

### Dear Valued Resident,

California is set to remove capacity limits, physical distancing limits, and masks for a full reopening by June 15. Both the federal government and the state have said they will not have a vaccine passport system. CA's new state guidance says vaccine status will be based on <u>personal attestation</u>.

I understand this has been a challenging year for many of you, especially those who must work to provide for your families, own businesses, suffer from mental health issues, or have school-aged children. Thank you for the opportunity to fight for you; I will continue to do so.

There are a few things we can do to moving forward. Vaccines are free and now widely available. The CDC has demonstrated they are generally safe. Whether you chose to vaccinate or not is a matter of *personal choice*. I have been vaccinated without issue and encourage anyone who wants a vaccine to get one.

The state should follow the science. The CDC reported fully vaccinated individuals do not have to wear a mask. I believe in encouraging freedom and personal responsibility. You can choose to wear a mask if that is right for you. Supervisor Andrew Do and I urged the state to follow the science presented by the CDC and lift the mandate for fully vaccinated individuals.

Please be well as we get through what are hopefully the final days of this tragic pandemic.

Wishing everyone good health and prosperity,

### TEAM WAGNER WELCOMES NEW VETERAN HOUSING



.TUSTIN, CA — Team Wagner Representative Al Murray celebrated <u>Orange</u>
<u>County Rescue Mission</u>'s latest <u>expansion project</u> at the Tustin Veterans Outpost.

OC Rescue Mission's CEO Jim Palmer led the housing facility project, which offers transitional housing for homeless or formerly homeless veterans in Orange County. Veteran-related services can be found on-site, including mental

health resources, case management, educational programs, vocational training, food and nutrition assistance, and more.

An additional 45 beds were added to the village, totaling 71 beds for our deserving veterans. Thank you, Jim Palmer, for your excellent leadership and dedication to improving our community.

We owe all our veterans and Gold Star families a debt of gratitude as we celebrate the upcoming Memorial Day holiday.

### A REASON TO CELEBRATE



ORANGE, CA — The Third District office celebrated with the Assistance League of Orange at the Salute to Service Awards. The event honored high school students entering military service. Special congrats to the honorees who plan on attending military academies.

Team Wagner Representatives Al Tello and Pat Buttress presented a Certificate of Recognition to El Modena High School senior Grant Terlaak, who will serve in the U.S. Navy.

We appreciate Grant and his peers for their commitment to serving our great country. Best of luck to you all!



SANTIAGO CANYON, CA — Supervisor Wagner visited Irvine Park Railroad to celebrate a belated 50th Anniversary Park Ranger special event.

It was an honor to present a resolution to Mr. Michael Curran, Orange County's first ranger, for his years of excellent service to our community.

Mr. Curran began working for Orange County Parks in 1964, earning a promotion as OC's first Park Ranger in 1970, retiring in 1990. Mr. Curran is 91 years old and shared how happy he was to finish his vaccinations last month in time to celebrate with his family. Mr. Curran's 2-year-old great-grandson loved seeing his great-grandfather honored at the park they enjoy so much together.



Thank you to all our OC Park Rangers for your commitment to keeping our beautiful grounds safe and enjoyable for all.

CalOptima RESOURCE FAIR



ORANGE, CA — Supervisor Wagner attended a CalOptima event connecting residents to essential health resources. Several resources were provided, including COVID-19 vaccinations, preventative health screenings, nutritious food sign-ups, children's services, and more. Learn more about services provided by our <u>Orange County Social Services</u>, <u>CalOptima</u>, and the <u>OC Health Care Agency</u>.

### TRAFFIC AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS



ORANGE COUNTY, CA — As a Director at both the OC Transporation Authority and the Transportation Corridors Agency (TCA), Supervisor Wagner pushed for the prompt start of the 241/91 expansion project.

The project, which will increase safety and decrease traffic, was abandoned until Supervisor Wagner brought together the OC Transportation Authority, TCA, CalTrans, and Riverside Transportation Authority to move forward.

We've now reached a new milestone. The Foothill/Eastern Transportation Corridor Agency (F/ETCA) Board of Directors has advanced the contracted engineering work to complete the 241/91 Express Connector Project's final design phase. This phase is anticipated to last until 2022, with construction expected to commence in 2023 and completion scheduled for 2025.

The connector will safely bridge the 91 Express Lanes and the 241 Toll Road, easing traffic for State Route 91's general-purpose lanes and the northbound 241 Toll Road.

241/91 Express Connector: Current Milestone Schedule

Design Completed: Late 2022

Bid & Award Construction Contract: Summer 2023

Open to traffic: Late 2025

### **ENHANCING FIRE SAFETY**



ORANGE COUNTY, CA — Supervisor Wagner serves on the OC Fire Authority Board and advocated for more protective fire mitigation measures, as the open-canyon areas of our Third District are prone to destructive fires.

With funding from Southern California Edison (SCE) approved by Supervisor Wagner and the board, local firefighting agencies now have additional state-of-the-art aircraft to combat wildfires. Firefighting agencies, including the Los Angeles County Fire Department, Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) and Ventura County Fire Department in partnership with SCE, are expanding their capabilities to combat California's wildfire threat.

As outlined in its 2021 Wildfire Mitigation Plan Update, SCE is contributing nearly \$18 million to lease three helicopters. This includes two Coulson-Unical CH-47 helitankers, the world's largest fire- suppression helicopters, and a Sikorski-61 helitanker. All three aircraft have unique water and fire- retardant-dropping capabilities and can fly day and night. In addition, a Sikorkski-76 command and control helicopter along with ground-based equipment to support rapid retardant refills and drops will be available to assist with wildfires.

Pending approvals from the appropriate boards of supervisors, the three firefighting agencies will take the lead in the daily operation, dispatch and

management of the aircraft across SCE's 50,000-square-mile service area.

SCE and the OCFA united in 2019 and again last year in a similar partnership, which made a significant difference as the firefighting agency fought several large wildfires throughout the region. Last December alone, a very large Coulson helitanker, funded by SCE, made 101 water drops totaling 223,438 gallons of water.

Stay fire safe this season and stay tuned for upcoming fire safety town halls from the Third District.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



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### STARTING WEEK OF JUNE 14TH

Choose from Mon/Weds at 6 p.m. OR Tues/Thurs at 4 p.m.

### TO ENROLL

Text (657) 210-1295 Visit oconestop.com/youngadults





# AMERICAN RED CROSS VIDEO CELEBRATING 140 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE





Our Third District office has been proud to help serve the American Red Cross for blood drives. In the 140 years since Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross, people have come together in creative ways to provide hope during emergencies. We recognize all that the Red Cross volunteers and donors have accomplished — along with the work of today's volunteers to chart the path forward for future generations. Watch the video and visit <a href="redcross.org/140">redcross.org/140</a> to learn more.

### **COMMUNITY RESOURCES**





The OC Parent Wellness Program has been expanded to specialize in supporting families with children under the age of 18. This includes expectant women and their partners affected by the pregnancy or birth of a child within the past 12 months, families that have a history of Social Services involvement or families with a young child between the ages of 0 - 8 years who are exhibiting behavioral symptoms that may be negatively impacting their readiness for school.

# OCPWP utilizes evidence-based practices:

- Triple P, a parenting intervention with the main goals of increasing the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents
- Mothers and Babies (MB), a course focused on both the prevention and treatment of major depression.

## OCPWP provides the following services:

- Behavioral health screenings and assessments
- Counseling sessions
- Psychoeducational and support groups
- Case management
- Referrals and linkages
- Community education on Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders



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# NEED A RIDE TO YOUR VACCINATION?

### TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE!

CALL THE OC COVID-19 HOTLINE AT (714) 834-2000 TO SCHEDULE A RIDE WITH AGEWELL OR ABRAZAR.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE WITH OCTA.



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ALL VACCINATION SITES



ALL AGES

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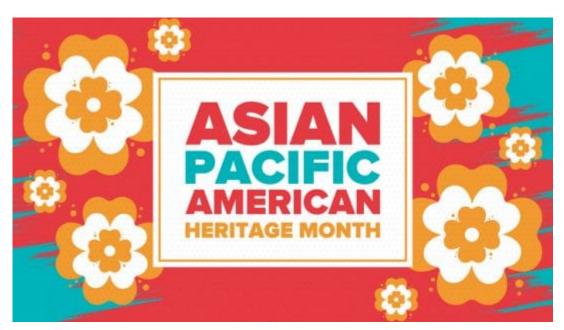


Routes available throughout Orange County

ALL VACCINATION SITES

### **MAY RECOGNITIONS**









### Thanks for reading!

Supervisor Don Wagner is proud to represent nearly 600,000 diverse residents in the communities of Irvine, Tustin, North Tustin, Villa Park, Orange, the unincorporated canyons, and Yorba Linda. Team Wagner is honored to serve you.









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