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Message from the Supervisor

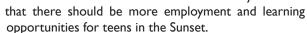
### Sunsel District Blueprint Reveal Open House Event on July 9th

ast May, our office announced an effort to create the first of its kind strategic plan for the Sunset District called the **Sunset District Blueprint**, with the goal of developing a vision for our community for the short and long term.

After five public workshops, drop-in community meetings throughout the district, over 400 individual responses to our survey and over 2,000 comments and suggestions total, our office is ready to announce the completion of the Sunset District Blueprint with a **celebration and reveal event on Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm – 7:30pm at Rolling-Out Café at 1722 Taraval Street near 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue.** 

The Sunset District Blueprint outlines our office's goals and objectives in five issue areas: Children, Families and Seniors; Economic Development; Land Use; Public Transportation & Pedestrian Safety; and Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness. With a tremendous amount of input and inspiration from Sunset District residents, we are pleased to announce that our office has completed the Sunset District Blueprint and we are already beginning to implement some of the ideas brought forth through the process.

For example, with the help of the Planning Department, we have already conducted a soft site analysis to find underutilized property in the Sunset District, and we hosted a workshop with the community to discuss potential opportunities for those locations. This came as a result of many residents suggesting we look at opportunities for vacant and underutilized lands. Additionally, we brought a mobile job fair to the Sunset with the help of the Department of Children, Youth and their Families (DCYF) in June. The job fair, which was the first of its kind in San Francisco, matched high school youth with jobs at small businesses in the Sunset District, including: Allstate Insurance, Cal Insurance, the Sunset Neighborhood Beacon Center, Devil's Teeth Baking Company, Sunset Youth Services, Polly Ann's Ice Cream, Versus Games, Sunset Pet Supply, The Pizza Place on Noriega and Rolling-Out Café. This came as a result of community feedback





This is just the beginning of our office's efforts to work with our Sunset community to implement the great ideas brought forth throughout this process. We hope you can join us to celebrate the reveal of the first Sunset District Blueprint. We will update our progress annually, and as new issues and opportunities arise, we will continue to develop our framework, goals and objectives.

If you would like more information on the Sunset District Blueprint, please visit <a href="www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=14943">www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=14943</a>. The Sunset District Blueprint document will be live on this website the morning of July 9th. We hope you can also join us at our celebration.

To RSVP, please email <u>ashley.summers@sfgov.org</u> or call our office at (415) 554-7460.

## 2014-2015 & 2015-2016 Budgel Highlights

ayor Edwin M. Lee recently released his budget proposal for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2015 and 2015-2016, which is \$8.6 billion in each year. This marks a modest increase from the FY 2012-2013 and FY 2013-2014 budgets, which were \$7.3 billion and \$7.6 billion respectively. Major factors that contributed to the increased budget include: the opening of the new San Francisco General Hospital and the Public Safety building in Mission Bay over the next two years; the implementation of the Affordable Care Act; public safety hiring plans; and a 10% service increase at the SFMTA.

Highlights of the Mayor's budget proposal include:

- Fully funding the City's 10-Year Capital Plan recommendations in FY 2014-2015, which includes funding for: street resurfacing, ADA accessibility improvements, street enhancements, city facilities, and right-of-way infrastructure;
- Accelerating affordable housing production;
- · Rehabilitating San Francisco Housing Authority vacant units;
- · Improving food security by enhancing senior nutrition programs and food stamp enrollment;
- · Adding employment slots for summer jobs for youth;
- Providing funding for street repaying and the pedestrian safety Vision Zero program;
- Supporting street cleaning crew, arborist apprenticeship program, park patrol staff, and urban forestry maintenance crew; and
- · Hiring for police, fire and emergency staff.

In addition, our office was able to effectively advocate for funding that will directly benefit the residents of the Sunset District. These include:

- Continued funding for enhanced cleanliness along vital business corridors on Irving, Noriega, Judah and Taraval;
- · Maintenance of Sunset Boulevard;
- · Capital improvements through the Recreation and Park Department;
- · Funding for summer, evening and family programs in District 4;
- Continued funding for the Front Yard Ambassador Program;
- Funding for Recreation and Park Department Park Patrols;
- · Funding for citywide breast cancer support services;
- · Funding for food security resources; and
- Funding for increased Animal Care and Control staffing.

City departments, community organizations, and stakeholders are coming together to ensure the budget supports our citizens and funds critical improvements. The full Board of Supervisors will consider the budget on July 22<sup>nd</sup> on first reading, and July 29<sup>th</sup> for a final vote. For more information on the budget process, visit: <a href="https://www.sfmayor.org/index.aspx?page=873">www.sfmayor.org/index.aspx?page=873</a> or <a href="http://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=1311">http://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=1311</a>.

### Riplide 10th Anniversary Event July 5th

here can you cozy up by a fire, enjoy free live entertainment and bring your dog for a cocktail? None other than **The Riptide**, a neighborhood bar that celebrates their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary this July with a performance by Red Meat, a honky-tonk band that mixes bluegrass, country, western swing and gospel harmonies. The event kicks off at 9:30pm at 3639 Taraval Street between 46<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> Avenues on Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Riptide is self-proclaimed as "the Bay Area's best little honky-tonk by the beach," and they truly live up to that name. While far out in the Outerlands, the journey is worthwhile as The Riptide has made many a "best of" list including:

I Most Romantic Bars in S.F. (<a href="www.refinery29.com/san-francisco-bars#slide">www.refinery29.com/san-francisco-bars#slide</a>)

San Francisco's Best Happy Hours (<a href="www.sfist.com/2013/03/28/san\_franciscos\_best\_happy\_hours.php">www.sfist.com/2013/03/28/san\_franciscos\_best\_happy\_hours.php</a>)

Fireside Buzz: 7 Bars That'll Warm You Up (www.7x7.com/eat-drink/fireside-buzz-7-bars-thatll-warm-you)

Best Oceanside Dive 2006, Best Beach Bar 2007 and Top 10 Dive Bars in San Francisco (http://blogs.sfweekly.com/foodie/2011/12/top\_10\_dive\_bars\_in\_san\_franci.php and http://www.sfweekly.com/bestof/2006/award/best-oceanside-dive-172830/)

The Riptide also offers plenty of weekend and weeknight fun for the entire 21-and-over family. Bingo Saturday is from 5:30pm – 7:30pm, Wednesday night is the "Ripdoodle" doodle contest, and Sundays from 2:00pm – 7:00pm are Bacon Bloody Mary Sundays.

Celebrate the success of one of our great Sunset District small businesses by joining in the fun on July  $5^{th}$ . For more information about The Riptide, visit <a href="https://www.riptidesf.com">www.riptidesf.com</a>.



## Larsen Playground Renovation Update

By: Tony Barbero, District 4 Intern

he renovation of Larsen Playground is almost underway and is slated to begin by mid-July with completion anticipated in early 2015. Many still remember "the airplane park" from their childhood at 19th Avenue and Vicente Street. After 20 years without an airplane, the Friends of Larsen Playground, former Supervisor Carmen Chu, our office, the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, and the San Francisco Parks Alliance are pleased to see the next phase of improving this park with not only new play structures, but a sculpted replica of a plane.



The Friends of Larsen Playground have been fundraising to renovate the playground through community outreach, events, and grants. The Friends of Larsen Playground are still accepting donations in order to build and maintain this playground. To support Larsen Playground and to view playground designs, visit <a href="https://www.larsenparkjet.org">www.larsenparkjet.org</a>.

Another way to support Larsen Playground is to participate in the **Third** Annual Soap Box Derby on October 26<sup>th</sup> from I I:00am to 4:00pm on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Wawona and Vicente Streets. There will be car races, food, a classic car viewing area and other family-friendly activities. There are two major ways to participate in this exciting, family-friendly event:

- **I. Build a Soap Box Racing Car for the Derby!** Make your own car to race down 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and add your own design or embellishments. Learn how to make a Soapbox Derby Car here: <a href="www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Soapbox-Derby-Car">www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Soapbox-Derby-Car</a> or order a car-building kit here: <a href="www.soapboxracing.com">www.soapboxracing.com</a> or <a href="www.soapboxracing.com">www.gokit.com</a>.
- **2. Bring your family to enjoy the Derby!** Bring your friends and family to the event and support Larsen Playground with a donation while enjoying the races! It is FREE!

To learn more about building a car for the third annual Soap Box Derby contact Cammy Blackstone with the Friends of Larsen Playground at (415) 994-5614

or email at <a href="mailto:cammyblackstone@gmail.com">cammyblackstone@gmail.com</a>.

### Free Zumba in the Park in the Sunsel!

ance yourself fit with **free Zumba classes this summer!** Zumba is a latin-inspired and easy-to-follow dance workout. You will get a great workout while enjoying the outdoors in our San Francisco Parks. Brought to you by The Movement in the Parks Program and the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department. No registration required, just show up and dance!

Wednesdays (starting July 9<sup>th</sup>) 10:30am – 11:30am

West Sunset Playground | 3223 Ortega St. @ 39th Ave.

Instructor: Jackie

Saturdays

11:00am - 12:00pm

Parkside Square | 26th Ave. @ Vicente St.

Instructor: Cora

Sundays

11:00am - 12:00pm

Sunset Recreation Center Volleyball Courts | 2201 Lawton St. @ 28th Ave.

Instructor: Olive

# Relay for Life Event: July 12th at Francis Scott Key Elementary School

he American Cancer Society is hosting a Relay for Life event in the Sunset District on Saturday July 12<sup>th</sup> at Francis Scott Key Elementary School (1530 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) beginning at 9:00am. Relay for Life is a non-competitive, community-building, fundraising event in which all proceeds go directly toward continued cancer research. The American Cancer Society is the nation's oldest and largest not for profit organization dedicated to cancer research, and it has funded grants to 46 Nobel Prize winning researchers over the past 100 years.

The event celebrates cancer survivors with a ceremony at the start of the event and remembers loved ones who have lost the battle to cancer in the evening with a luminaria ceremony. During the day there are fun activities, music, and food as well as opportunities to donate. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.relayforlife.org/sanfranciscosunsetCA">www.relayforlife.org/sanfranciscosunsetCA</a>.



Officer Fong with Police Chief Greg Suhr

### Officer Lewis Fong Relires from SFPO

fter 33 years of service to the community, Officer Lewis G. Fong retired from the San Francisco Police Department on June 1. Throughout his distinguished career, Officer Fong has worked at several police stations, including Taraval, Northern and Bayview. Despite retiring, Officer Fong will serve as a Reserve Police Officer covering special events to continue working in the Sunset District – which he considers one of his favorite communities. Many of our District 4 merchants worked closely with Officer Fong, and expressed deep appreciation for his attention to our commercial corridors. Our office would like to thank Officer Fong's tireless work and dedication to protecting the public safety of our neighborhood.

### On-Street Car Share Pilot

he San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is carrying out a two-year pilot program to facilitate car sharing in San Francisco by making on-street parking spaces available in all neighborhoods in the City for use by qualified car share organizations – here's more information about the pilot program:

www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/projects/SFMTA%20Car%20Sharing%20Policy\_MTAB\_20130716.pdf



The three pilot-participant car share organizations (City CarShare, Zipcar, and Getaround) have been working with the SFMTA to identify on-street locations for car share vehicles under the pilot, with recommended locations being reviewed and refined and brought through community outreach and SFMTA public hearings. In many cases, based on feedback and advice from neighbors and merchants, location proposals are being moved and re-evaluated, towards having the best car share locations to test under the pilot program.

Sunset District locations have been proposed for the pilot, and the SFMTA will be holding a public hearing on July 11 to review some of these locations:

www.sfmta.com/calendar/meetings/engineering-public-hearing-071114.

For more information about the SFMTA car share policy and on-street pilot program, please contact Andy Thornley at (415) 701-4213 or email <a href="mailto:AndyThornley@sfmta.com">AndyThornley@sfmta.com</a>.

### Far Out West Garden Fundraiser: July 19th



elebrate the Far Out West Dune Community Garden's first birthday and its Indiegogo Campaign Launch party on Thursday, July 17 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Celia's Mexican Restaurant (4019 Judah Street). The Far Out West Garden was created through community building in partnership with St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Judah. Over the past year, neighbors and friends have worked together to turn a formerly neglected space into a productive urban farm and outdoor classroom. In addition to celebrating everything they have accomplished in the past year, they will also be raising funds for an ADA-compliant pathway, supply shed, and greenhouse. Celia's has committed to donating 10 % of food and beverage sales

for the evening to the campaign. Purchase your tickets today! <a href="www.eventbrite.com/e/far-out-wests-first-birthday-and-indiegogo-campaign-launch-party-tickets-11984346503?aff=efbevent">www.eventbrite.com/e/far-out-wests-first-birthday-and-indiegogo-campaign-launch-party-tickets-11984346503?aff=efbevent</a>

### Updale on Children's Fund/PEEF Renewal

n the past, voters have approved two measures that have significantly improved funding for services for children and youth. These measures include:

- **Children's Fund:** Thanks to a community-led grassroots campaign, the City established a Children's Fund administered by the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) to support and strengthen the community-based service delivery system for children, youth, and families, with a focus on prevention and early intervention. The fund is supported by a \$0.03 property tax set-aside on every \$100 worth of assessed property.
- Public Education Enrichment Fund (PEEF): PEEF provides critical funding to improve educational quality. Administered by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD), the fund is split between SFUSD and First 5 San Francisco to support programs such as the Preschool for All initiative and student support programs.

Both of these critical funds are set to expire and must be renewed in November 2014. A broad coalition of stakeholders have been working on a ballot initiative that combines the renewal of these funds with the implementation of a Children and Families Council and changes to how SFUSD accesses its Rainy Day Reserve. This combined ballot initiative will also:

- Extend the Children's Fund and PEEF to June 30, 2041;
- · Increase the property tax set-aside a quarter cent each year for four years to \$0.04 for each \$100 of assessed property value in FY 2018-2019;
- · Allow the City to use the Fund to provide services to vulnerable disconnected Transitional-Aged Youth ages 18-24 years old;
- · Increase the planning cycle from three years to five; and
- Create an 11-member Children, Youth and Their Families Oversight and Advisory Committee to participate in the planning process and oversee the administration of the Fund.

The Board of Supervisors will vote to place the charter amendment on the November 2014 ballot on July 15. If approved, voters will have the chance to support funding for children and youth for years to come.

### Minimum Wage Updale

fter several discussions with business, nonprofit, labor and community leaders over the past six months, Mayor Lee – along with 10 members of the Board of Supervisors - introduced a consensus measure that will raise San Francisco's minimum wage to \$15 per hour by July 1, 2018.

Employers must pay San Francisco's higher minimum wage for all covered work performed in the City. However, youth trainees and senior subsidized employment will be capped at a rate of \$12.25 plus an annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment. The increase in the minimum wage will phase in over the next four years according to the following schedule:

- · January 1, 2015: \$11.00 per hour
- May 1, 2015: \$12.25 per hour
- · July 1, 2016: \$13.00 per hour
- · July 1, 2017: \$14.00 per hour
- · July 1, 2018: \$15.00 per hour

The Board of Supervisors must first vote to place the measure on the November ballot to give voters the chance to support or reject the proposal in the November 2014 election.

## Parents for Public Schools Gelling Ready for Kindergarlen Workshop: August $6^{\rm th}$

or parents, having a child start kindergarten is a big step. Parents for Public Schools San Francisco, a nonprofit organization that assists families and works to ensure quality public schools for all children in our city, is hosting workshops across San Francisco to share advice and tips to make the transition to kindergarten as easy as possible for families. Learn about what to expect from your child, what to expect from the school, parent responsibilities and involvement, and practical tips from other parents.



Join Parents for Public Schools in the Sunset District on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm – 8:00pm at the Ortega Branch Library located at 3223 Ortega Street and 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Other workshops will be held in July. For a detailed calendar, visit <a href="www.ppssf.org/Events\_calendar.html">www.ppssf.org/Events\_calendar.html</a>. To register for a workshop, visit <a href="www.eventbrite.com/o/parents-for-public-schools-of-san-francisco-1329549149">www.eventbrite.com/o/parents-for-public-schools-of-san-francisco-1329549149</a>. To learn more about Parents for Public Schools, visit <a href="www.ppssf.org">www.ppssf.org</a>.

# Community Challenge Grant Cycle Opens in August

By: Somer Kwon, District 4 Intern





he Community Challenge Grant (CCG) supports nonprofits, businesses and residents by supplying matching grants in order to make improvements to their neighborhoods and communities. These improvements include adding landscaping, creating gathering spaces and public art. Past Sunset District awardees include the La Playa Park Coalition. The CCG awarded the La Playa Park Coalition \$18,000 to build "La Playa Park South" at La Playa Street between Judah and Kirkham, which includes a community garden, seating and a bocce ball court. Other awardees include Friends of the Urban Forest (FUF) and the Surfrider Foundation. Both of these organizations have received funding to remove concrete and add landscaping around San Francisco, similar to our Front Yard Ambassadors Program.

Applications are available starting August 25, 2014 and are due September 29, 2014. Award announcements will be made in mid-December. For more information about the CCG, visit <a href="https://www.sfgsa.org/index.aspx?page=4264">www.sfgsa.org/index.aspx?page=4264</a>.

La Playa Park Work Day 2010 Photos by Jeff Simmons

### Merchant Spollight: Sloat Garden Center

By: Sophia Crosetti, District 4 Intern

tarted in 1958 as a small plant nursery, Sloat Garden Center quickly grew to become the Bay Area's largest independent nursery with nine stores in the San Francisco, Marin and Contra Costa counties. Dave Strauss, the current owner of Sloat Garden Center, started working at the store when he was just 14 years old, helping to load and unload cars. At 21, he became store manager and after two years working abroad for an importing pottery company, he came back to Sloat Garden Center and became the owner.

Sloat Garden Center offers a variety of services and products at their stores, with the flagship store located in the Sunset District at 2700 Sloat Boulevard. Sloat offers garden design consultation and you can always find knowledgeable staff in the store who can help you with anything from pest diagnosis to plant selection. While you may find it difficult to grow a garden in the Sunset District because of our challenging micro-climate, the experts at Sloat Garden Center know what grows best in our neighborhood, such as the native Lupine bush or drought tolerant succulents such as Aeonium and Agave.

Sloat Garden Center also offers great seminars throughout the year. The store invites local gardening experts and designers, including some of their own knowledgeable staff, to speak on a topics ranging from learning to grow bonsai to attracting hummingbirds and butterflies to your garden. The class fee is \$5 (Gardener's Reward Program members attend for free). All attendees receive a 10% off coupon, so be sure to call ahead to the seminar location to reserve a seat as attendance is limited. Attend the drop-in Succulent Design Clinic at the Sloat Boulevard store on July 20th. Stop by the store at any from 11:00am - 1:00pm to pick out your favorite pot and succulents, and leave with a finished arrangement created by you!

2700 Sloat Boulevard @ 46th Avenue (415) 566-4415



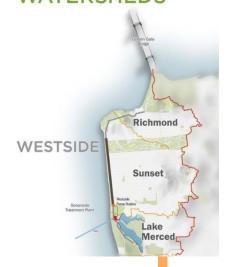




## Recap on the STPUC Westside Urban Watershed Open House

WESTSIDE WATERSHEDS

By: Max Lelu, District 4 Intern



n June 19<sup>th</sup> the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) hosted the Westside Urban Watershed Assessment Open House at the County Fair Building in Golden Gate Park. Representatives from the SFPUC and over 30 residents attended the event. The SFPUC is implementing the Urban Watershed Assessment as a strategy to identify both green and grey infrastructure improvements for the Sewer System Improvement Program (SSIP). The SSIP is a 20+ year and multi-billion dollar initiative to upgrade San Francisco's aging sewer infrastructure system. To learn more about the SSIP, visit: <a href="http://www.sfwater.org/index.aspx?page=116">http://www.sfwater.org/index.aspx?page=116</a>. The Westside Watershed includes the Richmond, Sunset and Lake Merced Watersheds.

Experts detailed the opportunities for community involvement and outlined the project timeline:

- · Winter 2012 to Summer 2014: Planning
- Summer 2014 to Spring 2015: Design
- Summer 2015 to Summer 2016: Construction

Green infrastructure projects aimed at reducing the strain on the sewer system include permeable pavement, rain gardens and vegetated bulb-outs. A representative from the Friends of the Urban Forest (FUF) highlighted various rainwater filtration strategies, including District 4's Front Yard Ambassador Program: <a href="https://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=15348">www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=15348</a>. Grey infrastructure improvements in the Sunset include replacing sewer pipes and upgrading water treatment facilities.

Be sure to check out the SFPUC calendar to get involved at <a href="www.sfwater.org/index.aspx?page=20">www.sfwater.org/index.aspx?page=20</a>.

If you would like more information or would like to fill out the following online survey on the Urban Watershed Assessment, please visit <a href="www.westside.">www.westside.</a> <a href="mailto:metroquest.com">metroquest.com</a>. The survey will be open until August 15th.

### Repaving Kezar Drive this Summer

By: Luis Vidalon-Suzuki, District 4 Intern



Photo by Beck Diefenbach

ezar Drive is a major connection for the Sunset District to downtown San Francisco. Continuous daily use and hundreds of thousands of automobiles have caused major deterioration of Kezar Drive and the community has brought this to the attention of our office as well as the District 5 office.

Kezar Drive falls within the boundaries of Golden Gate Park, and is thus under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department (RPD) – unlike most of our major arterial roads. With the help of RPD, the Department of Public Works, Supervisor London Breed's Office and our office, funding was finally identified to repair this important thoroughfare.

The project is slated for completion in early July. Many driving along Kezar have likely already noticed the improvements. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (415) 554-7460 or email <u>ashley.summers@sfgov.org</u>.

### Emergency Preparedness Tip for July: Make an Emergency Plan

e can never be sure when a disaster or emergency will occur. However, we can take small steps now to plan and prepare for a disaster that will help mitigate its effects and ensure our community will be able to recover quickly. Our office will provide monthly tips to help Sunset District residents prepare for a disaster, and you can find detailed information at <a href="https://www.sf72.org">www.sf72.org</a>.

The first and simplest step in making an emergency plan is discussing with your friends, relatives and/or immediate family three basic questions:



I. Who is in the group you will want to get in touch with immediately after an emergency occurs?

2. Who will be the out-of-state contact that can serve as a hub for information in case you cannot reach anyone in your local area?

3. Where will be the agreed-upon place that your group will meet at after an emergency occurs?

Starting this discussion will ensure everyone in your group is clear on who and how to communicate with and where to meet them. Connecting now will decrease the confusion when you have to connect after an emergency.

### July's Adoptable Animals from ACC

San Francisco Animal Care & Control 1200 15<sup>th</sup> Street @ Harrison Street (415) 554-6364

www.animalshelter.sfgov.org

The San Francisco Department of Animal Care and Control is San Francisco's only open door animal shelter that accepts any animal, in any condition, of any temperament. SF ACC is responsible for the City's stray, injured, abandoned, neglected and mistreated animals, of all species, including wildlife. Services include adoptions, lost pets, animal law enforcement, dog licensing, animal cruelty and abuse investigations, animal rescue, and disaster planning for pets. SF ACC is committed to the delivery of effective, courteous, and responsive animal care and control services to the residents of San Francisco.



**Kix** (A356499) Kix is a 7 year old Dachshund/Terrier mix with a fabulous personality. She loves walking and sitting in your lap and could be a good fit for a home with gentle and attentive children.

**Kiska** (A352607) Kiska is a sweet and beautiful 4 year old girl who recently had a litter of kittens who have been adopted. Kiska would do best as the only cat in her household and is a people-friendly and loving girl!



Mr. Finch (A349476) This cute white rabbit was found as a stray and is ready for a new home. He can be a bit shy, but he is so sweet and easy to handle. He will build confidence in a steady and loving home.



### Supervisor Tang and San Francisco Unified School District (SPUSD) to Host Community Meeting Regarding Francis Scott Key Annex Building on July 16th



n the process of reaching out to the community during the initial outreach phase of our Sunset District Blueprint, our office heard repeatedly from neighbors about the Francis Scott Key Annex at 1351 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between Judah and Kirkham Streets. Residents shared many questions regarding the site, and asked for information on the ownership of the building; current uses; and future potential uses of the property.

Many residents have shared input on what uses they would most like to see on the site. Suggestions have included: housing, childcare facilities, retail, a community center, green space, a wellness center, and a place for seniors. Community members also expressed a desire to see the site house temporary uses, such as for festival space, an outdoor market, or a seasonal pumpkin patch. Currently, the site is owned by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) and is leased by the Principal Center. According to the Western Neighborhoods Project, the building was erected in the late

1910s or early 1920s (<u>www.outsidelands.org</u>). The school building was condemned to students due to seismic reasons.

In March, our office hosted a workshop about the "opportunity" sites that exist in the Sunset District – sites where there is the possibility to more fully maximize the space to better serve our community. At this meeting, many residents expressed a strong desire to see the Francis Scott Key



Annex become more useful for the community. To view suggestions from that meeting, visit: <a href="www.sf-planning.org/ftp/files/plans-and-programs/in-your-neighborhood/invest-in-neighborhoods/Sunset\_Land\_Use\_Opportunities\_Meeting-Notes-3-5-2014.pdf">www.sf-planning.org/ftp/files/plans-and-programs/in-your-neighborhoods/Sunset\_Land\_Use\_Opportunities\_Meeting-Notes-3-5-2014.pdf</a>.

In an effort to move this discussion forward, our office is hosting a community meeting with SFUSD on Wednesday July 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm – 7:30pm at the Francis Scott Key Annex building at 1351 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue between Judah and Kirkham Streets. SFUSD will discuss the status of the building and listen to community input on the site. We welcome all interested residents to participate in this forum. If you have any questions about this meeting, please contact our office at (415) 554-7460 or email ashley.summers@sfgov.org.

## Upcoming Events

July 2 | Wednesday | 7:00pm - 8:00pm

#### Golden Gate Heights Park Community Meeting

Join the Taraval Police Station, the San Francisco District Attorney Neighborhood Prosecution Unit, Animal Care & Control and San Francisco Regional Park Rangers at this community meeting to discuss the Golden Gate Heights neighborhood and Golden Gate Heights Park rules and regulations.

Taraval Police Station | 2345 24th Avenue and Taraval Street For more information call (415) 759-3100

July 5 | Saturday | 9:30pm - 12:00pm

#### The Riptide's 10th Anniversary Celebration

Come celebrate your favorite neighborhood honky-tonk's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a performance by Red Meat! The Riptide has been serving the Sunset District fireside for a decade with affordable drinks, Bingo and great free music.

The Riptide | 3639 Taraval Street and 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue For more information: <a href="https://www.riptidesf.com">www.riptidesf.com</a>

July 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th | Sundays | 2:00pm

#### Stern Grove Festival 77th Season

Every year since 1938, these admission-free performances have brought outdoor entertainment to San Francisco. Every Sunday this summer (June 22 – August 24), come enjoy family-friendly art, music and entertainment.

July 6th: San Francisco Symphony, July 13th: Funky Meters, July 20th: Pupy Y Los Que Son Son, July 27th: Rufus Wainwright

Stern Grove | 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard

For the full lineup, visit: <a href="https://www.sterngrove.org/home/concertsevents/2014-season/">www.sterngrove.org/home/concertsevents/2014-season/</a>

July 7 | Tuesday | 7:00pm

#### **Outer Sunset Merchants and Professionals Association (OSMPA)**

The OSMPA fosters the trade and industrial interests of its membership, promotes the advancement of the Irving Street District; and provides a place for the open exchange of ideas, discussions and adoption of methods and policies for the good of the neighborhood and the members.

Hard Wear Store | 2401 Irving Street and 25th Avenue For more information: <a href="https://www.irvingstreetmerchants.com">www.irvingstreetmerchants.com</a>

July 9 | Wednesday | 6:00pm - 7:30pm

#### The Sunset District Blueprint Reveal & Celebration

Come learn about our office's community plan for the Sunset District in five issue areas: Children, Families and Seniors; Land Use; Economic Development; Public Transportation & Pedestrian Safety; and Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness. Come pick up a copy of the Blueprint and discuss the goals and objectives outlined in the first ever Sunset District Blueprint.

Rolling-Out Café | 1722 Taraval Street and 27th Avenue For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=14943">www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=14943</a> or call (415) 554-7460

July 9 | Wednesday | 3:00pm

#### **Destiny Arts Capoeira**

Come experience capoeira, an Afro-Brazilian martial-art that incorporates dance, agility, music, and play. Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601</a>

July 9 | Wednesday | 7:00pm – 7:30pm

#### **Campfire Stories & Sing-Along**

Gather 'round the cozy indoor campfire for stories, songs and s'mores. Ages 4-10.

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street and 22nd Avenue

For more information, visit www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401

## Upcoming Events

July 11 | Friday | 3:00pm

#### Friday Movies for Kids: Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2

Flint Lockwood now works at The Live Corp Company for his idol Chester V. But he's forced to leave his post when he learns that his most infamous machine is still operational and is churning out menacing food-animal hybrids. PG; 95 minutes; 2013.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601</a>

July 12| Saturday | 8:00am

#### Free Spay/Neuter for Cats and Dogs in the Sunset

Join San Francisco Animal Care & Control and the Peninsula Humane Society and have your cat or dog fixed for FREE! Cats and dogs will be accepted first come first serve from 8:00 – 9:00am. Surgery will be performed by a licensed vet inside of the surgery vehicle. One pet per family, no dogs over 80lbs, and no pets over 8 years old. Pets must fast from midnight on the night before surgery and be current on vaccinations. Pets may drink water after midnight. This event will be ongoing at this location and will be held again on 8/9.

Sunset Elementary School Parking Lot | 1920 41st Avenue and Ortega Street Call Peninsula Humane Society for more info: (650) 340-7022 x387

July 12| Saturday | 9:00am

#### Relay for Life of San Francisco Sunset

Survivors, caregivers, sponsors, teams and participants – join the Relay for Life of San Francisco Sunset event to inspire hope for a world free of cancer. Your participation benefits the

American Cancer Society's mission to save lives by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures and by fighting back.

Francis Scott Key Elementary School | 1530 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Kirkham Street For more information email Daniel Schneider at <a href="mailto:Daniel.schneider@cancer.org">Daniel.schneider@cancer.org</a> Visit <a href="www.relayforlife.org/sanfranciscosunsetCA">www.relayforlife.org/sanfranciscosunsetCA</a>

July 12 | Saturday | 2:00pm — 3:00pm

#### eReader Class

Do you have an eReader? Learn how to enjoy San Francisco Public Library's collection of more than 40,000 ebooks at this workshop. Bring your Kindle, Nook, iPad or other eReader device with you and we will show you how to use it to download books.

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street and 22nd Avenue For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401</a>

July 15 | Tuesday | 7:00pm

#### **Taraval Police Station Community Meeting**

Come listen to the Captain's update and hear public safety news from around the community. To sign up for Taraval Station's newsletter, email <a href="mailto:SFPDTaravalStation@sfgov.org">SFPDTaravalStation@sfgov.org</a>.

Taraval Police Station | 2345 24th Avenue and Taraval Street

For more information: <a href="mailto:www.sf-police.org/index.aspx?page=858">www.sf-police.org/index.aspx?page=858</a>

July 16 | Wednesday | 6:00pm - 7:30pm

#### Francis Scott Key Annex Building: Community Meeting with Supervisor Tang and SFUSD

Hear from the San Francisco Unified School District on the status of the Francis Scott Key Annex building at 1351 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and discuss the potential for the building and the site.

Francis Scott Key Annex Building | 1351 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and Judah Street

For more information, call (415) 554-7460 or email ashley.summers@sfgov.org

July 17 | Thursday | 10:00am - 10:30am

#### **Boswick the Clown**

Enjoy the juggling, magic, and hilarious antics of Boswick the Clown! Boswick Turnstyle is a former Ringling Brothers Circus clown with a ridiculous slapstick style. For ages 4 and up.

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street and 22nd Avenue

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401</a>

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## Upcoming Events

July 17| Thursday | 7:00pm - 11:30pm

#### Far Out West Garden's First Birthday and Indigogo Campaign Launch Party

It's the Far Out West Garden's first birthday party, and the launch of their Indiegogo campaign to raise the rest of the funds needed for their ADA compliant pathway, secure locking shed, and greenhouse. Celia's restaurant has generously committed to donating 10% of food and beverage sales for the evening to the cause, so bring your friends and come hungry!

Celia's Mexican Restaurant | 4019 Judah Street and 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue For more information and to register, visit <a href="http://tinyurl.com/mj6lrzy">http://tinyurl.com/mj6lrzy</a>

July 19 | Saturday | 3:00pm

#### Teen Movie: Catching Fire

Katniss Everdeen and Peeta Mellark become targets of the Capitol after their victory in the 74th Hunger Games sparks a rebellion in the Districts of Panem.

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July 25 | Friday | 3:00pm

#### Friday Movies for Kids: Despicable Me 2

Gru is recruited by the Anti-Villain League to help deal with a powerful new super criminal. PG; 98 minutes; 2013.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue
For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601</a>

July 26 | Saturday | 10:00am - 12:00pm

#### **Edible Plants for Shade & Part Shade**

Got shade? Don't be jealous of those sun-drenched vegetable gardens! You absolutely can have an edible garden without 6 hours of sun every day. Join Ellyn Shea, garden educator and Bay Friendly Landscape Professional, as she shares her experiences creating and maintaining an edible garden in a north-facing backyard in San Francisco. At the end, there will be a raffle off a few shady edibles for your garden! This workshop is \$25/\$15 members, although no one will be turned away for lack of funds.

Garden for the Environment | 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Lawton Street
Pre-registration is required. To pre-register or for more information please
visit: www.gardenfortheenvironment.org

July 26 | Saturday | 2:00pm - 4:00pm

#### **Lego Mindstorms Robotics**

Work with a partner to build a LEGO Mindstorms robot. Learn how to program it to complete an awesome robotics challenge. For youth ages 11-18. Space is limited.

Parkside Library | 1200 Taraval Street and 22nd Avenue For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100002401</a>

July 28 | Monday | 3:00pm

#### Teen Jewelry Making Class with Chelsee Robinson

Local designer Chelsee will help you create your own beautiful bracelet, necklace, or earrings. Materials provided. For ages 8 to 18. Limited to 20 people. Call 415-355-5700 or visit the library to sign up.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601">www.sfpl.org/index.php?pg=0100001601</a>

August 6 | Wednesday | 6:30pm - 8:00pm

#### **Getting Ready for Kindergarten Workshop**

Starting kindergarten is a big academic and social step, for both parents and their children. Parents for Public Schools – San Francisco will share parent-to-parent advice and tips to ease families with this transition: what to expect from your child and the school; parent responsibilities and involvement; and Practical tips that experienced parents wished others had shared with them.

Ortega Library | 3223 Ortega Street and 39th Avenue

For more information, visit www.ppssf.org/Events calendar.html

