



# City Manager's Weekly Update

December 11, 2013

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 12/16** City Council Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 1/6** City Council Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 1/13** City Council Work  
Session, 7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 1/20** **Martin Luther King,  
Jr. Birthday Holiday** –  
City Hall and libraries  
closed.
- 1/21** City Council Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 1/27** City Council Work  
Session, 7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 2/1** City Council Winter  
Planning Session, Time  
TBD, Main Library  
Karp Room
- 2/3** City Council Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 2/10** **Lincoln Birthday  
Holiday** – City Hall and  
libraries closed.
- 2/11** City Council Work  
Session, 7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers
- 2/17** **Washington Birthday  
Holiday** – City Hall and  
libraries closed.
- 2/18** City Council Meeting,  
7:00 p.m.,  
Council Chambers

**To:** City Council  
**From:** Chris Zapata, City Manager

## Mark Your Calendar

Free Homebuyer Seminar (reminder; flyers attached)

**Saturday, December 14, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Boulevard**

- The Bay Area Homebuyer Agency (BAHBA) has joined the City of San Leandro's Housing Division in co-sponsoring a Free Homebuyer Seminar on **December 14**.
- This free seminar covers all aspects of becoming a homeowner.
- Reservations are required and can be made at [www.myhomegateway.com](http://www.myhomegateway.com), call 1-888-572-1222 or email [info@myhomegateway.com](mailto:info@myhomegateway.com).

Holidays at the Casa Peralta 2013 - A Free Family Event (reminder; flyer attached)

**Saturday, December 14, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Casa Peralta, 384 West Estudillo Avenue**

- Enjoy a traditional holiday celebration at Casa Peralta, San Leandro's historic house museum this Saturday, **December 14**. The Casa will be beautifully decorated and there will be Christmas cookies, hot chocolate and other treats to share with family and friends. Santa Claus will be visiting (please bring your own camera), and the jolly festivities will include storytelling, historic tours, and performances by:
  - The Roosevelt Elementary School Choir
  - The San Leandro High School Notables
  - The St. Felicitas Elementary School Choir
- This is a free event that is open to the public, but advance tickets will be distributed at the San Leandro Main Library Information Desk, 300 Estudillo Avenue starting on December 2.

San Leandro Police Officers Association (SLPOA) Bikes for Tykes Distribution (flyer attached)

**Saturday, December 21, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, Davis Street Family Resource Center, 3081 Teagarden Street**

- SLPOA members will distribute bicycles as part of the Bikes for Tykes program on **December 21**. There will be refreshments and drinks available.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration and Oratorical Festival (flyer attached)

**Monday, January 20, 2014, 11:00 a.m., Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Boulevard**

- The City is hosting an Oratorical Festival at the [Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration](#) on **January 20**. Student contestants will perform an original or well-known essay, speech or poem in celebration of Dr. King's message of

peace, tolerance and social justice.

- [Entry Form Deadline: January 6, 2014](#)
- Eligibility: San Leandro Resident
- Contestants will compete in the following grade categories: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade, and 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- There will be entertainment, crafts for the kids and light refreshments. For more information, please call 577-3462.

## Council Information

### Sacramento Superior Court Finds Redevelopment “Clawback” to be Unconstitutional

- On Monday, December 9, the Sacramento County Superior Court ruled in favor of the League of California Cities in a challenge to the “clawback” provision of the redevelopment dissolution law. That provision in Assembly Bill 1484 allowed the State Department of Finance (DOF) to withhold sales and use taxes from cities if their Successor Agencies fail to comply with certain requirements. In recent months, several cities, including San Leandro, have received letters from the State threatening sales tax withholdings, due to ongoing disputes related to the accounting of former redevelopment assets. It is not yet clear if the State will appeal the ruling.
- San Leandro is presently disputing DOF demands related to funding commitments made between the Redevelopment Agency and the City. Although this ruling does not resolve those issues, it does appear to eliminate a very serious funding threat to the City.
- [More information on this ruling is available from the League of California Cities.](#)

### City Holiday Closure Schedule (schedule attached)

- As in years past, in recognition of the winter holidays and as a budget savings measure, the following City offices and facilities will be closed from **December 24 through January 1** and will resume regular business hours on Thursday, January 2: City Hall, the Recreation and Human Services Department administrative offices, the Public Works administrative offices, Marina Community Center, San Leandro History Museum and Art Gallery, Casa Peralta, and the Mulford-Marina and South Branch Libraries.
- The Main Library and Manor Branch Library will have reduced hours.
- Inspections by the Building Division will be available during the break if scheduled by noon on December 18.
- Park Maintenance will have limited part-time staff on duty, and the Water Pollution Control Plant will have limited staff but will still be fully operational. Street sweeping will maintain its normal residential schedule except for December 25 and January 1, which will be rescheduled for Saturdays, December 28 and January 4, 2014.
- Public Works will have staff from the Facilities and Streets Divisions on standby for any emergencies that arise. They can be activated through a call to Police Dispatch, 577-2740.
- Police and Fire facilities will remain open. There will be no interruption in public safety services, and parking regulations and time restrictions will be enforced.

## Posted this Week on San Leandro Next

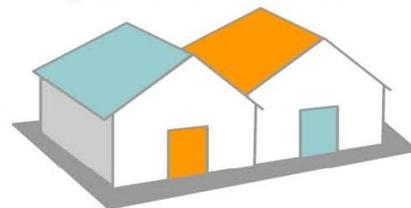
San Leandro Next is an initiative of the City of San Leandro Community Development Department providing news and updates on economic development and innovation. The following story was posted this week:

- [Shop San Leandro This Holiday Season](#)

To follow San Leandro Next, please visit [www.sanleandronext.com](http://www.sanleandronext.com) or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

# GATEWAY TO HOMEOWNERSHIP

The Bay Area Homebuyer Agency (BAHBA) in conjunction with the  
City of San Leandro  
invites you  
to attend an informative



## FREE HOMEBUYER SEMINAR

**Date:** December 14, 2013  
**Time:** 9:00am to 2:00pm  
**Location:** Marina Community Center – Thunderbolt Room  
15301 Wicks Boulevard  
San Leandro, CA

**The seminar covers all aspects of becoming a homeowner including:**

- The decision process in becoming a homeowner
- Financial considerations and requirements for homeownership
- The home loan prequalification and approval process
- How to search for a home
- How to work with real estate professionals
- Avoiding pitfalls of predatory unsafe lending practices
- Special public and privately funded homebuyer programs available to residents and/or educators in the Alameda and Contra Costa regions.

***Reservations are required to attend the free seminar***

To make a reservation online visit [www.myHomeGateway.com](http://www.myHomeGateway.com) click on  
“Seminar Registration” or call (888) 572-1222 ext 101

The Marina Community Center is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you need special accommodations due to physical disabilities or need translation services at the FTHB seminar, please contact Steve Hernandez, City of San Leandro Community Development Department, 510-577-6005, or the Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) 510- 577-3343, within five working days in advance of the seminar date.

# ACCESO A LA ADQUISICIÓN DE VIVIENDA

La Agencia de Compradores de Vivienda del Área de la Bahía  
(BAHBA, por sus siglas en inglés) conjuntamente con  
La Ciudad de San Leandro  
lo invitan cordialmente a un



## SEMINARIO INFORMATIVO GRATIS PARA COMPRADORES DE VIVIENDA

**Fecha:** 14 de Diciembre 2013  
**Hora:** 9:00am a 2:00pm  
**Lugar:** Marina Community Center – Thunderbolt Room  
15301 Wicks Boulevard  
San Leandro, CA

**El seminario cubre todos los aspectos de cómo convertirse en un propietario de vivienda incluyendo:**

- El proceso de toma de decisiones para convertirse en propietario de vivienda
- Las consideraciones y requisitos financieros para compradores de vivienda
- El proceso de precalificación y aprobación para un préstamo para la compra de una vivienda
- Cómo buscar una vivienda
- Cómo trabajar con los profesionales de bienes raíces
- Cómo evitar los problemas de prácticas de préstamos inseguros y depredadores
- Los programas especiales con fondos públicos y privados para los compradores de vivienda disponibles para residentes y/o educadores en las regiones de Alameda y Contra Costa.

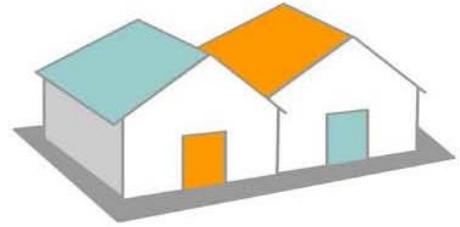
***Se requiere hacer reservaciones para asistir a este seminario gratuito***

**Para hacer una reservación a través del Internet, visite [www.myHomeGateway.com](http://www.myHomeGateway.com) – haga clic en "Seminar Registration" (Inscripción al Seminario) o llame al (888) 572-1222 ext. 101**

El Marina Community Center es accesible a las personas con discapacidades. Si usted necesita adaptaciones especiales debido a discapacidades físicas o si necesita servicios de interpretación/traducción en el seminario FTHB, sírvase hablar con Steve Hernandez, en el Departamento de Desarrollo Comunitario de la Ciudad de San Leandro, 510-577-6005, ó al Dispositivo para Telecomunicaciones para Personas Sordas (TDD) 510- 577-3343, dentro de un plazo de cinco días hábiles antes de la fecha del seminario.

# 購買房屋成功之路

灣區購屋局 (BAHBA) 與  
聖利安珠市一起  
邀請您  
參加資訊豐富的  
免費購屋講座



日期： 2013年12月14日  
時間： 上午9點至下午2點  
地點： Marina社區中心 (Marina Community Center) – Thunderbolt Room  
15301 Wicks Boulevard  
San Leandro, CA

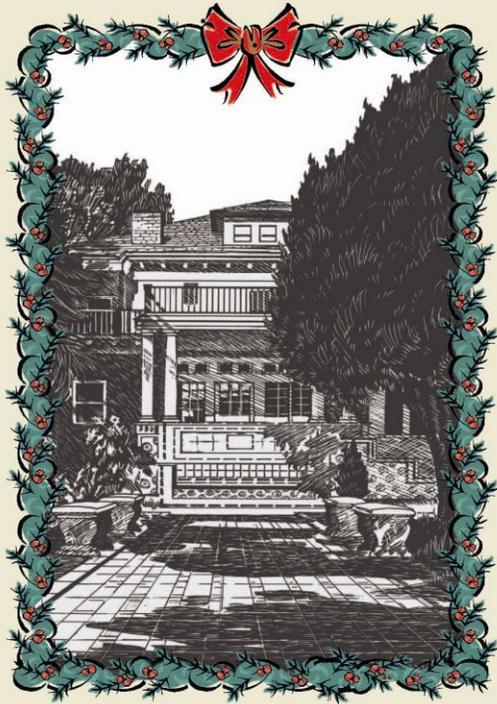
本講座涵蓋購屋的須知，包括：

- 成為屋主的決策過程
- 成為屋主的財務考慮和要求
- 房屋貸款預先批核和批准過程
- 如何尋找房屋
- 如何與房地產專業人員合作
- 避免一些危險的貸款圈套及陷阱
- 阿拉美達 (Alameda) 和康特拉科斯塔 (Contra Costa) 區內提供的居民和/或教育者的特別公共和私人資助的購屋計畫

*欲參加本次免費講座，務請預約*

如要預約，請上網址 [www.myHomeGateway.com](http://www.myHomeGateway.com) 點擊 Seminar Registration 或致電 (888) 572-1222, 101內線

Marina 社區中心持有殘疾人士設備。如果您因肢體傷殘而需要特別安排，或如您需要翻譯服務，請在講座日期前五天營業日內致電510-577-6005與聖利安珠市社區發展部的 Steve Hernandez 聯絡，或使用聽覺殘障電信裝置 (TDD) 510- 577-3343。



# Holidays at the Casa Peralta 2013

A Free Family Event  
Saturday, December 14, 2013 · 11:00 am. - 4:00 pm.  
384 West Estudillo Avenue  
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***This is a free event but tickets will be distributed at San Leandro Main Library Information Desk at 300 Estudillo Ave. starting Monday, December 2, 2013 at 12:00 pm.***

Call 577-3474 or 577-3975 for additional information about the Holidays at the Casa Open House.

SAN LEANDRO POLICE DEPARTMENT



# Bikes for Tykes

FUNDRAISER



Hi! My name is Officer Louie Brandt of the San Leandro Police Department. As you know, the holidays are fast approaching and there are many San Leandro families in need.

I am raising money for our *Bikes for Tykes* program. This fundraiser purchases new bikes and helmets for hundreds of needy kids who would otherwise not be able to have one.

Please join me and the rest of the San Leandro Police Department in giving to our fundraiser and making this a very special holiday season for our local kids.

*Louie Brandt*  
Officer Louie Brandt #273

The San Leandro Police Officers Association (SLPOA) is a 501(c) non-profit organization.

All Donations to our organization are tax deductible.

The tax identification number is: 94-600421.

Please make check payable to: SLPOA

For questions, please contact: Office Louie Brandt #273 at 510-577-2360

The City of San Leandro invites the community to attend a celebration honoring a great American leader.



## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration *Oratorical Festival*

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Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd

Student contestants will perform an original or well-known essay, speech, or poem in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King's message of peace, tolerance, and social justice.



**Entry Forms Available:** November 1, 2013

**Entry Form Deadline:** January 6, 2014

**Eligibility:** San Leandro residents: 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades

Contestants will compete in grade categories:

3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

### PRIZES IN EACH GRADE CATEGORY

First Place - \$100 Amazon Gift Card

Second Place - \$50 Amazon Gift Card

All contestants will receive a Certificate of Participation

*Prizes made possible by the San Leandro Optimist Club*

## ENTERTAINMENT CRAFTS FOR THE KIDS • LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

For details and to download the entry form, visit  
<http://bit.ly/SanLeandroRecSpecialEvents>

St. Leander students will receive a prize for participation.  
Check with your school to see if you can earn a prize or extra credit.

*This is a City of San Leandro sponsored activity. For information call 577-3462*

