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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR &  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Sabrina B. Landreth

**SUBJECT:** City Administrator's Weekly Report

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**INFORMATION**

Following are the key activities to be highlighted this week:

***Oakland Among America's Fastest-Growing Cities 2016*** – On Tuesday, March 8, *Forbes* released its roster of America's Fastest-Growing Cities for 2016. The Oakland-Hayward-Berkeley MSA was ranked No. 13 among areas with the fastest-growing populations and economies. In compiling the list, they ranked America's 100 most populous metropolitan statistical areas, as defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget, based on six metrics weighted equally. *Forbes* noted, "Oakland is likely to grow its population 0.99% this year...and there are signs that it may be hitting critical mass as a jobs center." To view the article, please visit <http://www.forbes.com/sites/erincarlyle/2016/03/08/americas-fastest-growing-cities-2016>. To see other recent accolades, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/News/OAK033058>.

***Change Your Clock, Change Your Batteries*** – On Sunday, March 13, Daylight Saving Time begins. The Oakland Fire Department's Fire Prevention Bureau reminds all Oaklanders to change the batteries in their smoke alarms at the same time they change their clocks. Working smoke alarms save lives. About two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or non-functioning smoke alarms. Working smoke alarms increase the chance of surviving a home fire by 50 percent. To get the benefit of smoke alarms, follow these tips:

- Test alarms at least monthly by pushing the test button
- Clean regularly, use a vacuum cleaner attachment to remove dust and cobwebs
- Smoke rises; install smoke alarms following manufacturer's instructions high on a wall or on a ceiling.
- Save manufacturer's instructions for testing and maintenance. Replace batteries in all smoke alarms at least once a year. If an alarm "chirps," this is a warning the battery is low and should be replaced immediately.
- Replace all smoke alarms, including alarms that use 10-year batteries and hard-wired alarms, when they are 10 years old or sooner if they do not respond properly.

For more information, please contact Karen Cox, Public Education Coordinator, at (510) 238-

7255.

***Sailboat House Shoreline Improvement Project Wins Project Of The Year Award*** – On Friday, February 26, Oakland Public Works was honored by the American Public Works Association (APWA) Northern California Chapter in the “Project of the Year” Structures Category: \$5-\$25 million. The APWA Chapter represents more than 70 agencies from throughout Northern California and serves to build public recognition of the role of public works throughout communities. The Lake Merritt Sailboat House Shoreline Improvement Project was essential to the ongoing protection of Oakland’s Lake Merritt, which is a salt-water tidal estuary with a direct connection to the San Francisco Bay. It is one of the Bay Area’s most heavily used recreation venues for boating and shoreline activities. This project, funded by voter-approved Measure DD, addressed several needs, including safety hazards and water quality within the lake, flooding problems and the fragmented pedestrian pathway circling the lake. For more information, please contact Kristine Shaff, Public Information Officer, at [kshaff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:kshaff@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-2966.

***Plan Downtown Youth Summit*** – On Wednesday, March 16, middle-school- through college-aged youth from throughout Oakland are invited to City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. to help shape the future of Downtown Oakland. Oakland is developing a Downtown Specific Plan to envision and create a better Downtown in twenty years, and the Planning Department wants to empower Oakland’s young people to advocate for what they want in the heart of their community. Youth Summit participants will hear from other youth and learn more about local government, city planning and community leadership while helping shape the future of Downtown Oakland. The summit is the latest in a series of community meetings to gather input. To learn more about the two-year, community-wide Plan Downtown process that will impact the lives of all Oaklanders, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/plandowntownoakland](http://www.oaklandnet.com/plandowntownoakland). For more information about the Youth Summit or to R.S.V.P., please contact Joanna Winter, Planner II, at [jwinter@oaklandnet.com](mailto:jwinter@oaklandnet.com).

***Public Input Sought On Local Hazard Prioritization*** – On Thursday, March 16, the City of Oakland will host a community meeting where Oakland residents and business owners are invited to share their priorities on reducing the effects of natural hazards and risks. Every five years, FEMA requires local governments to update their Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP). The City of Oakland is currently updating its LHMP for the years 2016-2021. The LHMP will identify projects that could potentially reduce risks in the community from natural hazards and is designed to reduce the loss of life and property. To be most effective, a Hazard Mitigation Plan is prepared before a disaster occurs by identifying the hazards a community faces, assessing vulnerabilities to the hazards and identifying specific actions that can be taken to reduce the risk. The meeting will be held at the 81st Avenue Branch Library, 1021 81st Avenue, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The breadth of the natural and human-caused hazards being discussed range from earthquakes and landslides to sea-level rise and hazardous materials release. Participants will engage in a mapping exercise to help identify community resources that need protection from natural hazards, followed by a group discussion on priorities the City should consider for implementation in the next five years to reduce the risk from natural hazards. Additional community meetings are scheduled for April. For those unable to attend a community meeting, feedback may be provided by:

- Taking the online survey at <http://speakupoakland.org/surveys>
- Emailing your comments to [dreiff@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dreiff@oaklandnet.com)
- Attending one of the public hearings at the Oakland Planning Commission and Oakland City Council

The 2016-2021 LHMP will describe the natural hazards and risks, identify the top priorities for addressing each hazard and detail the work being done now and work expected to be done over the next five years. Once the plan is adopted by the Oakland City Council, the City of Oakland can prioritize projects and continue to be eligible to obtain FEMA pre- and post-disaster grants. The plan will also make Oakland a more disaster-resistant and resilient community. To learn more about the City's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan program as well as details on future meetings, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/lhmp](http://www.oaklandnet.com/lhmp).

***Brave The Shave For Kids With Cancer*** – On Saturday, March 12, Team Oakland PD will be going bald to raise funds for childhood cancer research. As in years past, Sgt. Serge Babka is spearheading the Oakland Police Department's participation. Childhood cancers are different from adult cancers – and childhood cancer research is extremely underfunded. The annual St. Baldrick's event, held at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland, is a way to fund the most promising research to find cures for childhood cancers and give survivors long and healthy lives. Every dollar makes a difference for the thousands of infants, children, teens and young adults fighting childhood cancers. You can join and/or donate online at <http://bit.ly/1QH5rOm>. For more information, please contact Sgt. Babka at [sbabka@oaklandnet.com](mailto:sbabka@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3573.

***Assistant Chief Figueroa Co-Facilitates National Body-Worn Camera/Victims' Rights Forum*** – On Tuesday, February 22, Oakland Police Assistant Chief Paul Figueroa flew to Washington, D.C. to co-facilitate a two-day national forum focused on a specific aspect of body worn cameras, hosted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. National leaders for victims' rights and law enforcement leaders came together to discuss best practices and areas for improvement as body worn camera use becomes more prevalent. The goal is to begin developing law enforcement policies and practices for body worn camera usage that take victims' rights into consideration. For more information, please contact the OPD Media Relations Office at [opdmedia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:opdmedia@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7230.

***Entry Deadline Approaching For 2016 Youth Poet Laureate Contest*** – Friday, April 1, is the deadline to enter this year's Oakland Youth Poet Laureate contest. For the fifth consecutive year, Youth Speaks, the Oakland Public Library and an alliance of community partners are on a citywide search for exceptional youth poetry in Oakland. The chosen Oakland Youth Poet Laureate will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship and serve as city ambassador for literacy, arts and youth expression. Any teen, ages 13 to 18, residing in Oakland can enter. Interested youth, parents and teachers can learn more and apply online at [www.youthspeaks.org/poetlaureate](http://www.youthspeaks.org/poetlaureate) or via email to [oaklandpoets@youthspeaks.org](mailto:oaklandpoets@youthspeaks.org). For more information, please contact Lana Adlawan, Teen Services Supervising Librarian, at [ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:ladlawan@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-7613.

***Dunsmuir Great Egg Hunt*** – On Saturday, March 26, the Dunsmuir-Hellman Historic Estate, located at 2960 Peralta Oaks Court, will host its annual Great Egg Hunt. From 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., children and families are encouraged to participate in a variety of spring-time activities including arts & crafts, face painting and live entertainment. Children may bring baskets to use during the multiple egg hunts scheduled throughout the event. Tickets, available at the front gate, cost \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 4 and older and \$2 for children ages 3 & younger. To view the egg hunt schedule, please visit [www.dunsmuir-hellman.com](http://www.dunsmuir-hellman.com). For more information, please contact Deborah Cooper, Estate Manager, at [dcooper@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dcooper@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 615-5555.

***Food Distribution*** – On Friday, March 18, the City of Oakland's Hunger Program in the Human Services Department and the Emergency Food Providers Advisory Committee will sponsor a Food Distribution for low-income families and seniors at various locations throughout Oakland. For a roster of distribution locations, please visit [www.oaklandhumanservices.org](http://www.oaklandhumanservices.org). For more information, please contact Talia Rubin, Program Analyst, at [trubin@oaklandnet.com](mailto:trubin@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6590.

***Call For Mother Of The Year Nominations*** – Noon on Friday, April 1, is the deadline for Oakland Mother of the Year nominations. Local businesses, community groups, professional associations, government agencies and service-related organizations are encouraged to submit nominations. Oakland's Mother of the Year Award program was initiated in 1954 to publically honor Oakland citizens whose contributions to the community symbolize the finest traditions of "motherhood." To view the full criteria and the nomination form, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/parks](http://www.oaklandnet.com/parks). Honorees will be recognized on Saturday, May 7, during a ceremony at the Morcom Rose Garden, 700 Jean Street. For more information or to submit a nomination, please contact Gail McMillon at [gmcmillon@oaklandnet.com](mailto:gmcmillon@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3186.

***19th Annual Youth Symposium*** – On Saturday, March 12, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., in conjunction with the West Oakland Youth Center, The Rhoer Club, the Sigma Beta Club and Council President Lynette McElhaney, will present the 19th Annual Youth Symposium at the West Oakland Youth Center, 3233 Market Street from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event, which is free and includes lunch, is designed to support, enlighten, empower and educate youth 13 to 18 years of age on how to lead whole, healthy lives now and into the future through workshops that focus on the theme "Healthy Choices, Healthy Living, Healthy Generations." For more information and to register for the event, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sgrho-youth-symposium-2016-tickets-21464069610>.

***Got Old Tools That Still Work? Donate Them To The Tool Lending Library*** – On Saturday, March 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the Tool Lending Library at 5205 Telegraph Avenue is having a tool drive. Bring your used or new tools that are in good working condition and make a tax-deductible donation. Some of the tools will be sold by the Friends of the Tool Lending Library in May as part of a fund raiser to help pay for much needed storage space. For large tools, please call ahead to ensure we can accept the tool. For more information, please contact Rachel Sher, Senior Library Assistant, at [rsher@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:rsher@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 597-5089.

***Write Your Story At The Main Library*** – On Sunday, March 20, starting at 1:30 p.m., author Denise Michelle Harris will lead a writing workshop for people who want to relate their personal experiences in writing. Ms. Harris is the author of the best-selling novel *The Sweet Bye-Bye*. Bring your journals and come prepared to write. Fiction or non-fiction is okay. Space is limited, so R.S.V.P. to (510) 238-3841. For more information, please contact Christine Saed, Adult Reference Librarian, at [csaed@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:csaed@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-3841.

***OPD Makes Multiple Arrests*** – On Sunday, March 6, Oakland Police officers responded to a caller in the 1900 block of Castro Street who reported that the person who had assaulted and robbed him in February was currently inside his apartment building. The officers were able to locate and detain the suspect, an adult Oakland resident, and placed him under arrest for assault with a deadly weapon and robbery. On Sunday, March 6, at about 10:40 p.m., Oakland police officers responded to the 6400 block of Telegraph Avenue to investigate a report of subjects armed with firearms and creating a disturbance. When the officers located the suspect vehicle, they were able to recover two illegally possessed firearms and placed the two adult male suspects under arrest. On Sunday, March 6, at 11:15 p.m., a home invasion robbery occurred in the 2600 block of 14th Avenue. Two male adults forced their way into a residence and demanded money. The victim was able to flee and flag down an Oakland Police officer. One of the suspects fled on foot in an unknown direction. The other suspect, an adult Bay Point resident, was detained, identified by the victim as one of his assailants and arrested. For more information, please contact the OPD Media Relations Office at [opdmedia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:opdmedia@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7230.

***Call For Exhibitors, Food Vendors For Oakland EarthEXPO*** – On Wednesday, April 6, the Oakland Public Works Department will host EarthEXPO, Oakland's annual downtown environmental fair, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The free event is expected to attract about 3,000 attendees and will highlight transportation, environmental health, waste reduction, water, energy, urban design, nature and community themes. Exhibitors and food vendors interested in participating in the event are invited to apply online at <http://bit.ly/1TpGtHc>. To request a hardcopy application, please email [earthexpo@oaklandnet.com](mailto:earthexpo@oaklandnet.com). The exhibitor deadline has been extended to Friday, March 18. In the past about 100 exhibitors have participated. For more information on the event, please visit [www.oaklandearthexpo.org](http://www.oaklandearthexpo.org).

***Housing Cabinet Report Released*** – On Thursday, March 3, Mayor Libby Schaaf; Oakland City Council President Lynette Gibson McElhaney; and City Councilmembers Abel Guillén, Dan Kalb and Annie Campbell Washington outlined the details of the Oakland Housing Cabinet's City-wide effort to protect 17,000 units of already existing affordable housing for current residents, and create 17,000 new units of housing at all income-levels, over the next eight years. They were joined by City of Oakland Director of Housing and Community Development Michele Byrd and co-chairs of the Housing Cabinet Assistant City Administrator Claudia Cappio and Heather Hood of Enterprise Community Partners who represented over 100 housing experts, advocates and business leaders who served as volunteer members of the Housing Cabinet. Together, they worked for over six months to develop concrete solutions to stop displacement, improve living conditions and add to the City's stock of both affordable and market-rate housing. The housing efforts outlined are part of a two-fold strategy to tackle Oakland's affordability crisis by addressing both housing and jobs in Oakland – which currently has the fastest growing gap in the nation between

rising housing costs and income growth. To read the report entitled, "Oakland At Home: Recommendations for Implementing A Roadmap Toward Equity From the Oakland Housing Cabinet," please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK057411>. To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/OAK057420>. To watch a video of the press conference, please visit <http://bit.ly/21LdZsi>.

***CPRB To Host Conference*** – On Thursday, April 7, the Citizens' Police Review Board (CPRB) will host a conference entitled "Profiling: Developing a Mechanism to Identify, Quantify and Investigate Profiling Allegations Against Police" from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Jack London Aquatic Center, 115 Embarcadero. This event provides an opportunity to have round table discussions on ways to identify, quantify and investigate profiling that we can then take back to our respective communities and agencies. Guest presenters will include:

- Deputy Chief of Police Danielle Outlaw, Bureau of Services, Oakland Police Department
- Dr. Jack Glaser, Associate Professor, Associate Dean, Goldman School of Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley
- Mr. Walter Katz, Independent Police Auditor, Office of the Independent Police Auditor, City of San Jose
- Ms. Cameron McEllhiney, Director of Training & Education, NACOLE
- Dr. Nicholas Camp, Professor of Psychology, Stanford University

Continental breakfast and sign-in will be held from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided. Space is limited to the first 100 people for this free event. Given space constraints, organizations are asked to register no more than five individuals per organization. To register, please visit <https://oakland-regional-event.eventbrite.com>. The registration deadline is Tuesday, March 8. For more information, please contact Anthony Finnell, CPRB Executive Director, at [afinnell@oaklandnet.com](mailto:afinnell@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-7401.

***Project Homeless Connect*** – On Wednesday, March 23, the City of Oakland's Human Services Department is sponsoring Project Homeless Connect from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the St. Vincent De Paul Community Center, 2272 San Pablo Avenue. This event brings many free services to one location including: housing resources; medical assessments; case management; legal services; Prop 47 assessments; Homeless Court; veterinary services; dog and cat grooming and treatment; employment intakes, resources and referrals; and County Social Services such as applying for General Assistance, Medi-Cal, Food Stamps and Child Support. Clients will receive hygiene kits, coats, clothing and a bag lunch at the completion of services. For more information, please contact Talia Rubin, Program Analyst, at [trubin@oaklandnet.com](mailto:trubin@oaklandnet.com) or (510)238-6590.

***Library Celebrating Women's History Month With Citywide Programming*** – Throughout March, the Oakland Public Library is celebrating Women's History Month with a month-long series of

events, featuring local authors, children's story times, displays and exhibits celebrating women and transgender trailblazers. There will be inspiration and activities for all ages. Notable events include Kate Schatz and Miriam Klein Stahl on Saturday, March 12, at the César E. Chávez Branch Library, 3301 East 12th Street; award-winning author Alex Gino on Saturday, March 19 at the Main Library, 125 14th Street; and Juliana "Jewels" Smith, author of *(H)afrocentric*, on Saturday, March 26, at the African American Museum & Library at Oakland, 659 14th Street. An Oakland History Room program on Wednesday, March 23, at the Main Library, will highlight the history of the Oakland women's clubs movement that advanced the city's cultural and philanthropic life, including the venerable Ebell Society and the Fanny Jackson Coppin Club. Beginning Tuesday, March 1, look for book displays at the Golden Gate, Elmhurst and Eastmont branches, and visit the Main Library's first floor for displays celebrating women and transgender labor leaders, STEM pioneers, local Indigenous artists and activists and more. A booklist is also available at <http://tinyurl.com/rad-list>. For the complete roster of activities, please visit [www.oaklandlibrary.org/rad-women](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/rad-women). For more information, please contact Amy Sonnie, Librarian II, at [asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:asonnie@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 238-6931.

***OPD Is Hiring: Police Officer Trainees*** – Friday, March 18, is the deadline to apply to pursue a career as an Oakland Police Officer in the 176th Academy. The ideal candidate will be a socially conscious, empathetic person who takes initiative, is compassionate and resourceful, has excellent communication skills, and is committed to public service in a fast-paced, urban environment. To apply, please visit the job posting <http://bit.ly/1TRe37J>. This page also provides details and dates on the Practices & Actual Physical Ability Test, POST Entry Level Law Enforcement Test and Oral Board Interviews that are part of the selection process. Applications are being accepted through 11:59 p.m., on March 18. For more information, please visit [www.opdjobs.com](http://www.opdjobs.com) or contact the OPD Background and Recruiting Unit at (510) 238-3339.

***AAMLO's Heroines Of The Civil Rights Movement Exhibit*** – Through Saturday, July 16, the African American Museum and Library at Oakland (AAMLO) is hosting a major exhibit, Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement, presenting history and textile designs that honor women whose actions were instrumental in the success of the Civil Rights Movement. The exhibit features the creative "Swing Coat" designs of Ms. Patricia Montgomery, master quilter. Photographs as well as audio and video clips are also featured. AAMLO's Chief Curator Rick Moss created an environment that compliments each swing coat and is conducive to placing the actions of these women in the historical context of this great movement. Especially for this exhibit, Mr. Moss commissioned the construction of a representation of the Montgomery, Alabama, city bus made famous by Rosa Parks and the ensuing bus boycott by African American citizens of that city. This project was made possible in part by a grant from The Creative Work Fund, a program of the Walter and Elise Haas Fund supported by generous grants from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and The James Irvine Foundation. Funds were also provided by the Friends of the Oakland Public Library. AAMLO, located at 659 14th Street, is open from Noon to 5:30 p.m., Tuesdays to Saturdays. For more information, please contact Rick Moss, Chief Curator, at [rmoss@oaklandlibrary.org](mailto:rmoss@oaklandlibrary.org) or (510) 637-0197.

***City-Owned Real Property For Sale*** – Wednesday, March 16, is the submission deadline for proposals from qualified and interested owner-users/developers to purchase and develop City-

owned property in the Dimond neighborhood into a full-service restaurant or restaurant related retail/commercial use. The Dimond community is very interested in a dining spot that offers an opportunity for socializing and good food as well as help market the district, particularly as an evening dining choice. The property for sale is located at 3455 & 3461 Champion Street. The list price is \$425,000. The building size is +/-3,275 square feet and the lot size is 8,244 square feet. To view the Notice of Development Opportunity, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak056874>. For more information, please contact Anthony J. Reese, Real Estate Agent, at [areese@oaklandnet.com](mailto:areese@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-6357.

***OPR Summer Job Opportunities*** – Since Tuesday, February 16, applications have been accepted for a variety of part-time summer jobs with Oakland Parks & Recreation (OPR). Summer positions include Recreation Leader I, Recreation Aide, Sports Official, Lifeguard and more. Individuals ages 16 and older are encouraged to apply online. To read the job descriptions for the various positions, please visit [www.oaklandnet.com/parks](http://www.oaklandnet.com/parks). Those interested in the positions should apply online at <http://bit.ly/1ZTKz8A>. For more information, please call OPR's general information line at (510) 238-7275.

***Need Help Filing Your Taxes? Come To The Oakland Public Library*** – Through Monday, April 18, the Oakland Public Library's offers free tax assistance, provided by American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) volunteers, at the following five Library locations:

- Main Library, 125 14th Street
- César E. Chávez Branch Library, 3301 E. 12th Street, Suite 271
- Dimond Branch Library, 3565 Fruitvale Avenue
- Eastmont Branch Library, 7200 Bancroft Avenue, Suite 211
- Golden Gate Branch Library, 5606 San Pablo Avenue

For a complete schedule, please visit <http://oaklandlibrary.org/services/tax-assistance-program>. For more information, please call the Main Library Information Desk at (510) 238-3134.

***Oakland Residents, Business Owners Urged To Prepare For El Niño*** – On Wednesday, December 9, the City of Oakland issued a media release that detailed steps it is taking to prepare for above-average rainfall and strong winds. In the release, the City urged residents and business owners to prepare in advance – before heavy rains begin. Simple preparation steps taken now can go a long way toward lessening the impact of weather emergencies. Review emergency plans and prepare your family, home and vehicle. More information and resources for winter storm preparedness are available at [www.oaklandnet.com/ElNino](http://www.oaklandnet.com/ElNino). A brochure detailing preparation steps is available in multiple languages.

- To view the English version, visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/ElNino/OAK056634>.
- To view the Chinese version, visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/ElNino/OAK056704>.
- To view the Spanish version, visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/ElNino/OAK056705>.

For those without Internet access, preparation tips are available by calling (510) 444-CITY. You can help minimize flooding in your neighborhood by participating in the City's Adopt A Drain

program. By keeping storm drains clean, you help prevent flooding of streets and sidewalks, allowing City crews to focus on critical storm-response activities. To sign up, please visit [www.adoptadrainoakland.com](http://www.adoptadrainoakland.com) or call (510) 238-7630. To report storm-related emergency issues on public property and in the public right-of-way (e.g., flooding, mudslides and landslides onto streets and sidewalks), please contact the Public Works Call Center directly at (510) 615-5566. For non-emergency requests for services on public property and in the public right-of-way, please contact the Call Center by:

- Email: [opwcallcenter@oaklandnet.com](mailto:opwcallcenter@oaklandnet.com)
- Online: [www.oaklandpw.com](http://www.oaklandpw.com)
- Mobile app: SeeClickFix

To read the media release, please visit <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/w/oak056236>.

***Get Help With Taxes Through The EITC Campaign*** – On Monday, January 25, the Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP), in partnership with United Way of the Bay Area and Eden I&R, Inc., launched the 2015 Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Campaign. EITC is a refundable tax credit available to working, low-income individuals and families. Depending on the family size and income, these tax credits can boost household incomes and lift families out of poverty. Last year, during the EITC Campaign, IRS tax preparers logged more than 32,000 volunteer hours to prepare 21,195 free tax returns for low-wage earners at 34 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sites throughout Alameda County. Eden I&R staff handled 862 calls and 1,515 referrals. The net result was \$8,881,602 in Earned Income Tax Credits and more than \$25,017,080 in total refunds. For a list of locations of no-cost tax preparation sites, please call 2-1-1 or visit [www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org](http://www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org) or [www.AC-OCAP.com](http://www.AC-OCAP.com). For more information, please contact Cecilia Garcia, Administrative Assistant, at [cgarcia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:cgarcia@oaklandnet.com).

***RFP, RFQ Opportunities*** – In March and April, a variety of formal Request for Proposals (RFPs) and Request for Quotations (RFQs) from the City of Oakland will close.

Due Date/Time	Title/Description	Contact
Tuesday, March 15, 2:00 p.m.	5913,4 - RFP for WIOA On-Call Youth Services FY 2016-2018. The City of Oakland's Economic & Workforce Development Department seeks qualified firms or contractors who shall assist the City's Workforce Investment Board (WIB) under the provisions of the Workforce Investment Opportunity Act, for the purpose of providing development services for youth ages 16-24, with the ultimate goals of helping youth to obtain skills, credentials and work experience and helping businesses to connect with a qualified workforce. WIB is soliciting	John Bailey, Economic & Workforce Development Department <a href="mailto:jbailey@oaklandnet.com">jbailey@oaklandnet.com</a> (510) 238-6440

	<p>proposals to provide services under one or more of the four service models: 1.) OUSD Alternative High School Model, 2.) GED/HiSET Education Model, 3.) Postsecondary Education/Training Model and 4.) Youth Employment Model. Together, the contracted organizations will deliver workforce services to youth in Oakland, in coordination with WIB staff and a contracted Business Engagement and Services provider.</p>	
<p>Tuesday, March 15, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>5894,4 - RFP for WIOA On-Call Employer Services (Business Engagement &amp; Serv) FY 2016-2018. The City of Oakland's Economic &amp; Workforce Development Department seeks qualified firms or contractors who shall assist the City's Workforce Investment Board (WIB) under the provisions of the Workforce Investment Opportunity Act, for the purpose of Business Engagement and Services (BES), with the ultimate goals of connecting businesses with a qualified workforce and helping job-seekers gain employment. WIB intends to establish a BES function within Oakland's workforce development system that: establishes WIB and its provider network as trusted and dependable partners addressing the talent and service needs of businesses; is specialized in and focused on meeting the needs of businesses; builds long-term relationships in order to better understand and address business needs; refers businesses to a network of services to support human resources development and business growth; uses online platforms to facilitate communications and connections across service providers; contributes to designing and implementing regional, industry-driven sector strategies; reflects deep understanding of the needs of local job-</p>	<p>John Bailey,          Economic &amp; Workforce          Development Department  <a href="mailto:jbailey@oaklandnet.com">jbailey@oaklandnet.com</a>          (510) 238-6440</p>

	<p>seekers; and establishes linkages between employers and job-seeker services by coordinating closely and intentionally with the WIB's One Stop system. Until now, business services in Oakland have been delivered by the One Stop Career Centers and City staff. This RFP solicits proposals for a new service delivery approach that establishes a physical and online presence for BES delivery; dedicates specialized BES staff; and supports the City's and the region's workforce development system with professional services addressing the needs of industry.</p>	
<p>Tuesday, March 15, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>5914,4 - RFP for WIOA On-Call Adult Services FY 2016-2018. The City of Oakland's Economic &amp; Workforce Development Department seeks qualified firms or contractors who shall assist the City's Workforce Investment Board (WIB) under the provisions of the Workforce Investment Opportunity Act, for the purpose of providing workforce development services for Adult and Dislocated Workers, with the ultimate goals of helping job-seekers and workers gain employment and advance their careers and connect businesses with a qualified workforce. WIB is soliciting proposals to provide services under two service models, described in greater detail in the RFP: 1.) the Comprehensive One-Stop Career Center (COSCC) and 2.) one to two Sector Access Points. Together, the contracted organizations will deliver workforce services to Adult and Dislocated Workers in Oakland, in coordination with WIB staff and a contracted Business Engagement and Services provider.</p>	<p>John Bailey, Economic &amp; Workforce Development Department <a href="mailto:jbailey@oaklandnet.com">jbailey@oaklandnet.com</a> (510) 238-6440</p>
<p>Monday, April 4, 2:00 p.m.</p>	<p>5954 - RFQ for Vegetation Management Plan. The City of Oakland is seeking a</p>	<p>Vincent Crudele, Oakland Fire Department,</p>

	<p>professional consulting firm or a team of firms to develop a Vegetation Management Plan and accompanying California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation for the Oakland high fire-severity zone/wild land urban interface (“WLUI”). The goal of the plan is to provide for short and long term fire safety of residents and first responders and for protection of public and private assets, while taking into account impacts on wildlife, habitat, native vegetation as well as aesthetics. The Plan will also include implementation of projects in two (2) project areas identified as part of a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant which covers 66.6 acres along Skyline Boulevard and 53.3 acres along the Caldecott Tunnel (North Oakland Sports Field). The documents prepared by the firm(s) may include an Environmental Impact Report if determined to be appropriate.</p>	<p>Vegetation Management Unit <a href="mailto:vrudele@oaklandnet.com">vrudele@oaklandnet.com</a></p>
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For more information on contracting opportunities, please visit <http://bit.ly/1iAJvbd> or contact Dasco Munoz, Contracts and Compliance, at [dmunoz@oaklandnet.com](mailto:dmunoz@oaklandnet.com) or (510) 238-3970.

***Upcoming City Of Oakland Job Announcements*** – During the week of March 14, the Human Resources Management Department (HRM) anticipates posting job announcements for the following positions:

- Cultural Affairs Manager
- Grants Coordinator
- Information Systems Manager
- Intake Technician

For the most up-to-date information on City jobs, please view the Employment Information page on our website at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/oaklandca/default.cfm>. The Employment Information page also contains information on minimum qualifications of specific job classifications, how to apply for a job on-line and how to submit a job interest card for positions not currently posted. For more information, please contact the Human Resources Management Receptionist at (510) 238-3112.

**Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

For information on upcoming City meetings and events, please visit the City's online calendar at <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Events/index.htm>. For events at the Oakland Public Library, please visit <http://oaklandlibrary.org/events>.

Respectfully submitted,

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