



The Mayor has released her proposed FY 2021-23 Budget and my Council colleagues and I have begun engaging in our outreach and deliberations with the necessary expectation of adopting a new budget and updated Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) before the end of June.

Serving our City is an honor and a passion, and I continue to work hard along with my staff to make a difference during these challenging times.

-Dan

COVID UPDATES Recovery Update

Please note that most COVID services in Oakland are administered by the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency. For more information, please go here: <https://covid-19.acgov.org/index.page>.

Alameda County Remains in the Orange Tier

The COVID Pandemic is not over! COVID-19 is still in our community and a majority of residents have yet to be fully vaccinated. As we build community immunity, please continue COVID-19 precautions to avoid severe illness, hospitalization, & death. **Please keep masking, even after being vaccinated. For more recent CA Department of Public Health guidelines on face coverings, [click here](#).**

As of May 5, nearly 1.5 million COVID-19 vaccine doses have been administered to Alameda County residents. More than 603,000 or 43.5 percent of residents 16 and older are now fully vaccinated.

Alameda County must remain in the **Orange Tier** for at least three weeks before moving into the next, less restrictive color tier even though metrics might warrant.

On June 15, California is slated to fully open its economy IF two criteria are met: (1) vaccine supply is sufficient for Californians 16 years and older who wish to be inoculated, and (2) hospitalization rates are stable and low, especially among vaccinated individuals.

Please check back on the Alameda County Public Health Department's dedicated COVID-19 website for updates and clarifications: acphd.org/2019-ncov.aspx

For general COVID inquiries, please email ncov@acgov.org or call (510) 268-2101.

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

VACCINE ELIGIBILITY

Alameda County is currently vaccinating:

- **All Alameda County residents, ages 16+**
- **Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines are only approved for 18+**

While vaccine supplies remain somewhat limited, the County will continue prioritizing appointments at our community PODs for our hardest-hit neighborhoods and people at highest risk of exposure.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINE

Following a thorough safety review, the CDC and FDA have determined that the recommended pause regarding the use of the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) COVID-19 Vaccine in the U.S. should be lifted and use of the vaccine should resume.

Alameda County (and City of Berkeley) will align with other Bay Area counties and will plan to resume the use of the modest, existing supply of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine as quickly as possible. [READ MORE](#)

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Drive through appointments remain open until May 23rd and are accessible by a motor vehicle, with the pedestrian village currently closed. If you are already scheduled for a 2nd dose walk-up appointment, you will have access via BART and the pedestrian bridge.

6,000 appointments are available daily at this site.

Register on MyTurn to make an appointment: Visit myturn.ca.gov or call (833) 422-4255

FIND A VACCINE SITE NEAR YOU

Alameda County residents can find a vaccine site using the new interactive map on our dedicated vaccine website: covid-19.acgov.org/vaccines. Sign-ups can be made here: <https://www.primarybio.com/r/alco-vax-signup>

A new flyer lists Alameda County supported sites, registration links, how to find an appointment, and what you need to know about your appointment. Download a flyer [HERE](#).

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) this week provided [guidance](#) for fully vaccinated individuals. You are considered "fully vaccinated" two weeks after receiving the second dose pf the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or two weeks after receiving a single dose of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.

Fully vaccinated people may:

- Spend time outdoors and indoors with other fully vaccinated people, without wearing masks or physical distancing (outside of a workplace setting).

- Spend time indoors with unvaccinated people from a single household who are at low risk for severe COVID-19 disease, without wearing masks or physical distancing.
- Refrain from wearing face coverings outdoors except when attending crowded outdoor events such as live performances, parades, fairs, festivals, sports events, and other similar settings.

Additional COVID-19 resources and information in Oakland:

Oakland have set up their own websites with relevant information, resources, and updates regarding COVID-19. Whether you want to know about what essential services will remain open, if parking rules will be enforced, or how you can help support your neighbors and local businesses in need of assistance, be sure to check back regularly on these websites for the most up-to-date information: <https://bit.ly/2JernUc>

Emergency Rent Relief

Oakland received a direct allocation of \$12.8 million from the Federal government for emergency rental assistance from the December 2020 COVID-19 relief package called the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP).

This \$12.8m is deployed through Keep Oakland Housed (KOH) ERAP which was launched April 1, 2021 and will go to March 31st, 2022 or until funding has been exhausted.

Keep Oakland Housed application materials are posted here:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/resources/housing-resources-erap-emergency-rental-assistance>

COVID-19 RENT RELIEF

Struggling to pay rent?
Have past due utility bills?
Are you a housing provider who is owed rent?

You may be eligible for the
Emergency Rental Assistance Program

- Income is no greater than \$65,250 for a 4-person household
- Qualify for unemployment or experiencing financial hardship
- At risk of experiencing housing instability or homelessness

TO APPLY

Visit: hpp.bayareacs.org

Or call one of our partners:

Bay Area Community
Services

Catholic Charities
East Bay

Eviction Defense
Center

510-899-9289

510-860-4985

510-452-4541

For more information visit:

oaklandca.gov/emergencyrent

Email: HousingAssistance@oaklandca.gov

Call: 510-238-6182



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You also may be eligible for financial assistance through the Alameda County Housing Secure Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ACHS-ERAP) if you are behind on your rent or utilities due to COVID-19.

ACHS-ERAP will help income-eligible households pay rent and utilities, for both past-due and future payments. The federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 provides funding to support the program.

HOW TO APPLY:

- Online: www.ac-housingsecure.org
- Call: 2-1-1

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Tenants in Alameda County (***excluding Oakland and Fremont***)
- Renters with household incomes not more than 80% AMI
- Renter qualifies for unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship due to COVID-19
- Renter demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability

Phase 1 of the program launched on March 17, 2021.

For additional information or for application assistance, call 2-1-1.

MAY 8th – Make Oakland Better Neighborhood Clean-up

What: Clean-up: District One

When: Saturday, May 8th, 2021 | 9:00am – 11:00am

Meet at: [Harrison street and MacArthur Blvd.](#) (Giraffe encampment)

If you have any questions or to RSVP, please send an e-mail to Deidra Moss at dmoss@oaklandca.gov or call 510-238-3557.

Together we can make one neighborhood a little better! Thank you to all the neighbors who joined us at our previous clean up events!

DISTRICT 1 MAY CLEANUP



SATURDAY, MAY 8, 2021
9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM
MEET AT HARRISON & MACARTHUR BLVD

All healthy volunteers are welcome · Masks/coverings are required to participate · Tools will be provided · Social distancing will be practiced

For more information contact Deidra at dmoss@oaklandca.gov
or 510.238.3557

Oakland's Budget FY 2021 – 2023

The Mayor's [proposed FYs 2021-2023 City Budget has been released and can be found here](#), and the [proposed 2021-23 Capital Improvement Program \(CIP\) can be found here](#). Dan's previously released [budget priorities can be found here](#).

Councilmember Kalb is looking forward to working with Council President Fortunato Bas and with his Council colleagues on finalizing the Fiscal Years 2021-23 Budget. As always, we hope to maintain and enhance necessary and vital services despite limits on our financial resources.

Our District 1 office has been receiving various budget-related inquiries. We are hosting a

Budget Town Hall with City Finance staff as well as Mayor Libby Schaaf on **May 20th** at 6:00pm to hear your thoughts, suggestions and ideas for this upcoming two-year budget.

Please [RSVP here](#) and we will send you a Zoom link for this event. It will also be streamed live on Councilmember Kalb's City Council Facebook page. Thank you!



Reimagining Public Safety

In late July 2020, the City Council created the [Reimagining Public Safety Taskforce](#) whose charge was to make recommendations toward transforming public safety in Oakland with innovative ideas. Over the past several months, taskforce members have worked tirelessly to identify and explore solutions to our most pressing public safety issues, eventually releasing nearly 100 recommendations. This past week, during a Special City Council meeting on May 3rd, the City Council approved a resolution prioritizing twelve recommendations the City Council believes should be prioritized for implementation reasonably soon. A summary of the prioritized recommendations:

- Invest long-term in Mobile Assistance Community Responders of Oakland (MACRO) by scaling up the program over the next 3 years / Recommendation 57
- Invest in alternate crisis response including crisis hotlines outside 911 / Recommendation 58
- Increase gender-based violence services through Department of Violence Prevention (DVP) programmatic strategies / Recommendations 73 + 74
- Pending changes in CA state law, move most traffic enforcement out of OPD and into OakDOT / Recommendation 59
- Enact the Police Commission's "Militarized Controlled Equipment Policy" / Recommendations 38 + 43
- Build a Restorative Justice web of support to include reentry support and diversion for youth and young adults working with community organizations / Recommendations 67, 68,

- 69, 70
- Substantially increase general purpose fund allocations for Department of Violence Prevention strategies / Recommendations 144 + 149
 - Increase investment in Oakland Youth Advisory Commission and Oakland Police & Community Youth Leadership Council / Recommendation 122
 - Create immediate housing solutions including purchasing motels and hotels, rental assistance, and supportive services / Recommendation 77
 - Work with government and philanthropy to provide funds for a second phase of the Reimagining Public Safety Taskforce / Recommendation 47
 - Explore transfer of OPD Internal Affairs to the Community Police Review Agency / Recommendations 31, 41, 84
 - Create a framework for a Department of Children, Youth, and Families / Recommendation 148

Councilmember Kalb has participated in various community-based forums to discuss violence prevention, allocations and reform. Earlier this week, he was on a panel sponsored by Faith In Action East Bay on Reimagining Public Safety efforts.

Councilmember Kalb is prioritizing a broad range of violence prevention efforts including but not limited to supporting Ceasefire, a proven violence reduction program that was temporarily interrupted by the pandemic, and increasing funding for our city's violence prevention strategies.

Bike to Wherever Day - May 21

Join Councilmember Dan Kalb and Walk Oakland Bike Oakland on a community ride from North Oakland to **Lake Merritt** to celebrate Bike To Wherever Day on Friday May 21. From 3pm to 6pm, Oaklanders are invited to take a bike ride around Lake Merritt to enjoy the fresh air on two-wheels, and to pick up goodies and bike bags at the Lake's pergola at El Embarcadero. Community rides to Lake Merritt will be taking place from multiple locations and times across the city. **Councilmember Kalb will be joining a community ride from Rockridge BART starting at 4:15pm.** Please join us on our ride or at the Lake.

Check this map for the ride route and other starting locations.
(<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1Crf-KL8rHNuUk3KbKOgUDZccnu6AALRA&usp=sharing>).

Check out wobo.org for more information.



Affordable Housing Preservation Projects

The City of Oakland is pleased to announce the awards of \$4.13 million to two community land trusts dedicated to the creation and preservation of affordable housing. The funds are available thanks to the 2016 voter-approved City Bond Measure KK. Oakland Community Land Trust (OakCLT) and the Bay Area Community Land Trust (BACLT) will develop four projects that preserve affordable housing for 28 Oakland households earning up to 80 percent of Area Median Income (AMI), or \$73,100 for a single-person household:

Oakland Community Land Trust was awarded **\$4,050,000** for three projects **totaling 22 units**: 1524 29th Avenue (14 units), 1658 34th Avenue (4 units), and a Scattered Site Single Family Lease to Own Project (4 units)

Bay Area Community Land Trust was awarded an additional **\$85,000** for 1432 12th Avenue, a **6-unit affordable housing project**. BACLT received a previous ACAH loan in the amount of \$1,315,000 in June 2020 for this project. These additional funds will enable them to complete the rehabilitation of these units.

Councilmember Kalb continues to be a strong supporter of community land trusts and of limited equity ownership opportunities for people and families who cannot afford market rate homes.

Also, see here for 2021 Affordable Housing Month events: <https://ebho.org/affordable-housing-month-2021-events/>.

Small Business Week

From May 2 to 8, 2021, Oakland celebrated Small Business Week with more than a dozen webinars, virtual events and other activities for small business owners and entrepreneurs. See the full schedule and registration links at www.oaklandca.gov/SBW.

From websites and ecommerce to accessing capital and attracting investment, the educational webinars presented by partner



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organizations are designed to help Oakland businesses survive and thrive. Select webinars will be offered in Cantonese, Mandarin and Spanish. Marketing tips, virtual networking events and a physically distanced marketplace with on-site business support counselors round out the week's offerings.

To learn more and access some resources please visit: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/news/2021/free-webinars-virtual-events-other-activities-planned-for-small-business-week>

General Plan Update – RFP is Now Released

The City of Oakland released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Consultant Team to assist with the City's General Plan Update. The General Plan Update is a once-in-a-generation opportunity for Oaklanders to work together on creating an equitable blueprint for the future of the City. The General Plan will engage our community around location and types of housing, how people get around, economic opportunity, location and quality of parks, becoming a more resilient City and many other issues. It will integrate the principle of 'fair and just' in all the City does in order to achieve equitable opportunities for all of our communities.

The desired Consultant Team will be a mix of prime planning firm, along with subconsultants, including community-based-organizations with relationships with Oakland's underserved communities. Proposals are due on Friday, May 28, 2021 by 2:00pm PST. For more information and to find out how to get involved visit the [General Plan Update website](#) or please contact generalplan@oaklandca.gov to the attention of Christina Ferracane, Planner IV.

Oakland's 2021 Mother of the Year – Lakeisha Young

Warm Congratulations to Lakeisha Young, founder of The Oakland REACH, who has been named 2021 Mother of the Year by the City of Oakland.

Lakisha Young, a mother with tremendous courage, stepped out on faith, determined to see that not only are her children's needs met, but the needs of others in the community are also completed as well. She truly is an inspiration to all she comes in contact with. Her humble spirit and witty humor allow her to impact families in the community of Oakland positivity. By being a friend before you need one, she can reach all people of all ages and ethnic backgrounds." stated ***Wanda Wilkerson, who initiated her nomination.***

The honoree is being recognized during the ***Oakland Mother of the Year Award Ceremony***, at ***10:30 a.m., on Saturday, May 8, 2021***. The ceremony will be held virtually. The public is welcome to view the event online.

Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/94929705093> • Meeting ID: 949 2970 5093



68th Annual Mother of the Year Award

2021 MOTHER OF THE YEAR

Lakisha Young

Co-Founder & CEO

of

The Oakland REACH



Oakland's Mother of the Year Award is a project of Oakland Parks & Recreation and was initiated in 1954 to publicly honor an Oakland citizen whose contributions to the community symbolize the finest traditions of motherhood. Past honorees have included hard-working, dedicated community servants whose volunteerism has been exemplary.

Free Touchscreen Laptops for Oakland Head Start Families



The digital divide doesn't just affect elementary school children — Oakland's pre-K students need equitable access to technology as well. Thanks to the City of Oakland Head Start's new Technology Lending Library, low-income families with pre-K students now have access to rent a free touchscreen laptop. In the first month of the program, 150 Head Start families have already participated and checked out a laptop for the rest of the school year. The Technology Lending Library is funded by federal COVID-19 grant money.

Learn more about the Technology Lending Library [here](#). **The City of Oakland Head Start is currently enrolling new students for the 2021-2022 school year!**



Dan, along with School Board Director Sam Davis, joined with volunteers from the Friends of the Piedmont Avenue Library and the Piedmont Avenue Elementary School PTA working to pick up leaves and debris at the proposed future site of the Piedmont Avenue branch library on the Piedmont Ave Elementary School campus.

Contacts:

Dan's [COVID Resources](#) page.

Oakland SeeClickFix - Call 311 - <https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/oak311>

Alameda County Social Services and Referral - Call 211
- <http://211alamedacounty.org/2-1-1-alameda-county-resource-finder/>

Dan Kalb's Council Office - 510-238-7001

OPD Emergencies - 911 (or 510-777-3211)
OPD non-emergencies - 510-777-3333



Oakland Recycling/Waste Collection Hotline - (510) 238-7283 (recycling@oaklandca.gov)

Oakland's Planning & Building On-line Permit Center - <https://aca-prod.accela.com/oakland/customization/common/launchpad.aspx>