



District 5 Newsletter

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For a complete listing of events in District 5, visit my [Community Calendar](#).

My District 5 e-newsletter is designed to keep *you*, the residents of Alameda County's Fifth District, informed about important issues in our communities. The Fifth District includes the cities of Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Piedmont, and large portions of Oakland, namely West Oakland, North Oakland, Rockridge, the Fruitvale District, and the Dimond District.

Contact me with your feedback by e-mailing dist5@acgov.org or by calling (510) 272-6695.

Upcoming District 5 Event "Ready to Learn Fun Fair"

Save the Date! Saturday, September 22, 2007

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Manzanita School

2409 E. 27th Street

Oakland, CA 94601

For more information, please contact Aisha Brown at 510-272-6686 or email:

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Preparing our Children for Academic Success

In our efforts to inform parents about quality child care and pre-school programs for our youth so they can be prepared for school, our office is hosting our annual "Ready to Learn Fun Fair" on **Saturday, September 22, 2007 at Manzanita Elementary School, 1620 E. 27th St. from 10a.m. to 2 p.m. in Oakland.**

[Read the full story.](#)

The Mentoring Center: An Organization on Mission to Improve the Lives of Our Young People

The escalating crime in the East Bay leaves young people and adults with numerous questions and very few answers about how to resolve this issue. The debate often focuses around incarceration vs. programming; we need to look at the situation a bit differently. Whether people are incarcerated, or in a program after being released, we need to work on helping them change their lives so becoming an asset to our communities and our families becomes more important than "getting your hustle on."

[Read the full story.](#)

National Community Service Organization Comes to Alameda County

RSVP, initially known as Retired & Senior Volunteer Program, is a national program that matches volunteers ages 55 and above with non-profit organizations, has opened a new office in Oakland. RSVP (now known as RSVP of Alameda County) will place volunteers with over 70 non-profits throughout the County which will serve our older population. People who want to help any community in Alameda County can choose from a variety of community based organizations that RSVP of Alameda County coordinates with, depending on their interests and availability.

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