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Citrix believes in the importance of giving back locally. They strive to improve the community's quality of life through volunteering. Pictured are some of the Citrix volunteers who have come out to Sacred Heart Community Service to serve this holiday season.

Sacred Heart Community Service's Holiday Program distributes toys and books for low income families

Sacred Heart Community Service's (SHCS) Christmas Toy Distribution was held a few days before Christmas for low income parents and family members.

Families with 6,200 children signed up this year to receive 18,600 toys and books. This operation involved more than 400 Silicon Valley volunteers and countless donors united to serve their own local community.

The Donation Station was busy all day long. Longtime SHCS supporter Joseph J. Albanese Cement Contractors continued their holiday tradition by dropping off a full dump truck of new toys!

Blach Construction donated 115 new bikes today. Volunteers are still counting inventory and SHCS is confident it will meet their toy goal. Every year, the holiday program happens only because the community comes together to contribute to one another.

SHCS has seen the holiday program as a way for corporate partners to get involved more deeply with the agency. As local workers become first time volunteers, they learn more about the organization and the realities of living paycheck to paycheck in one of the most expensive cities in the world.

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'Gifts for Teens' brings holiday cheer to South Bay teens

Gifts for Teens, a local non-profit, once again mobilized community and corporate volunteers to prepare and assemble 1,289 holiday gift bags and special gifts for low-income and homeless teens in the South Bay.

Now in its twenty-first year, Gifts for Teens distributed these gift bags to social agencies serving disadvantaged teens; which include Bill Wilson Center, Unity Care, Advent, HomeFirst and Sacred Heart Community Service. For many of these teens, this gift bag will be the only present received during the holiday season.

Besides a warm sweatshirt, USB drive, tee shirts, hygiene kit, gift cards and more useful items, each teen also received a warm pair of pajamas through the generosity of the Pajama Program, Bay Area Chapter.

"Gifts for Teens is grateful to all the community and corporate volunteers, generous donors, teen initiated school drives, local businesses, knitting clubs and all the behind the scenes volunteers year round who together make this all possible," said Jan Giroux, Gifts for Teens volunteer.



Gifts for Teens volunteers load the truck holiday gift bags and special gifts for low income and homeless teens in the South Bay. Pictured in the back row: **Russell Markman, Karelle Cornwell, Mark Damon, Bob Benoit, Kylie Kammerer, and Elaine Benoit.** Front row: **Francesca Medina, Frances Wilson, Carol Fitting, Jan Giroux, and Lea Kammerer.**

Making children leadership ready

By Olaf Jorgenson

Special to the Times

A decade ago, Google launched a study to determine the key qualities of its top managers, gathering and analyzing a huge volume of survey feedback from their workforce. Their goal was to use the expansive data to identify those characteristics that consistently define star leaders so they could design a new Google management training program.

Termed "Project Oxygen," the study's conclusion was surprising to many of us. Among the eight most important qualities of Google's most prized managers, technical expertise came in dead last. What were the seven top

attributes of success at Google, according to Project Oxygen?

- Being a good coach
- Empowering teammates and not micromanaging
- Expressing concern for teammates' success and personal wellbeing
- Being productive and results-oriented
- Being a good communicator and listener; sharing information
- Helping with career development, and
- Having a clear vision and strategy for the team.

While the Oxygen leadership attributes themselves are unsurprising, it was revelatory to many in the tech community that so-called "soft skills" were more impor-

tant management qualities at Google than STEM talent.

Of course, these findings should be qualified by acknowledging that the Google sample is biased, since its employees and managers are already high in STEM expertise; science, technology, engineering and math skills are essential for proficiency in the tech workplace. So, we shouldn't conclude from the Project Oxygen findings that technical skills are unimportant or somehow secondary to Google's success.

However, while not an indictment of the central importance STEM expertise plays in leading a major tech company, Project Oxygen highlights why at Google,

STEM is part of the balance of skills that are necessary to be effective as a team leader. To the extent that Google represents the sort of dynamic workplace for which schools seek to prepare children, educators (and parents) can foster this sort of balance in today's students by ensuring that young people have exposure to a wide range of learning experiences – including robust science and STEM programming – along with frequent opportunities to collaborate in teams, to listen and provide feedback, to lead and to follow, to disagree and find compromise, to empathize and support, to fall and get up.

Ultimately, these types of
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AAA: Eat, drink and be responsibly merry

AAA aims to keep impaired drivers off Northern California roads and provides tips for celebrating responsibly this holiday season

To keep roads calm and bright this New Year's Eve, once again, AAA is offering its Topsy Tow service for impaired drivers.

The tow service will be available in Northern California starting 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31 and run through 6 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 1.

"As families and friends gather to celebrate New Year's Eve, AAA wants to ensure everyone has a plan on getting themselves or guests home safely," said Michael Blasky, spokesperson for AAA Northern California.

AAA Tips for a Safe New Year's Eve:

Be a responsible party-goer:

- If you plan to drive, don't drink.
- If you plan to drink,

select a designated driver and give them your car keys.

- If your ride falls through, use a rideshare service, call a cab, or use AAA's Topsy Tow as a transportation alternative.

- Buckle up — it's your best defense against impaired drivers.

Be a responsible host:

- Offer food and non-alcoholic beverages.

- Make sure all of your guests have a designated driver.

- Keep the numbers for safe transportation options, like Topsy Tow, handy.

- Take the keys away from anyone who is thinking of driving while impaired.

Topsy Tow provides a free ride home and vehi-

cle tow of up to 10 miles for any driver, not just AAA Members. For mileage beyond this, motorists are charged a standard towing rate. To use the service, anyone who wants to ensure a safe ride home for an impaired motorist should call 1-800-AAA-HELP (1-800-222-4357) and state that they need a Topsy Tow.

Services will not be provided to motorists requesting a tow to another drinking establishment, or to repair.

AAA estimates that a first-time DUI conviction can cost a motorist more than \$10,000 in fines, penalties, legal fees and increased insurance costs.



Almaden Valley's 10th district tree

The Almaden 10th district decorated Christmas tree recognized school sports teams at Christmas in the Park in downtown San Jose. Christmas in the Park ended on December 25 - but you can still get into the holiday spirit downtown. The Kristi Yamaguchi ice rink under the palm trees in the city center remains open for ice skating through Jan. 7, 2019. Above: Councilmember Johnny Khamis (second from right) and District 10 staffers pose in front of the tree.



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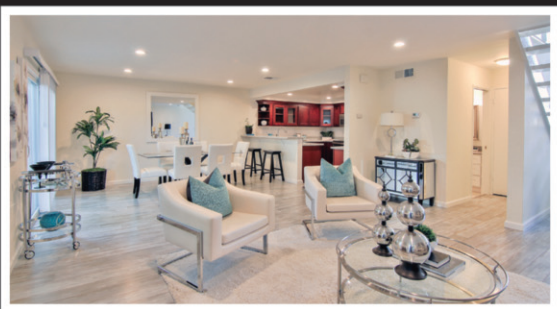


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Leaders

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varied learning experiences help students discover what it's like to achieve mastery through a communication-rich, collaborative process of trial and error, as happens at Google and other industry-leading Silicon Valley businesses. As such, preparing young people to thrive in a cooperative workplace like Google's requires that we enable them to replicate the sorts of balanced learning experiences that prepare them to collaborate and lead in teams: building communication and interpersonal skills, rewarding and encouraging curiosity, nurturing empathy, and developing creative problem solving.

Indeed, few of these attributes are supported by the broader prevailing paradigm of schooling in America, which instead emphasizes memorization and recall and revolves around standardized test scores. This is an obsolete model designed for bygone times; proficiency in an interdependent world – as with Google's teams – calls for instructional objectives that move students beyond content mastery, test scores, or college admission: the goal is helping young people become leadership ready.

Historically, schooling in America distills down to individual students, sitting in rows, competing against one another in individual contests for superiority – with prizes for the top students who strive to outperform their peers. However, 21st century readiness depends on more than academic prowess and competitive drive. Our future, like the present at companies like Google, depends on how well educators and parents can help children learn to become contributing members (and leaders) of effective teams.

What does this mean? Google's research can help us again. Project Aristotle, undertaken by Google five years after the Oxygen study, was an effort by the company to define the qualities that make up effective teams. Project Aristotle researchers analyzed data on Google's most inventive and productive teams, which ostensibly would likely be comprised of their top scientists and engineers.

Rather, the study determined that Google's most innovative, high-performing teams consisted of employees who were not highly-recruited scientists or engineering stars. Surprisingly, Google's "B-teams" were its exemplars, and rather than university pedigrees or engineering prowess, members of these teams were valued for their command of the same soft skills, beyond their technical expertise: fairness, generosity, curiosity toward the ideas of teammates, empathy, and emotional

intelligence.

Most of all, these high-performing teams at Google were characterized by emotional safety: the absence of intimidation, the willingness to hear and acknowledge the ideas of others. Safety in making mistakes. The recognition that the team's collective strength depends on cooperation, putting competitive instincts and egos aside.

School leaders who acknowledge the socioeconomic and industrial shifts underway in the world are very aware that – like teams at Google – students are best positioned for the 21st century if they develop soft skills during their K-12 journey: learning how to collaborate on a team, imagine solutions to problems, communicate clearly, listen well, and understand how others around them are feeling. Clearly, we can be proud of offering strong STEM offerings in our schools, but STEM is just one part of a balanced approach to preparing learners and leaders.

Pragmatically of course, a school's fundamental aims must include helping students become academically ready, middle school ready, high school ready, college ready. These are necessary priorities, but they're also short-sighted. Google's example is just one illustration, as we move into the 19th year of the 21st century, that to thrive in the 21st century economy, young people must gain a balanced education.

Parents and educators must be mindful of this to help our children become leadership ready.

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Thompson receives degree from University of Nebraska

Almaden Valley resident **Allison Elise Thompson** received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, College of Business, on Dec. 14.

Bob Kerrey, former U.S. senator and former Nebraska governor, delivered the undergraduate commencement address Dec. 15 at Pinnacle Bank Arena. Gina Matkin, associate professor in agricultural leadership, education and communication at Nebraska, gave the address at the graduate and professional degree ceremony Dec. 14 at the arena. Nebraska Supreme Court Justice Stephanie Stacy spoke to the College of Law graduates Dec. 14 at Hamann Auditorium in McCollum Hall.

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Times **Feature**



Blach Construction has built a legacy of giving through their philanthropy. The company participates in many projects that transform the lives of community members. Sacred Heart's toy distribution owes a great deal to the bikes that Blach Construction Company has built and donated.

Sacred Heart

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have come to Sacred Heart for shifts outside of the holiday program and also hosted their own hygiene kit drive, returned because they wanted to see how year-round services hap-

pen uniquely during the holidays.
Intuitive Surgical's team came for the first time during Thanksgiving and returned and brought more employees to volunteer. "We love seeing companies that are located in


Silicon Valley invest in our local communities and volunteer," said Lydia Bustamante, Community Development Director at SHCS. "At a time when Silicon Valley is becoming more gen-

trified, supporting their employees in volunteering their time and matching their employee's contributions are ways that these same companies can show they care."
People can sign up to volunteer in January, or make a financial dona-

tion to ensure programs stay strong in 2019. Learn more at www.sacred-heartcs.org.

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Piedmont Hills	4-3-0	266	249	4-7-0	371	431	21.00
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Achieving 'Beautility' – A tale of three city parks

By Councilmember Johnny Khamis
Special to the Times

On a brisk, sunny Saturday morning, December 8th, we celebrated the completion of the Beautility Park Art project at TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks. "Beautility", a phrase coined by our Public Art department, is an effort to beautify our city's utility enclosures by transforming them from eyesores into eye-catching works of art.

With the permission of SCVWD, who owns the twelve concrete blocks that run through the four-park chain, the Public Art department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) to seek artists interested in painting murals on those blocks. Many artists responded, and a committee made up of local residents, art professionals, and District 10 and City of San José staff, selected six finalists to paint two blocks each: Morgan Bricca,

Jane Kim, Andrew Kong Knight, Oree Originol, Vanessa Stafford, and Megan Stevens.

Three of the six artists attended the celebration, along with Vice Chair Linda LeZotte from the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), Michael Ogilvie, Director of Public Art for the City of San José, Ramona Snyder, Chair of the San José Public Art Commission, members of the Martin-Fontana Parks Association (MFPA), and

District 10 residents.

Several challenges caused the project to take a bit longer than expected, but the artists were flexible and persistent. One even wore a respirator to

finish painting during the heavy smoke of the Paradise Fire. All had wonderful attitudes and their passion and dedication resulted in beautiful works of art that exceeded everyone's expectations! I encourage you to spend some time walking in these parks and admiring these amazing treasures. Stop by the kiosk near the dog park and view the map that indicates which blocks were painted by each artist.

Special thanks go to the leaders of MFPA who championed this idea, and to Michele Dexter on my staff who found the funds in the D10 park budget to pay for the project.

And now for some more fantastic news: on Tuesday, December 18th, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to award the City of San José \$671,250 in their All-Inclusive Playground Grant (AIPG) Program to build an all-inclusive playground at Almaden Lake Park. This regional park is used by many visitors daily, and recently some of the play equipment was so damaged it had to be removed. This grant will be used to bring in new equipment that can be used by people of all abilities.

Please join me in thanking Supervisor Joe Simitian, who originally proposed this grant program, Supervisor Mike Wasserman, whose District includes all of San José District 10, down to Gilroy, and the rest of the Board of Supervisors who all voted to award grants in each of their Districts. This program will help build many accessible playgrounds and bring joy to families throughout Santa Clara County.

As 2018 comes to a close, we not only celebrate the completion of our Beautility project at TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks, but we also look forward with eager anticipation to a wonderful new playground at Almaden Lake Park.

Happy New Year from all of us in the District 10 Council office!



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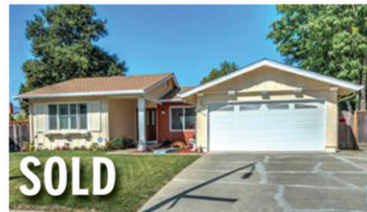
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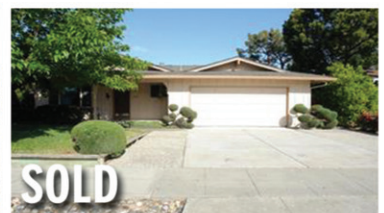
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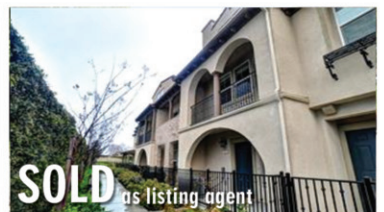
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LEMONT-AID FOR PARADISE
Group of Almaden residents takes to the streets to help fire victims

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

When Paul Rogers, host of the "Lemon-Aid for Paradise" radio show, learned of the devastation caused by the Camp Fire, he knew he had to do something. He rallied a group of Almaden residents to take to the streets to raise funds for those impacted by the blaze. Rogers said that, especially in times of disaster, he remembered his mother's words, and was always comforted by realizing that there are so many helpers and caring people in our world. No more.

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Mary Jane Boleto, Yehuda Levi, and Michelle Tash (the event coordinator) before the beginning of today's parade.

INSPIRING TECH

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their feet."

The city and county are comparing notes and pooling resources to provide additional housing solutions for the homeless, including warming centers, converted hotel rooms and tiny homes. "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. They are also working to create more affordable housing for teachers, restaurant workers and sales clerks near transportation hubs.

The Nov. 30 cover story, "Lemon-Aid for Paradise," shares how following the Camp Fire, Almaden residents took to the streets to raise funds for those who lost so much in the devastating blaze. Holding signs saying, "Lemon-Aid for fire victims. Please donate" and "Help families in need," children and adults

flagged down cars, exchanging lemonade and baked goods for funding. Together, they raised \$4,123 for their efforts. "You hear all the tragic stories of people who lost everything," says Michelle Takeuchi, who coordinated the fundraiser. "It's devastating. How could we not help?"

The Jan. 26 cover story, "Recent disasters lead city to step up emergency preparations," focuses on lessons learned from the Coyote Creek flood, which cost the city more than \$100 million in damages, and a focus on cooperation and communication in battling natural disasters in the future. "The flood taught the city about what it didn't know," says Ray Riordan, Director of the San Jose Office of Emergency Management, "and they have to make changes. Understanding is one thing. Taking action is another."

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'Living room' conversations on homelessness help build bridges

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

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'Annie' - veteran actors, volunteers and 80 drama students conduct a grand experiment

By Jane Johnson
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Italian Family Festa 2018 to be held this weekend

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

The Italian Family Festa, now in its 30th year, will be held on August 24 and 25, 2018, at the Italian Park San Jose, 1800 San Jose Ave. The festa is a celebration of Italian culture and heritage. It features a variety of activities, including food, music, and dance. The festa is open to all who are interested in Italian culture. The festa is a chance for people to learn about Italian culture and to celebrate their heritage. The festa is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Housing the homeless a main priority

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Lucky day, lucky store, lucky winner

By Kevin Larson
 Times Staff Writer

Single lottery ticket wins \$54K

Six numbers changed last week and brought about lots of cheers and smiles. The winning numbers for the Mega Millions lottery were 11, 17, 23, 24, 25, and 54. The Mega Millions jackpot was \$54 million. The winning ticket was sold at the Mega Millions store in San Jose. The store is located at 1000 N. San Antonio Ave. The store is a chance for people to win big. The store is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Local men offer a human touch to the homeless

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

"What if we made a difference?" That's the thought that led three Almaden men to start a program to help the homeless. The program is called "Human Touch." It is a program that provides food, clothing, and shelter to the homeless. The program is a chance for people to make a difference. The program is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Leland student releases free app to facilitate language learning

Teenagers helping our world

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

Leland High School student, Jeff Kim, has released a free app to help people learn languages. The app is called "Leland High School Language Learning App." It is a free app that provides lessons and practice exercises for various languages. The app is a chance for people to learn languages. The app is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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PARK HEROES RECOGNIZED

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

The Almaden Valley residents who were recognized for their heroic actions during the recent flood were: David L. Johnson, the Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of San Jose; and David L. Johnson, the Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of San Jose. The residents were recognized for their heroic actions during the recent flood. The residents were a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Almaden Women's Club offers scholarship and logo contest

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

The Almaden Women's Club is offering a scholarship and a logo contest. The scholarship is for a student who is interested in studying in the field of social work. The logo contest is for a logo that represents the club. The club is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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'Come Meet the Artists' Feb. 10 at TJ Martin, Jeffrey Fontana Parks

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

The "Come Meet the Artists" event will be held on February 10, 2018, at the TJ Martin and Jeffrey Fontana Parks. The event is a chance for people to meet the artists and to learn about their work. The event is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Orchard hosts Pinewood Derby 'Build Day'

By Lorraine Gabbert
 Senior Staff Writer

The Orchard Supply Hardware store in San Jose is hosting a Pinewood Derby "Build Day." The event is a chance for people to build their own Pinewood Derby cars. The event is a chance for people to build bridges and to help build trust and begin to explore opportunities to do better."

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Times Feature



Jon Kimura

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Brahms & Dvorák January 19 and 20

Symphony Silicon Valley presents Brahms & Dvorák on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. at The California Theatre, 345 South First Street in downtown San Jose.

The program will present Johannes Brahms: Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat major, Op. 83 and Antonín Dvořák: Symphony No. 8 in G major, 88, B. 163

Conductor: Daniel Meyer Soloist: Jon Kimura Parker, piano

About Jon Kimura

Internationally acclaimed concert pianist Jon Kimura Parker was born, raised, and educated in Vancouver. His extraordinary career has taken him from Carnegie Hall and the Sydney Opera House to Baffin Island and Zimbabwe. A true Canadian ambassador of music, Mr. Parker has given two command performances for Queen Elizabeth II, special performances for the United States Supreme Court, and has performed for the Prime Ministers of Canada and Japan. Pianist Jon Kimura Parker is famed for his "infectious elan and gargantuan technique." His outsized technique will be on special demand for the first work on the program, a concerto built on a heroic symphonic scale that requires sheer stamina as well as supreme artistry. A masterpiece of musical contrasts, it is also filled with lyrical interludes, including an extended cello solo. Dvořák's symphony follows, inventive but gentler, almost idyllic, and irresistibly tuneful. While he was writing it, Dvořák himself marveled "melodies simply pour out of me."

About Daniel Meyer

As Music Director of the Erie Philharmonic, Artistic Director of the Westmoreland Symphony, and a conductor who maintains an active guest conducting schedule in the US and abroad, Daniel Meyer has reinvigorated orchestras with his innovative programs, engaging presence and keen musical intellect.

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Photos courtesy of Symphony Silicon Valley



Daniel Meyer

Times **Feature**

Mike Bloomberg names San José winner in Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge

San José is one of 20 cities to be awarded resources and technical support to help achieve their ambitious climate goals under the Bloomberg American Cities Challenge

Bloomberg Philanthropies recently announced San José, California, as a winning city in the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge, a \$70 million program that will accelerate 20 ambitious cities' efforts to tackle climate change and promote a sustainable future for residents. Through the Climate Challenge – which is part of Bloomberg's American Cities Initiative, a suite of more than \$200 million in investments to strengthen city halls and advance critical policies – San José is accepted into a two-year acceleration program and will be provided powerful new resources and access to innovative support to help meet or beat the city's near-term carbon-reduction goals.

"Cities are helping to keep America moving forward on climate change despite the lack of leadership from Washington, and this challenge was designed to help innovative mayors reach their goals," said Mike Bloomberg. "We were looking for cities with ambitious and realistic plans to cut emissions in ways that improve people's lives and mayors committed to getting the job done. Each of these winning cities brings those ingredients to the table, and we're looking forward to working with them and seeing what they can accomplish."

Bloomberg Philanthropies selected San José as a winning city because of its innovative and ambitious climate action plan, Climate Smart San José, that will reduce air pollution and city-wide emissions with specific projects aimed at reforming the transit and buildings sectors, areas which are typically responsible for 90 percent of all citywide emissions. Bloomberg Philanthropies also recognized San José Mayor Sam Liccardo for his commitment to ambitious climate action and securing a cleaner, safer and healthier environment and economy for San José citizens.

"As an increasing frequency of wildfires, floods and other natural disasters threatens cities across the country, we must accelerate our efforts to combat climate change," Liccardo said. "We're honored to participate in the American Cities Climate Challenge and thank Bloomberg Philanthropies for investing in the success of our pioneering Climate Smart San José plan. As a Climate Challenge winner, the City of San José will continue pursuing innovative policies and initiatives that will help lead us to a more sustainable future."

The City of San José was one of the

first U.S. cities to adopt a Paris Agreement-aligned climate action plan and is committed to actions and policies needed to keep global temperature rise below 1.5 degrees Celsius. Winners of the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge will be provided robust technical assistance and a support package valued at up to \$2.5 million per city. San José plans to use the support from the Climate Challenge around shifting to sustainable transportation, electrification and phasing out the use of fossil fuels in buildings.

"Reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation and building sectors are at the heart of Climate Smart San José, our communitywide initiative to reduce air pollution, save water and improve quality of life," said Kerrie Romanow, the City's Chief Sustainability Officer and Director of the Environmental Services Department. "The decisions we make today are critical to ensuring a safe and sustainable city. We are thrilled to work with Bloomberg Philanthropies to realize the ambitious goals of Climate Smart."

As Climate Challenge winners, San José and 19 other cities will receive resources and support including a philanthropy-funded team member to facilitate the development and passage of high-impact policies, training for senior leadership to assist with implementation of climate plans, and citizen engagement support to maximize community buy-in.

San José will work with Bloomberg Philanthropies and its partners to turbocharge the implementation of Climate Smart San José, which was approved in February by the San José City Council, by translating the following ideas and others into action by 2020:

- the development and implementation of a shared electric-vehicle strategy, including education and incentives
- the implementation of high-priority segments for the City's walking and bicycling network and the inclusion of new mobility options such as bike- and scooter-sharing systems
- the implementation of energy-reduction programs and policies for commercial businesses and the development of a roadmap to eliminate natural gas in residential housing
- an electric vehicle- and solar-readiness ordinance

Building on the America's Pledge initiative, which aims to keep the United States in the Paris Agreement, the Climate Challenge underscores Bloomberg's dedication to action, as this investment will translate city commitments into tangible climate achievements. Bloomberg will announce the remaining winners of

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Climate

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About the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge

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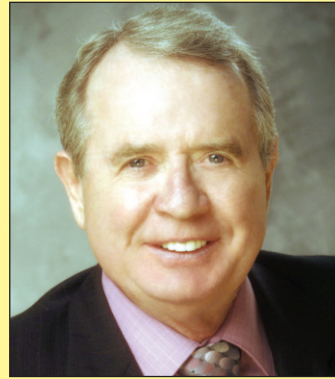
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