I/II, Recreation Attendant I/II, Recreation Specialist I/II, Sports Official, Lifeguard, Water Safety Instructor, and Pool Manager. More than 100 openings are available. Apply now. Applications will be accepted online until March 18, 2022

Launch of Neighborhood Business Assistance

Following a four-month pilot program, the City's Economic & Workforce Development Department has rebranded and officially launched a perman business support program in Oakland's neighborhoods. The newly named Neighborhood Business Assistance program has added a sixth locati opened appointment dates through June 2022. Appointments can be booked online at oaklandca.gov/BizHelp or by calling (510) 238-7398.

The six locations for the Neighborhood Business Assistance program are:

- 81st Avenue Library (every other Tuesday evening)
- César E. Chávez Library (every other Wednesday evening)
- Downtown's Dalziel Building (every other Wednesday morning)
- Eastmont Library (every other Friday afternoon)

- Golden Gate Library (every other Thursday morning)
- West Oakland Library (every other Monday morning)

Neighborhood Business Assistance appointments continue to be by reservatio at oaklandca.gov/BizHelp. Just click the "Visit the scheduling page" link and a location to view available times. Non-English speakers, those without Inter access, or anyone who needs assistance can also make an appointment by ca (510) 238-7398.

Community Events

Oakland Tech High School Accepting Donations for Annual Auction

Oakland Technical High School's <u>annual auction</u> begins on March 13th! Proceeds from the auction provide additional funding for education and extracurricular opportunities that the school's budget doesn't cover. Donations of any items, services, and gift certificates are all welcome and appreciated. If you can support, please contact <u>auction@oaklandtech.com</u>.

• Chauncey Bailey Commemorative Street Naming The ceremonial unveiling of Chauncey Bailey Way will be on March 5, 2022, noon at the intersection of 14th Street and Alice Street. On July 28, 2020, the Oakland City Council voted to designate the section of 14th Street from Broadway to Lakeside as Chauncey Bailey Way in honor of the internationally renowned journalist. Chauncey Bailey was tragically murdered in 2007 after leaving an indelible mark on the Oakland community. Born and raised in East Oakland, he was a fixture in Oakland news and a prominent leader in the African American Community. His murder remains a symbol of the importance of defending free speech and democratic values. This commemoration continues to build awareness among future generations of Oaklanders of Mr. Bailey's contributions and passion for the betterment of Oakland. Please join Mr. Bailey's family,

colleagues and friends to commemorate his life and legacy on the blocks where he lived, worked and was taken from us.

Contacts:

Dan's **COVID Resources** page.

Oakland SeeClickFix - Call 311

https://seeclickfix.com/web_portal/wTMihVsatbiDau5Fw66m6HFD/report/location; https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/oak311

Alameda County Social Services and Referral - Call 211

- http://211alamedacounty.org/2-1-1-alameda-county-resource-finder/



Dan Kalb's Council Office - 510-238-7001 (contact DMoss@oaklandca.gov to sign up for Dan's monthly Community Office Hours)

OPD Emergencies - 911 (or 510-777-3211)

OPD non-emergencies - 510-777-3333

Oakland Recycling/Waste Collection Hotline - (510) 238-7283

(recycling@oaklandca.gov)

Oakland Animal Services: https://www.oaklandanimalservices.org
Oakland's Planning & Building On-line Permit Center - https://aca-prod.accela.com/oakland/customization/common/launchpad.aspx; https://www.oaklandanimalservices.org
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Dan's list of Good Books worth Reading

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