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Former foster youth college-ready thanks to supply donations

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The first month on a college campus is daunting for any freshman, but the anxiety is heightened for former foster youth who can be triggered by having another move on their plate.

To ease the tension, nonprofit educational group Ready to Succeed (RTS) is willing to give whatever these students need via Project Dorm Room. Throughout August and September, RTS has been at multiple area campuses, giving out 28-piece curated dorm room sets and helping foster youth move into their dorm rooms. The organization helps foster youth, as well as low-income first generation college students, in building career opportunities and aiding in everyday life costs.

The project began in 2017 from now-RTS board member Tania Suster, and has expanded via RTS to serve over 300 students in Los Angeles. Raised funds of

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Courtesy Photo

COLLEGE: Nonprofit educational organization Ready to Succeed has been helping former foster youth get acclimated to college via Project Dorm Room.

Council now prohibited from asking for the illegal and impossible

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Councilmembers who want to "discuss" something at an official meeting will have to first win the approval of the City Attorney and City Manager following last month's legally dubious direction to ban the needle exchange program in local parks.

While the directive at the Aug. 27 meeting was clear, the City Attorney forewarned councilmembers it was outside their jurisdiction and the City Manager said during the debate that staff would be unable to take any action on the motion due to the city's lack of jurisdiction over the program.

Those warnings didn't stop a 4-3 majority from supporting the measure with some saying it was about prompting conversation and creating a public record of support or opposition for the program. However, the vote drew condemnation from critics who said grandstanding by councilmembers shouldn't expose the staff, or city, to legal jeopardy by passing illegal measures.

In response, Councilwoman Gleam Davis put forth an idea last week to require so called "16 items" (items put on the agenda by councilmembers for discussion) to be approved by the City Attorney and City manager for legality and feasibility. She said her proposal wasn't about stifling debate, but rather protecting staff from unreasonable requests.

"It's not about saying no to any particular 16 item. It's about working with staff to try and figure out what the 16 item is trying to accomplish, and then do that in a pragmatic, legal and viable, feasible way," she said. "So it's not about saying no to what anyone wants to do, but it's about trying to craft these items in such a way that we don't put staff in the untenable position of passing, giving them directions to do things that they're just infeasible or illegal."

The City Manager and City Attorney had both warned about the needle exchange issue prior to the vote last month.

City Attorney Doug Sloan said that Council could always make a statement of opposition to any issue or direct staff to research solutions to a problem but the August motion did neither of those and instead

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SMMUSD, Malibu agree to school separation package

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A major step was taken this past week toward separating the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) into school districts for the two cities.

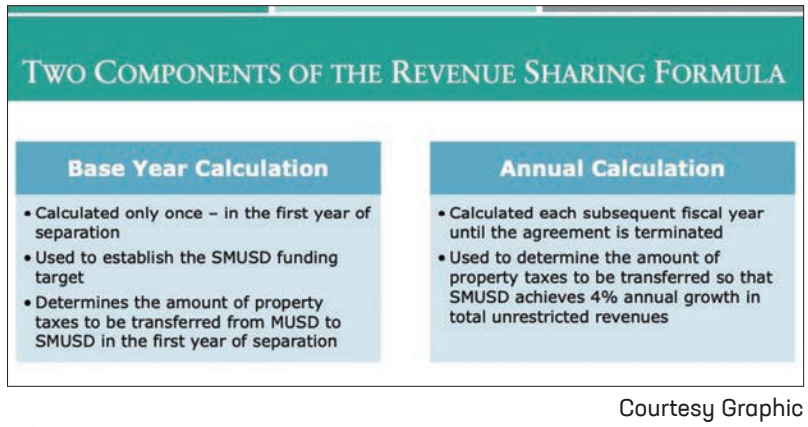
On Sept. 12, SMMUSD and the City of Malibu announced that their respective subcommittees have agreed on a proposed school separation package. The package has three key elements, a Revenue Sharing Agreement, an Operational Transfer Agreement and a Joint Powers Agreement.

All agreements are now ready for public review, with finalization and approval expected by both the City of Malibu and SMMUSD Board of Education in October.

"It is a good feeling to share these long-awaited agreements with the public and I am looking forward to participating in many discussions prior to any votes being taken," SMMUSD Board of Education Vice President and unification subcommittee member Jon Kean said. "While there is a lot left to do, this is yet another significant milestone toward unification."

What is left to do, post-approval from Malibu and the SMMUSD board, is to involve the Los Angeles County Office of Education County Committee on School District Organization in scheduling a public hearing. A joint press release on the

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SCHOOL SPLIT: The Revenue Sharing Agreement to split Santa Monica and Malibu schools into separate educational entities was one of three agreements made between the parties.



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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAMPUS PLAN PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD or District), as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the proposed Roosevelt Elementary School Campus Plan Project (Proposed Project), pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (Public Resources Code section 21000 et sec.) and the CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations section 15000 et seq.). The purpose of this notice is 1) to serve as a Notice of Availability (NOA) of a DEIR for a 45-day public comment period pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines section 15087, and 2) to announce a community meeting to be held by SMMUSD during the 45-day comment period.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Proposed Project site is located at 801 Montana Avenue (assessor's parcel number [APN]: 4280-022-900), north of the Lincoln Boulevard and Montana Avenue intersection, in the City of Santa Monica, Los Angeles County, California. The school campus consists of an approximately 6.5-acre rectangular parcel developed with the Roosevelt Elementary School, and is entirely owned by the District, and is bordered by 9th Street on the east/northeast, Montana Avenue on the south/southeast, Lincoln Boulevard on the west/southwest, and Alta Avenue on the north/northwest. The school campus is located approximately 1.3 miles northwest of Interstate 10, approximately 3.5 miles southwest of Interstate 405, and approximately 0.65 miles northeast of Pacific Coast Highway.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Proposed Project would renovate and modernize the existing campus to develop new and updated facilities that would support a project-based learning approach and provide learning opportunities that are flexible, adaptable, and with access to technology and resources in real time at Roosevelt Elementary School. The Proposed Project would be constructed in five phases, which would occur at the District's discretion when funding becomes available. Redevelopment and modernization of Roosevelt Elementary School consists of removing and demolishing six buildings and 12 portables, constructing five new buildings and one building addition, renovating four buildings and outdoor play areas, and creating new green spaces for outdoor learning and play in areas that are currently paved over or part of the building footprint on the existing school campus. Additionally, each school entry point would include a security gate to control access. The maximum height of the renovated existing and new buildings would not exceed 32 feet. Implementation of the Proposed Project would not increase the capacity of the school and would not change the attendance boundaries.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: September 16, 2024 – October 31, 2024

RESPONSES AND COMMENTS: Responsible public agencies, trustee agencies, the Office of Planning and Research, the Los Angeles County Clerk, organizations, and members of the public are invited to review and comment on the DEIR. Your complete and detailed response should be sent at the earliest possible date, but no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 31, 2024. Please include the name, phone number, and email address of a contact person in all responses submitted. There will be no consideration of, or responses to, untimely comments.

Please send your response in writing with the subject heading Roosevelt Elementary School Campus Plan Project to: Carey Upton, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, 1717 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 or via e-mail to cupton@smmusd.org.

COMMUNITY MEETING: SMMUSD will host an in-person community meeting to present the Proposed Project and the DEIR. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the findings of the DEIR and to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on environmental issues.

Time: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Date: September 25, 2024

Location: Roosevelt Elementary School, Auditorium, 801 Montana Avenue, Santa Monica, CA 90404
The presentation will be recorded and available to view after September 25, 2024, at https://www.smmusd/Page/5595.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Proposed Project would result in no environmental impacts related to Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Land Use, Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, or Wildfire. Impacts related to Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Energy, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hydrology and Water Quality, Public Services, Recreation, Tribal Cultural Resources, and Utilities and Service Systems were determined to be less than significant with no mitigation required. Impacts related to Cultural/Archaeological Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, and Transportation were determined to be less than significant after the implementation of mitigation measures. Impacts to Cultural/Historical Resources were determined to be significant and unavoidable, even after implementation of feasible mitigation measures. Per CEQA Guidelines section 15087(c)(6), the Project Site is not on state and federal hazardous materials sites enumerated under Government Code section 65962.5.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The DEIR and Notice of Availability for the Proposed Project are available for public review at the following locations (physical locations during normal business hours):

- Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, 1717 4th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401
- SMMUSD website: https://www.smmusd/Page/5595

If you require additional information, please contact Carey Upton at 310-450-8338 x79383.

GUEST COMMENTARY

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California schools face twin perils: chronic absenteeism and declining enrollment

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Photo by Semantha Norris, CalMatters
ENROLLMENT: Students line up on the first day of school at Loma Vista Elementary School in Salinas on Aug. 8, 2023.

California's public schools have a numbers problem —and it's not just that their students don't score very highly in national tests of mathematics ability.

Their other numbers problem is the financial squeeze posed by declining enrollment, especially in large urban districts, compounded by apparently growing levels of chronic absenteeism, or truancy.

"Thirty percent of California public school students were chronically absent from school in 2021-22 — a near tripling of the percentage in 2018-19," the Public Policy Institute of California declared in a recent report. "Although we do not know if this stark increase in chronic absenteeism, defined as missing at least 10% of the school year or at least 18 days, will continue, the data from last year raises concerns about the pace of students' learning recovery after the educational setbacks of the COVID-19 pandemic."

California is one of just seven states that base state financial support of local school systems on attendance, rather than enrollment, so the declines in enrollment and attendance comprise a double financial whammy, one of the reasons many school districts are facing budget deficits.

Enrollment is an immutable effect of demographic change, both the out-migration of young families to other states and lower birth rates. Chronic truancy, on the other hand, first became notable during the COVID-19 pandemic, when schools were closed for months and many students were unable to keep up with studies via the internet.

Another report from the Public Policy Institute of California found that "schools with greater increases in chronic absenteeism saw steeper drops in proficiency rates on the Smarter Balanced (SBAC) English and math tests, when comparing pre-pandemic levels (2018-19) to 2021-22."

During the pandemic, the Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom temporarily deviated from basing state aid on attendance, given the massive dislocation of school closures. The situation also reinvigorated an old debate over whether using attendance is outmoded and California should shift to an enrollment-based system.

Policy Analysis for California Education, a think tank maintained by the state's major universities, chimed in with its own take on the issue, to wit: "We find that about 90 percent of districts would receive more funding under an enrollment-based formula than they would under the current ADA-based system, with the biggest boost going to high school districts and districts with more low-income, English learner, and foster youth students."

ADA refers to average daily attendance.

The analysis estimated that switching to enrollment would cost about $3.4 billion a year, since truant students would still qualify their schools for aid. It cautioned, however, that while "switching from attendance to enrollment may help districts gain greater fiscal stability and may shift more resources to school districts with greater student needs," on the other hand, "the current system includes a fiscal incentive that, most agree, encourages higher attendance, even if that attendance definition is relatively weak."

In other words, switching to enrollment would take schools off the hook in battling truancy.

Last year, Anthony Portantino, a Democratic state senator from Glendale, introduced legislation, backed by the public education establishment, including state schools Supt. Tony Thurmond, to make the change.

"Enrollment-based funding ensures that California schools are funded more equitably and have greater financial stability and predictability," Portantino said.

However, with the state facing chronic budget deficits of its own and barely able to supply schools with their constitutionally mandated levels of money, Senate Bill 98 faltered. It eventually morphed into merely an instruction to the Legislative Analyst's Office, the Legislature's budget advisor, to study the effects of changing to an enrollment-based system and report on it by Jan. 1, 2026.

That's known in political circles as kicking the can down the road, a time-dishonored way for officials to avoid making decisions.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

Santa Monica College Theatre Arts to Stage "Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches"

The Santa Monica College (SMC) Theatre Arts Department will perform "Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches" Sept. 27 - Oct. 6 in the Theatre Arts Main Stage on the SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica.

"Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches" tells the story of two troubled couples — one gay, one straight — facing different challenges as the AIDS crisis explodes in the 1980s. The play, spiced with a bit of fantasia, looks at the social, sexual, and religious implications of the deadly illness.

The renowned play was written by Tony Kushner, who received both a Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award for the popular work, which was also adapted for television and won an Emmy Award.

The SMC production is directed by Dr. Adrianne Harrop.

Show times are 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4, and Saturday, Sept. 28 and Oct. 5. Matinees are at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 29 and Oct. 6. All performances subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Advance (pre-sale) tickets, which range from $22 to $25 ($18 for SMC students and staff) plus a modest service charge, can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets at any time, or by calling 310-434-4165 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tickets purchased on performance weekends at the Events Box Office (at the Theatre Arts building) are $3 higher. Parking is free, and information on parking, transportation, and directions can be found at smc.edu/transportation.

"Angels in America, Part One: Millennium Approaches" is produced by special arrangement with Broadway Play Publishing Inc., NYC.

SUBMITTED BY GRACE SMITH

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **71.6**

MONDAY
FAIR

SURF: Knee to thigh 1-2FT

Steep-angled S swell lingers and NW windswell stays down for the morning. Looking best for the small wave gear at the summer points. The windswell energy may start to perk back up later in the day.

TUESDAY
POOR TO FAIR

SURF: Knee to thigh 1-2FT

S swell lingers as NW windswell is due to fade. Morning winds look light but mind the mid AM high tide.

Weather

Monday: A chance of rain before 11am. Cloudy, with a high near 64.
Monday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.
Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 65.
Tuesday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2024/09/16	Mon	02:49 AM	-0.64	L
2024/09/16	Mon	09:06 AM	4.96	H
2024/09/16	Mon	2:34 PM	1.30	L
2024/09/16	Mon	8:43 PM	6.49	H
2024/09/17	Tue	03:21 AM	-0.56	L
2024/09/17	Tue	09:33 AM	5.42	H
2024/09/17	Tue	3:20 PM	0.72	L
2024/09/17	Tue	9:28 PM	6.32	H
2024/09/18	Wed	03:53 AM	-0.26	L
2024/09/18	Wed	10:03 AM	5.84	H
2024/09/18	Wed	4:08 PM	0.27	L
2024/09/18	Wed	10:15 PM	5.89	H
2024/09/19	Thu	04:25 AM	0.21	L
2024/09/19	Thu	10:36 AM	6.15	H
2024/09/19	Thu	4:59 PM	0.01	L
2024/09/19	Thu	11:06 PM	5.25	H
2024/09/20	Fri	04:58 AM	0.82	L
2024/09/20	Fri	11:12 AM	6.29	H
2024/09/20	Fri	5:54 PM	-0.06	L
2024/09/21	Sat	12:04 AM	4.51	H
2024/09/21	Sat	05:30 AM	1.50	L

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Power#: 3
Jackpot: 152 M

Mega Millions
Draw Date: 9/10
1 2 16 24 66
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 20 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 9/11
1 7 9 25 37
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 22 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/12
7 11 17 24 28

Daily 3
Draw Date: 9/12
EVENING: 6 1 1
Draw Date: 9/12
MIDDAY: 7 5 8

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 9/12
1st: 04 - Big Ben
2nd: 06 - Whirl Win
3rd: 02 - Lucky Star
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00388Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition Dalila Diaz for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Dalila Dia a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Dalila Dia to Dalilah De La Torre.. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 09/20/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

ORDERTOSHOWCAUSEFORCHANGEOF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00455Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition Kaiden Ali Nicholson for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Kaiden Ali Nicholson by Sepideh Abbasi & Kyle Donald Martell a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Kaiden Ali Nicholson to Kaiden Ali Martell. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 11/01/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

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ORDERTOSHOWCAUSEFORCHANGEOF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00441Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition Savannah Leigh Levin for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Savannah Leigh Levin a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Savannah Leigh Levin to Savannah Leigh London. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 10/18/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

ORDERTOSHOWCAUSEFORCHANGEOF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00395Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition Victoria Akbari Shirazi for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: SVictoria Akbari Shirazi a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Victoria Akbari Shirazi to Victoria Shirazi . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 10/04/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00448Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Suri Rodriguez by Sibeli Martinez and Carlos Rodriguez Gasper for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Suri Rodriguez by Sibeli Martinez and Carlos Rodriguez Gasper a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Suri Rodriguez to Suri Rodriguez Martinez The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 10/18/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00476 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Jennifer Ann Hoppenstand for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Jennifer Ann Hoppenstand a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Jennifer Ann Hoppenstand to Jennifer Ann Taylor. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 10/25/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Santa Monica 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90034 . A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

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The Blue Notebook - A Weekly SMPD Recap August 31- September 6, 2024

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AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

E- Line Tap-to-Exit Program Kick-off: Starting on 9/3/24 the Metro began the 10-day warning period for the Tap-to-Exit program at the Santa Monica station at 4th and Colorado. The program will go live on 9/13/24 when Metro security staff will issue citations to those who do not have valid fare when attempting to exit the platform. The program has been very successful during its pilot in North Hollywood with criminal activity at the station falling significantly and rider experience improving.

"The success of Metro's plan could very well help our city. We at SMPD plan to do all we can to support the success of the program at our station at 4th and Colorado." – Chief Batista

POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS FOR THE WEEK

Total Calls for Service (CFS): 2,586. YTD (through 8/31): 87,249

Source of calls:

Citizen Initiated: 1,664 calls for service. 52,479 YTD (60% of total CFS).

Officer Initiated: 922 calls for service. 34,770 YTD (40% of total CFS).

Disposition for CFS: Homeless related = 17% YTD.

Encampment Calls: 38. 1,087 YTD.

5150 Calls: 21. 453 YTD.

Arrests: 61 total arrests. 1,889 YTD.

Patrol Operations Division - Notable Incidents

Burglary Arrest – 1700 Block Franklin Street. Officers respond to the location regarding Hot Prowl. The reporting party advised dispatchers that she could hear an unknown suspect in the bathroom of apartment. Officers located the suspect who made entry by tearing a window screen and opening the window. While inside the residence, the suspect consumed the victim's food and used utilities.

Indecent Exposure / Battery / Resisting Arrest – 1600 Block 7th Street. The victim was walking northbound on 7th Street as the suspect passes her with his penis exposed. The victim tried to avoid the suspect, but he stepped in front of her blocking her path. The suspect touched his erect penis to the victim's hand. Responding officers located the suspect near 5th Street and Colorado and ordered him to stop. The suspect ignored the officers and continued walking. He was eventually detained and was positively identified by the victim.

Robbery – 1700 Block 22nd Street. Officers respond to a radio call of a robbery at the Southern California Edison facility. The reporting party, a security guard at the location, told officers he observed several suspects on the property stealing copper wire. One of the suspects brandished a handgun and the security guard fled the property to call police. The suspects were gone when officers arrived. Several bundles of copper wire were recovered outside the facility.

Drunk in Public / Resisting Arrest - 1600 Block of the Bike Path. DART Officers Melendez and Madrid contacted two subjects for a municipal code violation and public intoxication. During the contact, one of the suspects attempted to walk away and then assaulted one of the officers, spitting in his face. Both subjects were arrested.

Sexual Assault – 1600 Block Lincoln Blvd. Officers respond to a call for service of a sexual assault that just occurred. The victim, who called police, told officers she met the suspect recently after getting locked out of her apartment and they spent the day together. The suspect helped the victim get into her apartment, and once inside sexually assaulted her. He fled when the victim said she was calling police. Detectives are currently investigating this incident and working to locate the suspect for arrest.

Strong Arm Robbery – Cloverfield Boulevard and Pearl Street. The suspect ran up to the victim, who is walking on the sidewalk, and forcefully takes her purse from her. The suspect ran to a waiting gold colored Chrysler Pacifica minivan and fled eastbound on Pearl Street.

HOMELESS LIAISON PROGRAM (HLP) TEAM

Homeless Calls for Service Count: 602 incidents.

129 - calls for service
25 - 311 requests handled
96 - Self-initiated activity
2 - Misdemeanor arrests
57 - Field interviews/advisals
9 - Citation
110 - Referrals to services
5 - 5150 holds completed
9 - Encampments addressed

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH)/HLP CLINICIAN STATS

5 - Referral to services thru DMH
4 - 5150 evaluations (3 holds)

NOTABLE INCIDENTS

Throughout the week the "Sunrise" overtime detail was conducted along Ocean Front Walk by various sworn and professional staff and organized by the HLP Team. The focus of the detail is high-visibility patrol, enforcement of encampment violations, and addressing other quality of life issues. Park closure enforcement was also conducted over three days.

Indecent Exposure - 1900 Block Pico Boulevard. HLP team members assisted patrol with an indecent exposure call. The victim claimed the suspect pulled out his penis and began masturbating while looking at the victim. HLP Team members located the suspect who was subsequently taken to jail. The victim stated that the suspect had made inappropriate comments to her and her daughter in the past.

Brandishing a Weapon / Threats - 1700 block of 4th street. HLP Team members responded to a call about a person chasing people with a hammer. HLP team members attempted to detain a male armed with a large construction hammer and a chisel. The suspect refused to drop his weapons and comply with officers' commands and less lethal force was utilized to take him into custody. The suspect was subsequently taken to jail.

Encampment - 1600 block of Alley 9. HLP Team Officers arrested the occupant of the encampment for a warrant. The subject has been building encampments at this location for over a month and refuses services. He has been cited multiple times. Officers and the team's DMH clinician are working on getting him into shelter.

Encampment - 1400 block of 14th St. On subsequent days, HLP officers cited an individual for obstructing a public sidewalk and misappropriation of lost property. The individual, who is open to receiving services, has multiple HLP Team contacts starting from November 2022.

Encampment - 1800 block of Colorado Ave. (Expo Bike Path). Two days during the week, a HLP officer cited an individual for public camping. The subject has been contacted there multiple times. He has requested a referral to Samoshel while he attempts to purchase a bus/train ticket back to Ohio.

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matter stated the hearing may take place as early as November.

Revenue sharing was previously discussed in two public hearings, one in Malibu and one in Santa Monica, with the formula broken down into a "base year calculation" to be determined once in the first year of separation, and an "annual calculation" for each subsequent fiscal year until agreement termination.

For the base year, the amount of revenue per pupil of SMMUSD is identified, then adds $600 to the per pupil revenue to adjust for the additional cost of serving Malibu students. The adjusted per pupil funding amount is then multiplied by the number of students enrolled in would-be Santa Monica schools, creating a base year funding target. The target number is then compared to the unrestricted general fund revenues of a would-be Santa Monica Unified School District, and if the revenues are less than the funding target, Malibu would make up the difference through a base year property tax transfer.

Past the base year, the funding target for Santa Monica Unified would escalate by 4% this year. The target then would also be subtracted by district unrestricted revenues, with shortfalls to be made up by a transfer of Malibu property taxes. If Santa Monica revenue growths in funding levels exceed the target number, Malibu is exempt from providing a transfer for that year. The first potential cutoff of revenue sharing would be if no Malibu property tax transfer occurs for three consecutive years, or the 2041-42 fiscal year if a transfer does not happen that year.

The other two agreements were finalized over the past month, with the Operational Transfer Agreement detailing the allocation of staffing, operational processes and resources between Santa Monica Unified School District and Malibu Unified School District. The Joint Powers Agreement establishes a "shared entity responsible for overseeing and implementing the agreements governing the planned division of SMMUSD."

Negotiations nearly broke down over the summer, as Christine Wood, an attorney representing the City of Malibu, requested the LACOE committee set a public hearing on its original 2017 petition for unification. Wood said that the request for the original petition to be heard was "about the lack of urgency that (SMMUSD) is placing on the process," but the attorney revised the statement during an August LACOE hearing, stating the Malibu and SMMUSD sides made a "considerable amount of progress" on the agreements.

In a statement Thursday, Malibu Mayor Doug Stewart noted that he was grateful for the package finalization.

"This marks a crucial step forward for Malibu as we move closer to creating an independent school district that reflects the unique needs and values of our community," Stewart said. "The Separation Package is a result of a collaborative effort aimed at ensuring both Malibu and Santa Monica students receive an exceptional education. I want to extend my gratitude to the members of the subcommittee, whose hard work and dedication have been essential to reaching this point."

For more information about the separation package, visit smmusd.org/MalibuUnification.

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‘Steam engine’ or cautionary tale? Experts weigh in on AI role in California elections



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AI: Panel members engage in discussion during a panel titled, “AI, Ethics, and Elections”, at an event marking the 50th anniversary of the Political Reform Act at the McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento on Sept. 11, 2024.

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Special to the Daily Press

Will artificial intelligence be the doom of political integrity? Or will it help promote election law compliance in California?

Depends on who you ask, according to a panel of tech and campaign finance experts who spoke today at the state Fair Political Practices Commission’s 50th anniversary event in Sacramento.

The independent nonpartisan commission — California’s campaign finance watchdog agency — was created by the Political Reform Act in 1974 to ensure transparency in state and local politics after the Watergate scandal. The agency of about 100 employees regulates lobbying, conflict of interest, campaign finance and ethics violations.

The event featured former and current commissioners, campaign finance attorneys and state legislators, including former commission Chairperson Ann Ravel, Political Reform Act co-author Bob Stern and state Sen. Steve Glazer, an Orinda Democrat. Gov. Gavin Newsom and former Gov. Jerry Brown both appeared on the screen in pre-recorded footage.

Panelists reviewed the origin of the Political Reform Act, established by a voter-approved ballot measure and endorsed by Brown. They also combed through challenges facing the commission, with some recounting funding restraints and enforcement backlogs.

One of the panels — moderated by commission Chairperson Adam Silver — discussed the role of AI in elections. While the proliferation of deep fakes concerns him, the technology could help bolster the agency’s enforcement efforts on campaign finance violations and educate officials on compliance, Silver said.

Scott Morris, a senior strategic client executive at Microsoft, deemed the technology “the steam engine of the fourth industrial revolution.”

Assembly Elections Committee Chairperson Gail Pellerin, a Santa Cruz Democrat and former local elections official for nearly three decades, said AI could also help answer voter questions, monitor cybersecurity threats, optimize voting locations and even redraw districts.

But Drew Liebert, initiative director at the nonprofit California Initiative for Technology and Democracy, warned of the abuse of AI in elections.

“We have to be very careful as we study these enormous learning machines out there scooping up … all of the information on the internet,” he said. “I think we have to approach AI with a great deal of caution.”

Meanwhile, Attorney General Rob Bonta sent a letter today to top social media and AI companies, reminding executives at Alphabet, Meta, Microsoft, OpenAI, X and others that California laws ban certain types of “voter intimidation, deception, and dissuasion,” and that the laws may apply to information on social media sites and AI-generated content.

Bonta also said companies have either “eased or eliminated” their content-moderation policies, despite a “dramatic increase” of misinformation on social media during the 2020 general election.

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Project 2025 to California: Report abortion data or lose billions in Medicaid

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PROJECT 2025: The controversial conservative playbook includes an ultimatum for California to report abortion data to the federal government.

Project 2025, the 900-page conservative playbook for the next Republican president, issues an ultimatum for California: track and report abortion data to the federal government or risk losing billions in Medicaid funding for reproductive health.

California is one of only three states that do not report abortion data to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Project 2025’s proposed federal mandate directly conflicts with the state’s strong protections for patient privacy and could dismantle the legal and ethical foundations that have made California a refuge for those seeking reproductive care.

The blueprint, crafted by Donald Trump allies and leaders in his first administration, clearly targets states with abortion protections like California, seeking the kind of data that could be used to target abortion-seekers or even criminally punish out-of-staters who come to the state for reproductive health services.

“Because liberal states have now become sanctuaries for abortion tourism, [the Department of Health and Human Services] should use every available tool, including the cutting of funds, to ensure that every state reports exactly how many abortions take place within its borders, at what gestational age of the child, for what reason, the mother’s state of residence, and by what method,” reads the chapter on abortion reporting.

Roger Severino, who served as the Department of Health and Human Services’ director of the Office for Civil Rights under Trump, authored Project 2025’s abortion surveillance plan. He is now the vice president of domestic policy at the Heritage Foundation, the conservative think tank behind Project 2025. He declined an interview with CalMatters.

As Project 2025 and reproductive health have become major campaign themes, Trump continues to distance himself from the right-wing plan. He’s repeatedly called some of the project’s proposals “abysmal” and has said “I have no idea who is behind it.” Paul Dans, the Project 2025 director and a former top adviser in Trump’s administration, resigned from the Heritage Foundation in July after Trump began to disengage from the plan.

In yesterday’s presidential debate, Vice President Kamala Harris explicitly warned about Project 2025’s plans to monitor “your pregnancies, your miscarriages.”

On the stage, Trump denied supporting a national abortion ban, in part because the fall of Roe led to his desire for each state to implement its own policy. “This is an issue that’s torn our country apart for 52 years,” Trump said on the debate stage. “Every legal scholar, every Democrat, every Republican, liberal, conservative, they all wanted this issue to be brought back to the states where the people could vote. And that’s what happened.”

Harris’ home state has a long history of protecting reproductive rights. The state legalized abortion in 1967, six years before the landmark Roe v. Wade decision, and has since enacted numerous laws to ensure access to abortion care.

The California Constitution includes an explicit right to privacy, which has been interpreted by state courts to guarantee the right to choose an abortion.

California, along with Maryland and New Hampshire, does not require abortion providers to report patient data to the federal government, as Severino points out. The California Department of Public Health said just days after Roe v. Wade was overturned that it does not report abortion data to the federal government because it is not required to do so. The states that do collect data generally use it for public health analysis that can help improve abortion access by identifying gaps and needs

Under Project 2025, all 50 states would be required to submit to the federal government data such as the reason for the abortion, fetus’ gestational age, the birthing parent’s state of residence, whether the procedure was surgical or pill-induced, and more.

Cat Duffy, a policy analyst at the National Health Law Program, said the intention of collecting this data “is not one of scientific exploration.”

“It’s to create a culture of fear, which will spread, not just to abortion seekers, but pregnant people as well, who will be afraid of going to the doctor and what they tell the doctor,” she said.

MEDI-CAL AND ACCESS TO CRITICAL CARE

Medicaid – known as Medi-Cal in California – is the single largest payer of maternity care in the country. So, if California fought the proposed abortion reporting requirements, billions of dollars in Medicaid funding that provides critical reproductive healthcare services would be at risk.

The state didn’t immediately release figures showing how many Californians rely on Medi-Cal for family planning or how much money would be at stake. But Medi-Cal’s family planning funds pays for about 39 percent of all births in the state. In total, Medi-Cal covers about 14.2 million Californians, according to a June 2024 report. Medi-Cal brought in $85 billion in federal funds in fiscal year

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DORM ROOM

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$750 furnish an entire dorm room, while a donation of $50 provides an individual student with essential school supplies. RTS is aiming to raise $225,000 for the endeavor by the end of the month, and will match any donations through that time.

Suster saw the need for foster youth when she visited UCLA and saw students "showing up with a hoodie and maybe a blanket and nothing else," RTS Co-Founder and CEO Romi Lassally explained.

"She saw that there were foster youth moving into UCLA without anything … she saw the stark contrast between (foster youth) students from most students from the general population who are showing up with their families," Lassally said. "She just thought these kids should not be going through this milestone moment alone, and she rallied her friends and her colleagues and her community of people to help her."

Suster reached out to UCLA on the endeavor, setting up a "bed and bath" store on campus for foster youth, then offering to help them move into their rooms.

"Moving is hard enough, but moving into college without support is even harder," Suster said. "I couldn't stop thinking about all these youth who face this huge milestone on their own. It broke my heart."

RTS learned of Suster's efforts through their mutual work in the Bruin Guardian Scholars program, realizing that she was "running out of room in her garage" and that the organization could take on the task.

"Initially we thought, not only is it an amazing program but we thought it could help us with our student recruitment, so we could meet students as freshmen and then recruit them into the program as sophomores" Lassally added. "We do use it as a recruitment opportunity, but it's really taken on a life of its own."

Madison Braybrooke, Community Engagement and Resource Manager for RTS, saw the good of the program, and is now in charge of coordinating Project Dorm Room for her second year.

"(It's) such a valuable first piece and first touch in that process, and so I think that really pulled me into it," Braybrooke said. "There's just so many layers in terms of this project where we get to really show these students how much we care."

Finding a vendor for this year in Dorm Co to make sure students have "good quality items," the dorm room set includes bedding, towels, sheets, extension cords, lamps, rugs and other essentials. Once campuses let RTS know how many students the organization will be serving, RTS takes the materials and keeps them in storage until a focused, personal move-in day for the scholars.

"We usually set up in a large room or an auditorium, and then we have some awesome volunteers come and be that support day-of in person, and kind of pairing them up with a student and going 'hey, this person's here for whatever you need, you get white glove service today from our volunteers,'" Braybrooke said. "They're taking cues from (students) if you want them to help make your bed, if you want them to throw out all the trash from the packaging of all your new items, whatever (they) need."

To supplement this, a coalition of Santa Monica and Westside families recently met in Playa Vista to make welcome bags for UCLA freshmen, featuring items that weren't part of the initial set. On top of college merchandise, the package featured "things you want in college" like face masks, tea, easy mac and cheese, and ramen noodle soup.

When receiving their items, students are allowed to choose their personal colors for things like comforters and rugs, making the process feel less like a handout.

"It creates a level playing field for them," Lassally said. "They're arriving and, you know, moving can be a traumatic sort of triggering experience for foster youth. So we try to make it a positive, moving experience, where they have everything that their roommates have and then some."

The UCLA leg of Project Dorm Room will take place from Sept. 18-20. To donate to the project and find out more information, visit https://readytosucceedla.org/project-dorm-room/.

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COUNCIL

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demanded and impossible, if not illegal, action.

"I mean, the city manager and I are bound to follow the lawful direction of the majority of the council," said City Attorney Doug Sloan. "If it puts us in a very difficult position if you pass something that's not lawful, because the public is expecting us to do something and we can't. So that's kind of the rationale here."

Councilman Oscar de la Torre brought the needle exchange idea to the council last month and was initially opposed to the idea of a staff review for future items.

"I am opposed to putting guard rails, you know, on items … that come from Council, because a lot of times it's not just an individual thing. It's a collective thing. There's residents that are speaking, there's input, there's research, there's a lot of things that go into bringing an item forward at times, and I think we don't want to put guardrails with that item."

He said the process for passing any item at council requires debate amount members and a majority vote, meaning staff should try to work out how to implement whatever direction they are given.

"And if they can't do anything about it because it's illegal or we don't have the money to do it, they're just going to have to sit on it."

He said staff have more power than any individual councilmember saying there have been times when unanimous direction was given to no avail and that he didn't think it would be "smart" for council to hand over more power to staff over the agenda.

Councilman Jesse Zwick supported the motion saying illegal direction was a potential disaster for the city.

"One council member is less politically powerful than staff, but four are more, and that's how the system works," he said. "And asking government staff the power of council to do something illegal isn't a political statement. It's a recipe for a political or constitutional crisis."

Vice Mayor Lana Negrete supported a revision to council process asking that the new system also account for and possibly prevent Councilmembers from clogging the agenda with repetitive motions on items already discussed.

The revised measure, including direction from Zwick to tailor the measure as narrowly as possible, ultimately won over de la Torre and was passed with a unanimous vote.

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CRIME STATS

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Under the Influence / Drug Possession – Lincoln Blvd/Santa Monica Blvd. HLP Team members contacted a subject walking in the street holding what appeared to be a meth pipe. During the detention the suspect refused to hand over the meth pipe and was subsequently detained. After taking the suspect to jail a small amount of what a white substance was found inside of his sock. The suspect was arrested for being under the influence in public, possession of a meth pipe, and possession of dangerous drugs.

HLP Team Officers were tasked with assisting a resident who was being harassed by a subject experiencing homelessness. The resident had been very generous in assisting the subject with clothing, financial support, and phone services. However, the resident has reached a point where she can no longer accommodate his needs and wanted the HLP Team/DMH Team to evaluate him.

DART- DIRECTED ACTION RESPONSE TEAM

Code Enforcement:

- 2 Citations
- 161 Advisals including 16 written warnings

SMPD:

- 3 Citations
- 12 Field Interviews
- 7 Arrests
- 11 Encampments Advised / Removed

NOTABLE INCIDENTS:

Warrant Arrest – 1500 Block of the Beach. DART located a subject they know from a prior contact with a warrant out of SMPD. The subject is contacted and arrested.

Warrant Arrest – 300 Block of the Pier. DART observed a subject in violation of a municipal code. The subject was detained and provided a false name. After discovering his identity, the officers found the suspect had a full-extradition warrant from Florida for Felony Assault on a Police Officer.

Battery – 1600 Ocean Front Walk. DART responded to a radio call of a battery of a Big Dean's employee. DART, working with the overtime beach unit, located the suspect and assisted with his arrest.

Disturbing the Peace– 200 Santa Monica Pier. Officers responded to a call of a subject who was disturbing the employees and customers at the Playland Arcade. Upon contact, officers observed an exposed knife in subject's waistband, a violation of the municipal code. The subject was arrested.

Disturbing the Peace- 300 Santa Monica Pier. DART officers were flagged down by Pier patrons about a male who was acting erratically and yelling. The subject was detained and arrested for public intoxication. During their search, officers located a concealed fixed-blade knife in the subject's pant pocket. A criminal record check revealed the subject on parole for Assault with a Deadly Weapon. A parole hold was obtained.

Shopping Cart – 2000 Block of the Beach. Officers contacted a pedestrian for possession of a shopping cart, a violation of the Business and Professions Code. During a consensual search of the individual, officers located methamphetamine.

CRIME IMPACT TEAM (CIT)
WEEKLY STATS:

- Traffic Stops – 12
- Ped Stops – 11
- Bike Stops – 5
- Felony Arrests – 4
- Misdemeanor Arrests – 2
- Citations – 2
- Field Interviews – 7
- Assists - 1

INCIDENTS OF NOTE

Family Disturbance – Patrol Assist. Responded to a residence to assist patrol with a suspect who was possibly in possession of a firearm. CIT officers provided help with an Emergency Response Team and crisis negotiations.

Beach Enforcement Operation. Officers Lopez and Perez contacted a subject for a municipal code violation. The subject was found to be on parole. Officers contacted the subject's parole agent and discovered he was a Parolee at Large. The subject was arrested for 3056 PC.

Downtown Livability Operation. Officers Lopez and Perez contacted a subject for a municipal code violation at Reed Park. The suspect was a sex registrant (offending charge was rape) who was out of compliance with his registration requirements. The subject was arrested.

Downtown Livability Operation. Officers Perez and Lopez contact a subject who was under the influence and down in front of a bus stop in the 1500 block of 4th St. The subject was a known gang member and on parole. Officers contacted the subjects parole agent and were able to obtain a parole hold. The subject was arrested for 3056 PC.

Wanted Suspect. Officers Lopez and Perez contacted a subject in the 1200 Block of 7th Street for a drinking violation. The suspect was arrested for a No Bail warrant.

City of Santa Monica

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2787 (CCS)
(CITY COUNCIL SERIES)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA (CITY) Amending Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 3.12.490 to Establish Speed Limits for Certain City Streets Pursuant to the California Vehicle Code

The following is a summary of Ordinance Number 2787 (CCS) prepared by the Office of the City Attorney:

The City must conduct an Engineering and Traffic Survey ("Survey") to validate the speed limits established in SMMC section 3.12.490 every five, seven, or fourteen years to ensure the speed limits remain valid. The Ordinance modifies local speed limits based on the results of the Survey. The Ordinance sets speed limits for surveyed street segments 2 of 8 within the City, based upon the Survey. The Ordinance also updates and strengthens SMMC section 3.12.490 by: a) providing a reduction of the speed limit along approximately 31 miles of street segments, b) authorizing an increase of the speed limit along one street segment (approximately 0.3 miles), c) authorizing the posting of speed limits on street segments without existing posted speed limits, and d) authorizing speed reductions on additional street segments where the City has not previously surveyed.

The Ordinance takes effect 30 days after adoption.

The full text of the above Ordinance is available upon request from the office of the City Clerk, located at 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica. Phone: (310) 458-8211.

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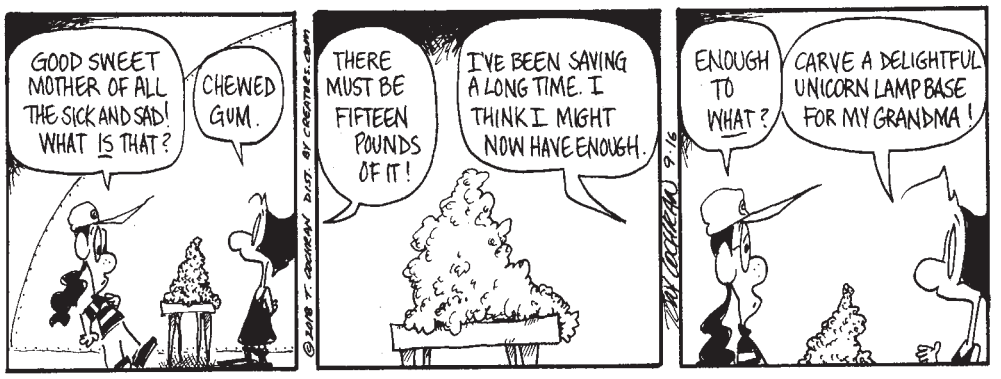
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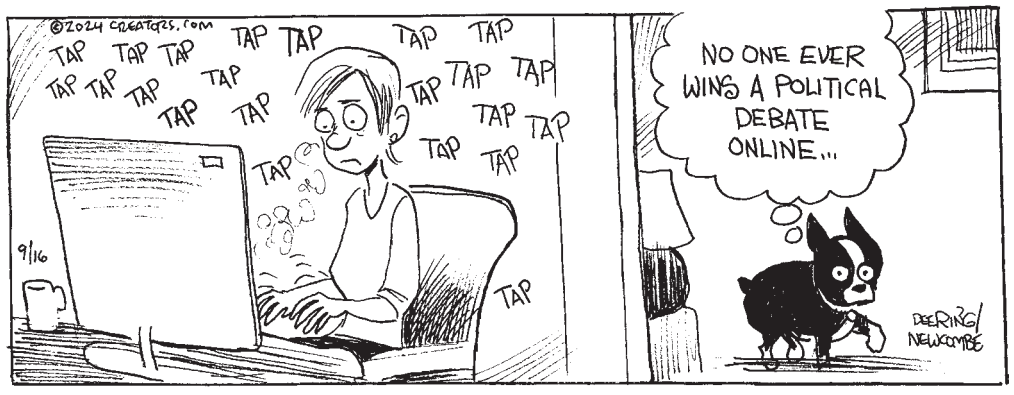
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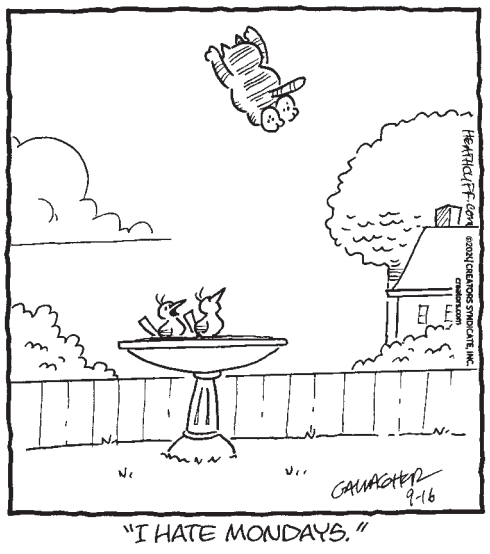
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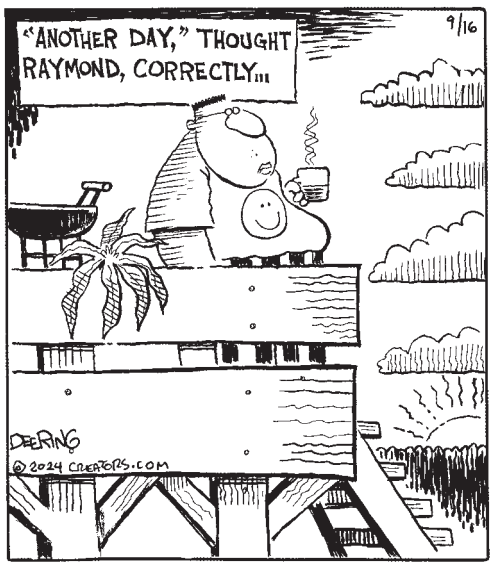
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"I HATE MONDAYS."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 18 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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I'm on the menu!

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Ants	Doctor	House	Pain	Snake
Aphis	Drown	Hurt	Pale	Spots
Avoid	Eels	Itch	Panic	Sting
Bees	Eggs	Lice	Pets	Swat
Bite	Fear	Lizard	Prey	Sweat
Black	Fire	Lotion	Rash	Toad
Bugs	Flies	Mako	Rats	Toxin
Coma	Frighten	Money	Rips	Tree
Daddy long legs	Gnat	spider	Scared	Wasp
	Grub	Moth	Shock	Yelp
Dark	Harmless	Ouch	Sick	Yuck

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 16)

Greatness is your destiny. The people who need you will change your trajectory in a direction more favorable than you ever could imagine. You'll blend rational thought and compassionate feeling to brilliant results. You'll move people with works of passion and intuition. More highlights: a bountiful gift from the blue that you'll share with hundreds. Gemini and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 40, 1, 33, 8 and 14.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Frustrated people will express themselves with too much directness or candor without understanding the impact. Because you've been that person before, you know just the smooth way to minimize the damage or avoid it altogether.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The peacemakers can also make other things happen such as production, commerce, social welfare and joyful moments. You're intent on understanding where people are coming from so you can help everyone get along.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You act calm and soon you really become it. You'll practice this today, not because something alarming happens but because your inner world is excitable and in need of a creative outlet. So, what will it be?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Kindness is your norm. Even when the people around you are being unreasonable and confusing, you'll still show compassion. You are intent on understanding other people's processes because it's the way to help everyone get along.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The aim of the race may be to cross a finish line, but most days are not a race; they are a song. Today's song has a forgettable fade-out of an ending. All the fun is in the loops, builds, hooks and dynamic repeats throughout.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Bitter and sweet can exist together, and so can joy and pain, but some combinations are impossible. For instance, you can't stay the same while changing. Today, you'll experience complex possibilities. You'll also come up against simple limitations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People tend to glorify the hustle, but you're not so sure. You're willing to sweat and toil when that's needed, but you're also open to a world where it's not. It's OK for some things to come easily.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll get more accomplished without putting in more time because you're hitting your groove and figuring things out. Your eye has never been more tuned to efficiency, and you'll know just what to maximize and cut to be most productive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll do some high-level problem-solving. Play devil's advocate. Imagine different paths. Change your mind, just as an exercise. You're not trapped. You have, in fact, more options than you knew of yesterday.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The people who can make you laugh win a place in your heart and a free pass to get away with so much more than others do because humor seems to make its own rules. Big smiles earn wide margins of error.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're smart. You know it, but you don't need everyone to, which makes you both intellectually and emotionally intelligent. There's no need to prove yourself. Key people know already, and the others have to come to it on their own.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The question keeps coming back: What do we owe each other? Today, it will extend to strangers, society at large and even the animal kingdom. Does your answer stay the same or evolve with you?

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

	C	A	R	V	E	R		B	E	A	R	U	P	
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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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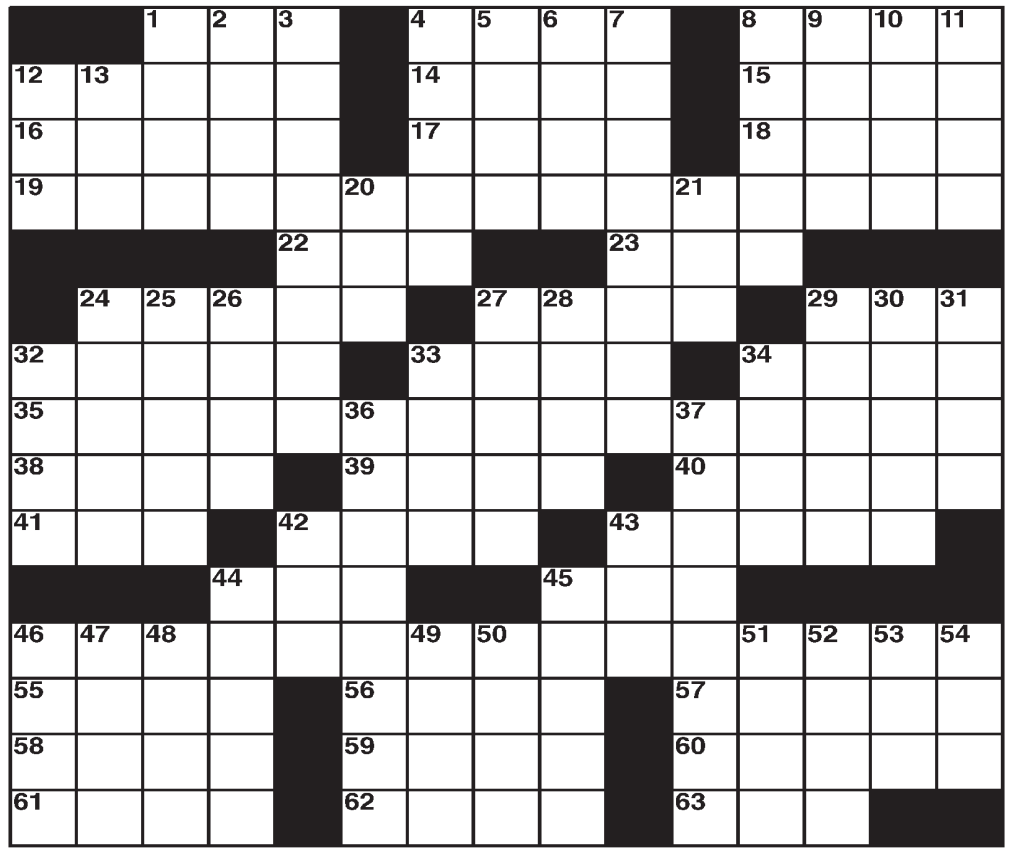
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ACROSS

1 Multiyear savings accounts: Abbr.
4 Arctic ice mass, for short
8 __ Canaveral, FL
12 Seat at a tavern
14 Bear's home
15 Out of town
16 Surprise greatly
17 Beef inspection agency: Abbr.
18 Rodeo lasso
19 First course: lettuce and cucumbers
22 Bit of paint
23 Mark atop an "i"
24 Slice of bacon
27 Untidy room
29 Low even number
32 Had lunch at home
33 President's rejection
34 Quartet minus one
35 Main course: lunch meat in bread
38 Young stallion
39 Historical periods
40 Holders of small spice jars
41 Resort with saunas
42 Installs, as a carpet
43 Office's work stations
44 "Matched" collection
45 __ Diego, CA
46 Last course: frozen dessert with Oreo pieces
55 Olympics snow vehicle
56 Egypt's main river
57 Found out about
58 Land area measure
59 Otherwise
60 Santa's helpers
61 Sharpen, as an appetite
62 Place for a keyhole
63 Change the color of

DOWN

1 Try to persuade
2 Take a nap
3 Coasting down a snowy hill
4 Book jacket bio
5 Simplify
6 Go by car or train
7 Your child's boy
8 Diamond measure
9 Army truant: Abbr.
10 Three Bears male
11 Observed closely
12 America's Uncle
13 Texter's "Enough said"
20 Space between teeth
21 Ship's distress signal
24 Bend down low
25 __ lie (be deceitful)
26 Very funny person
27 Southwest plateaus
28 When planes are due in: Abbr.
29 "Inedible" Halloween option
30 Candles' strings
31 __ and aahs (sounds impressed)
32 First lessons in reading
33 Fluctuate
34 "__ the night before..."
36 Tidied up
37 Thoroughly soaked
42 Luau necklace
43 June Sunday honoree
44 Target shooting sport
45 Scornful look
46 Cat's toenail
47 "That hurts!"
48 Fairy tale villain
49 Farm storage tower
50 In addition
51 Depend (on)
52 Roof overhang
53 "Ready when you __"
54 Physicians: Abbr.



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PROJECT 2025

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Medicaid operates as a state-federal partnership, with the federal government paying a percentage of the costs. And in exchange, states have to comply with minimum requirements set forth by the federal government.

Some examples of minimum requirements include providing mandatory benefits such as transportation to medical appointments; maintaining programs for preventing and detecting Medicaid fraud; and reporting immunization figures and annual pediatrician visits. Project 2025 seeks to establish abortion surveillance as another minimum requirement.

Duffy estimates Medi-Cal spends multiple billions annually on reproductive health, considering the costs of comprehensive services like contraceptives, counseling, reproductive health education, prenatal care, labor and delivery, postpartum care, STI and cancer testing, and infertility treatments.

"If a state like California decided to not comply with those abortion reporting requirements, it could lose billions of dollars and would likely hamstring the ability of the state to provide sexual and reproductive healthcare services," Duffy said. "Because while I think that there are states that would try to compensate with state funds, it's just a lot of money to make up and that it could potentially be really devastating."

Duffy noted that the proposal could increase surveillance of individuals seeking abortions, particularly targeting vulnerable populations. The fear of being monitored or reported could deter these groups from seeking necessary healthcare, increasing health risks, she said, adding that it can also heighten the risk of legal repercussions for both patients and providers, further marginalizing those already facing systemic inequalities.

"Those disproportionately impacted by the provisions in Project 2025 are the same folks that are disproportionately impacted by abortion bans: It's communities of color, it's young people, it is LGBTQ+ individuals."

FEAR OF BEING MONITORED—IN THE CLINIC AND BEYOND

Josie Urbina, an OB-GYN at San Francisco General Hospital and a research fellow at the University of California, San Francisco, said some individuals are more prone to pregnancy complications due to social determinants like low socioeconomic status, living in urban areas, or exposure to toxins. These factors, along with pre-existing conditions such as diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, and chronic stress, contribute to poor outcomes.

Research from the University of California also found that while receiving an abortion does not negatively affect women's health, being denied one leads to worsened financial, health, and family outcomes.

"And what we've seen sometimes for some of our patients who have these comorbidities is that they're more susceptible to stillbirth, hemorrhage, preeclampsia and eclampsia," Urbina said. "And that can lead to complications that are life threatening, where a patient loses their life because of the severity of the medical condition that worsens with the progression of a pregnancy."

In recent years, abortion has increasingly become criminalized in the United States, with a wave of restrictive laws and policies sweeping across state lines. Following the overturning of Roe v. Wade, many states enacted strict abortion bans, with some imposing severe penalties, including lengthy prison sentences, for healthcare providers who perform abortions.

These bans also create a chilling effect on those seeking care, as well as on the medical professionals who may fear prosecution. This trend has resulted in a patchwork of abortion access across the country, as the legality of the procedure and the risk of criminalization vary dramatically depending on geographic location.

Haley Tsukayama, associate director of legislative activism at the Electronic Frontier Foundation, said that the language used in Project 2025's abortion surveillance proposal is framed to "overhaul" the medical system in a way where there will be more integrated data sharing, including intimate information ending up in the hands of data brokers where there's room for possible data misuse.

"There isn't a lot of talk about consent or patient knowledge in this document. So it certainly opens up doors to the possibility of more data sharing and possibly more scrutiny on the way that data flows," she said. "The data that will be collected can get sent to data brokers who can re-identify information pretty quickly and paint a picture of your life."

This has already happened with period-tracking apps that share data with Facebook and Google without users' consent. If abortion data were similarly exposed, it could lead to serious privacy violations and unintended consequences, including harassment, discrimination, or even legal action against patients, Tsukayama said.

"We're already in a supercharged, data-driven ecosystem," she said. "And we're going to see that increase."

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MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 16

SANTA MONICA ARTS COMMISSION
6:30 - 8 p.m. Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. City art and culture programs are guided by the 9-member Santa Monica Arts Commission, which was formally established in 1982 to ensure a regular and ongoing assessment of art programs in the City. Appointed by the Santa Monica City Council, Arts Commissioners advise the Council on matters of policy, and strive to encourage the flow of art into the City. Visit https://www.smgov.net/portals/culture/agendas.aspx as meeting location may vary.

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP DISCUSSION
7 - 8:30 p.m. Virtual. Join a community-led online discussion of a wide range of books, chosen by the members. To register, email library@santamonica.gov. This month's selection is "The Lost Apothecary" by Sarah Penner.

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND THE ENVIRONMENT
7 - 10 p.m. SMI Room, Civic Center Parking Structure, 333 Civic Center Dr. The Commission on Sustainability, Environmental Justice and the Environment shall act in an advisory capacity on sustainability, environmental programs and policy issues. The Commission closely monitors the Santa Monica's Sustainable City Plan and advises the Council on plan implementation. The Commission is an expert panel made up of seven (7) members selected by the City Council with 4 year terms.

VIRGINIA AVE PARK ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
7 p.m. Thelma Terry Building, Workshop 3, Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave. The Virginia Avenue Park Advisory Board (VAPAB) serves as an advisory body to the Recreation and Parks Commission and the Director of Housing and Human Services Department. The Board represents the social and ethnic diversity of the park's neighborhood and includes but is not limited to representatives of the following segments of the community: park users, park neighbors, park program participants, seniors, families with children, community organizations and older youth.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
7 p.m. City Council Chambers, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. The Architectural Review Board established in 1974, acts "to preserve existing areas of natural beauty, cultural importance and assure that buildings, structures, signs or other developments are in good taste, good design, harmonious with surrounding developments, and in general contribute to the preservation of Santa Monica's reputation as a place of beauty, spaciousness and quality."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Dear Editor,

Unfortunately, I believe I can add to the Daily Press story "Homeless man fondles woman after breaking into her home" (September 12, 2024), which documented the latest (so far) in a horrible string of homeless sex attack crimes in Santa Monica.

Specifically, while the September 12 Daily Press story rightly includes this suspect's considerable criminal history, I believe it worthwhile to add that, according to publicly available law enforcement records, prior to this latest attack he was released from jail five times in 2024 alone, including after two felony arrests.

His latest release occurred a mere two weeks before the sexual assault crime reported by the Daily Press and was the suspect's third release from jail in August. The releases typically occurred a day or two after his arrest, via a citation or on his "own recognizance."

Sadly, this same catch-and-release pattern too often precedes serious violent crimes in Santa Monica.

For example, a late-August sexual attack at the beach occurred after that violent homeless suspect also had been arrested and released five times this year, most recently in July, with an almost immediate release each time on either a citation or a "short sentence."

Worse yet, the get-out-of-jail history of these two sexual assault suspects is hardly an outlier.

For example, earlier this year SMPD arrested four individuals on felony burglary charges. Three of the four were repeat felony offenders.

Soon afterward, SMPD arrested an individual whose shoplifting attempt turned into a felony robbery. He had been released on probation for a different felony charge last year.

And the list goes on and on. In just the past year, SMPD also has arrested fresh-out-of-jail repeat offenders for murder, assault with a deadly weapon, robbery, assault and battery, and other serious crimes committed here.

Perhaps now is the time for voters to demand an explanation from those politicians, judges, and candidates who justify get-out-of-jail policies for repeat offenders.

Explain, please, exactly what so-called "restorative justice" policies "restore" by putting repeat offenders back on the street to commit violent crimes.

Sincerely,

Peter DiChellis, Santa Monica



Menu

FOOD 10

Arancini alla mozzarella
Crispy rice balls, mozzarella, San Marzano tomato purée (vegetarian)

Arancini di carne e mozzarella
Crispy rice balls, mozzarella, beef ragout San Marzano tomato purée

Crostini con burrata
Toasted ciabatta bread, burrata, honey almonds (vegetarian)

Truffle fries
Truffle frice, grated Parmigiano, truffle zest (vegetarian)

Crocchette di pollo
Chicken croquettes, parmigiano

Bruschetta
The classic, tomatoes, basil and garlic (vegan)

Calamari fritti
The classic, Calabrian chili aioli

COCKTAIL 10

Spicy Margarita
House tequila, agave, organic lime

Old fashioned
House bourbon, maraschino cherry, organic sugar

Classic Martini
House vodka or gin, twist or olives

WINE 10

Pinot Grigio Valdadige, Veneto
Dry and crisp white wine

Chardonnay Maddalena, Monterey
Oaky and aromatic white wine

Chianti Classico, Clemente VII
Dry and medium body red wine

Cabernet Sauvignon Scotto, California
Aromatic and full body red wine

Classic Spritz

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