

COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT SARMIENTO

NEWSLETTER

CITY OF SANTA ANA

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Message From Vincent Sarmiento



The Sarmientos are proud to announce that there is a new addition to our family. His name is Blackjack. He is a 4 week-old black Cocker Spaniel with a joyful and playful attitude. Adrian, Diego and Dahlia are ecstatic to have a new puppy to play with everyday after school. Diego is already asking for Blackjack's birth date, so that they can plan his 1st birthday party.

On another note, the little league season is well underway in our city. I want to thank all the volunteers and staff that dedicate their time to giving our "child athletes" a great opportunity to develop their athletic skills and learn positive life lessons. This is Adrian and Diego's first year playing, which is made more meaningful because they are playing on the same fields that I played on as a boy. Special thanks to the director at the Northeast Santa Ana Little League, Frank Ward, and coaches Chris and Frank for their incredible patience, and love of the game. Good luck to all. Go Rockhounds and Sand Gnats!

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Project Restore

The City of Santa Ana has initiated Project Restore, a comprehensive plan to fix our local streets. Over the next five years the City will work neighborhood by neighborhood to repair 100 miles of local residential streets citywide.

A funding plan that combines \$40 million in State and Local revenues along with new bond proceeds will generate \$100 million for local street repair. Project Restore incorporates a cost-effective approach to street rehabilitation and utilizes the most innovative materials to maximize improvements throughout all neighborhoods.

In addition to the \$100 million residential street repair program, the City continues to move forward with other major road improvements through an investment of \$35 million for arterial streets including Main, Flower, Edinger, Santa Clara, Standard and Tustin. Further, an additional \$225 million has been dedicated to continue the Bristol Widening Project between Warner Ave. and 17th Street. Combined, these efforts will help keep our residents mobile and ensure attractive, well-maintained neighborhoods.

For information on when your neighborhood street will be repaired, please call (714) 647-5674.

Homeownership Preservation Resource

If you have an adjustable rate mortgage or sub-prime home loan and are concerned about your ability to keep current on your payments, the City of Santa Ana encourages you to contact one of our community partners for assistance:

- Fair Housing Council of Orange County, 714-569-0823 ext. 217
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Orange County, 714-490-1250
- Consumer Credit Counseling, 714-547-2227
- Civic Center Barrio Housing Mortgage Center, 714-835-0406
- Legal Aid Society of Orange County, 800-834-5001

City Employee Spotlight

DAVID SILVA GRAFFITI DIVISION

David Silva grew up in Santa Ana, graduated from Saddleback High School and attended Santa Ana College. He's been a City of Santa Ana employee since 1978 and is currently Crew Leader in the Graffiti Division of the Public Works Agency where he takes great pride in his work and his efforts to combat graffiti.

One of David's hobbies is playing and coaching baseball with his sons and also organizes South East Little League at Madison Park in Santa Ana for the past 25 years. David has been married for 19 years and has 3 children.

Calendar of Events

Celebrate Santa Ana

May 8, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at City Hall

Glaucoma Awareness Day

May 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Delhi Center in Santa Ana

Tierra de las Pampas Exhibit Opening

May 15, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Santa Ana Zoo

Mother's Day Celebration

May 17, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Santa Ana Stadium

Terra Cotta Warriors Exhibit Opens

May 18, 2008 at Bowers Museum