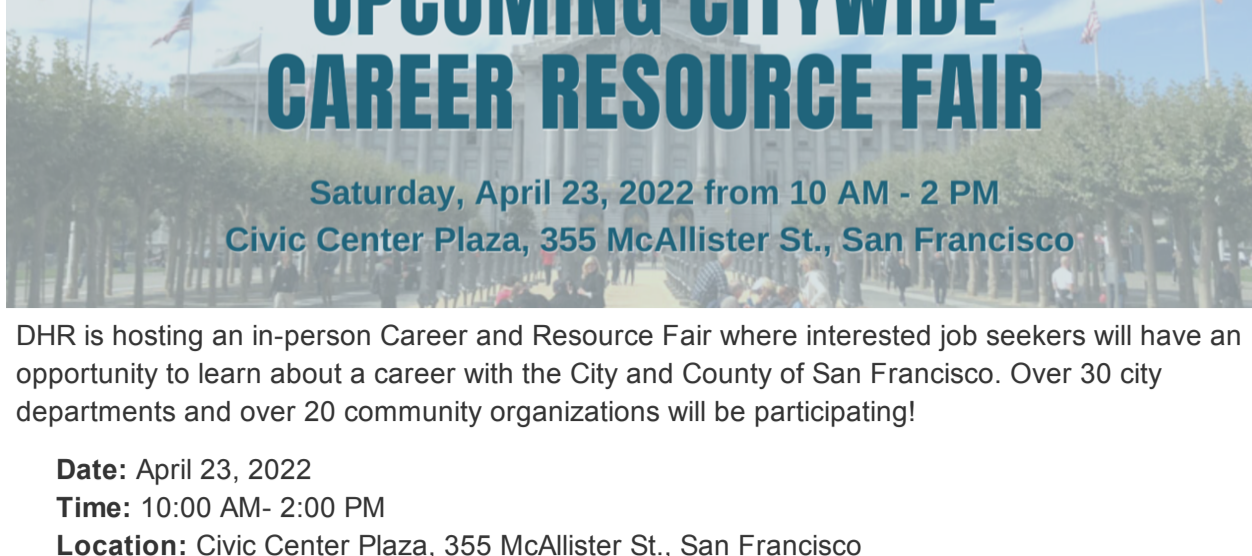




City Updates



UPCOMING CITYWIDE CAREER RESOURCE FAIR

Saturday, April 23, 2022 from 10 AM - 2 PM
Civic Center Plaza, 355 McAllister St., San Francisco

DHR is hosting an in-person Career and Resource Fair where interested job seekers will have an opportunity to learn about a career with the City and County of San Francisco. Over 30 city departments and over 20 community organizations will be participating!

Date: April 23, 2022
Time: 10:00 AM- 2:00 PM
Location: Civic Center Plaza, 355 McAllister St., San Francisco

Spread the word to family and friends interested in a career with the City and County of San Francisco. Department representatives will be able to provide information about open positions and upcoming exams. Additionally, job seekers will receive assistance with setting up a new applicant profile and navigating the city's application process.

Register and learn more about the event on the [SF DHR website here](#).

Civic Center Employee Safety

To support city employee safety during their commute to work, the Office of Community Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) Community Ambassadors are available to accompany employees on their way to Bart/Civic Center Station at the end of the workday. Check out the routes below:

49 South Van Ness to the Civic Center Station

Ambassadors will meet employees at the front entrance of 49 South Van Ness at 5:10pm and 5:40pm each weeknight. The group will walk down South Van Ness to Market Street and take Market Street to the Civic Center Station.

City Hall to Fox Plaza to Civic Center Station

Ambassadors will meet employees at the Carlton B. Goodlett entrance to City Hall at 5:10pm and 5:40pm each weeknight. The group will pass by the front entrance of Fox Plaza on Market Street and continue on to the Civic Center Station.



Staying COVID Ready

As the COVID-19 virus continues to change, the City and the Department of Public Health are urging San Franciscans to be "COVID Ready" as we move forward.

Here's how you can be **COVID Ready**:

- Most importantly:** stay up to date on your COVID-19 vaccinations (vaccination plus booster, if eligible). This is your first layer of defense against the virus, preventing serious illness and hospitalization. For more information about drop-in sites for vaccines and boosters [click here](#).
- Keep rapid COVID-19 test kits on hand. There are options to receive free test kits from the federal program, through health systems and community organizations, or be reimbursed by insurance. For more information about at home rapid test reimbursement [click here](#).
- Keep masks handy: Masks are no longer required in most public indoor settings, but continue to be recommended. You must wear a mask wherever a business or agency chooses to require it and on public transit. People may choose to continue to wear masks, respect the choices others make for their health. N95s/KN95s or double mask, cloth over surgical, are best. For more information on masking guidance [click here](#).
- Know if you are at risk for severe illness from Covid-19 and how to reach your health care provider. If you are at high risk for serious illness, you may be eligible for COVID-19 medicine, but you must take it within days of onset of symptoms. For more information on Covid-19 medicine and eligibility [click here](#).
- Stay informed. Follow COVID news updates and health guidance through reliable and trusted sources of information, such as your local health department (SFDPH) and other government websites.

Climate Action Month

April is Climate Action Month! This year marks San Francisco's 4th annual celebration and we're encouraging everyone to be the change in climate change! You'll find over 50 FREE in-person and online events, outdoor activities, and workshops during April. Discover how simple actions can make a lasting impact on the health of our environment and preserve our natural resources for generations of San Franciscans.



To learn more and register, visit ClimateActionMonth.com.

Van Ness Avenue Bus Rapid Transit Grand Opening

On April 1st, San Francisco MTA opened Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) as part of the Van Ness Avenue Improvement Project. BRT service on Van Ness is part of Muni's Rapid Network, which prioritizes frequency and reliability for riders and was designed with inclusivity and accessibility in mind. With dedicated transit lanes in the middle of the road, enhanced traffic signals with Transit Signal Priority and new platforms and shelters, Muni and Golden Gate Transit customers are expected to experience 32% shorter travel times. Learn more about the new BRT corridor in the below video.



SF Hires 200 Health Workers

In response to the Emergency Declaration in the Tenderloin, the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Department of Human Resources (DHR) collaborated to hire and onboard 204 public health staff to support people who are experiencing homelessness or are marginally housed and have mental health or substance use disorders.

Under the authority of the Emergency Declaration, SFDPH and DHR streamlined San Francisco's hiring process while adhering to competitive, fair, and equity-based selection processes and were able to meet the goal set by the Emergency Declaration to hire and onboard 200 new employees by the end of March. The newly hired public health staff will play critical roles in SF's response to save lives and support people with complex behavioral health needs by providing access to care, treatment, and connections to other needed services.

SFDPH is continuing to build upon this hiring success and is developing plans to eliminate redundancies and combine onboarding activities wherever possible. [Click here](#) to read the full press release.

Well-Being Resources

A Better You, Everyday!

Mark your calendar to join food demos, healthy holiday seminars, and wellness coaching! Check out the below highlights:

- Restorative Yoga (Bilingual Spanish)**
Weekly Mondays (10:00am - 10:30am)
- Chair, Stretch, & Boogie - ZSFG (Zoom)**
Weekly Wednesday (3:30 pm - 4:00 pm)
- Zumba - ZSFG (Zoom)**
Weekly Fridays (12:00 pm - 12:30 pm)
- Cutting Through the Clutter**
Thursday, April 28, 2022 (12:00pm - 1:00pm)
- Laughter, Humor and Play to Reduce Stress and Solve Problems**
Tuesday, May 3, 2022 (12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Visit the [SFHSS Events Calendar](#) to stay up to date on new offerings. Questions? Contact Well-Being at well-being@sfgov.org.

CredibleMind

CredibleMind is a free online resource that brings together expert-reviewed apps, podcasts, videos, and articles all in one place. [Create an account](#) today to take one of the more than a dozen assessments.

Once signed up you can save your favorite resources, track progress over time and stay up to date on the best mental well-being tools. [Learn more here!](#)



Employee Resources

Civic Center Open Space Beautification

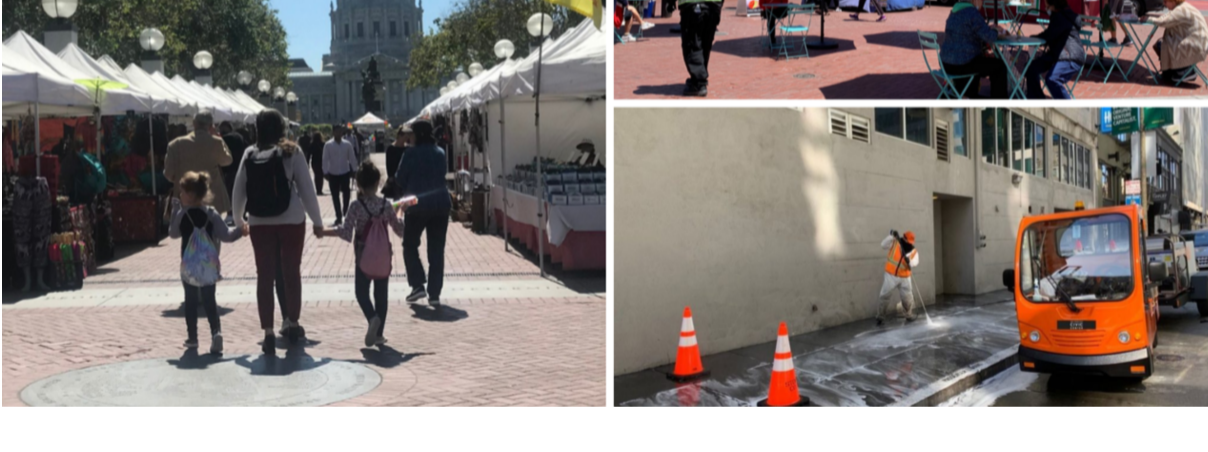
The Civic Center Community Benefits District (CCCBD) is working with the City and the Recreation and Parks Department to coordinate activities and installations to provide opportunities for residents, workers, and visitors to ensure that everyone feels welcome in returning to the Civic Center area.

See below for some highlights:

- The Heart of the City Farmer's Market**, taking place in UN Plaza since 1981, is held on Sundays and Wednesdays. There are tables and chairs set out in the area, and safety ambassadors are also present to monitor the area.
- The Gift Gallery** is returning to the UN Plaza on Fridays in partnership with SFETsy.
- Dog Run:** The new dog run and string lighting behind the fountain in UN Plaza could be a great spot for employees to play with some of the many dogs living in the area during their lunch hour.

DPW has increased the frequency of its sidewalk and street cleanings. Additionally, the CCCBD cleaning team conducts an additional daily pressure wash before peak commute times Monday through Friday on Grove Street between Market and Larkin.

For more information on these and other activities and open space improvements in the area visit the Civic Center Community Benefits District website at <https://sfccvcenter.org/activities/>.



Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program

The Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program helps student loan borrowers working in nonprofit or government jobs by forgiving the remaining balance on your loans after you have made 10 years of qualifying payments.

To help City employees navigate the program, San Francisco's Office of Financial Empowerment has created a [Q&A](#) and have provided additional tools here: <https://sfgov.org/ofe/public-service-loan-forgiveness>.

Employees and San Francisco residents can take advantage of the Office of Financial Empowerment's many resources including [one-on-one financial coaching](#), [guidance on student debt](#), [consumer fraud guidance](#).



Sunday Streets SF has returned with 6 events between April and September hosted across San Francisco neighborhoods. Sunday Streets is San Francisco's open streets program that transforms miles of city streets into car-free community spaces for kids to play, seniors to stroll, businesses and organizations to connect, and neighbors to meet. Check out the upcoming events and locations on Sunday Streets website <https://www.sundaystreetsf.com/>.

Family Fun at Eggstravaganza!

Join the Recreation and Parks department on Saturday, April 16th from 11 am to 4 pm at Crocker Amazon Park for the annual [Spring Eggstravaganza](#).

The free family friendly event will include egg hunts for kids, live entertainment, and games and activities.

