

District 6 Matters: It's Back to School Season! Important Updates & Resources













With back to school season in full effect, it gives me great joy to bring you another edition of our District 6 Newsletter. Much has occurred since the last edition, so without much lead in let's get into some important updates and resources for East Oakland.

To ensure our students have a successful return to school and to protect the health of every resident, we must continue to wear mask and

exercise caution on how we gather. Recently Alameda County, in alignment with the CDC restrictions, announced that residents must wear masks when indoors in public spaces. Additionally, OUSD put together a list of resources for students, teachers and staff who still have not been vaccinated, including ride share options (see section 1B) for those traveling to a vaccination sites. With Delta and other variants increasing, I highly encourage everyone to get vaccinated as it remains the best way to protect our community.

Thank you to those who continue to build community in a way that also protects our neighbors. A great example of this was this year's National Night Out. It was such a pleasure to join residents for good food, vibes, and networking.

I was proud to join with **East Oakland** residents and organizations come together to try to help save the Walgreens on 81st & International. While our petition, press conference,



and correspondence with Walgreens was unsuccessful I remain committed to delivering resources that address our East Oakland food and pharmacy desert. In the interim, here are the closest pharmacies to the closed location, which also offer free prescription drug delivery.

- Vibrant Care Pharmacy
 - https://www.vibrantcarepharmacy.com/patients.php
- CVS
 - 7200 Bancroft Ave, Oakland, CA 94605
 - https://www.cvs.com/content/delivery

- Walgreens
 - 3232 Foothill Blvd. Oakland, CA 94601
 - https://www.walgreens.com/topic/pharmacy/prescription-delivery

Lastly, please join me every 1st & 3rd Sunday at Akoma Market, 7101 Foothill Blvd, where I will be hosting office hours from 11am-1pm. I also invite D6 residents to join me every Friday at 8:30am for a work out at the Arroyo Viejo NFC Court. Hope to see you soon!

Inside this newsletter you'll find the following information:

- 1. COVID-19 Vaccine Update
- 2. Community Updates And Resources
- 3. Jobs Openings in Oakland

As always, please feel free to reach out to my office with any follow-up.- <u>Email us</u> <u>at district6@oaklandca.gov</u>.

Yours in Service of Oakland,

Jana

Loren M. Taylor, Councilmember Oakland - District 6 Sign up for the District 6 Newsletter



1. COVID-19 Updates

A. City of Oakland – Vaccination

Vaccination continues to protect against severe COVID-19 illness, but with the COVID-19 Delta variant now infecting a small percentage of vaccinated people as well as many unvaccinated people, Alameda County has issued a new health order requiring masks indoors in public places.

Bay Area Counties <u>require everyone</u>, <u>including fully</u> <u>vaccinated people</u>, to wear a <u>mask in indoor public</u> <u>settings</u> to prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Vaccines remain the most powerful tool in the fight against COVID-19, including the Delta variant. They are safe, effective, and FREE for everyone 12 and older. Visit https://covid19.acgov.org/vaccines.page?#availability to learn where you can find a vaccination site near you or call 510-208-4VAX (510-208-4829). If you missed your second dose, you should still complete your vaccination series.

- Curative at East Oakland Senior Center, 9255 Edes Avenue
 - Tuesdays from 8:00am to 2:00pm
 - https://curative.com/sites/31207
- Umoja Health Mobile Pop-Up, locations vary

- https://unitedinhealthoakland.org/en/umoja-vaccine
- Allen Temple Baptist Church, 8501 International Blvd
 - Saturdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm
- B. Free & Discounted Ride Shares to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites.
 - East Oakland Collective Free Rides
 - Information –
 https://www.eastoakLandcollective.com/mobility4all.html
 - Request Form https://bit.ly/2VUKI6y
 - Any questions can be emailed to info@eastoaklandcollective.com.
 - Uber and Lyft Discounted Rides
 - https://www.uber.com/us/en/coronavirus/
 - https://www.lyft.com/vaccine-access

2. Community Updates & Resources

A. Contact Your County Supervisor to help Oakland #HealandRebuild

Did you know that Alameda County has been awarded over \$325 million from the American Rescue Plan? Most importantly, those dollars could improve our communities that have suffered so much from the impact of COVID-19.

To help advocate for resources our communities need, contact your Alameda County Supervisor to voice your support and join the August 17th Board of Supervisors (BOS) listening

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session. It's time to #HealAndRebuild!!

Board of Supervisors special meeting on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

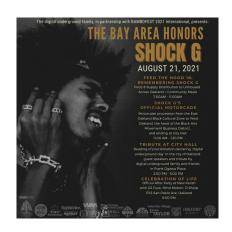
The meeting will take tomorrow, August 17, 2021 at 10:00am

Zoom – login information will be posted on https://bos.acgov.org/broadcast/ by Monday 8/16 at 10am

B. Shock G & Digital Underground Day

On August 21, join us for a day of celebration for Shock G and Digital Underground. The day includes the following events in his honor:

- Feed the Hood 18, Remembering Shock G
- Shock G's Official Motorcade
- Tribute at City Hall
- Celebration of Life



Learn more at the event about the Shock G and

C. Free Veterinary Services At Eastmont Mall

Join Oakland Animal Services on Saturday, August 21 for their veterinary outreach clinic at Eastmont Mall! Residents can receive free veterinary exams, pet food, supplies and microchips.

If interested in spay and neuter services for your dog and or

cat at the event, email outreach@oaklandanimalservices.org or call 510-535-5643 to set up appointment. Space is limited. If OAS can't accommodate everyone who wants spay/neuter on Aug 21, they can schedule surgeries at a later date.

D. Wealth Building Event with the Associated Real **Property Brokers (ARPB)**

On August 21, ARPB will also host a free wealth building day from 10am-5pm at Liberation Park, 7101 Foothill Blvd in Oakland! Come enjoy free food, kids activities, raffles, and wealth building resources. Click here to register.



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VETERINARY EXAMS 🌞 VETERINARY VACCINATION MICROCHIPS * PET FOOD * PET SUPPLIES

Saturday, August 21, 2021 10 am - 1 pm

on: Eastmont Mall 7200 Bancroft Ave, Oakland, CA 94605 First come, first served. Space is limited. Serving clients with dogs and cats in the East Oakland area.

E. Oscar Grant Foundation School Supply Giveaway

The Oscar Grant Foundation will give away backpacks at Rainbow Recreation Center, on August 21 from 12-2 pm. With most students being back in school, this is a perfect way for parents to secure those additional supplies!



F. Extended Operations for AC Transit

AC Transit implemented a new schedule in preparation for students returning to school. Some highlights include the following:

- Increase in Transbay service levels, including additional lines and trips
- Resumption of <u>Supplementary Service to</u>



Schools on August 9

 Launch of Line 78 Pilot on August 9, timed to connect riders to/from Alameda Seaplane Ferry route during commute hours

A full listing of bus line timetables is available <u>here</u> or may be requested at the AC Transit Customer Service Center at 1600 Franklin Street in downtown Oakland. For specific questions, call (510) 891-4777, or use the <u>online form</u>.

Important Note for All Riders – When riding, please remember that although physical distancing is no longer mandated, face coverings are still required for all riders regardless of vaccination status. Free, disposable face masks and hand sanitizer are provided on board for your convenience. Learn more about AC Transit's health and safety efforts at actransit.org/covid-19.

3. Career & Volunteer Opportunities in Oakland

A. City of Oakland is Hiring!.

Oakland is currently looking for public servants, interested in working for our beautiful city. Currently the they are recruiting to fill the following positions:

- Homeless Administrator
- Senior Center Director
- Capital Contracts Manager
- Park Supervisor
- Library Aide
- Assistant to City Administrator



Learn more at https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/apply-for-city-of-oakland-and-port-of-oakland-jobs.

B. Join the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)!

Interested crafting the City of Oakland's bicyclist and pedestrian policies? Want to help build out local transportation projects and programs? BPAC is currently accepting applications to join their advisory commission through 5pm on Thursday, September 9. Residents, who are should also attend the their virtual open house on Tuesday, August 17 at 6pm!

Learn more at

https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/become-a-bpac-commissioner.



Who do I call for...

- General social service issues: 211
- Public Health issues &Shelter-in-Place order: County Public Health

• The City's 311 phone line and <u>OAK311 website</u> continues to be a resource to request routine maintenance and report urgent infrastructure issues

The City of Oakland's COVID-19 page is updated daily

Question or Concerns? Contact The District 6 Team:

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