

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, August 6, 2020 - 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Zoom Meeting

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Frank Teran, President
Dee Gavaldon, Vice President
Jesus Mendoza, Treasurer

DIRECTORS

Alison Alexander
Carol Arbini-McFarland
Terry Dugan
Kathy Gee
Larnell Gill
Richard Leimbach
Liz Lott
Chris Peterson
Jay Rutherfordale

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call, Adopt or amend Agenda, Approval of minutes
3. Presentation by Sacramento County Dept. of Health Services
 - a. “Self Care During a Pandemic”
4. Reports and Rosemont Area Updates
 - a. Law Enforcement / Neighborhood Watch / Business Watch
 - i. POP Officer Presentation: Homelessness Enforcement During COVID-19
 - b. County
 - c. Cordova Recreation & Park District (CRPD)
 - d. Cordova Planning Advisory Committee (CORPAC)
 - e. Schools
 - f. CalAm
5. Community Spotlight Award
6. Projects/Programs
 - a. Homelessness
 - b. Scholarship Program
 - c. Graffiti Abatement
 - d. Neighborhood Beautification
 - e. Grants
 - f. Food Trucks
 - g. Neighborhood Libraries
 - h. Other
7. New Business
 - a. Formation of Governance Committee
 - b. Fall/Winter Events
8. Administrative Reports
 - a. Status of Board Secretary Position
 - b. Memberships
 - c. Treasurer’s report
 - d. Communications
9. Adjourn

Next meeting: Thursday, September 3, 2020

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REPORTS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – AUGUST 6, 2020

LAW ENFORCEMENT

CHP

- Report of people speeding on Tallyho, Lillibet and Ashgrove
- Lots of expired tags on cars on Westporter
- Issues with a yellow Mustang/Pontiac who does burnouts on Firgrove (first started in May)

SCSO

- Homeless concerns/activities in an area behind 7/11 & Tallyho dental offices. Junk cars in the area.
- A warrant was served on a home on Wildrose that had been reported several times for drug activities/sales.
- Report of people posing as Alarm System salespeople trying to gather information from residents on their alarm systems and wanting to see control box inside the home. When salesperson is on the porch, they are somehow disabling Ring cameras. Reports were from College Greens and La Riveria. POP Officer responded that he had gotten one of these issues 7/21 in the 95826 area.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

- Linda Kenner is transitioning out of being the Neighborhood Watch (NW) Program Coordinator.
- The request for a new NW sign on Posada, due to damage from a car accident, was referred to Linda by Jesus and Liz. Linda did not consider the Posada group as currently active. She indicated that further research would need to be done to see if anyone else is running the group or if they would like to, and that the new NW Program Coordinator could look into it.
- Materials for Liz's NW sign: Liz forwarded estimates for sign materials to Frank. The resident who provided Liz with the information intermixed materials from Home Depot and Emigh Hardware. Frank asked for items to be totaled (some items varied in cost). Liz has not yet responded to Frank, but it looks like costs range from \$20.75-\$32.76 at Home Depot and \$26.65-\$30.65 at Emigh. This does not include the possibility of just using brackets to attach the sign to a pole w/concrete. The cost of brackets is \$14.95.
- Materials for Anne Kile-Griffin's NW sign: Materials needed for Anne's sign were approved previously via our grant money, but the sign was not installed. It was supposed to be installed prior to the County putting in light poles on Rosemont Dr., and then moved to the light pole. The light poles were installed, but they were installed on the opposite side of the street on Rosemont Dr. Anne will work with

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neighbors on the other side of Rosemont Dr. to see if they would like to be in her group and then have the sign installed by the County on the new light pole. The cost would be approximately \$15 for the installation (based on previous year's costs) which would be less than what was approved previously for her materials and install.

BUSINESS WATCH

Contact names/numbers of the two dental offices on Kiefer and Tallyho were provided to the SCSO Pop Officer for possible inclusion in the Business Watch Program

CRPD

- Primrose Playground: Terri has introduced the idea of a change order by commenting on the RCA letter in the Board Package. It now would need some indication of residents' desire to pursue any further.
- PMRID and Measure J property tax assessments will be \$28.47 and \$55.49 respectively for the year.

CORPAC

The movement of the Aerojet waste landfill was brought back to the CORPAC after the EIR, and approved by the CORPAC.

SCHOOLS

All schools will begin with distance learning per the State's requirements. The district is currently gathering surveys from parents on what they hope school will look like when we are able to return in person. The district is also in negotiations with the teachers' union on what exactly distance learning will look like. Christina Pritchett has filed to run for another term as our area's school board trustee.

CALAM WATER

Rosemont's water provider, Cal Am Water Co., is an investor owned utility and is regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission. Cal Am has regularly applied for rate increases, and RCA along with other organizations have regularly protested the increases, but our protests have been regularly denied. Recently the CPUC, by action of one of its Administrative Law Judges (ALJ), has issued a ruling that the effect of prior CPUC rulings has been to accumulate increases to an unfair effect on us rate payers, to the benefit of CalAm's investors. This ALJ ruling is scheduled to come to the full CPUC

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very soon to be ratified or modified. This matter is on the RCA agenda to consider support of the ALJ ruling so that our rates in the future can be more fair.

HOMELESSNESS IN ROSEMONT

- Attached is DRAFT information and resources that RCA could supply to Rosemont residents regarding homelessness issues. It is not to be distributed beyond the Board until it is vetted by a representative from the Sheriff's Department.
- POP Officer Mark is willing to participate in Zoom meeting to talk about homelessness during COVID-19.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Scholarship letters were sent to the three winners. An article was sent to Frank to place on the website.

GRAFFITI ABATEMENT

Nothing to report

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION

Dee would like to begin purchasing equipment and gardening supplies for the neighborhood beautification as allowed in our grant, however without a shed, storage is problematic. Dee recommends RCA start considering starting a few small projects. Possibly it is time to post on social media our availability to accept applications for those needing lawn mowing, etc.

GRANTS

Dee Gavaldon, President of RCF and VP/RCA, received on behalf of RCA/RCF the SMUD Shine Award. Completing the 2nd quarter report with our activities although many of our projects have been delayed to COVID-19.

FOOD TRUCKS

Still not happening. Sacto MoFo still doesn't have permission from the parks to operate there.

NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARIES

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A community member was working on a project to get donations of books written by authors of color and depicting characters of color. Alison will follow up with her to see how many books she collected and if she needs help distributing them to the libraries.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE FORMATION

A committee to explore the formation of a Governance Committee has met to discuss the value of such an oversight committee for the Board. The purpose of the Board would be:

- Measure the quality of performance of the Board as a whole. This includes examining the effectiveness of the Board in terms of the RCA mission, determining if the Board is providing programs and information needed and wanted by the community, assisting the Board in goal development.
- Recruitment, application, nomination, and election processes and procedures of Board applicants
- Evaluating the performance and participation of individual Directors in accordance with the RCA bylaws and Board of Directors policies
- Make recommendations to the Board on each of the above areas, as well as the bylaws as they pertain to expectations, accomplishments, and goals of individual Directors

The committee consists of Kathy (Lead), Frank, Dee, Terry, Larnell, and Liz. It is anticipated that the committee will need to meet over the course of several months to complete its tasks.

FALL/WINTER EVENTS

Kathy has a couple of ideas for Halloween and the Christmas holidays. They will keep RCA in people's minds since we may not have any other events this year.

- Halloween – cookie decorating contest with photos submitted online, prizes for different age groups; residents submit their addresses if they will have a decorated house and RCA makes a map for distribution
- Christmas Holidays – gingerbread house contest with photos submitted online, various prizes; residents submit their addresses if they will have a decorated house and RCA makes a map for distribution; drive-thru Santa “village” with “Letters to Santa” mailbox, “singing” elves, candy cane distribution, Santa seated in a chair to wave “Ho, ho, ho”.

VACANT BOARD SECRETARY POSITION

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At the July Board meeting, there were no directors interested in taking the secretary position. While the Board conducts Zoom Board meetings, Frank will take notes and record the meeting. He has discussed with Kathy the possibility of her taking the Board Secretary position. She feels that taking minutes and participating in discussion is not a strong point for her but suggested that either a non-Board volunteer take the minutes or she would compose the minutes from the recorded Zoom meeting. She is also willing to do other tasks that have not been assumed by anyone, including assisting Frank with developing the meeting agenda, compiling monthly status reports that go with the agenda, monitoring director contact information and attendance, and tracking RCA online accounts and passwords.

MEMBERSHIPS

Jesus is working on membership renewals which were put on hiatus because of COVID-19. New membership incentives have been discussed for Residential and Business. Business memberships are now \$45.00 for the year and Residential will continue to be \$20.00. The \$45.00 is temporary due to the pandemic and there not being enough in person events that would make the \$65.00 membership more feasible. After the pandemic, business memberships will resume at \$65.00 for the year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Will be provided prior to the Board meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

Revisions to the rules of the Community Forum Facebook page have been in effect for a few weeks, including all posts being moderated prior to posting, and comments being reviewed for compliance with the rules. Most posts and comments are now in compliance with the new rules. Many requests for group membership are in the queue, with about 90%+ of requestors not checking the box to agree to abide by the rules or not providing enough information to verify their residency. Until requestors agree to the rules and provide residency information, they will not be allowed into the Forum group.

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ROSEMONT NEIGHBORS AND HOMELESS PEOPLE

As you see more and more homeless people and encampments appearing in Rosemont, you may be wondering what you should do in response. There are some strategies that you could consider employing in regard to homeless people and encampments you encounter. There are also some things that you should not do when it comes to homeless people and encampments in your area.

Protect Your Property

Review your home security:

- Cameras and motion sensor lights around the perimeter of your property
- Alarm system covering doors and windows
- Motion sensors within your home
- “No Trespassing” signs at different locations around the perimeter of your property

Report to Law Enforcement

Filing a report is extremely important. Crime and incident statistics are gathered to determine what areas in the county need services. The number of reports that are filed in our neighborhood can be an indicator of how much we need assistance.

- For emergencies: Dial 911, if there is an immediate threat to life or safety.
- For non-emergencies, call 916-874-5115 or 311.
- You can also file an online report with the Sacramento Sheriff's Department.
<https://www.sacsheriff.com/Pages/Services/ReportCrime.aspx>
- If you do observe a crime being committed by a homeless individual or criminal activity at or around a homeless encampment, you have an immediate reason to contact the police or sheriff. Depending on the nature of the crime you observe, you may be able to get a relatively rapid response from law enforcement.
- California law does permit a person to pursue a citizen's arrest. This may also be a tool you can use when you are facing homeless people and a homeless encampment in your neighborhood.

In California, if you observe someone committing a misdemeanor, you can contact law enforcement. A misdemeanor is a more minor type of crime. When you are dealing with homeless individuals or a homeless encampment, these types of crimes include: trespassing, public intoxication, public urination. If you report that you've witnessed a crime to the sheriff, an officer will be dispatched to your location. You will be asked to sign off on an arrest warrant. You will also need to promise that you will appear and testify in the prosecution of the person for whom you participated in making a citizen's arrest. You do not actually take a person into custody or restrain them in any way. You do not have any type of physical contact with the individual you “arrested.” All of that is up to law enforcement.

Take Photos and Video

If you observe a crime being committed by a homeless individual or a suspicious vehicle parked on your street, take a picture or video to supplement your report. It will give law enforcement a better idea of suspects and vehicles to watch out for. At the same time, be aware of your own safety. People may not take kindly to their picture being taken.

Homeless Older Adults

If you encounter an older homeless person, consider contacting Adult Protective Services. This agency is under the auspices of the California Department of Social Services.

Adult Protective Services (APS) is a state-mandated service program charged with investigating situations involving elderly and dependent adults who are reported to be in danger due to abuse, neglect, exploitation, or hazardous or unsafe living conditions. For Sacramento County, call 916-874-9377.

WHAT NOT TO DO

No matter how badly you feel about a homeless individual's situation, one thing you should AVOID doing is to hand them cash or give them jobs to do around your house to earn money. Do not take food to a homeless encampment. It only enables them to stay, and could put you or your property at risk. If you want to help, make a financial contribution to an organization that serves the needs of people who lack homes. Or, donate to a local food bank. An array of reputable organizations exists that strive to assist homeless individuals in Sacramento County.

REGISTER YOUR HOME CAMERAS WITH S.E.E. - Sheriff's Electronic Eye

The S.E.E. Program allows citizens and business owners to register the locations of their video surveillance systems with the Sheriff's Department. When a crime occurs, the Sheriff's Department will be able to identify the locations of video surveillance systems and enlist the assistance of citizens to help the Sheriff's Department collect video evidence. Using the geographic locations of the registered cameras, the Sheriff's Department will be able to directly e-mail citizens in an area in which a crime occurred. A common e-mail may ask the citizen to check their video surveillance system for a specific date and time for video capturing a suspect, getaway car or a crime. If the citizen finds any video evidence, they can contact the Sheriff's S.E.E. Program to make arrangements for video retrieval.

<https://www.sacsheriff.com/Pages/SEE/SEE.aspx>

HOUSING RESOURCES

Next Move Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center
4516 Parker Ave., Sacramento, 916-455-2160
www.nextmovesacramento.org

Salvation Army Shelter Emergency Lodge
Sacramento
1200 N B St., Sacramento, 916-443-1088

Union Gospel Mission
400 Bannon St., Sacramento, 916-447-3268
www.ugmsac.com

Volunteers of America Residential Family Center
470 Bannon Street, Sacramento, 916-443-4688

Volunteers of America Housing and Shelter Services
3434 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, 916-443-4688
www.voa-ncnn.org

Volunteers of America Mather Community Campus
3587 Bleckely St., Mather, 916-228-3100
<https://www.voa-ncnn.org/mather-community-campus>

Volunteers of America Winter Triage Center
2040 Railroad Drive, Sacramento, 916-917-3965

Francis House Center Family Shelter
1422 C Street, Sacramento, 916-454-2120
www.francishousecenter.org

Loaves & Fishes
1351 North C. St., Sacramento, 916-446-0874
www.sacloaves.org

St. John's Program for Real Change
(women/children)
Undisclosed location, Sacramento, 916-453-1482
saintjohnsprogram.org

Malachi's
Undisclosed location, Sacramento, 916-576-9679

Volunteers of America - Open Arms (persons with HIV or living with AIDS)
1900 Point West Way #270, Sacramento, 916-451-1691

Rancho Cordova HART
11223 Trinity River Dr., Rancho Cordova
www.ranhocordovahart.org

Second Chance Transitional Housing
8934 Madison Ave., Fair Oaks, 916-961-2691
www.clean-and-sober-living.com

Sacramento Steps Forward
1331 Garden Hwy., Ste. 100, Sacramento, 916-577-9770
sacramentostepsforward.org

FOOD RESOURCES

Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services
3333 3rd Ave., Sacramento. 916-456-1980
2469 Rio Linda Blvd., Sacramento, 916-648-8729
www.sacramentofoodbank.org

California Emergency Foodlink
5800 Foodlink St., Sacramento, 916-387-9000

Elevation Holy Cross
9000 Jackson Rd., Sacramento, 916-364-8068

Capital Christian Center
9470 Micron Avenue, Sacramento,
www.capitalonline.cc

Cordova Community Food Locker
10497 Coloma Rd., Rancho Cordova, 916-364-8973
sjvparish.com/serve/cordova-community-food-locker

Elk Grove Food Bank
9820 Dino Drive, Suite 140, Elk Grove, 916-685-8453

Global Food Bank
8477 Old Ranch Rd., Orangevale, 916-387-9000

Twin Lakes Food Bank Inc.
327 Montrose Dr. Ste. A, Folsom, 916-985-6232