



City Manager's Weekly Update

January 15, 2015

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 1/20** City Council Meeting,
7:00 p.m., Council
Chambers
- 1/26** City Council Work
Session, 7:00 p.m.,
Council Chambers
- 1/31** City Council Special
Meeting (Annual
Planning Session),
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.,
Senior Community
Center
- 2/2** City Council Meeting,
7:00 p.m., Council
Chambers
- 2/4** City Council Special
Work Session, 7:00
p.m., Council Chambers
- 2/10** City Council Work
Session, 7:00 p.m.,
Council Chambers
- 2/17** City Council Meeting,
7:00 p.m., Council
Chambers
- 2/23** City Council Work
Session, 7:00 p.m.,
Council Chambers

To: City Council
From: Chris Zapata, City Manager

Mark Your Calendar

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

Monday, January 19, 10:30 a.m., Marina Community Center, 15301 Wicks Blvd.

- The Recreation & Human Services Department will be hosting the City's annual MLK Celebrations on Monday morning, January 19.
- The City Council and members of the public are invited to attend this free event and support local students who will be participating in an oratorical contest. Live performances also will be provided by the Sistahs of the Drum and the African Queens Dance Troupe. Children's crafts and light refreshments will be provided.
- Please see the attached flyer for more details, or contact Dena Justice at 577-3473 if any questions.

Earthquake Retrofit Class (flyer attached)

Thursday, February 12; Tuesday, February 17; Thursday February 19; Tuesday February 24, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- This course is designed to teach homeowners simple steps to strengthen their homes against seismic activity. Attendance is required at all sessions.
- Classes will be held at 999 E. 14th Street San Leandro (City Hall Plaza, south of the Police Department).
- Cost is \$30/single, \$35/couple for City of San Leandro Residents and \$50/single, \$60/couple for non-residents. Class size is limited; please contact Marisela Avanzino at 510-577-3405 for more information, or visit the [earthquake retrofit program website](#) for more details.

Council Information

Community Assistance Grant Program

- The Community Assistance Grant Program (CAP) provides financial support to non-profit organizations providing social services and programs for individuals and families living in San Leandro. City staff released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the two-year funding cycle (2015-17) and received 14 proposals from local agencies. CAP is funded with Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds allocated to the City through the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Department as well as funds designated by the City Council from the City's General Fund.
- In February, the Human Services Commission and staff will review and evaluate each application and conduct a site visit if necessary to assess program eligibility. Each applicant will be required to make a short presentation before the Commission on February 7th. The Commission will discuss

recommendations at their February 18 meeting and will subsequently bring forward their final recommendations to the City Council for approval as a component of the HUD action plan.

SLPD's radio interview with the Sing Tao News in South San Francisco

- On January 7, the San Leandro Police Department was once again invited to participate in a radio interview with Sing Tao News in South San Francisco. Sing Tao News is one of the largest Chinese media companies serving the Greater Bay Area.
- Captain Ed Tracey (Cantonese speaking), Detective Abe Teng (Mandarin speaking) and volunteer Cartier Lee participated in two separate interviews covering topics such as Police/community relations, SLPD community policing efforts, challenges and rewards of being a police officer, as well as SLPD's social media outreach efforts, which now includes Weibo - a Chinese-language micro blogging platform that is similar to Facebook and Twitter.
- Since the start of this social media outreach 90 days ago, the SLPD Weibo account has attracted over 106,000 followers.
- The interviews were well received and SLPD has been invited to return on a monthly basis to speak on different public safety topics. Captain Tracey, Detective Teng and Volunteer Lee will continue these community outreach efforts with the goal of educating and gaining a higher engagement level from San Leandro's local Chinese community. To listen to Detective Teng's interview, please click on the [Sing Tao News radio interview link](#).

Earthquake Brace and Bolt Program (flyer attached)

- San Leandro has been selected as one of only six jurisdictions in California for inclusion in a statewide program that provides new funding for residential seismic retrofit work. Qualified homeowners who apply and are accepted into the "Earthquake Brace + Bolt" program are eligible for an incentive payment of up to \$3,000 to help pay for the costs associated with retrofitting their home.
- Qualifying houses must be constructed before 1979, have a raised, wood first floor, and have a cripple wall that does not exceed four feet in height.
- Registration is open from January 15, 2015 to February 15, 2015 through www.earthquakebracebolt.com.

Notice of Vacancy for City Boards and Commissions (attached)

- The Notice of Vacancy was recently updated to include the following unscheduled vacancies:
 - Human Services Commission, District 6 (removal of Carmen Fewless effective January 5, 2015)
 - Human Services Commission, At Large (resignation of Wing Sheung Mok effective January 12, 2015)
 - Library Historical Commission, District 2 (resignation of Ethanoor Usha-Rosato effective January 9, 2015)
- The Notice of Vacancy is posted on the City website and on the bulletin boards outside the City Council Chambers, and at the Main Library.
- The Notice of Vacancy does not include members whose terms expired on December 31, 2014.
- For more information or an application, please visit the [Boards and Commissions homepage](#).

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 stories were posted since last week:

- [HardwareCon3 Launches at Zero Net Energy Center in February](#)

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

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Celebration



MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 2015

10:30 a.m.

MARINA COMMUNITY CENTER

15301 Wicks Blvd • San Leandro

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

This event includes an Oratorical Festival where student contestants perform an original or well-known essay, speech, or poem in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s message of peace, tolerance, and social justice.

**ENTERTAINMENT: SISTAHS OF THE DRUM
CRAFTS FOR THE KIDS • LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

CITY OF SAN LEANDRO
RECREATION AND HUMAN SERVICES



CREATING COMMUNITY

This is a City of San Leandro sponsored activity. Customer Service 577-3462.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Oratorical Festival 2015 - **Entry Form**

Oratory is a type of public speaking. The purpose of oratory can range from simply transmitting information, to motivating people to act, or telling a story. Good orators should be able to change the emotions of their listeners, not just inform them.

The Oratorical Festival invites student contestants to perform an original or well-known essay, speech, or poem in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s message of peace, tolerance, and social justice.

Entry forms accepted until January 16, 2015 or first 25 entry forms received

Submit signed entry form to:
San Leandro Recreation, MLK Event
835 East 14th Street, San Leandro, CA 94577

Please print clearly.

Contestant's Name	
Contestant's Grade	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 rd - 5 th grades <input type="checkbox"/> 6 th - 8 th grades <input type="checkbox"/> 9 th - 12 th grades
Contestant's Address (must attend SL school OR must be SL resi- dent??)	
Contact Name	
Contact's Phone Number	
Contact's Email	

Rules	<p>One Entry Form per student must be submitted by the deadline.</p> <p>Student must perform a form of oration in the category of essay, speech, or poem.</p> <p>The essay, speech, or poem may be original (written by the contestant) or taken from another source with the author cited.</p> <p>Quotations or copyrighted materials used in the oration must be identified with the original author's name.</p> <p>Song or musical performance is not eligible.</p> <p>Presentations must be recited from memory (notes are not allowed). Maximum time – 3 minutes</p> <p>No coaching, costumes, props, or special effects are allowed.</p> <p>Adult supervision of student is mandatory.</p> <p>All decisions of the judges are final.</p> <p>Participants must arrive no later than 10:00am on the day of the event – Monday, January 19, 2015.</p>
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We understand and agree to the Oratorical Festival rules.

Student Signature _____ Parent Signature _____

Choose Type of Oratory You Will Perform

Essay

Speech

Poem

Original Work by Contestant:

Title _____

Other:

Title _____

Author _____

Provide a brief description of your oratory subject:

Release of Liability: I, the undersigned, in consideration of participation in the program listed above, agree to indemnify and hold the City of San Leandro harmless, and release the City and its employees and agents from any and all liability for any injury or loss which may be suffered by the above named individuals(s) arising out of or in any way connected with participation in the above program. I acknowledge that San Leandro takes photographs or other recordings of its activities and events for publicity and authorize the use of my image by the City.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



Thank you for your entry form to the Oratorical Festival!
We look forward to your inspiring participation
in this community celebration!



CAN YOUR HOME WITHSTAND THE NEXT BIG EARTHQUAKE?



The City of San Leandro is, once again, offering its Award Winning Home Earthquake Strengthening Course

This course is designed to teach homeowners simple steps to strengthen their homes against seismic activity. It is geared towards older raised-floor homes which are not constructed to modern seismic standards. **If you own a hillside home**, please contact the Division of Building & Safety at (510) 577-3405.

Dates:	THURSDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	TUESDAY
	February 12	February 17	February 19	February 24

(3 evenings in a classroom setting, 4th evening is hands-on experience with tools & materials)

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Place: South Office Conference Room @ City Hall

999 E. 14th Street, San Leandro

(City Hall Plaza, south of the Police Department, behind the California Conservatory Theatre.)

Cost:	City of San Leandro Residents:	Non-Residents <u>and</u> Unincorporated San Leandro (County)
	\$30/single, \$35/couple	\$50/single, \$60/couple

For more information:

Call the Building Department at (510) 577-3405 -OR- Email: mavanzino@sanleandro.org

CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED

REGISTRATION FORM: EARTHQUAKE RETROFIT CLASS

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$ _____.

Mark ONE box: Resident Non-Resident/Unincorporated S.L.

Mark ONE box: Single Couple

Please send payment along with completed registration form to:

City of San Leandro, Division of Building & Safety Services

Attn: Marisela Avanzino

835 East 14th Street

San Leandro, CA 94577

Please make checks payable to: **City of San Leandro**



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Homeowners Can Receive Up to \$3,000 for an Earthquake Retrofit

The California Residential Mitigation Program will expand its seismic retrofit incentive program, *Earthquake Brace + Bolt: Funds to Strengthen Your Foundation*, in 2015. Owners of houses in designated zip codes will be eligible for an incentive payment of up to \$3,000 to help pay costs associated with retrofitting their houses to lessen earthquake damage.

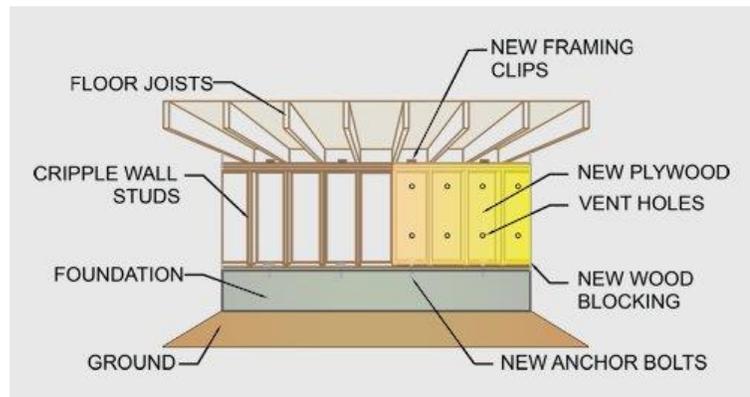
About the Program

Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) was developed to help homeowners lessen the potential for damage to their houses during an earthquake. A residential seismic retrofit strengthens an existing house, making it more resistant to earthquake activity such as ground shaking and soil failure, by bolting the house to its foundation and adding bracing around the perimeter of the crawl space.

A typical retrofit may cost between \$2,000 and \$10,000 depending upon the location, the size of the house, and the amount of work involved.

Strengthen Your Home

Surrounding the crawl space under the first floor, many houses have a short wood framed wall ("cripple wall") that needs to be strengthened to prevent the house from sliding or toppling off of its foundation during an earthquake. Strengthening involves adding anchor bolts and bracing in the crawl space.



Adding anchor bolts in the crawl space improves the connection between the wooden framing members of a building and its concrete foundation help to keep the house from sliding. Bracing the cripple walls in a crawl space with plywood will keep the house from toppling off of the foundation during an earthquake.

How to Qualify

In order to participate in the program, EBB requires homeowners to pre-qualify through a series of questions, in order to determine whether their house meets the Program criteria specified in California's Existing Building Code.¹ Qualifying houses were constructed before

1979, have a raised, wood first floor, and have a cripple wall that does not exceed four feet in height.

¹ *International Existing Building Code Chapter A3 as adopted into California Existing Building Code, Chapter 24, Title 10.*

Program Locations

In 2015, EBB will come to selected zip codes in both Northern and Southern California.

2015 Program Zip Codes in Northern California

Oakland: 94609, 94618, 94610, 94602, 94607
San Francisco: 94121, 94127, 94132, 94112
San Leandro: 94577, 94578, 94579

Homeowner Registration and Selection

Homeowner registration will be open from January 15 through February 15, 2015.

2015 Program Zip Codes in Southern California

Los Angeles: 90041, 90042, 90031, 90065, 90039, 90026
Pasadena: 91103, 91105, 91107, 91104, 91106, 91101
Santa Monica: 90401, 90404

Once registration opens, homeowners interested in participating should:

- Check to make sure their house is located in a Program Zip Code; and,
- Answer the pre-qualification questions posted on the Program website to see if their house meets the basic requirements.

If these basic requirements are met, homeowners may register for EBB online. 2015 program registration will open on January 15. Space is limited. Homeowners can also call, (877) 232-4300, for a paper application.

When registration closes, participating homeowners will be selected through a random drawing process. Homeowners who are selected will be notified via email and provided more detailed information for participation in the Program

For more information on the Earthquake Brace + Bolt Program, go to www.earthquakebracebolt.com.



Contact Earthquake Brace + Bolt:

Sheri Aguirre, Managing Director
(877) 232-4300

info@earthquakebracebolt.com

www.earthquakebracebolt.com

PO Box 705, Sacramento, CA 95812



The California Residential Mitigation Program is a joint-exercise-of-powers entity formed by its members, the California Earthquake Authority, a public instrumentality of the State of California (CEA), and the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, (Cal OES). CRMP is a legally separate entity from its members.





NOTICE OF VACANCY

City of San Leandro Boards & Commissions

Notice is hereby given that there are vacancies on the following City of San Leandro Boards and Commissions:

Board of Zoning Adjustments (Representation: District 5)

First posted on December 17, 2014

To qualify for this position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident within the District

For further information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Zoning Adjustments, please contact Sally Barros, Senior Planner, at (510) 577-3458 or sbarros@sanleandro.org; or District 5 Councilmember Corina Lopez at clopez@sanleandro.org.

Human Services Commission (Representation: District 3)

First posted on June 2, 2014

Human Services Commission (Representation: District 6)

First posted on January 9, 2015

Human Services Commission (Representation: At Large)

First posted on January 13, 2015

To qualify for the District 3 or District 6 position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident within the District

To qualify for the At Large position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident

For further information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a member of the Human Services Commission, please contact Breyana Riggsbee, Recreation and Human Services Manager, at (510) 577-3463 or briggsbee@sanleandro.org; or District 3 Councilmember Lee Thomas at lthomas@sanleandro.org regarding the District 3 appointment and District 6 Councilmember Jim Prola at jprola@sanleandro.org regarding the District 6 appointment.

Library-Historical Commission (Representation: Youth)

First posted on September 5, 2014

Library-Historical Commission (Representation: District 2)

First posted on January 12, 2015

To qualify for the Youth position, you must be

- A San Leandro resident under the age of 18 for Youth appointment

To qualify for the District 2 position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident within the District

For further information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a member of the Library-Historical Commission, please contact Theresa Mallon, Library Director, at (510) 577-3942 or tmallon@sanleandro.org; or District 2 Councilmember Ursula Reed at ureed@sanleandro.org.

Rent Review Board (Representation: Resident Landlord)

First posted on May 17, 2013

To qualify for this position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident
- A San Leandro landlord

For further information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a member of the Rent Review Board, please contact Tom Liao, Planning and Housing Manager, at (510) 577-6003 or tliao@sanleandro.org.

Senior Commission (Representation: District 1)

First posted on March 6, 2013

To qualify for this position, you must be

- A registered voter of Alameda County
- A San Leandro resident within the District

For further information regarding the duties and responsibilities of a member of the Senior Commission, please contact Carolyn Knudtson, Recreation and Human Services Director, at (510) 577-3466 or cknudtson@sanleandro.org; or District 1 Councilmember Deborah Cox at dcox@sanleandro.org.

For an application, visit the City website at www.sanleandro.org. For further information regarding the appointment process, please contact Marian Handa, City Clerk, at (510) 577-3367 or mhanda@sanleandro.org.