From: Karen Moore <

Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2023 11:27 AM

To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityoftracy.org>

Subject: Fwd: May 2023 Climate, Sustainability + Stewardship Newsletter

Attached is Oakland CA Environmental Newsletter which is a great communicator to the public regarding the city's environmental programs. I'd like to have a city staff contact them once the Environmental Sustainability Commission is formed to find out about our city creating a similar newsletter for Tracy.

Interesting to me was the Environmental Justice documentation which I think might encourage our City Council to rethink having training in Diversity and Inclusion training so that they understand diversity without equity and inclusion creates environmental injustice to a community.

Thank you Karen Moore

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From: City of Oakland <climate@oaklandca.gov>

Date: Tue, May 16, 2023 at 8:02 AM

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## Oakland Earth Day 2023 Recap



## **Environmental Justice and Safety Element Drafts Open for Public Review**

The City of Oakland is extremely pleased to announce the release of the <u>Draft Environmental Justice (EJ) Element</u> and <u>Draft Safety Element</u> for public review and feedback! This is the first time the City has created an Environmental Justice Element and we are excited about the draft strategies and policies to reduce pollution burdens on Oakland's most vulnerable communities. The Safety Element Update provides a gameplan for addressing natural and man-made disasters and improving our resilience to climate change impacts. For a quick primer on what each Element covers, please check out our <u>EJ</u> and <u>Safety</u> Factsheets (multi-lingual translation for the Safety Factsheets will be coming soon).

The Draft EJ and Safety Elements are accompanied by a Racial Equity Impact Analysis (REIA) that analyzes each Element to support the development of equitable policies that are concrete, data-driven, outcome-oriented, and problem-solving.

We encourage you to take time to digest these drafts and provide us with any feedback and questions you may have. They will be available for 90-day comment period that begins on March 24, 2023, and ends on **June 22, 2023**. You may review and provide comments directly on the Draft Elements via Konveio or submit comments via email to <a href="mailto:generalplan@oaklandca.gov">generalplan@oaklandca.gov</a>.

We will be accepting requests for presentations on the Draft Elements from community-based organizations and neighborhood councils over the next few months. Please email requests to generalplan@oaklandca.gov.



## **EBCE EV Charging Infrastructure Rebates**

Limited funding remains for Level 2 electric vehicle charging infrastructure through East Bay Community Energy's partnership with the California Energy Commission's Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (CALeVIP). Businesses, commercial and multifamily housing properties, and public agency facilities in Alameda County can apply for rebates up to \$80,000 on eligible electric vehicle charger equipment and installation costs.

If you are new to EV charging, CALeVIP has created a list of service providers in your area to assist with developing an EV charging project for your site. To access that list, please visit <u>calevip.org/find-an-evsp</u>. To learn more about eligibility requirements, visit the <u>Alameda County Incentive Project website</u>.





More Building Electrification Resource Fairs in May and JuneThe City of Oakland's Sustainability team is continuing to host Building Electrification Resource Fairs throughout Oakland! On May 5th and 11th, we were at Cypress Mandela Training Center and the West Oakland Senior Center where local residents had the chance to speak with representatives from the major local energy service providers (BayREN, EBCE, Rising Sun, Grid Alternatives, PG&E) to learn about rebates and incentives for electrifying their home. Attendees also received tea made on our very own induction cooktop and enjoyed a free dinner from local caterers. We look forward to our future resource fairs and other pop-ups throughout Oakland's neighborhoods! See where we are going to be next in May and June on our website and sign up for a resource fair in your neighborhood on Eventbrite.



## **New TECH Clean California Heat Pump Rebates**

The <u>TECH Clean California program</u> is a statewide initiative to accelerate clean space and water heating technologies. For 2023-2024, the program has been allocated \$145 million over the next two years, with at least 40 percent of the funds committed to low-income households and disadvantaged communities. TECH Clean California has over 1,000 enrolled contractors who can help households claim <u>\$1,000</u> for new heat pump HVAC systems, with up to two incentivized systems per home for a total of \$2,000 when replacing a gas appliance. Single family incentives for heat pump water heaters will launch later this year starting at \$3,100 per unit. <u>Multifamily</u> incentives will be available by early June and will include up to \$2,000 for heat pump HVAC systems per unit and \$2,100 for heat pump water heaters. The incentives are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Homeowners can take advantage of limited time incentives in California and find pre-qualified, TECH-certified contractors on the Switch Is On website.



**East Bay Green Home Tour 2023** 

Saturday, May 20, 10:00am-12:30pm

Online and Free, Register Now!

The East Bay Green Home Tour is your chance to take a free, virtual tour of the homes of six of your neighbors and see the eco-minded improvements they've made. Presentations by experts and Q&A's with homeowners will help you find your own way to improve air quality, generate clean energy, and move towards a safer, healthier, greener future, in the place you call home.

In this year's program, you'll see:

- · culturally specific cuisines cooked on induction,
- a fantastic greywater and rainwater system,
- tips for new homeowners,
- how to electrify with no money down,
- how to electrify on a 100-amp panel,
- how to green a condo and persuade your HOA to go electric,
- and solar, batteries, and smart panels.

You'll **learn about local/state/federal rebates and incentives** for home upgrades, and the current landscape for solar—all from the comfort of your home. With every home upgrade, you can help us all to a more sustainable and climate safe future.



### **New Zero NOx Appliance Standards**

On March 14th, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) passed a new zero nitrous-oxide (NOx) emissions standard for furnaces and water heaters. NOx is a chemical byproduct of fossil fuel combustion that reacts to form ozone and particulate matter (air pollution). The resulting air pollution causes many health issues, including asthma, heart attacks, and premature deaths, with increased severity in racial minorities. For these reasons, BAAQMD approved the zero-NOx appliance standards, allowing only zero-NOx water heaters to be sold or installed in the Bay Area starting in 2027 and zero-NOx furnaces following suit in 2029. A factsheet summary of these new regulations can be found on BAAQMD's website.



#### **Green House Calls from Rising Sun**

Would you like to reduce your utility and water costs? Rising Sun offers Green House Calls which are no-cost in-home retrofitting service to Bay Area residents as a part of our Climate Careers youth development program. During the Summer, our trained youth staff conduct Green House Calls that include the installation of LEDs, sink aerators, low-flow showerheads and more. Green House Calls consist of Non-Permanent installations so they're accessible for both renters and homeowners!

How do you sign up for a Green House Call? Simple! Complete this SURVEY and we'll reach out to you to confirm your appointment this Summer.



## **EBCE Health-e Home Program and 2023 Commercial Rebates**

EBCE's Health-e Home program, in partnership with BlocPower and Revalue.io, provides low- to moderate-income homeowners with affordable financing options to

gain access to the health and safety benefits of transitioning to clean energy and electric appliances. The Health-e Home program also supports health and safety improvements such as wiring upgrades and roofing repairs—all to help reduce indoor air pollution, increase resiliency during extreme weather events, and potentially increase home value. For more information, visit <a href="https://ebce.org/health-e-home/">https://ebce.org/health-e-home/</a>

For businesses, EBCE has commercial rebates for restaurants and home performance contractors. EBCE is offering \$17,500 for <a href="https://high-powered-electric-induction-cooking-equipment">high-powered-electric-induction-cooking-equipment</a> for cleaner and more comfortable indoor air for staff and customers. For home performance contractors and plumbers, EBCE is giving \$1,000 for qualified professionals to install <a href="https://high-efficiency-heat-pump-water-heaters">high-efficiency-heat-pump-water-heaters</a> in their service area. Learn more about these commercial rebates at <a href="https://ebce.org/programs-business/">husiness/</a> or call 1-833-699-EBCE (3223) during business hours.



Induction Cooktop Lending Program and Rebates! Induction is the safest and most energy-efficient cooking technology available today. The difference is in the technology. See for yourself!

- **EBCE**: Reserve your Induction Lending Kit today, including a portable cooktop and compatible pan, operating instructions, and recipes. The loan period is 21 days. The induction Cooktop lending Program is available to all residential electricity customers residing in the East Bay--EBCE customers as well as non-customers who receive service from PG&E.
- PG&E: PG&E's new Induction Cooktop Loaner Program offers plug-in countertop induction units for two-weeks, at no cost, to all residents. To borrow and learn more about induction cooking, visit <u>pge.com/inductionloaner</u> where you can start the loan process. PG&E will provide shipping details and cover shipping costs.

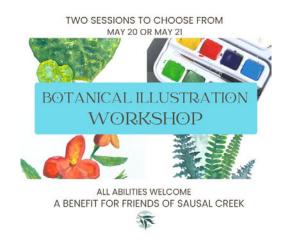
EBCE is also offering **up to \$300** per eligible residential customer for an induction cooktop/range, when you replace an existing gas appliance. Rebates are available on a first-come, first-served basis for qualifying residents with homes built in 2016 or earlier. Restrictions apply. Learn more and apply <u>here</u> today!



#### **EBCE Resilient Home Program**

With **Resilient Home**. EBCE has done the upfront legwork to select an experienced partner, Sunrun, and pre-negotiated solar and battery backup system incentives for Oakland homeowners. To further lower customer costs, Sunrun will pay homeowners \$1,250 after installation for agreeing to share their stored energy with EBCE when demand on the power grid is high. This will help the grid operate more reliably, and cut carbon emissions and costs for all EBCE customers.

Keep the lights on and the fridge cold. <u>Sign up now</u> to see if a solar and battery backup system is a good fit for your home



## Friends of Sausal Creek Botanical Illustration Workshop

Join Friends of Sausal Creek and artist Kristi Holohan for a botanical illustration workshop for all ability levels in Dimond Park along Sausal Creek on **May 20 and 21**. Tickets are available <u>here</u> with a sliding scale option for those in financial need.

Proceeds go to benefit our native plant restoration, wildlife monitoring, and environmental education work in the watershed. For more information, please contact: kristi.holohan@gmail.com



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On December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 5:45 a.m. Jose Sarmento a resident of Tracy for over 52 years, was struck and killed while crossing 11<sup>th</sup> St. in a crosswalk riding his electric scooter with his lights on and reflective vest visible on his scooter. He was going to the Fresh Donut Shop for his daily coffee and donut. He had utilized this crosswalk every day for several years until he was struck and killed by an in-tentative experienced driver who failed to see him who was going over the posted speed limit by 12 mph. The driver never applied his brakes until after he hit Jose Sarmento, another car did yield to Jose Sarmento several hundred feet before the crosswalk.

This Petition is for the City of Tracy to apply for a U.S. Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads Grant (DOT-OST-2023-0048) to fund a Lightguard Smart Crosswalk at this uncontrolled intersection along with other uncontrolled crosswalks throughout the City of Tracy. This illuminated Lightguard Smart Crosswalk has proven to increase the safety to Pedestrians by 80% especially during night or limited visibility conditions. Please sign below to help prevent another potential crosswalk death to our pedestrians. Thank You

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# Council Business Transparency Report Eleassia Davis, Mayor Pro Tempore City of Tracy

Report Period: March 1st-April 30th 2023

#### **March 2023**

- 3/1 Attended Dr. Suess Night at Central School: read "I Am Not Going To Get Up Today" by Dr. Suess to the children and parents in attendance.
- 3/4 Attended Tracy PD Crabfeed Fundraiser
- 3/7 Attended Regular Tracy City Council Meeting

#### **ACTION**

- Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Evans to adopt Resolution 2023-047 approving the temporary closure of the City-controlled portion of Hansen Road, at the north City limits, south of Interstate 205 for a period of eighteen months to coincide with the County's closure of its portion of Hansen Road to mitigate traffic safety concerns. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola, Mayor Young deferred the seconded to Mayor Pro Tem Davis to adopt Resolution 2023-048 A) approving and adopting, effective as of July 1, 2023, the proposed Citywide Master Fee Schedule, reflecting a cost recovery target of 72% including the staff administrative amendment and excluding the bingo fee amendment, and B) rescinding, effective as of July 1, 2023, Resolution 2020-110 that approved the current Citywide Master Fee Schedule. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

#### **COUNCIL ITEMS**

- MPT Davis Requested support for asking staff to start researching alternative sites on City-owned land to locate a community aquatics center and research using the P3 model. Council Member Evans supported the request.
- MPT Davis requested support to rescind the resolution authorizing the City Manager to take any directly related and immediate action required by the shelter emergency without giving notice for bids to let contracts pursuant to PCC Section 22050 and TMC Section 2.20.270 because there is no longer an emergency regarding interim housing. Council Member Evans supported the request.
- City Attorney Bijal Patel clarified that the emergency for the shelter crisis is very important
  to keep because it affects other rights and obligations that Council has and requested
  clarification for both parts to be rescinded or one part. Mayor Pro Tem Davis clarified
  that it is just the previously stated part.
- MPT Davis requested that staff provide an update to the city's community calendar so that the community does not miss out on critical events happening in the city.
- MPT Davis requested staff bring back updated information regarding Sutter's obligation and plans to build a new hospital. Council Member Arriola supported.
- MPT Davis requested staff to bring back an environmental sustainability policy discussion that addresses warehouse expansion's environmental impacts on the community's health. Discussion to include air quality/particulate matter. Council Member Arriola supported.

- Attended P3 Conference Dallas, Texas Attended multiple sessions on the benefits of using the P3 model; Learned how to make significant projects come to fruition using the P3 model. Discussed the pros and cons of the P3 model, the types of projects best served by using the P3 model; the importance of establishing an internal team, including a project lead; technical, financial, and legal advisors to ensure a successful project, and more. (Provided a Facebook Transparency post and a verbal update to the Council on conference activities.)
- 3/15 Attended City DS (Development Services) meeting.
- 3/18 Attended Tracy Little League's Opening Day Ceremony-had the honor of throwing out the first pitch in the league's Girls' Soft Ball history.
- 3/16 Attended Briefing with DS on Master Plan, General Plan, Housing Element
- 3/16 Tracy Homeless Advisory Committee: ACTION: MPT Davis requested a
  written audit of all expenses to date paid by the City of Tracy related to the
  Interim Temporary Emergency Housing Facility, seconded by CM Bedolla
- 3/21 Attended Closed Session and Regular Tracy City Council Meeting ACTION:
  - Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis that City Council receive the Annual Progress Report for the Tracy General Plan and the Annual Element Progress Report for the Housing Element. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
  - Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to receive the informational report regarding the Tracy Arts Commission annual report for calendar year 2022. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
  - Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to receive an informational report regarding the City of Tracy Police Department's Annual Report for Calendar Year 2022. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
  - Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to move Item 3.D to the April 4, 2023, regular Council meeting. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.

#### **ACTION/CONTINUANCE:**

• Motion was made by Council Member Bedolla and seconded Council Member Evans to continue item 3.C to the next available time. Roll call found Council Members Bedolla, Evans and Mayor Pro Tem Davis in favor; passed and so ordered. Council Member Arriola and Mayor Young opposed. 3.C Receive information and provide feedback regarding 1) the proposed FY 2024 Capital Budget, 2) the proposed five-year FY 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and 3) Measure V updates. – Item moved to the next available time.

 3/22 Attended and Chaired the Special Meeting/Joint Council and Planning Commission Meeting

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to receive the informational presentation regarding the City's General Plan Housing Element Update, the "Builder's Remedy" as provided for in the State Housing Accountability Act, and on-going City initiatives to help encourage housing production. Roll call found Council Members Arriola, Bedolla, Mayor Pro Tem Davis, Mayor Young, Planning Commissioners Augustus, Atwal, BoakyeBoateng and Chair Hudson all in favor; passed and so ordered. Council Member Evans and Planning Commission Vice Chair Orcutt were absent.

- 3/23 Attended Chamber Government Relations Committee Meeting-shared an economic development update with the committee regarding new businesses in progress or slated to come to Tracy, including multiple hotels, a Dutch Brothers, and others.
- 3/23 Attended the Boys and Girls Club Art Walk
- 3/24-3/29 Attended the National League of Cities Conference
- ACTION: Met with Congressman Harder and representatives for Senator Feinstein and Senator Padilla's office; lobbied legislators for 5 million dollars for Multi-Generational Center, police and fire projects, and funding for i205 and 580 exchange improvements; Attended Rail Road Round Table meeting; met with Union Pacific representative and got contact information for our regional UP representative who can help us address some of the issues we are having with encampments along the tracks and more. (Facebook Transparency Report Provided online; Verbal Report Provided During Council Meeting)
- 3/31 Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour: Met with plant staff for an informational tour, where we were informed of critical upgrades to equipment.
- 3/31 Attended Women's Small Business Network of San Joaquin's Vision Board Mixer

#### **April 2023**

- 4/1 Attended Tracy Woman's Club Annual Tea Party
- 4/2 Attended Tracy Interfaith Ministries Annual Dinner and Auction Fundraiser at Saint Bernard's Church.
- Attended Taps on Tenth annual event
- 4/4 Attended Close Session; Special Meeting (5-year forecast workshop), and Regular City Council Meeting

#### **ACTION**

- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to adopt Resolution 2023-061 (1) Accepting the construction for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Improvements Project, CIP 73177, for work completed by Tracy Grading and Paving, Inc. of Tracy, California; (2) Authoring the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion with the San Joaquin County Recorder's Office; (3) Authorizing the City Engineer to release the bonds and retention payment; and (4) Authorizing the Finance Department to close the project. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Adopt a resolution 1) authorizing the issuance and sale of special tax bonds for the purpose of financing authorized facilities and 2) approving and authorizing related documents and actions for Improvement Area No. 3 of the City of Tracy Community Facilities District No. 2016-2. Mayor Pro Tem Davis recused herself from the item due to proximity of real property. Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Mayor Young to adopt a Resolution to authorize 1) The issuance and sale of Special Tax Bonds for the purpose of financing authorized facilities, and 2) approving and authorizing related documents and actions for Improvement Area No. 3 of the City of Tracy Community Facilities District No. 2016-2 (ECFD). Roll call found Council Member Arriola and Mayor Young in favor. Council Member Bedolla and Council Member Evans opposed. Mayor Pro Tem Davis recused herself from the item. Motion failed.
- Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis and seconded by Council Member Arriola to adopt a Resolution of Intention 2023-062 to approve an amendment to the contract between the City of Tracy and the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to provide public service credit for Peace Corps, AmeriCorps Vista, or AmeriCorps Service for all local miscellaneous members and all local Police Members. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Brought up over a year ago with no follow-up, MPT Davis requested information about when her infrastructure and critical needs strategic plan was coming back and if that plan could be part of the infrastructure funding conversation because we need a policy that prioritizes infrastructure and our commitment to funding our own infrastructure, so we take the reliance off of developers and grants.
- 4/5 Attended the Chamber's popular RED TOUR, visited multiple Tracy businesses, and learned about upcoming projects.
- 4/5 Supported Tracy students and The Grand by attending the Festival of Cultures.
- 4/6 Conducted Measure V Interviews with CM Evans

- 4/8 Attended the Grand by attending the Sun Kings concert. Met and thanked the band for bringing their amazing show to Tracy.
- 4/9 MPT Davis organized and hosted a free Easter event for Tracy's youth at WorkVine 209 Suites. Children were given treat bags and took photos with the Easter Bunny.
- 4/10 Celebrated the 100th Birthday of Ms. Rowena Donaldson at the Elks Lodge
- 4/12 Remotely attended the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority Meeting (Held during the League of California Cities Leaders Summit in Sacramento, CA.)
- Discussed the preliminary budget for Fiscal Year 23-24
- Closed Session/Labor Negotiations
- 4/12-4/14 Attended the League of California Cities City Leaders Summit in Sacramento, CA.

#### **ACTION**

- Met with and lobbied our State Assemblymember Carlos Villapuda, Asm. Heath
  Flora and a representative for Senator Susan Eggman for 3 billion dollars for our
  region. These dollars would help with addressing homelessness and housing
  needs. We also requested support on various bills. The Members and the
  Senator's office were very supportive of our requests. A Facebook
  Transparency post was shared online, and a verbal report was given during
  Council items.
- 4/14 Attended the Grand by attending the Henry Cho comedy show. I met and thanked Mr. Cho for bringing his incredible act to Tracy, CA.
- 4/15 Attended the DARE/Brighter Christmas Fundraiser Birthday Bash and wished Steve "Officer Abs" Abercrombie a Happy Birthday.
- 4/15 Attended the Tracy Little League Crabfeed Fundraiser event
- 4/18 Met with the owners and congratulated Imperial Spice on opening their new restaurant on Grantline Road. Thanked them for choosing to do business in the city of Tracy.
- 4/18 Attended and Chaired Closed Session; Special Meeting and Regular City Council Meeting.

#### **ACTION**

- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member Bedolla to consider a proposed increase in line with Option 2 to the wastewater rates. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member Bedolla to adopt Resolution 2023–068 approving the formation and bylaws of an Environmental Sustainability Commission of the City of Tracy, striking the sentence from Section E.3 of the bylaws, and adding two voting youth that are

- considered high school students up to and including their senior graduating year for terms of one year that are voting members and residents of Tracy. **Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.**
- Motion was made by Council Member Bedolla and seconded by Council Member Arriola to waive the reading of the full text and introduce an ordinance amending Tracy Municipal Code Sections 3.04.010, 3.04.030, and 3.04.130 to increase the fine amounts for administrative citations issued for violations of Chapter 3.04, "Fireworks". Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member Bedolla to receive an update on the status of the background clearance process applicable to Cannabis Business Permit holders. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member Bedolla to receive a report on the City Council's FY 2022-2023 Operating Budget for travel and related expenses. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Arriola and seconded by Council Member Bedolla to adopt a Resolution 2023-069 approving 1) Rescinding Resolution 2021-140, which adopted and amended the Policy for Reimbursement for travel and expenses for elected and appointed officials; and 2) Adopting a new Policy for Reimbursement for Travel and Expenses for elected and Council-appointed officials. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- Motion was made by Council Member Evans and seconded by Council Member Arriola to appoint a Council subcommittee of Council Member Evans and Council Member Bedolla and Council Member Arriola as alternate to interview applicants to fill one term vacancy on the Tracy Parks and Community Services Commission. Roll call found all in favor; passed and so ordered.
- At the request of applicant, item 3A was continued to June 6, 2023
- 4/20 Attended North School's Ribbon Cutting. Presented a Certificate of recognition to Principal Hawkins and Superintendent Dr. Pecot on behalf of the Mayor and City Council. I congratulated them on their beautifully renovated school.
- 4/22 Supported the Tracy Kings and Kweens 1st inaugural tournament at Kimball High School. Participated in the Jump Ball Ceremony and watched the teams play.
- 4/22 Attended the American Legion Law and Order Dinner Awards
   Recognized and honored police and fire personnel for going above and beyond
   the call of duty. Presented certificates on behalf of the Mayor and Council.
- 4/24-4/27 Tracy Federal Lobby Trip <u>ACTION</u>

- Attended over a dozen meetings over the course of two days lobbying for over 120 million dollars in funding and resources, and support for Tracy-specific needs. Those projects included: Valley Link, the Central Valley Gateway Project for improvements to the i205 and 580 interchanges; Water Infrastructure upgrades, including a water storage reservoir and a pump station; the Nature Park, Legacy Fields, New Jerusalem Airport, The Grand Theater, Smart Cities Technology and more.
- Federal money is typically given to the State. Smaller California cities in rural, non-urbanized areas are often overlooked. We also requested that our legislators support the direct allocation of funds to Tracy so we aren't competing with bigger cities with more political influence. ARPA was a great example of direct-funding allocations that helped our city help some of our small business owners stay open during COVID; ARPA funding also helped us open the interim shelter.
- Met with the following legislators, departments, and one or more representatives per encounter:
- Grace Chan, Policy Advisor for Congressman Mark DeSaulnier
- Congressman Josh Harder
- The Environmental Protection Agency
- Sarah Swig, Policy Advisor for Senator Alex Padilla
- Department of Interior/National Park Service, Joy Beasley, Associate Director
- Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation, David Palumbo, Deputy Commissioner
- Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, Daria Daniel, Congressional Affairs Specialist
- Federal Transit Administration Federal Highway Administration
- Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency AFC/AFER/Cybersecurity Offices, Catherine Patterson, Branch Chief
- Department of Justice (Joint Meeting ) Office of Community Oriented Policing Services and Bureau of Justice Assistance
- National Aeronautics and Space (NASA) Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate., Nancy Mendoonca, Deputy, Mission Integration Office
- Congressman John Duarte
- Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration Herb Tyson, Director
- Congressman Eric Swalwell

All legislators and/or their representatives seemed genuinely interested and supportive of our requests. Funding is extremely competitive, but each stated they would do what they can for us, including writing letters of support where necessary.

- 4/28 Attended Chest of Hope's Keys to Greatness Annual Luncheon in support of preventing and ending domestic violence in San Joaquin County. The event was held at Great Wolf Lodge in Manteca.
- 4/28 Attended the Tracy High Softball 2nd Annual Comedy Gala at Portuguese Hall
- 4/29 Attended Tracy Earth Project's Earth Day Celebration