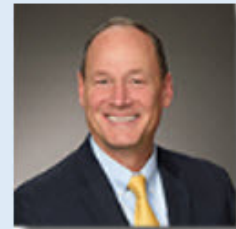


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NEW RESOURCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT -- WELLSPACE HEALTH SURE PROGRAM

WellSpace Health is offering a valuable resource to law enforcement and clients, Substance Use Respite Engagement (SURE), a voluntary program for adults to recover from acute intoxication.

The SURE program provides an alternative for law enforcement to take individuals suffering from addiction. Officers may utilize the program as a resource when a client is intoxicated and needs a safe place to recover. SURE is a voluntary program and is not intended as an alternative to arrest/custody.

The program is available for clients age 18 and older who have been referred by law enforcement, including sheriff's deputies, probation officers and other authorized referral partners. Referral partners must stay with the client during the intake process for a warm handoff. The program does not take walk-ins. SURE offers clients' access to a resting pod with either a mattress or recliner, restrooms, drinks and snacks, and clean temporary clothing. WellSpace Health staff provide treatment services and medical referrals.

SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS-GET

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The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is creating a plan to connect the region using trails. They are working with six counties (El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba) and the cities in them to find where trails for wheeling, walking, biking, and scooting are missing.

SACOG supports the many ways people travel in our region, whether it's for fun, work, or errands. They need your help to understand where you want to go so they can work with cities and counties to prioritize future investment. Provide your input today by taking this survey.

[Take the survey!](#)



FAMILY URGENT RESPONSE SYSTEM

The Sacramento County Family Urgent Response System (FURS) is a new service developed through a partnership between Sacramento County Probation, Behavioral Health, Child Family and Adult Services and Community-Based Services. FURS is a service for current or former foster youth (up to age 21) and caregivers who can call and get immediate, trauma-informed support by caring and trained professionals to help with any big or small issues they may be having. This service includes a free 24/7/365 statewide hotline and 24/7 County-based Mobile Response and Stabilization support.

FURS is focused on providing the following:

- Prevent placement disruptions and preserve the relationship between the child or youth and their caregiver
- Reduce the need for a 911 call or law enforcement involvement and the needless criminalization of

traumatized youth

- Reduce hospitalization and placement into congregate care
 - Promote healing as a family
 - Provide a safe and judgement-free space for youth and caregivers
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AIRPORT'S NEW ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROGRAM

Every year, traffickers use trains, buses, planes and ships to transport thousands of victims, hiding them in plain sight while traveling to destinations around the world. As the eyes and ears in airports and global transportation systems, airport employees are uniquely positioned to help combat human trafficking.

January was National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, and in recognition of that, the [Sacramento County Department of Airports](#) (SCDA) partnered with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to develop a new Human Trafficking Awareness and Reporting training program.

Together with US Customs and Border Protection and the Department of Transportation, the Blue Campaign, a division within the DHS Office of Partnership and Engagement, created the Blue Lightning Initiative (BLI).

The BLI program is designed to provide airport employees with tools needed to take advantage of their unique position and ability to identify potential human trafficking victims and notify federal authorities. Participating BLI partners instruct their employees using the BLI virtual training module and associated printed educational materials. The training may be integrated into partners' initial or refresher training for flight attendants, pilots, customer service representatives, and other aviation industry personnel.

“SCDA leadership feels strongly about this program,” said

Airport Director Cindy Nichol. “We realize the potential impact it can have and we are committed to offering this training to our employees.”

The Blue Campaign is the unified voice for the DHS efforts to combat human trafficking, working with federal, state, and local governments, as well as law enforcement, public, and private organizations. The Blue Campaign strives to protect the fundamental right to freedom and bring those who exploit human lives to justice.



PROTECTING THE PARKWAY AND KEEPING RESIDENTS SAFE

Sacramento County Regional Parks did an amazing job last month when they restored a portion of the parkway off Ambassador Drive in Rancho Cordova. Unfortunately, there was an area where an illegal bike trail was cut into the side of the hill. To make matters worse, someone also set up a "trap" with sharp sticks poking out designed to harm people using the trail. With the help of dedicated staff, the dangerous trail was blocked by using dead and decaying trees to create natural barriers so it can no longer be used. Regional Park's staff also removed the dangerous traps that could have hurt a person or an animal. Regional Parks will continue monitoring the area to ensure new trails or hazards are not created.



BEFORE



AFTER

SECOND INSTALLMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES DUE APRIL 12TH

The deadline for paying the second installment of your 2020-2021 Sacramento County property taxes is April 12, 2021. Late payments will incur a 10 percent penalty plus a \$20.00 cost for each tax bill. Partial payments are not accepted.

Payments must be received in the Tax Collector's Office by 5 p.m. on April 12, or either postmarked or [paid through their](#)

[website](#) by April 12, 2021. The Tax Collector reminds property owners to include the appropriate installment payment stub from the tax bill or [website](#), or write the parcel number of the property on the check being submitted to make sure that you receive proper credit for the payment.

Payment may be mailed to P.O. Box 508, Sacramento, CA 95812-0508. Property taxes may also be paid by e-check or credit card through [Sacramento County's Property Tax Bill Information System](#) or over the telephone at 1-844-430-2823, using the 14 digit parcel number. For a convenience fee, a contractor will process your credit card payment if you elect to pay the annual property tax bill using this method, and the fee is not revenue to the County. **There is no fee to make a payment via e-check.**

If you use your bank's Online Bill Pay service, a paper check will be printed and mailed to the Tax Collector. Because the check is sent without a payment stub, please enter the parcel number, current year's bill number and installment being paid in the online account number field for payment identification. The date on the check issued by your bank is considered the postmark, make sure you are aware of the bank's timeline on issuing the check. Some banks take 5 to 7 business days before the check is issued, and penalties will apply if the check is dated after April 12, 2021.

To learn more about property taxes, payment procedures and assessment information, please visit the [Sacramento County website on Property Tax Bills website](#).

COMMUNITY MEETING ON HOMELESSNESS

Join me on April 22nd for my next **community webinar meeting** on homelessness and the County's response. I have invited **Bruce Wagstaff, Sacramento County Deputy County Executive of Social Services**, to provide an update to the constituents of the Third District. Mr. Wagstaff will give an update on the homelessness crisis, what the County is doing to address it, and how COVID-19 has impacted the efforts.

Due to COVID-19 and the public health order, we will be

holding the meeting virtually. The webinar will be held on **Thursday, April 22, 2021, from 6-7 pm through the BlueJeans platform (similar to Zoom).** [Please register at this link.](#) Login information will be sent once registered. We will have a question and answer period after the presentation and attempt to answer as many questions as possible within time constraints. Please submit questions by noon on the 21st of April to richdesmond@saccounty.net.



The poster features a header with a photo of Supervisor Rich Desmond and the Sacramento County seal. The main title is 'COMMUNITY MEETING ON HOMELESSNESS' in large yellow and blue letters. Below the title are icons of two houses and three people. A yellow banner contains the text 'WITH DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE ON SOCIAL SERVICES, BRUCE WAGSTAFF AND THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY HOMELESS SERVICES TEAM'. The bottom section is dark blue with white text for 'WHEN' (Thursday, April 22, 2021), 'TIME' (6 - 7PM), and 'WHERE' (BlueJeans event & call in details to follow after registration). A white oval contains the word 'REGISTER' in red and the registration URL. At the bottom, it says 'SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE TO RICHDESMOND@SACCOUNTY.NET'.

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**HIGHER HEIGHTS
COMMUNITY CHURCH --**

ARDEN ARCADE FOOD AND CLOTHES CLOSET

Higher Heights Community Church (HHCC) in Arden Arcade is providing a variety of community outreach and offerings to those in need. The church now operates a food and clothes closet and is accepting monetary, food and clothing donations every week, **Monday - Thursday from 10:00am - 2:00pm.**

Food and clothing giveaways take place every **Tuesday from 11:00am - 1:00pm at HHCC.** HHCC is located at **2230 Arden Way, Suite H. Sacramento, California 95825**

HHCC also has the Jack Scott Outreach Center located at 2230 Arden Way, Suite I, which will house a teen center as of June 1, 2021. The teen center will be a safe haven for youth ages 12-18, with computers with Wi-Fi, a homework center with library (tutoring available), a pool table, air hockey table, foosball table, and many other board and card games. Snacks will be made available.

If you have questions about these programs or to learn more about the work HHCC is doing in Arden Arcade, you may contact the church at 916-723-0440 or [through the website](#). Donations can also be made through the website to support the food and clothes closet.

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