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Ever wonder how and why certain decisions are made by the city government? If so, please consider joining the 2023 Citizen's Academy. The program provides an opportunity for residents to learn how City decisions are made and how City funds are allocated. Each week, a different department, including the City Council and City Attorney, will host a session, provide an informative presentation that highlights their department. Enrollment is limited and applications are [now available online](#) and in-person at the City Manager's office located at City Hall.

The City is hiring! We offer a wide range of part-time and full-time employment opportunities serving a wide range of City departments and services. The City is committed to maintaining a strong team culture and providing opportunities for learning and growth. We encourage members of our community to consider a career with the City! All current employment opportunities along with an online application are listed on Calopps.org. You can also register on CalOpps to be notified of new opportunities that come available.

Have a great weekend!

Your Mayor,
Flor Nicolas

LOCAL NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

Brentwood Park Pop-Up Event on Wednesday, August 16th

The City is currently studying restoration work for the rear of Brentwood Park, which was damaged during the winter storms earlier this year by numerous fallen trees. An outreach pop-up event will be held on Wednesday, August 16th at Brentwood Park from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to answer any questions residents may have. Please visit <https://www.ssf.net/departments/parks-recreation/parks-division/brentwood-park-project> for more information.

South San Francisco Women's Conference on Saturday, August 26th

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Citizen's Academy 2023 – Accepting Applications Now!

South San Francisco offers a free Citizen's Academy, designed to provide a hands-on overview of City government. The Academy will run for 9 consecutive Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., beginning September 12 and running through November 14. The program provides an opportunity for residents to learn how and why City decisions are made and how City funds are allocated. Each week, a different department, including the City Council and City Attorney, will host a session, provide an informative presentation that highlights their department (including staffing, budget, operations, etc.). A light catered dinner for participants and staff is included. Sessions are held at different locations. Many Citizen's Academy graduates have gone on to serve on Boards and Commissions. Enrollment is limited. Applications will be available on-line [here](#) and at City Hall in the City Manager's Office, Grand Ave. Library, and the Recreation Office. For more information, please visit <https://www.ssf.net/departments/city-manager/communications/citizens-academy-2023> or contact Devin Stenhouse at Devin.Stenhouse@ssf.net or (650) 829-3817.

SAVE THE DATE! Art in the Park: Supporting SSF's Young Artists 2023 Art in the Park Fundraiser

Join the Cultural Arts Commission at Art in the Park: South San Francisco's young artists fundraising event on Sunday, August 27th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Joseph Fernekes Building at Orange Memorial Park. The event celebrates young artists and community. There will be live performances, prizes, food, and drinks.

Fundraiser proceeds benefit the Jack Drago Cultural Arts Commission Youth Art Scholarship, an annual award established for the purpose of providing eligible graduating seniors from the South San Francisco Unified School District continued education in the visual arts.

CalGrows Caregiver Training. The State of California's Department on Aging & El Sol Training Center are providing courses to direct care workers. Anyone is welcome to join. Certificate is provided after each coursework completion. For more information, please view the flyer below. Questions regarding workshop and registration? Please email Erika Marroquin at erikamarroquin@elsolnec.org

South San Francisco Farmers' Market – August 12

Everyone is invited to the South San Francisco Farmers' Market this Saturday. The Market is open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., behind the Joseph A. Fernekes Building at Orange Memorial Park, 781 Tennis Drive. As always, there will be crafts, plants, food, and more.

This week's special events:

- **Cantonese Storytime at 11:30 a.m. presented by the SSF Library Department.** Join Ms. Maggie at the SSF Farmer's Market for one of our most popular weekly programs, Cantonese Storytime. We will also be passing out Summer Learning Challenge books for youth and offering library card registration in anticipation of the new library and park & recreation center. The Learning Wheels Truck will also be on site for additional educational resources for the "little ones"! See you there!
- The dedicated and proud **South San Francisco-San Bruno Water Quality Control Plant (WQCP)** team invites you to stop by the Science of Sewage Roadshow booth at the Market every Saturday throughout the Month of August. WQCP provides treatment of wastewater to protect human health and the environment. Come learn about the intricacies of wastewater treatment and the importance of preserving our local watershed by preventing trash and pollutants from entering the precious San Francisco Bay. Staff will provide sign-up sheets for tours of the Water Quality Control Plant in September and October 2023. Watch for the opportunity to receive a special give-away!

Free Community College Program. The Free College Fee Waiver (SB 893) is an enrollment fee waiver that applies to students who reside in San Mateo County. Depending on financial need students may also be exempted from paying the student body fee, student representation fee, student union fee, inclusive access fee(s), and materials fees associated with the course. Check the FAQ to determine how you qualify.

No application is needed, and fee waivers are applied automatically to qualifying students upon registration. Please note that Free College may not cover all associated fees. To avoid Drop for Non-Payment, please check your WebSMART for any outstanding balances. Learn more at: <https://smccd.edu/freecollege/>

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO EVENTS

County of San Mateo's Supplier Diversity Study

Your feedback is needed to inform the County's first ever Supplier Diversity Study. The Study will enable the County to better understand the barriers and opportunities that local small business, diverse business, CBOs, suppliers, contractors and consultants experience when seeking procurement opportunities with the County. The intent is to create more inclusive procurement processes and policies so more local and small vendors can benefit from doing business with the County. The meetings will provide interpretation in Spanish. Please visit [Supplier Diversity Study | County of San Mateo, CA \(smcgov.org\)](https://smcgov.org/supplier-diversity-study) for more information. For questions, email SMCSupplierDiversity@gcapervices.com.

Community Input for San Mateo County Measure K: Listening Sessions & Survey

The County of San Mateo announced a series of listening sessions and survey to hear directly from residents about their experiences and needs on issues of housing and homelessness, children and families, emergency preparedness, and mental health. These four areas were identified as priorities for the Board of Supervisors and were also elevated in other community outreach efforts. Residents are invited to attend a listening session and take an

online survey, which is available in English, Spanish, Tagalog and Simplified Chinese.

Your voice matters! We hope to hear from communities most impacted by inequities. These listening sessions are designed to create a welcoming environment for everyone to share their unique perspective, including removing language barriers. Live interpretation and small group discussions will occur in English, Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin at each session and additionally in Tagalog in Daly City and San Mateo.

A listening session will be taking place on August 23, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Fernekes Building at Orange Memorial Park (781 Tennis Drive).

Women's Equality Day with the Commission on the Status of Women

Join the Commission on the Status of Women for a free networking event celebrating Women's Equality Day and uplifting local women leaders on August 23, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Burlingame Community Center! Learn more and register at http://bit.ly/SMC_WED2023

PARKS AND RECREATION EVENTS

Sign Hill Stewards Volunteer Program

You are encouraged to sign-up to help restore habitat and protect nature with the Parks and Recreation Department in South San Francisco. Join Natural Resource Specialist, Candace LaCroix, every other Friday and the last Saturday of the month on Sign Hill. Registration is required. Registration information can be found here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sign-hill-stewards-habitat-restoration-tickets-304822130197>. For questions, please email candace.lacroix@ssf.net.

Movie Night in the Park on Friday, August 18, 2023

Save the date for our second summer Movie Night in the Park in August! We will be featuring a FREE screening of Universal Pictures' The Super Mario Bros. at the Martin Elementary Ballfield (Hillside Blvd. and Belmont Ave.). Pre-movie activities will begin at 6:00 p.m. Movie will begin at sundown (approximately 8:00 p.m.) For questions, please contact the Recreation Office at (650) 829-3800 or email web-rec@ssf.net.

CALL FOR ARTISTS - Solo 2D Art Exhibits | Application Deadline: August 27, 2023

The City of South San Francisco invites artists working in 2-Dimensional media to apply for a series of three two-dimensional hanging art exhibits to occur from Fall 2023 through Fall 2024. The exhibits will be held at the new SSF Library | Parks and Recreation Center. Apply online only, via CAFÉ at https://bit.ly/CfA23_SSF. Visit the "Current Opportunities for Artists" page for more information.

LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Learning Wheels at the SSF Farmer's Market | Orange Memorial Park (781 Tennis Drive) | Saturday, August 12, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Visit Learning

Wheels to receive a free children's book and information on literacy programs provided by the SSF Public Library. Learning Wheels is a bookmobile that distributes free children's books through visits to organizations in Northern San Mateo County. Learning Wheels serves low-income families with children ages 0-5 and is partially funded by the Woodlawn Foundation.

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COUNTY OF
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Supplier Diversity Study



The County of San Mateo is seeking your feedback to better understand and find solutions to remove barriers for local, micro, small, and diverse businesses to access the County's procurement opportunities.

The County is hosting four (4) virtual meetings to provide local vendors, contractors, consultants, and suppliers various opportunities to participate and provide feedback to inform the Supplier Diversity Study.

The Study is a tool that will help us understand how local, micro, small, and diverse businesses work with the County and your insights will help guide policies and procedures to improve the participation of underrepresented businesses in future County contracting opportunities.

The virtual meetings will provide an overview of the Supplier Diversity Study, outline how the public can be involved throughout the study period, and include an opportunity to provide feedback during the meeting.

**YOUR
FEEDBACK
IS NEEDED!**



**Join one of the virtual meetings to:
Learn More | Ask Questions | Share Your Experience**

MEETING DATES:

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	REGISTER
THURSDAY AUGUST 3	12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	REGISTER
TUESDAY AUGUST 8	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	REGISTER
THURSDAY AUGUST 10	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	REGISTER

**All meetings will include live interpretation provided in Spanish.
Se ofrecerá interpretación en directo de toda la reunión en español.**

For questions, email us:
SMCSupplierDiversity@gcapsservices.com

For more information, visit:
<https://www.smcgov.org/ceo/supplier-diversity-study>

CalGrows Caregiver Training

FOR CAREGIVER OF OLDER ADULTS

The State of California's Department on Aging & the El Sol Training Center are providing courses to direct care workers.

ANYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN!

🏆 Certificate provided after each coursework completion.

💰 However, only **paid direct care workers will receive incentive for coursework.**

- Complete up to 50 hours of coursework and receive up to \$1,500 (\$30/hour)
- \$500 bonuses after 15 hours of courses/ 3 months of work
- \$250 accessibility stipends for low-income participants (transportation, child care, meals)
- Questions regarding eligibility of incentive contact: **CalGrows 844-769-9119**

Training available in-person or online, in Spanish and in English.

Questions regarding workshop & registration email:

Erika Marroquin at erikamarroquin@elsolnec.org.



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