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OC NEEDS GAS TAX RELIEF



ORANGE COUNTY –On March 22, the OC Board of Supervisors unanimously approved an item brought forward by Supervisor Wagner, requesting the CA legislature provide tax relief for residents by temporarily suspending the \$0.51 per gallon gas tax for six months. The CA legislature announced it has a \$45+ billion surplus; Orange County supports using a portion of the surplus to provide immediate tax relief to CA residents.

On March 23, a day after the Board meeting, Governor Newsom announced a cash rebate program, which involves mailing debit cards that are set arrive to in mid-summer, leaving people to feel the financial burn now.

The best plans for tax relief were rejected in Sacramento. Recently, the Assembly Transportation Committee killed a gas tax holiday bill, [AB 1638](#) authored by

Assemblyman Kevin Kiley, and spectacularly performed a gut & amend with a new tax increase on gas suppliers. This new tax, if eventually supported by Sacramento, will most likely be passed onto the consumer at the pump.

Supervisor Wagner will continue to advocate on behalf of hardworking residents here in Orange County, adding local input to curb the State's wallet-crushing policies that hurt all of us.

NO WATER WASTED



ORANGE COUNTY – The Orange County Water District (OCWD) and Orange County Sanitation District have joined forces to create the largest potable reuse project in the world. Orange County's Groundwater Replenishment System is an award-winning purification process that converts water that would otherwise be discharged into the ocean into quality drinking water.

Supervisor Wagner serves as a Director of the OC Sanitation District and went on a tour to learn more about our expansive groundwater system, which serves

2.5 million customers in north and central OC, plus 19 municipal and special water districts.



The system replenishes the Groundwater Basin with 103,000 afy of water – enough water for nearly 850,000 people or two families of four for a year. It's been in operation since 2008, was expanded in May 2015 with the final expansion under construction and slated for completion in 2023.

OC's reusable water is closely monitored and tested by an advanced

Water Quality Assurance Laboratory. Water is purified at the Sanitation District and goes to OCWD for a rigorous three-step process of micro-filtration, reverse osmosis, and ultraviolet light with hydrogen peroxide.

At the end of the tour, high-quality water is ready to drink. Supervisor Wagner and OCWD Board President Stephen Sheldon enjoyed a fresh cup of purified water after viewing the process from start to finish.

A special thank you for the tour goes to Michael Markus, OCWD General Manager, and Steve Sheldon, OCWD Board President.

Learn more about the water you drink [here](#).



OUT AND ABOUT



TUSTIN – Supervisor Wagner had the pleasure of meeting Tustin Unified School District's new Superintendent, Dr. Mark Johnson. Dr. Johnson has more than 25 years of experience in public education and has served as a district and site leader for the past 15 years.

Dr. Johnson earned a bachelor's degree in both Biological Sciences and English from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, his master's in Educational Administration from National University, and his doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Southern California. He is a proud husband to his wife, Susan, and three beautiful school-age daughters. He enjoys reading, attending his children's events, and spending time with friends and family.

Supervisor Wagner looks forward to partnering with Dr. Johnson and serving shared constituents in the Tustin and North Tustin areas.



SILVERADO CANYON —The California Fire Foundation’s Supplying Aid to Victims of Emergency (SAVE) program brings immediate, short-term relief to victims of fire and other natural disasters throughout California. Orange County Firefighters from Silverado Canyon delivered SAVE Cards to residents in Silverado Canyon, so they may purchase necessities such as food, clothing, or medicine. The residents’ homes suffered significant damage as a result of the mud and debris flow incident that occurred on December 14th, 2021. Residents were grateful for the cards since they are still repairing damage and cleaning up their homes and property.

The [SAVE Card program](#) is a partnership between OCFA and the California Fire Foundation to assist victims negatively impacted by incidents.



MISSION VIEJO – Mission Hospital has served the south county community for over 50 years. Over the next decade, it's planning to expand to meet the growing demand for compassionate health care in Orange County. Mission Hospital is an excellent neighbor to have in the Third District for its commitment to improving quality healthcare in Orange County.

A special shout out to Seth Teigen, Chief Executive of Mission Hospital, for providing an in-depth tour of the main campus, the Leonard Cancer Center, and the Family Conference Center. The Family Conference Center was built in honor of Mission Hospital physicians, nurses, and researchers who have dedicated their lives to saving lives through leading cancer research.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



CLEAN CALIFORNIA DUMP DAY

Saturday, March 26 | 9 a.m.–noon
Jeffrey Park & Ride Lot, 5595 ½ Walnut Ave., Irvine

Dispose of household bulky items — including mattresses, couches, chairs, tables, desks, and excess green waste — easily and at no cost!



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MOBILE COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

Clínica De Vacunas COVID-19 | Chích Ngừa COVID-19 Lưu Động



Friday, April 1, 2022

Viernes, Abril 1, 2022 / Thứ sáu, Tháng tư 1, 2022

SOC - Family Resource Center

22481 Aspan St., Lake Forest, CA 92630

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Pfizer - Comirnaty / Moderna / Johnson & Johnson

WALK-INS WELCOME!

Please bring the following to streamline registration:

1. **Form of identification.** A photo ID is preferred, but other forms of identification will be accepted. Proof of citizenship or legal status is **NOT** required.
2. **Insurance card, if you have one.** No one will be denied vaccine if they do not have insurance. Vaccines are **FREE**. We are collecting insurance information as clinicians are advised to bill insurance.
3. **Proof you are the appropriate age** for the vaccine being administered.
* Minors, ages 5-17, must be accompanied by a parent or an adult legal guardian.

¡BIENVENIDO A VACUNARSE SIN PREVIA CITA!

Por favor, traiga lo siguiente para agilizar la inscripción:

1. **Documento de identidad.** Es preferible una identificación con foto, pero otras formas de identificación serán aceptadas. La prueba de ciudadanía o estado migratorio **NO** es necesario.
2. **Tarjeta de seguro, si tiene una.** A nadie se le negará la vacuna si no tiene seguro. Las vacunas son **GRATIS**. Puede que se le cobre a su seguro, pero usted no pagará nada por la vacuna.
3. **Prueba de que tiene la edad** para la vacuna que se administra.
* Los menores de edad, de 5 a 17 años, deben estar acompañados por uno de sus padres o un tutor legal adulto.

CHÍCH NGỪA KHÔNG CẦN HẸN

Vui lòng đem các thứ sau đến chỗ ghi danh:

1. **Hình thức nhận dạng.** Tốt nhất là có một thẻ căn cước với hình ảnh nhận dạng, nhưng các hình thức nhận dạng khác sẽ được chấp nhận. Các giấy tờ khác để chứng minh quốc tịch hoặc tình trạng pháp lý **KHÔNG** cần thiết.
2. **Thẻ bảo hiểm nếu có.** Không ai bị từ chối chích ngừa vì không có bảo hiểm. Thuốc chủng **MIỄN PHÍ**. Chúng tôi thu thập thông tin vì là bác sĩ lâm sàng thường được khuyến đòi tiền bảo hiểm.
3. **Bảng chứng hạn tuổi hợp lệ** để được chích ngừa.
* Trẻ từ 5-17 tuổi phải có cha mẹ hay người bảo hộ trưởng thành cùng đi.



To schedule an appointment, or arrange for transportation, call:
Para programar una cita, llame
Nếu muốn lấy hẹn, xin gọi

714.834.2000



ORANGE COUNTY'S
Big Voice
OC Community Services
A Program of OC Community Resources

Veterans Service Office (VSO) - March 2022 Edition

Based on February 2022 Service Data

Clients Served

2,202

Includes phone calls, emails, and appointments

Monthly Average for 2021: 1,875

Claims Filed

542

To the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Monthly Average for 2021: 530

Benefits Awarded

\$431,754.69

Includes College Fee Waivers and Awards paid out by the VA

Monthly Average for 2021: \$677,000

Upcoming Meetings, Committees, Workgroups:

- April 13, 2022 — Orange County Veterans Advisory Council (OCVAC) Meeting at 12:00 noon
- April 27, 2022—Veterans Coffee Talk from 8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m

Theme: April is Month of the Military Child

Upcoming Workshops/Training Opportunities:

- April 13, 2022— Veterans Legal Institute (VLI) hosts virtual free legal clinic for veterans.

For information on any of these events, please contact the VSO at 714-480-6555 or email ocvso@occr.ocgov.com

Latest News

- Four staff members from the VSO and Program Support Unit successfully completed CalVet training and passed their State accreditation exams.
- The VSO successfully secured Prop 63 Mental Health Services Act grant funding from CalVet for the next two years to continue our partnership with community colleges in support of student veterans.

Veteran Spotlight

March is Women's History Month and we salute women who have served in our U.S. Military. This month we honor Alexis Federico who was appointed by Orange County Supervisor Lisa Bartlett to serve on the Orange County Veterans Advisory Council in 2020. Prior to earning her J.D., summa cum laude, from UC Irvine School of Law, Alexis was a helicopter pilot and instructor in the U.S. Marine Corps. She was selected as the Marine Aircraft Group 40 (Afghanistan) Aviator of the Year and was presented with the Order of the Daedalians U.S. Marine Corps' Exceptional Pilot Award.

**Orange County Supervisor Don Wagner
The City of Lake Forest
The Pet Adoption Center of Orange County**

INVITE ALL ANIMAL LOVERS AND THEIR PETS TO THE 5TH ANNUAL

South County Pet Expo

Saturday, April 30th 10:00am-1:00pm

**Lake Forest Sports Park & Recreation Center
(28000 Rancho Pkwy, Lake Forest, Ca 92630)**



THIS FREE EVENT WILL FEATURE:



A WIDE VARIETY OF ADOPTABLE PETS FROM MULTIPLE RESCUES!

AN ARRAY OF PET PRODUCTS, DEMONSTRATIONS, AND SERVICES!

VETERINARIANS AND A WEALTH OF PET-RELATED INFORMATION!

FOOD TRUCKS, GIVEAWAYS, AND FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

BRING YOUR WELL SOCIALIZED/VACCINATED/PEOPLE-FRIENDLY DOG!

**You may be asked to leave the event if your dog is not friendly.*

**No flexible leashes are allowed.*

ADDITIONAL PARKING LOCATED AT SADDLEBACK CHURCH

FOR EVENT INFORMATION (INCLUDING VENDOR AND SPONSOR INFO): CONTACT KEVIN FERNANDEZ

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FREE TAX FILING

If you live, work, or attend school in Irvine and your household income was less than \$60,000, you may be eligible to file your taxes for free and access valuable tax credits.

Service Dates

Wednesdays, February 2 through April 6
12 PM to 7 PM



Cypress Community Park

255 Visions, Irvine, CA 92620

Call 888-434-8248 for more information about EITC cash-back credits or to schedule a free tax preparation appointment.



Connecting job seekers and businesses to no-cost services.

Free tax site cannot prepare returns with all types of income or expenses. Please verify with the appointment representative or site greeter that your return can be prepared. An appointment is not a guarantee of service.



HELP SAFEGUARD YOUR TRANSPORTATION DOLLARS

Apply to the OC Go (also known as Measure M)
Taxpayer Oversight Committee

Openings for residents living in Orange County's
First, Third, Fourth and Fifth Supervisorial Districts

[Click here for more information](#)

APPLICATIONS DUE BY MAY 2, 2022



EQUITY IN **OC**

**JOIN THE EQUITY
MOVEMENT IN
ORANGE COUNTY!**

Want to help improve the lives of underserved and multicultural families and individuals in Orange County? You can join the Equity in OC taskforce to help identify health inequities in your community and work to develop solutions. Funding opportunities are also available for organizations and collectives to build/expand programs and services. [Learn more](#) about the Equity in OC initiative.



Disneyland Resort has been focused on empowering at-risk youth, finding hope in the future and emboldening leaders to build the workforce of tomorrow.

Disney's community workforce development initiative supports three pillars:

- **Mentorship:** Cast members, through the Disney VoluntEARS program, have the opportunity to mentor youth one-on-one through school and community initiatives.

- **Career Skills Development:** Disney VoluntEARS lend their time and business expertise to lead career sessions with topics such as resume writing, interview skills, business etiquette, engineering, guest service and speaker sessions.
- **Community Program Support:** Disneyland Resort offers grants to organizations that specialize in helping students and adults enter or re-enter the workforce.

Disneyland Resort works with nonprofits, such as Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County & The Inland Empire, Chrysalis, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Anaheim-Cypress, to change lives and create meaningful opportunities for job seekers on the [Disney Parks Blog](#).



As you spring clean, keep an eye out for things like e-waste, old batteries, and paint. These items can be dropped off at Household Hazardous Waste Collection Centers. If larger items like mattresses or appliances are also on your list, they might be options for a bulky item pick up from your local hauler or can be taken to Olinda Alpha or Prima Deshecha landfills for recycling.

[Visit here](#) for information on household waste disposal, mattress/large appliance recycling, or on how to contact your local hauler.

RECOGNITIONS

NATIONAL VIETNAM VETERANS DAY



On March 29th, we as a nation honored the bravery and service of Vietnam War Veterans for National Vietnam War Veterans Day; it marks the day the last U.S. combat troops departed Vietnam on March 29, 1973. We are eternally grateful to our Veterans and their families for their sacrifice.

Thanks for reading!

Supervisor Don Wagner is proud to represent over 630,000 diverse residents in the communities of Anaheim Hills, Irvine, Lake Forest, Mission Viejo, North Tustin and Tustin, Orange, Rancho Santa Margarita, the unincorporated canyons, Villa Park, and Yorba Linda.

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