



Community News and Events

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi's 5th Annual Jingle Tails Holiday Event and Food Drive - December 15th



Share the Spirit of the Season and join Assemblymember Mary Hayashi at her 5th Annual “Jingle Tails” Holiday Event and Food Drive at the Oakland Zoo. A fun event to help end hunger in Alameda County!

The 5th Annual Jingle Tails Holiday Event and Food Drive takes place on Thursday, December 15th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm located at the Oakland Zoo’s Main Gates, 9777 Golf Links Road in Oakland. Guests will have an opportunity to discuss legislative issues, tour ZooLights themed to holiday music, and help end hunger in California. Over the past four years, the Jingle Tails Event and Food Drive has raised over 2,000 pounds of food.

According to Alameda County Community Food Bank, one in six Alameda County residents rely on the donations provided at the food bank – roughly 50,000 people per week. In California, one in ten households is at risk for hunger or experiences hunger. This represents nearly 2 million children. You can donate a can of tuna or a jar of peanut butter and enjoy the largest LED light festival in Northern California.

ZooLights is the largest LED light festival in Northern California. This larger-than-life light display mirrors the Oakland Zoo’s year-round animal residents. Children and adults will learn about energy efficiency while enjoying the blend of beauty and excitement that define the Oakland Zoo. More than 120 animal structures will be illuminated with festival lights synchronized to holiday music. For more information, please go to www.oaklandzoo.org.

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WHERE: Oakland Zoo, Main Gates, 9777 Golf Links Road in Oakland

For more information, please contact the district office at (510) 583-8818. Parking and admission are free.

Congress of California Seniors Gives Assemblymember Mary Hayashi a Perfect Score



The Congress of California Seniors (CCS) released its 2011 Legislative Report Card and recognized Assemblymember Mary Hayashi for having a perfect voting record on legislation that protects California seniors.

Each year, the Congress of California Seniors sponsors and supports legislation that protects and improves the quality of life for seniors. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi has received a perfect score for her legislative voting record from CCS since 2008 and continues to achieve a perfect score for her legislative action on bills that affect millions of seniors living in California.

PawPAC Gives Assemblymember Mary Hayashi a Perfect Score for Her 2011 Legislative Voting Record



PawPAC recently released its 2011 Legislative Scorecard and recognized Assemblymember Mary Hayashi for having a perfect voting record for legislation protecting animals.

Each year, PawPAC sponsors and supports legislation dedicated to the passage of laws promoting the humane treatment of animals. In 2008, 2009, and 2010 Assemblymember Hayashi received an “A” grade for her legislative voting record to protect the welfare of animals.

More than 200 Seniors Participated in Assemblymember Mary Hayashi's 2nd Annual Senior Health Fair



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi hosted her 2nd Annual Senior Health Fair on the morning of October 24th at the new San Leandro Senior Community Center. The free fair provided more than 200 seniors with an opportunity to access important health screenings and information about senior healthcare services available in our community.

Thanks to a long list of community based health organizations, the California Retailers Association, state and federal health agencies; our seniors left understanding more about living a healthy lifestyle. Seniors learned about their health through numerous types of screenings, prevented health ailments through free vaccinations, and received free consultation about their medications from licensed pharmacists.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi Honored Alameda County's Teachers of the Year



In early October, the Alameda County Office of Education selected exemplary teachers from each school district throughout the county who have demonstrated exceptional efforts and commitment to their profession. Recognized for their ability to reach and inspire young minds, Assemblymember Mary Hayashi honored each with a proclamation for their outstanding service. Two of these teachers, Tom Collett and Karen McMahon, will represent Alameda County for the California Teacher of the Year.

The 2011 Teachers of the Year are:

Aixa Caraballo, Alameda County Office of Education
Elizabeth Young, Alameda Unified School District
Kimberly Burton-Laurance, Berkeley Unified School District
Hillary Mitchell, Berkeley Unified School District
Tina Johansson, Castro Valley Unified School District
Jan Cohen, Dublin Unified School District
Tarsha Jordan, Emery Unified School District
Lewis Kilcrease, Fremont Unified School District
Diane Shepherd, Hayward Unified School District
Linda Stevens, Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District

Marianne Moschetti, Mission Valley ROP
Julie Panebianco, New Haven Unified School District
Tom Collett, Newark Unified School District (County Winner)
Lissette Averhoff, Oakland Unified School District
Lisa Hiltbrand, Oakland Unified School District
JoAnn Koobatian, Pleasanton Unified School District
Heather DiMaggio, San Leandro Unified School District
Glenna Wurm-Hayenga, San Lorenzo Unified School District
Suzette Takei, Sunol Unified School District
Christina Charlton, Eden Area ROP
Karen McMahon, Tri-Valley ROP (County Winner)

The Great California Shakeout Drill Helped Prepare Californians in the Event of an Earthquake



In an effort to create greater awareness about earthquake preparedness and provide an opportunity for public safety officials to practice their emergency response plans, Assemblymember Mary Hayashi joined federal, state and local agencies on October 20th to take part in the 4th Annual Great California Shakeout Drill. This state-wide drill involved more than 8.5 million Californians learning how to "Drop, Cover and Hold On" during an earthquake.

According to the United States Geological Survey (USGS), residents living in the Bay Area have a 62% chance of experiencing an earthquake of 6.7 magnitude or greater within the next 30 years. There is also a 31% chance that the earthquake's epicenter will occur on the Hayward - Rodgers Creek fault line that slices through the East Bay.



Preparation for an earthquake and practicing your immediate response are essential to minimize the impact of any damage that may occur and keep families safe. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi is committed to helping residents be prepared and minimize the fears and challenges that come with such disasters. Along with supporting educational efforts like The Great California Shakeout, the State offers earthquake preparedness tips and guidance for

individuals, families, schools, and businesses through the [California Emergency Management Agency](#). Assemblymember Mary Hayashi also offers an [earthquake preparedness guide](#) that can be accessed on her website, or by calling her district office at (510) 583-8818.

State Route 92 / Interstate 880 Corridor Construction Completed



On October 7th, Caltrans opened all directions of the completed SR-92/I-880 Interchange Reconstruction project. It held a ribbon cutting celebration at Hayward City Hall to recognize those who have worked on the project through its years of design, public input, and construction. Because of the project, traffic congestion has improved greatly through the “direct connectors,” and as a result there is a reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from idling vehicles.

This intersection is one of the many recent Hayward area traffic improvements projects now completed or currently under construction, including the Foothill/Mission Boulevard improvement project through downtown. The I-880/State Route 92 traffic improvement project was completed in a time span of four years and at a budget of \$245 million.



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi congratulates Caltrans, the City of Hayward, the Alameda County Transportation Commission, the Bay Area Toll Authority, & the many other partnering agencies for the successful completion of this project in the 18th Assembly District. For more information, [click here](#).

Paramedics Plus Celebrated Its Grand Opening and Commencement of EMS Service in Alameda County



On October 27th, Paramedics Plus celebrated the grand opening of its new headquarters in San Leandro and became the new EMS provider for the county on November 1st.

The brand new headquarters features administrative offices, computer kiosks, employee lounge, class rooms for new hire and continuing education classes, and new ambulances with state of the art equipment. Its central location allows Paramedics Plus to serve the community with skilled emergency medical care throughout the East Bay.



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi recognized Paramedics Plus with a proclamation for its commitment to serve Alameda County with life-saving care. The ambulance service is an integral part of the County’s emergency response team along with hospital, fire and law enforcement.

Save The Bay Celebrated 50 Years of Preservation Efforts for the San Francisco Bay



Fifty years ago, three determined women had the foresight and courage to speak up against what seemed like an unstoppable tide of pollution and inappropriate shoreline development and landfill of the San Francisco Bay. Kay Kerr, Sylvia McLaughlin and Esther Gulick founded the organization known today as “Save The Bay.” It has evolved over the past 50 years advocating for legislation and policies to preserve the bay and its natural resources.

Save The Bay was the first to raise fundamental questions of public interest, ownership and access to the San Francisco Bay. Their efforts served to educate and mobilize supporters of the first grassroots environmental movement in the Bay Area, and lead to legislative protection, wetlands restoration and public shoreline access.

On November 3rd, Assemblymember Mary Hayashi was pleased to honor Save The Bay on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary by authoring an Assembly Resolution that recognized its tremendous work for the preservation of one of California’s great treasures, the San Francisco Bay.

Bay Area Women Against Rape Honored for 40 Years of Service



Since 1971, Bay Area Women Against Rape (BAWAR) has been serving residents of Alameda County who are dealing with the trauma of sexual assault.

BAWAR hosted an anniversary celebration on November 4th to recognize those who have played a pivotal role in its many accomplishments and to acknowledge the important work that remains to be done. It was the nation’s first rape crisis center and currently provides 24-hour comprehensive services for survivors of sexual assault and their significant others, including advocacy and support during the medical and judicial process. BAWAR also addresses special and continuing needs by offering in-person counseling and support groups to victims. Furthermore, its many programs are specifically designed for persons attending middle school through college.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi commended BAWAR for its vital work in the community by authoring a resolution for its 40th anniversary celebration and extended best wishes for continued success in the future.

Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation's Top Hat Event Celebrated Its Silver Anniversary



On October 8th, Assemblymember Mary Hayashi honored Washington Hospital Healthcare Foundation on the occasion of its 25th Top Hat Dinner Dance Anniversary.

This Silver Anniversary marked a significant milestone in the Foundation's mission to support and enhance the work of the Washington Hospital Healthcare System in its service to the community through health education, public awareness campaigns and scholarships. For more than two decades, the Foundation has played an invaluable role in providing new and meaningful health services including mammography equipment and screenings, emergency room upgrades, mobile health clinics, hospice care, cancer services, and this year, the new Outpatient Infusion Center at Washington Hospital in Fremont.



Assemblymember Mary Hayashi authored an Assembly Resolution to recognize the outstanding service the Foundation has provided over the years and the countless individuals who have benefitted from its efforts.

Hayward Unified School District's Youth Enrichment Program Celebrated its 15th Anniversary



On October 20th, the Hayward Unified School District's Youth Enrichment Program (YEP) celebrated its 15th anniversary, as it participated in the nationwide Lights on Afterschool program. YEP was founded in 1996 through the partnership of the City of Hayward, the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District and the Hayward Unified School District.

YEP provides educational and literary programs before and after school to thousands of elementary, middle, and high school students in the District. Assemblymember Mary Hayashi acknowledged the program with an official California State Assembly Resolution for its many achievements, and the positive impact it has made in the local community.

Hayward Volunteers Recognized for their Outstanding Contributions to the Local Community



On October 4th, the City of Hayward recognized outstanding volunteers at its annual dinner event held at St. Rose Hospitals' White Tent in Hayward. Among the honorees were four outstanding volunteers who were given special recognition for contributing their time and energy to benefit local human services, non-profits, and other programs in Hayward. They were Mimi Bauer, Evelyn Cormier, Joyce Dobro, and Michael Mahoney.

Assemblymember Mary Hayashi commended the special honorees with an official California State Assembly Resolutions. Mimi Bauer was honored with the 2011 City of Hayward's Mayor's Award. Evelyn Cormier was presented with the 2011 Gail Steele Lifetime Award. Joyce Dobro received the 2011 Alameda County Supervisor's

Award. Michael Mahoney was awarded the John N. Pappas Humanitarian Award. Congratulations to this year's recipients for their exemplary record of civic leadership and best wishes for continued success.

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, December 9, 2011

Location: TBD

[MEETING NOTICE CLICK HERE](#)

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

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](#))

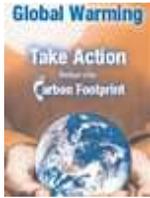
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Resources Available

Publication Available



Global Warming – How to Reduce Your Carbon Footprint



Public Safety Resource Guide



Child Immunization Law



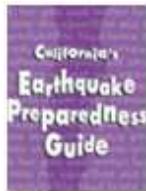
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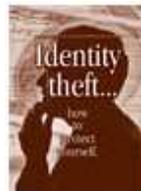
Senior Resource Guide



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.

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