City Manager’s Office
The City Council newsletter is an ongoing publication to better communicate updates on the work behind the scenes, across City Departments, to our City Council. The newsletter is organized by Department. Please note that this newsletter is a snapshot of projects and programs and does not encompass all of the wide-reaching work occurring in our City organization. For more information, please contact the City Manager’s Office at (650) 991-8127.

Daly City Receives $5,000 4R’s Grant from County
Daly City was awarded a $5,000 4R’s mini grant through the County of San Mateo’s Office of Sustainability for our “City Hall Container Modernization and Standardization” project. The 4R’s (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rot - Compost) mini grant provides up to $5,000 to support and fund small projects that will educate and increase awareness around the 4R’s. We will be using the funds to upgrade the public trash/recycle/compost containers at City Hall, create new educational signage and provide a training workshop for City employees on proper sorting of waste. More updates on this to come!

Arbor Day Event - Biggest Tree Planting Volunteer Day to Date
Through the Project Green Space partnership with Circle 3.0, the CA Initiative to Reduce Carbon & Limit Emissions, Daly City kicked off the planting season with an Arbor Day Celebration Event at Gellert Park on Saturday, April 27 (Arbor Day was Friday, April 26). Over 80 volunteers attended the event and planted approximately 100 trees in medians surrounding Gellert Park, including Hickey, Clarinada and Serramonte Blvds. Public Works staff even pre-dug the holes to make the volunteer event run smoothly. Our project partner, West Coast Arborists, did all the staking after volunteers were finished and provided the initial watering.
WCA will continue planting on our behalf in the median of John Daly Blvd, Frankfort Park, 22 street tree locations and the Human Services Agency on 92nd St. A volunteer group will also plant five trees at Hillside Park on May 11 and City staff will take care of plantings at Marchbank Park. Once planting is finished, the City will have 168 new trees in its care!

The Arbor Day event also allowed tree adopters in our “Community Canopy” program, offered in partnership with the Arbor Day Foundation, to pick up small flags to place on their properties. WCA will then deliver and plant these 200 smaller trees at the flagged locations in the next few weeks. WCA will also check up on the trees four times over the next year to ensure they are being watered correctly.

Thank you to Councilmembers Manalo and DiGiovanni for attending the event and addressing the crowd!

Tony Bayudan from Supervisor Canepa’s office also presented the City with a commendation for its tree planting efforts.
Police Department
The Police Department responds to an array of incidences and crime in Daly City. This section will highlight only some of the most notable, recent cases. Did you know that PD publishes the Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin online each week? Past issues are available on the PD website and are regularly posted to NextDoor.

Arrest – Residential Burglary Suspect

On April 18, the Daly City Crime Suppression Unit assisted Detectives with locating a known suspect that had been committing crimes all throughout the Bay Area. This suspect was wanted for a residential burglary and several vehicle burglaries in Daly City that occurred a few weeks prior. This same suspect was believed to have been involved in other violent crimes as well.
**Mutual Aid Response – South San Francisco PD Officer Involved Shooting**

On April 21, South San Francisco PD was involved in an officer involved shooting with a vehicle that rammed several of their patrol vehicles following a response to a commercial burglary. SSFPD pursued the suspect truck northbound on Bayshore Blvd until it became disabled near Main Street in Brisbane. The single outstanding suspect fled from the vehicle and Daly City officers responded to assist SSF officers in securing the suspect vehicle and searching for the suspect. A Daly City police K9 located the suspect hiding in a nearby field and officers were able to take him into custody without further incident.

![Image of police vehicles and officers](image1.jpg)

**Blue Commendation – Officer Gerry Graner**

On April 22, Officer Graner was awarded with a Blue Commendation for an arrest of a suspect who was found to be in possession of a loaded firearm following a brief struggle. Subsequent investigation led to the arrest of a second suspect for outstanding warrants.

![Image of officers receiving commendation](image2.jpg)

**Department of Water & Wastewater Resources**

**Collection System**

The City of Daly City and the Olympic Club worked together on a re-route of a new sanitary sewer connection for their maintenance facility and snack bar in advance of the Vista Grande Stormwater Drainage Basin Project. The Collections Division worked with the Olympic Club and
contractor to ensure a successful installation. The project involved using a directional boring machine beginning from the Olympic Club property to bore underneath utilities on Lake Merced Boulevard, continuing through an easement and tying into the existing sanitary sewer main located on Westpark Drive, a distance of approximately 410 feet. Use of this method of pipe installation is more cost effective and less disruptive to traffic flow and residents than the traditional method of open-trenching.

Distribution System

Distribution crews responded to an emergency water leak on a service line connected to a 4-inch Asbestos-cement (AC) mainline. The mainline was approximately 3 feet deep. Crews had to dig around a utility conduit to access the service. The service line was completely rebuilt from the main all the way to the meter. Staff was also able to carefully trim the tree roots around the new service as to preserve and save the tree. Water service in the area was restored in less than 2 hours.
Environmental Compliance

Staff responded to a report of a sewage leak into the storm drain system. A temporary restroom was installed in a portable trailer on a site where the existing building is being remodeled. The three, 250 gallon sewage containment tanks were not being pumped enough and overflowing into the parking lot and storm drain. The storm drains in this part of Daly City flow directly to the Pacific Ocean. Staff had the responsible party adjust their pumping schedule and install a secondary containment system to prevent any future discharges.

Operations

The Operations Division drained Secondary Clarifier #3 so emergency repairs could be made by the Plant & Equipment Maintenance Division to a broken skimming arm. The wastewater treatment plant has three secondary clarifier tanks which hold 840,000 gallons each. The tank is emptied using a combination of a lower tank drain and pumping with Return Activated Sludge pumps, which are capable of pumping 700 gallons per minute. Once drained, the tank was cleaned, inspected, the skimmer repaired and placed back into service.
Plant and Equipment Maintenance

The Plant and Equipment Maintenance Division replaced a high voltage transformer inside the wastewater treatment plant during the week of April 15. An internal coil in the old transformer failed on April 1 and with the help of PG&E, staff was able to secure a replacement from their inventory. This action reduced the projected lead time on ordering and receiving a new transformer from 16 weeks to 2 weeks. The transformer is a critical piece of infrastructure at the plant and is used to step down 120 kilovolts electricity to 480 volts electricity. Without it, we were running on standby power using our main plant generator. Maintenance staff did a great job utilizing contacts with PG&E to secure the equipment, finding a responsive and experienced contractor to install it and coordinating with Operations staff to assure uninterrupted treatment capacity.

North County Fire Authority (NCFA)

International Intern from France

The University of Bordeaux Technological Institute (I.U.T.) in France has a progressive International Internship program that places interns in various U.S. states into fire and public safety departments. Most often these studies or projects assist the hosting department in completing projects that assist in their organizational needs, as well as benefitting the student intern. NCFA is currently hosting a student intern named Maxence Terrade who is assigned to our Training Division. He will complete a project on U.S. Fire Science during his stay from April to June and we welcome him to the department!

NCFA Recruits Complete Academy

On April 18, the NCFA recruits completed Academy and have officially started their respective shifts.

Freedom House Fundraiser

On April 20, Station 95 hosted a dinner for 6 lucky winners of the Freedom House Fundraiser. They are a non-profit organization dedicated to helping victims of human trafficking.
Fire Extinguisher Training

On April 23, Fire Prevention Services Bureau conducted fire extinguisher training for employees of DHL Global Forwarding in Brisbane.

Hands-Only CPR Training to Terra Nova

In partnership with AMR, NCFA provided hands-only CPR training to Terra Nova High School students on April 26.

Wildfire Awareness Event

On May 4, along with several public safety agencies, NCFA will conduct a Wildfire Awareness Event where members of the public can learn how to stay informed and how to be prepared for the possibility of a wildfire in their community.
**Earthquake Preparedness Class**

On May 11, the department will conduct a free Earthquake Preparedness Class at the Serramonte Library where attendees will learn how to prepare their homes for the next disaster and how to make a disaster kit.

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**Department of Library & Recreation Services**

**Daly City Public Library Celebrates El Día de los Niños**

John Daly and Bayshore branch libraries will be celebrating El día de los niños/El día de los libros (Children’s Day/Book Day). Celebrated at libraries across the country, Día is for children and families of all linguistic backgrounds and cultures. Our goal is to connect children to the world of learning through books and stories that reflect and embrace their language and culture.

Our program will be featuring Olga Loya, nationally known Latina storyteller and author. After her performance, participants will learn how to make their own maracas and pop-up books. We will also be serving Filipino chicken empanadas and Mexican galetas.

The celebration will be at John Daly Library on Wednesday, May 1 at 6:00 pm and at Bayshore Library on Thursday, May 2 at 4:30 pm.

This program was made possible by a grant awarded to the Daly City Public Library by the American Library Association (ALA) and its division, the Association for Library Services to Children (ALSC).
New eBook and Video Collection Now Available at the Libraries

The Daly City Public Library now offers Skillsoft, a library of ebooks and videos on career and business topics to help prepare our community for career advancement and professional development. You can create a personal learning plan to refine and focus your interests. Regardless of your profession or interest, you will find materials to meet your needs with topics such as social media, customer service, human resources, communication skills and sales.

Simply visit our Skillsoft site, which is accessible from our eLibrary webpage, and log-in with your library card and PIN to get started today.

Seniors to Celebrate Mother’s Day with Tea at Café Doelger

The Supporters of the Doelger Senior Center, Inc., in cooperation with the Recreation Division, will host the Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea on Saturday, May 4, in Café Doelger. The event is sold out again this year! Doors open at 11:30 am. The event will feature door prizes, a no-host bar, and entertainment. Participants are encouraged bring their own tea pots and accessories.

The menu for the event includes crab cakes, tea sandwiches, quiche, spring salad, fruit, and dessert. And yes, there will be an assortment of teas, too!

Active Adult/Senior Resource and Fitness Fair Set for May 23

The Recreation Division will host the 3rd Annual Active Adult/Senior Fitness and Resource Fair at the Pacelli Event Center on Thursday, May 23, from 9:00 to 11:30 am. Participants have the opportunity to take advantage of free health screenings at the event, including vision, hearing, body mass index, cholesterol, blood sugar, and blood pressure. In addition to the free health screenings, there will be an instructor-led fitness exercise and activities, resource and community vendors, healthy snacks and refreshments and door prizes.

The Senior Resource and Fitness Fair is made possible in part by our generous sponsors – Duggan’s Serra Mortuary, Go4Life, the National Institute for Health, Philippine News, Philippines Today, Republic Services, Serramonte Center, and the Supporters of the Doelger Senior Center, Inc. Last year more than 400 active seniors attended the Resource and Fitness Fair.
Department of Public Works

Westlake Library HVAC and Roof Replacement Project

The design to replace the HVAC system and roof at the Westlake Library is currently underway. A kick-off meeting was held in early April to coordinate the project between City Staff, the roofing consultant (The Garland Company), and the design consultant (IMEG Corporation). The existing HVAC units are difficult to maintain because there are no access panels in the back of the enclosures. The newly designed HVAC system will improve the serviceability of the units, as well as the air circulation throughout the building. IMEG will be submitting two replacement options with their conceptual design. As the design progresses, IMEG and City Staff will be looking at the roof structure, reviewing efficiencies, benefit costs, electrical upgrades, cooling needs and testing the existing economizer.

Doelger Senior Center Complex Roofing Project

Crews continue to work on the Doelger Senior Center Complex Roofing Project. Work began on Thursday, April 11 and is scheduled to be completed in June. The contractor began installing the polyester membrane and roof coating on the senior center and the built-up roofing system is being installed on the gym roof.
Willits Street Sidewalk Repair

Street Maintenance staff replaced a section of sidewalk on the 300 block of Willits Street. The section of concrete was lifted from tree roots and in poor condition.

Series Circuit Streetlight Outage

On February 13, the street light circuit in the area bordered by John Daly Blvd on the south and San Francisco Golf Course on the north started to have intermittent power failures. On March 24, a PG&E service technician was responding to a complaint about the power equipment making a loud noise and deenergized the street light circuit leaving the neighborhood without street lights. It was determined that the transformer providing power to the street light circuit failed. Since these types of transformers are not readily available, PG&E had to special order the replacement transformer. PG&E completed the installation of the new transformer on April 29 and the street lights in the neighborhood are now energized.
Department of Human Resources

Please join us in welcoming the following staff members to Daly City:

Emily Agnew, Firefighter
Brett Blackburn, Firefighter
John Casarez, Firefighter
Kyle Lew, Firefighter
Kevin Shaw, Firefighter
Please join us in congratulating the following employee on his promotion:

Richard Medina, Lead Public Works Maintenance Worker

Employee Training and Development Efforts

Employees attended the following trainings:

- Diffusion and De-Escalation Techniques
- Advanced Facilitation
- Time Management

Employee Wellness

Walk-A-thon

Daly City Employees Taking Steps Towards a Healthier Tomorrow

The purpose of this event is to promote employee wellness for all City of Daly City employees. Participants may walk/run around the 10-mile walking trail and complete as many laps as possible in one hour. A raffle ticket will be provided for each lap completed. Raffle prizes and giveaways will be provided by Human Resources, Kaiser Permanente and the San Mateo Credit Union (SMCU). A grand prize will be presented from the Daly City Safety & Wellness Committee.

Walkathon: 11:00 AM
Lunch & Raffle: 12:30 PM in the Merced Room in Pacelli Gym

Employees interested in participating need to seek prior approval from their supervisors before contacting Lariam Ramos, Interim Senior Management Analyst, at lramos@dalyca.org to register.

“**As a reminder, participation in City-sponsored wellness events is voluntary and done so on City time, pending your supervisor's approval.**”
New Self-Storage Project Nearing Completion

The owners of the new self-storage building at 1001 East Market street have neared the end of construction of their facility and are requesting a final inspection Certificate of Occupancy so that they may begin training their employees and open to the public very soon. The total gross floor area of the building is 79,435 square feet and has a total of 572 storage units. The average size of the units is 102 square feet with a range in size from 25 square feet to 340 square feet.