



Mayor's Update

Hey SSF!

ONE DAY HOMELESS COUNT



The County of San Mateo's Human Services Agency (HSA) invites you to participate in the 2024 **One Day Homeless Count!** HSA, in collaboration with community partners, will be hosting the One Day Homeless Count

on **Thursday, January 25, 2024** from approximately **5 a.m. to 10 a.m.** Every other year, our County is federally required to conduct a Point-in-Time Count of the homeless population in our area. The data we collect supports local planning, grant funding, and improving the programs that provide pathways to permanent housing.

On the morning of **January 25**, volunteers across the County will conduct an observational count of individuals who are unsheltered. Volunteers will navigate every street within their assigned census tract and record their findings using our mobile application. A strong volunteer base helps to ensure complete and accurate coverage of our County.

Register Here to Volunteer

COMMITTED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING



Grand and Linden Family Apartments: 418 Linden Avenue

The State of California certified the City of South San Francisco's adopted Housing Element, finding it in compliance with State Law. The certification means South City is doing our part to address the housing crisis and ensure that all our families have a safe and stable place to live.

The City's Housing Element provides the pathway for the City to fulfill the State's requirement to plan for construction of nearly 4,000 housing units in South San Francisco through 2031. With this approval, South San

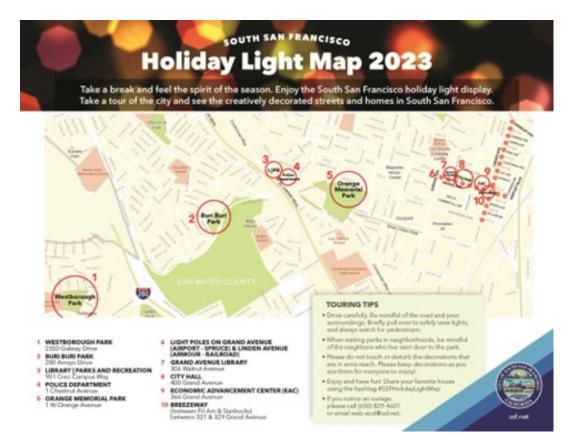
Francisco becomes one of only three San Mateo County jurisdictions, along with Redwood City and Brisbane, to have an Adopted Housing Element certified compliant by the State.

This certification comes on the heels of the State designating the City of South San Francisco a Prohousing jurisdiction this past summer. This designation means that the City will get priority consideration for certain state affordable housing and infrastructure funding programs. South San Francisco joins only 30 other Prohousing communities in the state.

The City's General Plan streamlines new housing review with objective design standards and fair developer contributions towards open space, public amenities, and transportation investment. The City adopted a new Accessory Dwelling Units ordinance and removed its previous mandatory parking replacement policies so homeowners can easily add to their property. The City also offers pre-approved designs for green and allelectric detached Accessory Dwelling Units developed by the Housing Endowment and Regional Trust of San Mateo County (HEART).

Read More about the City's Housing Element

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO HOLIDAY LIGHT MAP



There's a chill in the air, and South San Francisco is full of holiday spirit!

Take a moment this month to step away from the hustle and bustle and enjoy the sights featured on the 2023 South San Francisco Holiday Light Map.

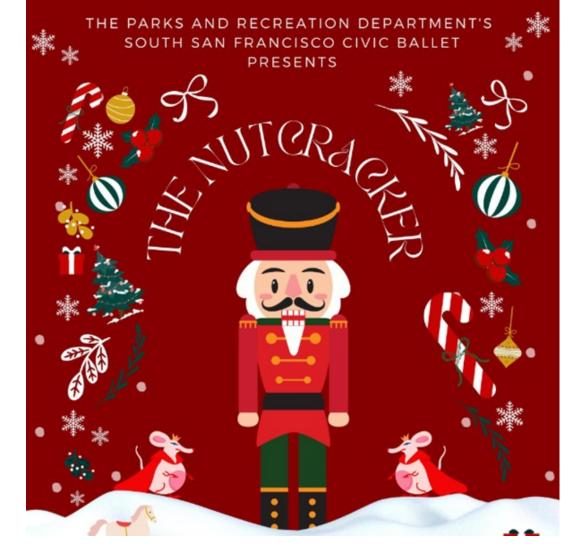
South San Francisco Holiday Light Map

LETTERS TO SANTA



Santa's Mailbox is here! Located on the front steps of City Hall (400 Grand Avenue), don't forget to drop your letter off to Santa by **December 15th** to make sure Santa has time to respond. Questions? Email <u>Katie.Donner@ssf.net</u>.

THE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CIVIC BALLET PRESENTS THE NUTCRACKER



Join the South San Francisco Parks and Recreation Department for a captivating performance of "The Nutcracker," by the South San Francisco Civic Ballet. Performances take place on Saturday, December 16th (1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.) and Sunday, December 17th (1:00 p.m.) at the South San Francisco High School Theater (400 B Street).

More information on the South San Francisco Nutcracker

UPCOMING SSF & LOCAL EVENTS

Terrabay Open Gym Schedule for December

Terrabay Open Gym Schedule for December, come on out and work off that Thanksgiving turkey! Please note that there is no open gym December 23, 2023-January 2, 2024.

Basketball: M/W/F/Sa/Su from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Pickleball: T/TH from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Badminton: Su from 9:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. For more information call (650) 829-4680.

Winter Camp

The Parks and Recreation Department's Youth Enrichment Services (YES) has a fun-filled program planned for winter break! Our Winter Wonderland theme will include art, science, sports, and kid's cafe activities. We have included theme dress days to add to the fun! Winter Camp is open to children who are in TK through age 12.

Dates: December 26, 27, 28 and January 3, 4, 5 Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Location: Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center, 1121 S. San Francisco Drive, South San Francisco Cost: Resident \$39.00 per day/ Non-resident \$44.00 per day Applications are available at <u>www.ssf.net/childcare</u>. For more information, call (650)

875-6900 or email Kimberly Morrison at kimberly.morrison@ssf.net.

Winter Bocce League

A Thursday night league will be offered in the Winter for seasoned bocce players. Indoor court playing only and eight total teams. Game times will be between 6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. and registration begins online on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 6:00 a.m. The Beginner League will not be offered during the winter session and will return for the spring 2024 session.

Dates: Thursday, January 18, 2024 – Thursday, March 7, 2024 BOCCE-102 Intermediate League 6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Fee: \$120.00/team (4 player minimum & 8 player maximum) For more information call (650) 829-3800.

Spring Adult Men's Basketball League (5X5)

Full court basketball league to be held at the Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center. Team play will be held in two different classifications -"D3" on Wednesdays, and "D2" on Thursdays. Season begins in March. Roster packets and information are available in January. Call Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center at (650) 829-4680 for more information.

Registration: Deadline is February 23, 2024 Fee \$660.00 per team

For more information call 650-829-3800.

SSF Softball Leagues

Spring Adult Men's Softball League Team slow pitch softball will begin league play in April 2024. Roster packets and information are available upon request. Call Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center at (650) 829-4680. Registration Dates: March 11th – 15th Fee: \$660.00 per team, 8 game seasons.

Spring Adult Coed Softball League Team slow pitch softball will begin league play in April 2024. Roster packets and information are available upon request. Call Terrabay Gymnasium and Recreation Center at (650) 829-4680. Registration Dates: March 11th – 15th

Fee: \$510.00 For more information call 650-829-3800.

Light-Up Paintings

Grand Ave Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Friday, December 8, 4:00 p.m.

Did you know that you can SEW a circuit on fabric? In a special Grand Makerspace workshop, you can learn how to make an LED light up on canvas using only conductive thread-- and paint a glowing painting! Supplies are limited. This program is recommended for ages 12+.

Frozen Sing-Along Party

Grand Ave Library (306 Walnut Ave) | Saturday, December 9, 10:00 a.m.

Celebrate the season and come sing along with Elsa, Anna, and Olaf as we screen the Sing-Along Edition of Disney's Frozen. We'll have supplies on hand for you to make character-inspired accessories to wear as you watch the movie. If you want to build a snowman, you can do that too!

Frozen will start promptly at 10:00 a.m. and runs approximately 1 hour and 40 minutes. Snacks will be provided; dress-up is encouraged!

Financial Education Program with Brad Hamada, Workshop 6: Fulfilling Long Term Goals

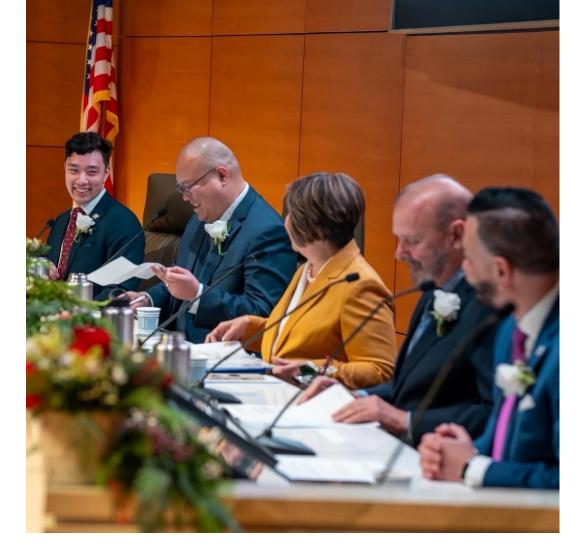
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In the final workshop in the series, we discuss two important goals in people's financial picture: 1) College Planning and 2) Retirement. College planning is probably one of the most misunderstood processes in the financial planning process, and you only have one chance to get it right. Learn how to optimize the college process by understanding the main priorities to maximize your student's college experience and minimize costs.

Retirement is your longest-term goal in your financial life. With so many options over so many years, it is important to understand early and plan properly. After this workshop, you will be able to identify the options, recognize how they are best used, and plan for a long, peaceful retirement.

CITY COUNCIL UPDATES





I am honored to serve as the youngest Mayor and as the first openly LGBTQ+ Mayor in the City's history. I am also thankful to have Eddie Flores by my side as Vice Mayor. Vice Mayor Flores is the first Salvadoran to serve on a City Council in San Mateo County and only the second Latino to serve on the City Council.

The reorganization ceremony drew a crowd of over 400 people from in and around South San Francisco to the city's brand-new Library and Parks and Rec building. Elected officials from around the Bay Area including State Senator Josh Becker, State Assemblymember Alex Lee, San Mateo County Sheriff Christina Corpus, and San Mateo County Supervisors Noelia Corzo and David Canepa attended this historic event.

Our Next City Council Meeting will take place on December 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in our City Council Chambers (901 Civic Campus Way). Check <u>www.ssf.net</u> for more details.

Yours in service,

James Coleman Mayor of South San Francisco



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