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SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN NEWSLETTER

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Important Numbers Resources and Dates

District 2 Office

(707) 784-3031

Clerk of the Board & County Administrator's Office

(707) 784-6100

Veterans Services

(707) 784-6590

Health & Social Services

(707) 784-8400

Assessor/Recorder

(707) 784-6200

Resource Management

(707) 784-6765

Registrar of Voters

(707) 784-6675

Information this week

Southbound I-680 - one lane still closed until Sunday

Starting **tonight, April 7 at 5pm**, Caltrans is keeping the far-right lane of I-680 southbound closed until **Sunday, April 9 at 5am**. This closure is due to repair work after storm damage last week. The repair was expected to be finished today but has been extended.

Free webinar: Protecting Black children's health in the community

On **Wednesday, April 12 at 12pm**, the Children's Partnership invites you to a free livestream focused on using community-led healing to promote the health of Black children in California. Join the conversation with experts from the California Black Health Network, California Black Women's Health Project, and the UCSF Preterm Birth Initiative and learn how to use strategies to prioritize the healthy development of Black children. Register for this event [here](#).

Public notices

Final days to submit comments for the MTC Public Participation Plan



The Metropolitan Transportation Commission is drafting a new Public Participation Plan. This gives Bay Area residents the opportunity to join MTC's

planning conversation and funding decisions and help to improve quality of life in and around the Bay over the next three decades. To read the draft Plan and submit comments, click [here](#). Feedback can also be emailed to info@bayareametro.gov with the subject line "PPP 2023," or mailed to MTC Public Information Office, 375 Beale Street, Suite 800, San Francisco, CA 94105. Public comments are due by **Monday, April 10 at 5pm**.

Solano Transportation Authority board meeting agenda

The next Solano Transportation Agency (STA) board meeting is on **April 12 at 6pm**. The agenda for the meeting is now available for public review, including information on Regional Measure 3 and the Vallejo Passenger Rail study. Click [here](#) to view the full agenda.



Tax Collector/Treasurer/County Clerk

(707) 784-7485

Area Agency on Aging

(707) 784-8960

U.S. Social Security

(800) 772-1213

SUICIDE PREVENTION

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE

800-273-8255

SPANISH LINE

888-628-9454

DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

800-799-4889

FRIENDSHIP LINE FOR SENIORS

800-971-0016

CRISIS TEXT LINE

741741

THE TREVOR PROJECT FOR LGBTQ YOUTH

866-488-7386

TRANS LIFELINE PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY

877-565-8860

Updates from around Solano County

Benicia pipeline updates - local emergency proclamation and temporary bypass



A local emergency has been proclaimed in Benicia due to the collapse of a main water transmission line in Fairfield. This emergency declaration will allow all available resources to go into repairing the main line. In the meantime, a bypass line from Cordelia to Benicia should start

testing today, April 7, in order to restore some water to Benicia. The mandatory water conservation is still in effect. For more information, read the press release [here](#).

As of 3:30pm, there is an update on how the testing is going. Construction has been completed and testing is underway and going successfully. Testing could span as long as a week. For full details, read the updated press release [here](#). See the photo directly below for a visual update.



Fairfield Forward 2050 study session

The Fairfield Forward 2050 project is resuming soon. This is a planning effort that will shape the future of Fairfield, including the General Plan Update, Environmental Impact Report, and Climate Action Plan. To get a refresher on this project, you can attend a City Council study session on **Tuesday, April 11 at 6pm**. The event will be held at:



Art Koch Range and Training Facility
1717 Rex Clift Lane
Fairfield, CA 94533

April at the Benicia Veterans Memorial Hall

The April calendar of events and happenings at the Benicia Veterans Memorial Hall has been sent out. Click [here](#) to view the calendar, which includes information on meals to be served this month. Event highlights include an Easter pancake breakfast on April 8 and various veterans meetings.

Clean Slate Day with Solano County Public Defender



The Solano County Public Defender's office is offering the chance to get you re-started on the right foot with record clearing. There are no fees to apply for this event, happening **April 28 from 10am to 3pm** in Vallejo. Resources such as voter registration, job searching, mental health and drug screenings, benefits sign-up, and much more will also be available. For more information, email freshstart@solanocounty.com or call (707) 784-6700 for any questions. To view a

larger version of the flyer, click [here](#).

Solano Ag Pass - now accepting applications

Members of the Solano agricultural community are encouraged to apply for the newly-approved ag pass program. This programs helps to better prepare commercial farmers, ranchers, ag processors, and horse stable operators in the event of natural disasters and pre-approves entrance to evacuation areas in emergencies. Training is required to obtain a pass. For more information on how to apply and training dates, read the press release [here](#). Please note this is the only time this year the pass will be available.

Grand marshal and announcer wanted for Fairfield Fourth of July Parade

The city of Fairfield is seeking a local hero to serve as Grand Marshal at its annual Fourth of July parade. If someone you know has helped to make Fairfield a better place, nominate them today! Applications are being accepted from now until **May 4 at 12pm**. To apply, click [here](#).

Additionally, the city is looking for an announcer to read parade entries and entertain the crowd. If you are interested, you can find information about applying [here](#).

Upcoming events in Solano County

Easter weekend in Benicia



Celebrate Easter with family and friends at City Park in Benicia on **Saturday, April 8 from 10am to 5pm!** The event promises something for everyone of any age, including food, live music, shopping, and a Kid's Zone, plus much more. The event is **free!** For more information, click [here](#). To view a larger version of the flyer, click [here](#).

Thumper's Egg-stravaganza in Vallejo

The Greater Vallejo Recreation District is hosting Thumper's Egg-stravaganza this **Saturday, April 8** at Children's Wonderland. Activities include an egg hunt, concessions, games, face painting, and an opportunity to meet Thumper! The event is \$5 per child, ages 0-13, and requires pre-registration to one of two sessions at **9am** or **11:30am**. Click [here](#) to register. To view a larger version of the flyer, click [here](#).



For veterans - Pentagon Vietnam Veteran Memento handout

On **Wednesday, April 12 at 6:30pm**, the American Legion Post 101 of Benicia will be handing out lapel pins, bumper magnets, tin pins, and printed materials as mementos for Vietnam vets. These mementos will be passed out at the Benicia Veterans Memorial Hall, 1150 1st St, Benicia.

Career Fair at Solano Community College

The NorCal Career Fair is coming up on **Thursday, April 13 from 9:30am - 12:30pm** at Solano Community College. This event is put on by the Solano County Workforce Development Board and over 60 employers will be present to offer jobs ranging from entry-level up to management positions. There will also be a table of resources for mental health, financial literacy, family and children's services, and much more. To view a full list of employers that will be at this event, click [here](#).

Earth Day events across Solano County



Participate in Solano County's 9th annual Earth Day Cleanup on **Saturday, April 22!** Cleanup events will be held in each of the county's seven cities and three of the county's parks. To find the nearest cleanup site to you, click [here](#).

Benicia Diversity Festival



The second-annual Diversity Festival in Benicia is coming up on **Saturday, April 22 from 11am to 5pm**. Live music and dance performances by local cultural groups will be present to celebrate the diversity of Benicia. This **free** event will be held at Benicia's Marina Pavilion, 402 East 2nd Street. Click [here](#) for more information. To view a larger version of the flyer, click [here](#).

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day

Join the national campaign for wildfire preparedness on **Saturday, May 6 from 10am - 2pm** at the Solano County Government Center, 675 Texas Street in Fairfield. This event from the National Fire Protection Agency helps residents in all areas at risk of wildfire to be prepared and know the risks associated with fires. To learn more about the Preparedness day, click [here](#).



Events I attended this week

Friday, March 31, I attended the gathering in front of the county building for Trans Day of Visibility. Many people attended. Everyone deserves to be treated with respect and kindness.

Saturday, April 1, I attended an Easter Egg Hunt at the Ranch in Cordelia. Over 2,000 eggs were given out. The Easter Bunny also made an appearance. Everyone had a wonderful time and the weather was great.

Monday, April 3, I was able to watch the last men's game of March Madness. I graduated from San Diego State and needed to root for the Aztecs. The young men did a great job.

Tuesday, April 4, I attended the Fairfield City Council meeting. I want to thank the city for their help (Proclamation of a Local Emergency and Public Works) in fixing the water pipe as well as the work on Lopes' road. Also, a shout out to the County's public works, Benicia's public works, and CalTrans as this issue still has not be resolved. Under public comments, I also mentioned a program called END 68 HOURS OF HUNGER. In future newsletters, I will bring forth more information to help feed out students over the weekends.

Wednesday, April 5, I attended the Solano Community College governing board meeting. As many of you know, I served as a trustee on the board. Item 14a was a presentation on the ongoing on-campus housing project. SB 169 is legislation for schools to write grants for funding. The hope is to build a 100-bed unit. Very interesting.

Thursday, April 6, I attended the Fairfield-Suisun school board meeting which was held in the middle of a school day.

Looking for a job? Consider these links

If you or someone you know is looking for a job, please consider a career with Solano County. Click [HERE](#) to access the website and follow on Facebook [@SolanoCountyJobs](#). Please also consider these other employment resources, including:

[STATE OF CALIFORNIA](#)
[CITY OF BENICIA](#)
[CITY OF FAIRFIELD](#)
[CITY OF VALLEJO](#)
[SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE](#)
[BENICIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT](#)
[FAIRFIELD-SUISUN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT](#)
[VALLEJO SCHOOL DISTRICT](#)
[POST OFFICE](#)
[GREATER VALLEJO RECREATION DISTRICT](#)
[YOUTH JOBS CORPS](#)
[CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS](#)
[SOLANO RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT](#)
[FAIRFIELD-SUISUN SEWER DISTRICT](#)



First elected in 2016, Monica represents District 2 on the Solano County Board of Supervisors. District 2 encompasses the city of Benicia, the portion of Vallejo south of Georgia Street, Mare Island, Cordelia, Green Valley and a portion of Fairfield.