



Community News and Events

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi Introduces Important Health Care Bills for the 2011 Legislative Session



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi has introduced several new bills that focus on health care for Californians. Each bill addresses its own important aspect in the delivery of health care, protecting healthcare professionals, or providing patients with increased access to health care.

[AB 25](#) – The impact of a concussion on a child can be devastating and increases the risk of brain swelling and bleeding, which can lead to coma or even death. AB 25 protects kids by requiring student athletes who are suspected of sustaining a concussion or head injury, to be removed from play and prohibited from returning to play until he/she is cleared by a licensed healthcare professional.

[AB 30](#) - Violence in health care settings is on the rise, and the risk of workplace violence is a serious occupational hazard for registered nurses and other health care workers. AB 30 protects workers by strengthening existing hospital safety and security plans, and creating new standards to protect health care personnel employed in correctional medical facilities.

[AB 507](#) - Pain is the most common reason Americans access the health care system and is a leading contributor to health care costs. Outdated practice standards unduly restrict patient access to effective pain treatment. AB 507 eliminates ambiguities and inconsistencies in the Intractable Pain Treatment Act. Additionally, this bill removes remaining legal barriers to optimal pain management for patients with cancer, HIV/AIDs and other diseases or conditions causing pain.





[AB 783](#) - The Physical Therapy Board has reversed a 21-year policy allowing physical therapists to work for medical groups or hospitals and is threatening them with the choice to either quit their jobs or expect the Board will take action against their license to practice. AB 783 preserves the jobs of thousands of physical therapists and ensures that patient care continues uninterrupted across the state. AB 783 will correct ambiguities in the law that threaten physical therapists with the choice of losing their jobs or losing their license to practice. It will allow medical organizations to continue to employ physical therapists, just as they employ podiatrists, psychologists, optometrists, and chiropractors.

[AB 926](#) - Due to the large number of uninsured and underinsured Californians, many California communities find it difficult to recruit and retain doctors. AB 926 improves the recruitment and retention of doctors in rural and other medically underserved areas by allowing qualified health districts to directly employ physicians and surgeons.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi Receives a Perfect Voting Score from the American Cancer Society



The American Cancer Society, California Division released its annual legislative scorecard ranking the governor and members of the legislature based upon their votes to protect the rights of Californians. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi received a perfect score for her continuous support to provide beneficial policies, laws, and regulations that progress toward a world without cancer.

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education,

advocacy, and service.

California League of Conservation Voters Gives Assemblymember Mary Hayashi Its Highest Ranking



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi received the highest ranking by the California League of Conservation Voters for her continuous support and outstanding voting record to provide energy storage, recycling, water conservation, pesticides, clean energy jobs, and oil spill prevention.

The California League of Conservation Voters (CLCV) is the non-partisan political action arm of California's environmental movement.

CLCV's mission is to protect the environmental quality of the state by increasing public awareness of the environmental performance of all elected officials, working to elect environmentally responsible candidates, and holding them accountable to the environmental agenda once elected.

St. Rose Hospital Opens Its Newly Renovated 5th Floor Featuring New Cardiovascular Technology



On February 10th, the community was invited to celebrate the grand opening of the newly renovated 5th Floor at St. Rose Hospital in Hayward which features an integrated cardiovascular monitoring system. The expansion adds thirty well-appointed, private suites for patients. Additionally, St. Rose Hospital has completed an extensive seismic upgrade of the entire facility that meets state earthquake guidelines through 2030.



Funding for the \$18.3 million hospital expansion, seismic retrofit, and cardiovascular technology was made possible through the issuance of Cal Mortgage bonds and a \$10 million gift from Dolores Jordan and the Jordan Family. This has allowed St. Rose to make vital improvements and advances in medical services and quality of care that might not otherwise have been possible. The Jordan Center for Cardiovascular Services will play an important role in saving the lives in our community.

The West Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station Opened Among Much Fanfare



The grand opening of the 44th BART station occurred on February 19th to much fanfare. The station marks the very first infill station of the entire system located between the existing Dublin/Pleasanton station and the Castro Valley station. It is perched above the 580 freeway near the intersection of Interstate 680 to provide easy transit access to residents and commuters coming from all directions.

The new station provides pedestrian access to Stoneridge Shopping Center and will serve as a hub for future housing, retail, and other transit-oriented development in the adjacent area. Assemblymembers Mary Hayashi and Joan Buchanan along with Senator Loni Hancock co-authored an Assembly Resolution honoring the historic dedication and acknowledging the hard work of BART, the Dublin and Pleasanton communities, and private partners in seeing this project through to its completion. Congratulations!

Local Scholarship Opportunities Announced by the Hispanic Community Affairs Council



The Hispanic Community Affairs Council (HCAC) is seeking scholarship nominations for high school graduates, GED recipients, community college students, students attending a four-year college or university, and students accepted into a postgraduate education or credential program.

Scholarship recipients will be honored for their community involvement, education and career goals at a luncheon banquet that will be held in May.

HCAC is a community-based organization in Alameda County. The overall purpose of HCAC is to promote the value of education, cultural diversity, community involvement, and political awareness.

For more information on the HCAC Scholarship please visit the main webpage at: <http://www.hispaniccommunityaffairsCouncil.org/>.

Tri-Cities League of Volunteers Celebrated Its 20th Annual LOV Around the World – An Elegant Affair



On February 11th, the Tri-Cities League of Volunteers (LOV) held its 20th annual “LOV Around the World – An Elegant Affair” event to benefit arts in schools and the community. Formed in the late 1970s to serve children, seniors and the needy, Tri-Valley League of Volunteers also lends a helping hand to a broad range of non-profit/service organizations throughout the area.

Originally established to fill the gaps created by school funding cutbacks, the League has grown in size and scope to include around forty of their own service programs, all run by volunteers. LOV’s guiding principle is community service, and they provide it with dedication and love. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi was invited to celebrate the 20th Anniversary and she presented an Assembly Resolution recognizing the League for its outstanding work and its historic milestone.

Castro Valley Adult School Graduates Its First Class of Clinical Medical Assistants



On February 9th, the Castro Valley Adult and Career Education graduated its first class of Clinical Medical Assistants. Twenty-one students completed the 16-week program that prepares them to administer medications, draw blood specimens, swab throat cultures, and take blood pressures and other vital signs for assisting a physician or podiatrist.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi recognized the graduating class of Castro Valley Adult and Career Education by providing certificates of recognition on behalf of the State legislature. The graduates are now prepared to enter the workforce and improves the lives of the community.

Congratulations and best wishes to all the students in their future endeavors!

In Memoriam

Berry Bingham Remembered for His Work in Labor, Education and Community Service



Hundreds gathered on February 7th at Glad Tidings Church of God in Christ in Hayward to remember Berresford “Berry” Bingham whose life was taken prematurely on January 25th. Mr. Bingham lived to advocate for the betterment of working families as a labor representative for Service Employees International Union 1021, as the first African-American to serve on the Alameda Unified School District Board of Education, and as a respected leader in his church.

An immigrant from Jamaica, Berry also served for more than 20 years in the United States Navy defending our country as Petty Officer IC-1 prior to his union work.

Those who knew Berry felt his passion to make life for working families better. He understood that a solid education and strong families were the backbone for preparing our youth for their future. Additionally, he believed in the equity of fair work for fair wages. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and Assemblymember Sandré Swanson honored his life with an Assembly Memorial Resolution that was presented to his family.

State Public Works Board Meeting and Agenda



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi has been appointed to the State Public Works Board (SPWB) as a legislative advisor. The State Public Works Board was created by the Legislature to oversee the fiscal matters associated with construction of projects for state agencies, and to select and acquire real property for state facilities and programs. The SPWB is also the issuer of lease-revenue bonds, which is a form of long term financing that is used to pay for capital projects.

The Legislature appropriates funds for capital outlay projects such as acquiring land, planning and constructing new buildings, expanding or modifying existing buildings, and purchasing equipment related to such construction. Through review and approval processes, the SPWB ensures that capital outlay projects adhere to the Legislature's appropriation intentions.

Next Board Meeting:

Friday, March 11th, 10:00 am

Location: State Capitol, Room 113

[MEETING NOTICE CLICK HERE](#)

Online Link: <http://www.spwb.ca.gov>

Events

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and the National Football League Host a Town Hall Meeting



In recognition of March being Brain Injury Awareness Month, and in cooperation with the National Football League, you're invited to a special Town Hall Meeting concerning AB 25, a bill that helps prevent concussions in young athletes.

What: Town Hall Meeting Concerning Concussion Prevention in Young Athletes

Who: Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and the National Football League

When: Friday, March 4, 2011 from 10 am – 12 pm

Where: Castro Valley Center for the Arts, 19501 Redwood Road, Castro Valley

The Town Hall will feature presentations from:

Former NFL players, who will talk about their personal experiences with concussions
Leading public health professionals



FREE ADMISSION – Advance reservations are required by calling the District Office at (510) 583-8818.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and the Chabot College – Career & Transfer Center Host a Job Fair – April 12th



Join Assemblymember Hayashi and Chabot College's Career & Transfer Center for a FREE JOB FAIR being held at Chabot College, Gymnasium, 25555 Hesperian Boulevard in Hayward on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The Job Fair will allow you, a family member or friend an opportunity to meet with some of the leading Bay Area companies that are looking for skilled employees for a wide variety of professions in demand. The Job Fair is open to the public regardless of enrollment status at Chabot College.

What: Job Fair

Who: Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and Chabot College's Career & Transfer Center

When: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 from 11 am to 2 pm

Where: Chabot College, Gymnasium, 25555 Hesperian Boulevard, Hayward

Free Parking Available in Lots A, B, & J; Public Transportation: From Downtown Hayward BART Station – Transfer to AC Transit Bus Route 22

Senior Scam Stopper Seminar Coming to the New San Leandro Senior Center – April 15th



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi is hosting a Senior Scam Stopper seminar on Friday, April 15th from 10:00 am to 11:30 am at the new San Leandro Senior Center. This free consumer protection seminar is designed to give seniors the information and tools needed to recognize potential scams, ask the right questions and fend off fraud.

What: Senior Scam Stopper Seminar

Who: Assemblymember Mary Hayashi and the Contractors State License Board

When: Friday, April 15, 2011 from 10 am – 11:30 am

Where: San Leandro Senior Center, Main Hall, 13909 East 14th Street, San Leandro

FREE ADMISSION – Advance reservations are required by calling the District Office at (510) 583-8818.

Public Transportation Available: From San Leandro BART Station – Take AC Transit Bus Route 1, Contact the San Leandro FLEX Shuttle at (510) 577-3462.

Assemblymember Hayashi's Previous Voting Record and Helpful Links

AFSCME	100% Rating
Asian Americans for Civil Rights and Equality	100% Rating
California Alliance for Retired Americans	100% Rating
California Labor Federation	100% Rating
California League of Conservation Voters	100% Rating
California Public Interest & Research Group	100% Rating
California Small Business Association	Highest Ranking
California State Sheriffs' Association	Highest Ranking
Children's Advocacy Institute	Highest Ranking
Clean Water Action	Highest Ranking
Congress of California Seniors	100% Rating
Consumer Federation of California	100% Rating
Equality California	100% Rating
Lambda Letters Project-People of Color	100% Rating
Lambda Letters Project-Women's Issues	100% Rating
National Association of Social Workers – CA	100% Rating
National Organization for Women - California	100% Rating
PawPac's Animal Rights and Wildlife Issues	A+ Ranking
Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California	100% Rating
Sierra Club	100% Rating

Assemblymember Hayashi's Website ([Click Here](#))

Assemblymember Hayashi's Biography ([Click Here](#))

Email Assemblymember Hayashi ([Click Here](#))

District Events ([Click Here](#))

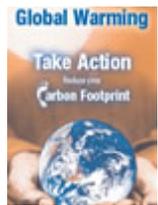
Assemblymember Hayashi's District Map ([Click Here](#))

Resources Available

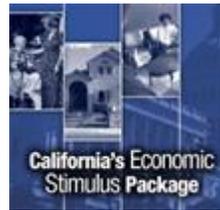
Publication Available



H1N1 (Swine) Flu



Global Warming – How to Reduce Your Carbon Footprint



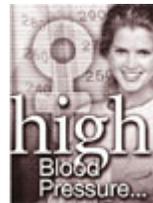
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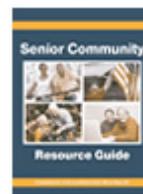
Public Safety Resource Guide



Child Immunization Law



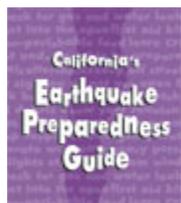
High Blood Pressure



Senior Resource Guide



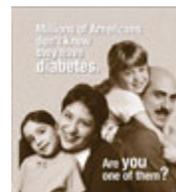
Home Mortgage Crisis Resource Guide



Earthquake Preparedness Guide



ID Theft Guide



Diabetes Guide



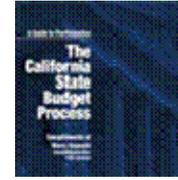
Stroke: Don't ignore the risk factors!



Breast Cancer Resource Guide



Children's Coloring Book – How a Bill Becomes Law



The California State Budget Process

Free community resource guides are now available online or in print through Assemblymember Mary Hayashi's district office. Copies are available throughout the 18th Assembly District at senior centers, libraries, health clinics, and community organizations. If you or your organization would like printed copies, contact the district office at (510) 583-8818.

State Resources Website



Want to find energy saving tips? Find these and over 170 other state resource links that offer valuable information on a wide range of topics such as how to find a smog-check only station, how to receive free cash for college, how to protect yourself from identity theft, and how to apply for a FasTrak toll device.

To visit the new webpage, log on to Assemblymember Mary Hayashi's official homepage at www.assembly.ca.gov/hayashi and click on the *State Resources Websites* link. This will lead web surfers to a list of service-based websites. From there click on any of the service links and be directed to the appropriate state agency's website.

Whether you're looking for tips on how to save on prescriptions or attempting to find the nearest recycling center, this new webpage is a convenient and comprehensive resource.

If you prefer not to receive email updates or correspondences from the Office of Assemblymember Mary Hayashi, please opt-out by emailing your request to Christopher.parman@asm.ca.gov.