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Housing the homeless a main priority

Italian Family Festa 2018 to be held this weekend

The Italian Family Festa, now in its 38th year, will be in full swing again this year on August 25 and 26, 2018 at History Park San Jose, 1650 Senter Road, San Jose.

"Last year, the park was filled with young families, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. They came, and they stayed, to share the day with us. That's what our Festa is about, that's why we call it the Italian Family Festa, and we're excited to host everyone again this year," exclaimed Nancy Morreale, Festa Director.

"This year the Festa is thrilled to have the traditional grape stomp, wine tasting, bocce, art gallery and a continuing of our 'Roots Project' at the Villaggio Culturale. We've added Italian card games, a Venetian mask-making workshop, a culinary stage with cooking demonstrations and a 'chill' station to stay cool this year. Rounding it all out is great food, music and our artisan vendors," said Morreale.

"This is my first year directing the Festa. I'm honored by our volunteer and community partner support. Our goal is to be a family destination, each year we come together to build on that heritage by sharing our Italian culture with the entire community," said Morreale.

Hours: August 25 and 26, 2018. Saturday, August 25 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM. Sunday, August 26 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM. History Park San Jose, 1650 Senter Road, San Jose, CA 95112. Free Admission. Visit www.ItalianFamilyFestaSL org for more information.

By Lorraine Gabbert Senior Staff Writer

Do you see him sleeping in the doorway?

- Do you ever hear his voice? Do you see him in the shadows?
- Do you know he has no choice?

Do you hope that he won't catch your eye? Do you know he has nothing to eat? Do you know he's living in a sleeping bag? Do you know he's living on the street?

Do you ever think what's put him there? Do you wonder how many times he's cried? Do you think he's lost his family? Do you wonder what took his pride?

Do you think he had a breakdown? Do you think he couldn't cope? Do you know how strong he really is? Do you know he's filled with hope?

–Susan Dolan

omelessness is a social crisis in San Jose and across the nation. One of San Jose's main priorities is ending homelessness with safe, affordable housing," says Kelly Hemphill, Acting Housing Policy and Planning Administrator, City of San Jose.

Hemphill, and Kathryn Kaminski, Senior Management Analyst with the County of



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"In the last three years, countywide, we housed over 5,000 homeless in permanent housing," says Kathryn Kaminski (left), Senior Management Analyst, County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing. "One of San Jose's main priorities is ending homelessness," says **Kelly Hemphill** (center), Acting Housing Policy and Planning Administrator, City of San Jose. "Hopefully, we'll end veteran's homelessness with a few years," says Heather Wilson (right), Policy Aide, County Supervisor Mike Wasserman's Office.

Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, recently spoke at an Almaden Valley Community Association meeting about their

departments' efforts to end homelessness. A 2017 census counted 4,350 homeless in See HOMELESSNESS, page 16

Lucky day, lucky store, lucky winner

Single lottery ticket wins \$543M By Kevin Larsen

Times staff writer Six numbers changed lives and brought about lots of cheers and smiles.

1,2,4,19,29 and mega ball #20; these were the winning numbers for a ticket purchased at Ernie's Liquor store in San Jose for the Mega Millions top prize on July 25.

With numbers chosen individually or with the random selection by a computer brain, this one ticket won the Mega Millions top prize of \$543M.

The game was entered the same week by millions of people participating in all 50 states and the odds of winning the lottery at this store was 250 million to one.

Ticket sets new payout record

No other win in the history of this game

has paid out more to one ticket holder, because in all other payouts the total amount had to be shared with multiple ticket winners.

'My store wins a million, but my wife gets to spend it'

Each location that sells a winning Mega Millions ticket earns a special reward. Kewal Sachder, owner of Ernie's Liquor store located in Evergreen on the corner of White and Quimby Rd, got a phone call at 8:15 a.m. in the morning from a loyal employee which awoke him.

"Congratulations, the store sold the Mega Millions lottery ticket and you get one million dollars," said the worker. "Are you certain, how do you know?" asked Sachder. "Yes!" came the reply.

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Jose, will receive a million dollars for selling the winning Mega Millions lottery ticket.

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25 devoted years of providing school uniforms to students

By Gloria Cutshall Special to the Times

he central focus of almost every community service that Assistance League San

Jose preforms is the child. Twenty-five years ago a small group of women gathered in an Almaden home to decide what type of community service they would like to perform that would have the greatest impact. They researched the needs of the community they wished to serve. At that time only two schools in the San Jose Unified School District required that the students wear school uniforms. Before this only private and parochial schools had this requirement.

The founding ladies formed a chapter of Assistance League, a national, non-profit volunteer organization, and made purchasing school uniforms for students in need their signature program. They started off with 55 members with a budget of \$2500. They were only able to purchase 51 uniforms for both schools in SJUSD.

That was the beginning. Twenty-five years later, Assistance League San Jose provided 7323 school uniforms to 3992 students



at 39 schools in three school districts—San Jose Unified, Alum Rock Union, and Franklin-McKinley. The 150 members raise money for this program, which is known as Operation School Bell (OSB), by vigorously soliciting funds from such foundations as the Stuart Foundation, the Sharks Organization, T.J. Max, Target, and Assembly Representatives from the districts served. Last year the organization spent more than \$110,000 on school uniforms.

Assistance League not only

purchases the uniforms for the schools, but at the beginning of each school year, teams of 6 to 8 members make arrangements at the 39 schools to measure each student who will receive a uniform. The students receive in their packages, two pairs of pants, two shirts and two pairs of socks. The color of the pants and shirts depend on the schools' school uniform policy.

Such a great feat is worthy of celebrating its Silver Anniversary in a special way. That celebration will take place at Assistance League's September monthly meeting. At that meeting the five original members still in the organization will proudly recount the history of OSB. The members are Lynda Tamasello, Mary Becker, Suzy Luepp, Judi Dissly and Elaine Kitrosser. Along with the history, letters written by students who were recipients of the uniforms throughout the years will be shared and displayed. Superintendents from the three school districts and Assembly Representatives from those districts will be invited to join in recognizing OSB's accomplishments.

The motive behind OSB is the organization's strong belief that every child should have an opportunity to perform at his/her best at school. Not having a school uniform to wear should not be a factor in keeping a child from succeeding. Providing school uniforms is one way that Assistance League San Jose and its generous donors can make a difference in a child's life.

If you wish to make a donation, or to learn more about Assistance League or to join the organization, visit its website at www, alsj.org.

The 'FIRST Lego League' (FLL) season has begun

By Jadelynn Dao Special to the Times

STEM is an acronym for science, technol-

ogy, engineering and math. Earlier this month, thousands of kids age 9 to 16 tuned in to the unveiling of the robotics challenge for the FIRST Lego League (FLL), marking the beginning of a new season.

The FLL program consists of three important parts: building and programming an autonomous robot, a research project and the continuous display of teamwork and core values. For many, doing robotics at an early age is the beginning of their journey in STEM, where not only math or computer science concepts are reinforced, but also art and creativity.

Each robot is the masterpiece of countless hours of innovation where kids are challenged to think of numerous ways to accomplish a mission. The teams operate like a mini start-up, covering business aspects

from graphic design, fundraising and even protecting ideas by filing for a patent. **TechFusion**

The Bay Area is home to many FLL enthusiasts and the number of teams continues to grow each year. The tournaments are similar to sporting events. Last May, FLL team TechFusion with team members from Almaden Valley, represented NorCal at the Razorback Invitational where 72 teams from around the world gathered to compete at the University of Arkansas.

TechFusion had received the Champion's Award at their qualifier and the Strategy and Innovation Award at their Regional Event. At Razorback, the team received the 1st place programming award and 9th place in overall robot performance.

In addition to FLL, there are many other ways to expose kids to hands-on STEM. At most San Jose Public Libraries, coding classes are being offered free of charge. There are also many workshops being offered at the



Tech Museum of Innovation in downtown San Jose and the Computer History Museum in Mountain View.

Many high school robotics teams have workshops available to encourage the younger crowd into robotics. Lastly, the VEX IQ Robotics program is very similar to FLL with the same sporting event atmosphere. And, if you make it to VEX Worlds, you can be featured on ESPN2!

It's an exciting future ahead for FLL.

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Historic brother to brother touchdown! Cannon Yates caught a TD pass from brother Carson in Leland's 10-7 win over Willow Glen in the last year's game. Photo credit: Connor Sochocki/ Prep2prep.

2018-2019 CCS quarterbacks to watch

By Sean Eastwood Times Staff Writer ate Smith, Senior Editor for Pres2Prep recently took a look at some of the top quarterbacks for each coverage area, along with a few others to keep an eye on. This feature focuses on some of the top signal-callers within the Central Coast Section. Among the players to watch is Carson Yates, Leland High School. BVAL.

As stated on its website, "The

Blossom Valley Athletic League is composed of 24 high schools

encompassing four public school districts. The league is divided into three divisions named Mt. Hamilton, Santa Teresa, and West Valley. Schools are placed into these divisions based on the strength of each specific sports program. The value of this system is that it provides quality competition. At the end of each season, sport divisions are reassessed and a team can be reassigned based on returning players, success of the lower level programs, coaching changes, etc. The success of this league and the philosophy of power leagues have made the

BVAL a model program which has been emulated throughout the United States.'

Carson Yates, Leland

Yates earned BVAL Sophomore of the Year honors in both football and baseball last year, and will now bring varsity experience to the gridiron this fall. He threw for 1,541 yards and 16 touchdowns last season, while adding 581 yards and 13 scores on the ground. With 2,000-vard rusher Kyle Anderson back for his senior year, the Chargers should enjoy an explosive backfield in 2018.

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High School volunteers needed for Almaden Art & Wine Festival

igh school students have a great and Llocal opportunity to get some community service hours completed during this year's Almaden Art & Wine Festival.

Festival organizers are looking for high school students to help with set up, assist in ticket booths, and various other jobs during the annual festival on Sunday, Sept. 16, 2018.

The San Jose Unified School District has a graduation requirement for each high school student of 40 hours of community service.

The school district set this up in order to encourage students to give back to their communities. The festival is a non-profit organization and meets the requirement for student volunteers.

Festival organizers have always relied on local area students to help in numerous areas of the festival. For instance, the Festival's logo is designed each year by an area high school student.

This year's winning logo was designed by Sejal Kini (above), now a junior at Leland High School. That logo will appear on the Festival promotional items as well as the wine and beer

Students volunteering at the Festival this year will help with set up on the morning of the event assisting craft vendors, beverage set up, and ticket assistance. The students will also help throughout the day in the Children's Area, VIP Area and in the Silent Auction Tent and also with teardown at the end of the day. Shifts are for 3 - 6

Students interested in volunteering at this year's Festival can sign up through a link on the club's website: almadenwomen.

For more information about volunteering, please contact Anne Samuel at 408-655-3120 or email annecom.8@gmail.com.

The Almaden Art & Wine Festival will happen this year on Sunday, Sept. 16 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at Almaden Lake Park.

Community Gardens named after Rusty Areias

County

Report

By Dave Cortese

All-inclusive playground grants awarded

By Dave Cortese Santa Clara County Supervisor

The community gardens project at the County's Martial Cottle Park

has an official name, thanks to unanimous action by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors taken on Tuesday, August 14.

The name "Rusty Areias Community Gardens" was authorized by the Board to honor the man who helped preserve the land as a park for future generations. Areias was Director of the California Department of Parks and Recreation from 1998 to 2001, and was a member of the State Assembly from 1982 to 1994.

"Naming the community

gardens at Martial Cottle Park in Rusty's honor is a fitting tribute to the efforts he undertook as State Parks Director that guaranteed the land would be saved," said Supervisor Dave Cortese, who made the request to name the gardens.

Martial Cottle Park in San Jose was the result of a generous gift of Walter Lester, a

descendant of Edward Cottle, who established the land as a farm in 1854. In the 1990s, Mr. Lester was faced with a very large inheritance tax bill from the IRS due to the death of his sister. To pay, he would have to sell all or most of the land.

At that point, Parks Director Rusty Areias stepped in and secured \$4 million in funding and helped with the agreement to preserve the land from development. Ownership of the 287-acre property was transferred to the County and State for use as a farm park, with educational programs, a walking trail and community gardens.

Also on Tuesday, the Board awarded \$2 million in All-Inclusive Playground Grants to projects in four cities. The grants are given to projects that are designed to make play accessible for all families, including

children and parents with disabilities. The grants were awarded to projects in the Santa Clara Unified School District, the Franklin-McKinley School District, and the Cities of Milpitas and Campbell.

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LOCAL SPORTS



Vision 02 Academy Girls named U.S. National Cup Champions

By Robert Rodriguez Special to the Times

he Vision 02 Academy Girls were recently crowned U.S. Club Soccer National Cup XVII champions in Aurora, Colorado after defeating the Massachusetts's State Cup champions 5-4 in penalty kicks.

The Vision girls were invited to the cup based on winning the Norcal State Cup in May. The U. S. Club Soccer Nationals included teams from throughout the country participating to decide who would be the National Cup Champions.

The trip to the championship was not easy as the Vision girls 02 Academy won Northern California's state championship in penalty kicks in both the semi-finals and finals which qualified them to move on to the nationals.

Once in Colorado the Vision girls had to battle 90+ degree heat and high humidity, playing at altitude, having misplaced luggage and dealing with a microburst storm that closed half the fields at the Aurora soccer complex. The girls even had a fire at their hotel the night before the championship!

Coach Chris Vane noted "that the girls played with extreme focus and passion despite strong

competition from teams from North Carolina, Rhode Island and Massachusetts." He believes that the girl's mental and physical preparation (running in the San Jose hills) prepared them for the intense competition in Colorado. Chris said "I'm lucky to have coached this group of local girls for the past nine years and a few prior to that starting at age five. We are fortunate to have a club and community that supports us."

"We are proud to represent San Jose and the greater bay area community which has a thriving youth soccer community. We know that we can compete against anyone in the country. This team played with such resiliency throughout the year overcoming nine injuries in the spring to capture the championship." After playing in Colorado the girls headed to the Surf Cup in San Diego and finally back to Northern California in the local Mustang Stampede. They have earned a short break as they get ready for their fall season and high school classes.

Editor's note: This is a follow-up article from the abbreviated story that appeared in the Almaden Times on August 10.



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Sachder recalls that his employee gave him the phone number to call back Channel 7 news who along other media outlets were phoning the store many times to inform the business it had sold the winning ticket.

As Sachder drove up to his store on that Wednesday, July 25, lots of television crews converged to see him get presented two large mock display checks. They are now displayed above the two cash registers, with one representing the total payout and the other showing the \$1M retail payout to be awarded to his store for selling the ticket.

Sachder said the one person bought the ticket explained it would be shared with a group of eleven people. He stated, "I felt good for their families and for us as well. Now we have a lucky store and people from very far away are driving here just buy lottery tickets." He went on to say in a happy way, "My store wins a million but my wife gets to spend it!"

Sure enough, more than a week later people are taking photos of the store. A man was taking a photo of a family member standing in front of it. He stated, "In some cultures a store is considered very lucky if it sells a big winning ticket so people drive over to try their chances." History of the Mega Millions lottery game

Mega Millions is a multi-state lottery game which began twelve years ago. The game starts with a jackpot of \$40M and for two dollars a person can enter the drawing by choosing six numbers to try to win.

There are also nine other ways to win money in the game. Drawings are held every Tuesday and Friday. A lot of pent up demand for the jackpot grows over time for if no one wins, an extra five million is added to the pot for each game that follows until there is a prizewinner. Those in possession of the winning ticket can choose to be paid with a cash option or an annual payout for 30 years. The cash option for the \$543M ticket is \$320.5M.

Here is the top ten list of the history of the Mega Millions lottery game.

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5 \$533 million 3/30/2018 1 NJ	
6 \$451 million 1/5/2018 1 FL	
7 \$414 million 3/18/2014 2 FL MD	
8 \$393 million 8/11/2017 1 IL	
9 \$390 million 3/6/2007 2 GA, NJ	
10 \$380 million 1/4/2011 2 ID, WA	

Cannery Row in Monterey hosts fourth annual 'Exotics on Cannery Row' event

onterey Car Week will bring some of the world's most stunning automobiles to Cannery Row. The fourth annual Exotics on Cannery

The fourth annual Exotics on Cannery Row will be held on Saturday, August 25th from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

At this free event, guests can mingle with drivers and view one-of-a-kind vehicles modified for power and performance.

Exotics on Cannery Row is organized by the Cannery Row Company and the

founders of the world famous "goldRush Rally." The event offers a fresh take on Monterey Car Week: A public showcase of the rarest and most exciting Super, Hyper, and Exotic cars alongside a collection of exclusive companies capable of enhancing them to the cutting edge of performance and showmanship.

"Exotics on Cannery Row is an incredible showcase of automotive excellence.

We're thrilled to share the excitement of some of the hottest cars at Monterey Car Week in this public event on Cannery Row," states Ted Balestreri, CEO of the Cannery Row Company.

In meticulously planning Exotics on Cannery Row, the founders of the world famous "goldRush Rally" have hand curated the participating vehicles and vendors for a remarkable display of exotic cars, products, and services that are certain to impress and delight even the most discerning automotive enthusiasts. On display will be sleek models from Koenigsegg, Bugatti, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Pagani, McLaren and more. The event's vendor marketplace also gathers top transport companies, parts manufacturers, and gear makers in one location.

Staged along Cannery Row, the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary provides a stunning setting for this world class event. With an abundance of award



winning hotels, restaurants, and boutique stores along the waterfront, there is sure to be something for everyone to explore and enjoy.

Cannery Row will be closed to all vehicles from 12:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Spectator parking is available at the City of Monterey Cannery Row Garage at the corner of Foam between Hoffman and Prescott.

For more information about "Exotics on Cannery Row" visit CanneryRow.com.

Times Features

Hot San Jose Nights returns to Reid-Hillview Airport in September

ome enjoy this spectacular family entertainment day with cars, free aircraft rides, tanks and more.

Plans are underway for Hot San Jose Nights 10th annual charity car & airplane show at Reid-Hillview Airport on Saturday, September 8th. The July date was changed to September to allow for more schools to participate.

As Mike Hennessy, creator of this event likes to say, "Hot San Jose Nights is much more than a car show, it is an event for the entire family. Hot San Jose Nights offers the only car show that is specifically designed to entertain children, grandchildren and the whole family. There is something here for the entire family."

Along with the classic, vintage and special interest cars on display there will also be an array of aircraft and the largest display of military tanks and vehicles on the west coast. The Eagle Field Foundation will be giving rides in over 6 of the military tanks and vehicles. Baylands RC Group will be putting on a fantastic RC airshow to delight the crowds.

The EAA62's Young Eagles will be offering free flights in small aircraft to kids aged 8-17. There will be a variety of S.T.E.A.M. oriented displays to engage the youth.



Music will take center stage all day with headlining performances by Big Mike & The Hartbeats. A number of notable citizens will be honored for their service to the community. Canned foods will be collected to benefit Second Harvest Food Bank.

Hot San Jose Nights is sponsored in partnership with Chris Wilder of the VMC Foundation, President and 3rd District County Supervisor Dave Cortese & County Supervisor District 2 County Supervisor Cindy Chavez.

Admission and parking are free to the public. Show hours are from 10am – 4pm. Proceeds will be donated to the VMC Foundation. Registration forms for the cars, vendors, food trucks & vendors, Non-Profit organizations and S.T.E.A.M. related activities as well as more information can be found at www.HotSanJoseNights.com.

Mike Hennessy is owner of Hennessy's Automotive Repair in Santa Clara and is the host of the popular Car Guy Channel TV show.

Scammers target people with pet adoption services

D on't let your heartstrings tug you in the wrong direction! Puppy scams are now targeting people who wish to adopt pets.

False narratives of vulnerable dog rescue situations are used.

These scams are not part of professional dog breeding situations. If you are looking to adopt a dog, use extreme caution with online services.

How the scam works

You are looking to adopt a dog, and you find an organization or individual online wanting to re-home a puppy. You message them for more information and receive a convincing, heart-tugging backstory.

In one recent BBB Scam Tracker report, a scammer claimed to be looking for a new home for her English bulldog after discovering her son's pet allergy. Although this scam mostly involves dogs, it can also include cats and other pets.

The scammer doesn't charge an adoption fee, but they do request payment to ship the pet to your home. Most scammers ask you to wire the money or send it in a pre-paid debit card or gift card. After "shipping" the pet, problems arise.

Common scenarios include emergency vet visits or additional shipping fees. The scammers ask for more money to resolve the problem, often promising to refund it after the pet is delivered. They may even claim that the pet will be euthanized if you don't pay up. Once they've gotten your money, scammers disappear. The dog never existed.

How to avoid pet adoption scams

• Never buy or adopt a pet without seeing it in person. This is the best way to ensure you aren't caught in a con.

• Do an internet search of the pet's image. If you do find a puppy online, upload the pet's photo to a reserve image search. If you find multiple pet adoptions sites using the same picture, it's probably a scam.

• Be cautious with pre-paid debit or gift cards and wire transfers. Money sent this way cannot be refunded.

For more information

For more information on puppy scams, see BBB's full report at BBB.org/ PuppyScam.

If you've been the victim of a puppy scam, help others avoid falling victim by reporting what happened on the BBB Scam Tracker.



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Source: Applied Survey Research. (2015-2017). Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey.

PRIMARY CAUSE OF HOMELESSNESS



2011 n: 997; 2013 n= 818 respondents offering 1,029; 2015 n= 920 respondents offering 1,326 responses; 2017 n= 580 respondents offering 793 responses. Source: Applied Survey Research. (2011-2017). Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey.

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San Jose with 74 percent sleeping outside on a regular basis. There simply aren't enough beds available as Santa Clara County emergency shelters have a capacity of 1,253 beds per night. To meet the additional need, the city is trying to create short-term housing options including warming centers, converted hotels and tiny homes.

According to a 2017 survey, the primary cause of local homelessness is job loss and the primary obstacle for obtaining housing is the unaffordability of rent.

"There's no shocker there," says Hemphill. "It's really expensive here. We don't have housing stock and have a really competitive housing market."

Heather Wilson, Policy Aide, County Supervisor Mike Wasserman's Office, attributes the Bay Area's high housing costs to its healthy economy and protected lands. "We pay taxes to maintain open space here," she says, "and that means housing costs go up because there's less housing. It also means that some people can't get a house."

Even rents are extremely expensive. Fair market rent in San Jose for a one-bedroom unit is \$2,031 a month and the average cost is \$2,700 per month. However, about 35 percent of the workforce is paid less than \$25,000 per year. "If a fulltime minimum wage employee makes \$28,000 a year," says Hemphill, "and has to also pay for food, bills, etc., this is difficult."

Kaminski agrees. "Wages are a primary issue," she says, "and the gap between what you'd have to earn to afford an apartment here." She says that for someone making an annual salary of \$25,000, an affordable rent would be \$628. "Rents of \$628 don't exist," she says. "What we can do is build more housing at various affordability levels to meet these needs."

"Homelessness is very complex and extremely misunderstood," says Hemphill. About 91 percent of the homeless surveyed in 2016 said they would take affordable housing in San Jose if it was offered to them. "The strategy is to form a relationship with people," she says. "We'd like you to come inside," we say. "We have a bed for you."

Hemphill notes that society has to change the way it thinks about housing. "Historically, when we talked about housing it meant a temporary emergency shelter. We're talking about it differently now," she says. "We mean a place you can lock your doors, and you don't have to be sober to get in."

However, identifying new sites to build housing can prove difficult. "The housing problem can't be solved with just money," says Councilmember Johnny Khamis. "We have to find places for housing: It's one of biggest problems we face. We can have money for 170 assisted living spaces, but the neighborhood comes out and says, 'No. Not here.""

"Finding the sites is the biggest challenge," says Hemphill. "It's largely based upon neighbors' fears. We've done a lot of research on tiny homes and what would work best in San Jose," she says, "but what we're trying to do is misunderstood. It's not going to be a homeless shelter: it's tiny homes for people who want to move on and better their lives."

The tiny homes project is part of the Bridge Housing Communities program, signed by Gov. Brown in 2016, which allows cities to build interim housing for the homeless. The tiny homes are considered to be a relatively inexpensive way to



respondents offering 3,012 responses; 2017 n = 571 respondents offering 1,382 Source: Applied Survey Research. (2011-2017). Santa Clara County Homeless Census and Survey. Note: Multiple response question. Percentages may not add up to 100.

provide dignified, stable housing until permanent housing becomes available. However, although the city council initially planned to build Bridge Housing Communities in all ten districts, public concerns reduced it to one location.

The Housing Department is meeting with the City Council in the beginning of September to propose building 40 tiny homes on two sites. Hemphill says that Habitat for Humanity is standing by to assist with their construction.

Hemphill says she is looking forward to demonstrating success with this and watching people later move on to permanent homes. "It's just one way to assist homeless people," she says.

Other programs include a Safe Parking Ordinance which would allow people to sleep in their vehicles while being provided with services to help them get into a home and converting more underutilized downtown hotels into interim housing for employed or employable homeless.

The Housing Department also invests in Rapid Rehousing, which are time-limited housing subsidies. "Sometimes people just need a little bit of stability financially and supportive services to get back on their feet," says Hemphill. "It's really difficult to gain enough money to get into housing. A lot of this population is employed or employable and we work with them to help increase their skills and income."

Transition in Place is a new city strategy which pays for rehab costs and sets aside units for affordable housing for the working poor who can't afford fair market rent.

Care Coordination Project serves the chronically homeless population suffering with chronic illnesses by providing long-term subsidies and intensive case management. Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS provides an affordable, long-term subsidiary program for those struggling with the disease.

In addition, various prevention programs are in place which strive to prevent homelessness before it starts. "We help those struggling to maintain their current housing, so they don't end up on the streets," says Hemphill, "because once you become homeless, it's really difficult to get out of it."

The County contracts with community-based agencies to provide wrap around services like medical care, substance abuse treatment and employment. "We work closely with the cities to make sure we're all working towards the same goals, and clients receive the same level of services, no matter where they receive them," says Kaminski.

The County Office of Supportive Housing is also responsible for implementing the \$950 million Measure A affordable housing bond. "We approved six projects last year and have another handful in progress," says Kaminski. "We're super excited. We expect Measure A to fund more than 100 developments over the next 10 years and hope that it will result in about 4,800 affordable units for extremely low income and homeless households. One of their biggest challenges is finding places that are affordable to rent. If we can increase that stock, it will help our clients succeed in the long term."

A \$450 million bond measure for affordable housing will be on the November ballot. "It can bring more money into developing more affordable housing for the people who need it most," says Hemphill. "Of the 877 existing units in San Jose, only 14 percent include permanent supportive housing for the homeless. Of the 594 units under construction in San Jose, 70 percent have been set aside for vulnerable people who need affordable housing or who are homeless. It's exciting for us."

Khamis voted against the council's \$450 million housing measure. "We do need housing," he says, "but there are many things we have done already to address housing. We've imposed new laws for any new developer building rental or for sale units to have inclusionary units. If they build 20 units, they have to provide 15 percent of low income units or pay fees, so housing can be built for low income people. We also passed Bond Measure A two years ago. With the higher cost of living here, it would be hard for those on the edge to afford an extra \$20 to \$30 a month in additional taxes."

In addition, Gov. Brown signed a Homeless Emergency Aid program in June which provides one-time funding of \$500 million to cities and counties to address homelessness in California: \$11 million will assist San Jose. The City is See HOMELESSNESS, page 19

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Times Feature

What is required to invalidate a will in California?

This week's question:

Dear Steve, my father passed away recently and he appointed his girlfriend as the executor of his will. It gives her most of the estate and I don't believe that reflects what he truly wanted. Can the will be invalidated in court?

John P., San Jose

John, the situation you relay is more common than one would think. The bottom line is that contesting a will is a long

and difficult road. Courts seek to uphold the validity of wills whenever possible since the deceased person's wishes are highly regarded by the court. The court will only invalidate the will if the contestant's evidence is really strong and convincing. That is an uphill climb.

A will contest is an effort to invalidate a writing (the will). Any "interested" person may contest a will, including a heir, devisee, child, spouse, creditor, beneficiary or other person having any property right in or

claim against the decedent's estate that could be affected by the probate proceeding. (Probate Code Section 48).

The execution or revocation of a will or any part of a will is ineffective to the extent that the execution or revocation was procured by duress, menace, fraud or undue influence (Probate Code Section 6104). Further, the validity of a will depends on issues such as competence to make a will, compliance with execution requirements and revocation and revival of a will (Probate Code Sections 6100-6124.)

Any individual eighteen years of age or more who is of sound mind may make a will. A person is not mentally competent to make a Will if, at the time of making the will, either of the following is true (Probate Code Section 6100.5 (a)):

1. He or she does not have sufficient mental capacity to understand the nature of the testamentary act, or understand and recollect the nature and situation of his or her property or remember and understand his or her relations to living descendants, spouse, and parents and those whose interest are affected by the Will, or

2. He or she suffers from a mental disorder with symptoms including delusions or hallucinations which delusions or hallucinations result in the person's devising property in a way that, except for the existence of the delusions or hallucinations, he or she would not have done.

A will must be in writing, signed by the testator and witnessed by at least two persons, each of whom sign as witnesses and, being present at the same time, witnessed either the signing of the will or the testator's acknowledgement of the signature or the will and understand that the instrument they sign is the testator's will. (Probate Code Section 6110.)

A Will that does not comply with the above requirements may still be valid as a holographic will, whether or not witnessed, if the signature and the material provisions are in the handwriting of the testator. (Probate Code Section 6111(a)).

It should be noted that Probate Code Section 21350 generally invalidates provisions in wills, trusts and other instruments that purports to make gifts to any of the following persons: 1. The person who draft-

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ed the instrument. 2. A person who is related by blood or marriage to or is a cohabitant with or employee of the person who drafted the instru-

ment.

3. Any partner or shareholder of any law partnership or law corporation in which a person described in the first category above has an ownership interest and any employee of any such law partnership or law corporation.

4. Any person who has a fiduciary relationship with the transfer, including a conservator or Trustee, who transcribes the instrument or causes it to be transcribed.

5. A person who is related by blood or marriage to or is a cohabitant with or employee of a person described in the category immediately above.

6. A care custodian of a dependent adult.

It should be noted that undue influence is not merely being influential on the testator. "Mere general influence is not enough to invalidate a Will for undue influence." Estate of Callahan (1967) 67 Cal App 4th 609. Undue influence is influence that destroys testator's free agency and substitutes agency of some other person; proof of undue influence requires proof of pressure that overpowered testator's mind and bore down on testator's volition. Hagen v Hickenbottom (1995) 41 Cal App 4th 168.

Undue influence arises only if all of the following elements are shown: (1) existence of a confidential relationship between testator and person alleged to have exercised undue influence; (2) active participation by that person in actual preparation or execution of the Will, that conduct not being merely incidental in nature and (3) undue profit accruing to that person by virtue of the Will. Estate of Sarabua (1990) 221 Cal App 3d 599.

Duress, fraud and menace claims are



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looking for community feedback in how to spend the grant funding.

"About 3,500 veterans are homeless annually," says Wilson. "Imagine you've been working at same job for 20 years and your job doesn't transfer to the public or private sector. Sometimes they want to come back to San Jose, but they can't afford to live here and make ends meet. They're looking for work but are homeless in the meantime."

Fortunately, Wilson says that through the All the Way Home Campaign, about 1,000 veterans have been housed. "We're housing veterans faster than new veterans are becoming homeless," she says, "and hopefully will end veteran's homelessness within a few years."

San Jose's Housing and Planning Department's goal is to create 6,000 new housing opportunities by 2020, whether units or subsidiaries. At the end of 2017, they accomplished about 37 percent of their goal and hope to accelerate the process with Measure A funding.

"Not only do we have new developments-the Housing Authority has been great about setting aside vouchers for homeless clients, which are very expen-

also grounds to invalidate a will and are often mixed in with undue influence, described above. They are what they sound to be: use of force or threats to compel someone to write a Will in a specific way: in short, while undue influence uses undue persuasion, duress, fraud and menace use various types of threats to accomplish the same ends.

To contest a will, the contestant files a special pleading in the Probate Court to disprove the will. It is a special proceeding created by statute and unknown in the common law. An answer is filed and there are pretrial motions and discovery just as in any other civil action. There is no right to a jury trial and the contestant has the burden of proof to set the will aside.



Returns to Homelessness

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ous months, they have a good chance of staying housed forever. We're at 97 percent so we're meeting that goal and are working hard to stay there."

"While 6,000 housing opportunities aren't going to solve the homeless problem, it's progress, but we still have a way to go," she says. "That's why we're looking at every type of intervention possible. Our homelessness intervention programs are more robust than ever to try to help those people who are on the edge of homelessness stay housed."

"Unfortunately, people become homeless every day," says Kaminski. "In the last three years, countywide, we housed over 5,000 homeless in permanent housing. What we're doing is working, but we don't have enough resources. There's still a large need in the community, as we see everv dav."

For more information, please see the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing website: www.sccgov.org/sites/osh/Pages/home.aspx. For information on the Almaden Valley Community Association, please see: www.avca-sj.org.

In conclusion, challenging a will to invalidate it is a large undertaking and should be analyzed by an attorney before it any lawsuit is initiated.

Until next time ... and have a great day! Kindest Regards,

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