

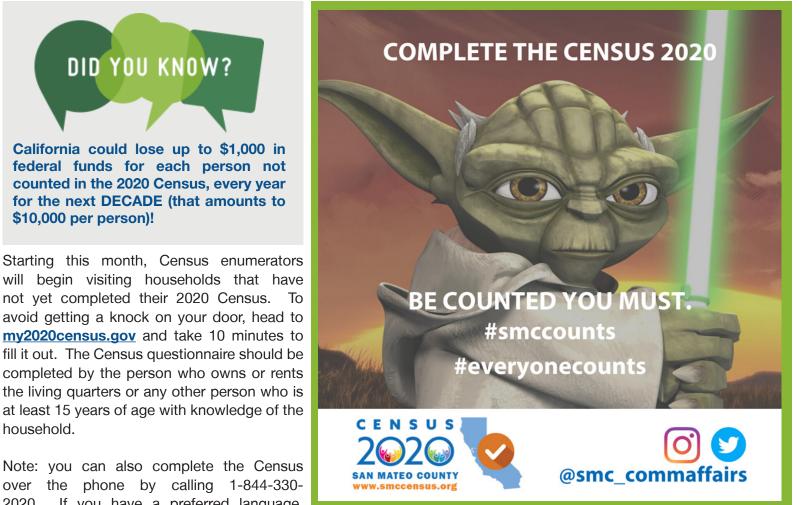


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It's Time to Complete the 2020 Census!

DID YOU KNOW?

\$10,000 per person)!



If you have a preferred language, 2020. visit www.2020census.gov and type "responding by phone" in the Search box. (For further language support, visit **<u>2020census.gov/en/languages</u>**). To respond to the Census by mail, mail back the paper questionnaire sent to your home. For guestions about the Census Bureau, surveys, data products, or general information, call the Census Bureau Customer Service Center at 1-800-923-8282.

Together, we can ensure an accurate count for Brisbane, and meet our 2010 response rate of 77.1%...at the time of publication, we were just 3% away! Let's do this, Brisbane!



household.

Community Blood Drive at Vitalant in Brisbane

Friday, August 14th, 10am – 3pm 400 Valley Drive, Brisbane Make an appt. at tinyurl.com/brisbaneblooddrive

All completed blood donations will be screened for antibodies to SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. You will be able to find out if your plasma can be used to help others currently battling the virus. For more information regarding this, please visit www.vitalant.org/antibodytest.

COVID-19: What You Need to Know About Testing



To meet state guidelines, the County of San Mateo needs to administer about 1,200 tests per day, through hospitals, private testing companies, and the free program available through Verily known as Project Baseline. <u>Please check with your company and/or primary provider for other options, as there is a 500 daily cap for tests each county site can administer.</u>

Testing is free and available to anyone without restriction. To make an appointment, residents can visit Project Baseline's website, **tinyurl.com/projectbaselinetesting**). Registration opens 72 hours before testing dates. Remember to bring your photo ID and the reference ID from your confirmation email. Walk-in's are welcome, so long as the 500 daily cap on tests hasn't been reached.

Note: If you don't have access to the internet, an on-site volunteer may be able to help you register and get tested. Those being tested can now swab their nostrils themselves. After being tested, residents will receive results and other information by email. San Mateo County Health will reach out to residents who test positive.

Nearby Verily Testing Locations and Dates in August:

DALY CITY Jefferson Union High School District Office 699 Serramonte Boulevard

- Tuesday, August 11 (9am 3 pm)
- Wednesday, August 12 (9am 3pm)
- Tuesday, August 18 (9 am 3 pm)
- Wednesday, August 19 (9 am 3 pm)

SAN BRUNO The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 975 Sneath Lane

• Wednesday, August 5 (9 am – 3pm)

More information can be found on the County's Testing page: smcgov.org/covid-19-testing.

Wildfire Awareness Info from NCFA

North County Fire Authority (NCFA) has gathered the following key resources from their website. Please visit <u>tinyurl.com/NCFAwildfireawareness</u> to view the clickable version on the City's website.

With grassfires becoming more common these days throughout the state, it's important that we prepare for them now, while we can. See <u>fire.ca.gov/incidents/2020</u> for a summary of all 2020 incidents, including those managed by Cal Fire and other partner agencies.



Update on the Safe Pedestrial Routes/Green Infrastructure Project: It's Almost a Wrap!

First and foremost, we want to say THANK YOU to the residents and businesses who have been patiently watching and waiting as this project has taken shape and is wrapping up very shortly after two months of construction.

Some have already taken to the newly-formed sidewalks, and then to their computers, to let us know how they've been experiencing these new improvements. This was submitted to us in mid-July: "My wife and I have been using the walk routes almost every day to take our baby for a stroll. Less cars parked on the sidewalks make our journey safer, and ramps make it a lot easier to cross streets."



As a reminder, the Safe Pedestrian Routes to Schools Plan which guided this project was originally approved by the City Council in 2014. As part of their study in formulating the Plan, the Complete Streets Safety Committee conducted first-hand observations at Brisbane school sites and in nearby neighborhoods during the hours before and after school on numerous occasions. Staff provided clarification of city and state code, history, engineering, and traffic enforcement as requested by the Committee during their study, as well as identified sources of funding related to their findings. One of these funding sources turned out to be a grant successfully awarded to the City of Brisbane by C/CAG in 2017 as part of their Safe Routes to School and Green Infrastructure Program, which the City and School District worked on together. Council approved the funding agreement with C/CAG in early 2018. In October 2018, the Council awarded a design contract for the inclusion of green infrastructure improvements into the Safe Pedestrian Routes design staff had completed. In March 2020, the Council awarded the construction contract for work to get underway.

Making our roadways safer for pedestrians, especially kids, enables short trips such as picking up something from Midtown,



Wayfinding markers like the one above have been inset on the sidewalks to mark the designated Safe Pedestrian Routes to Schools (BES and Lipman)

to be made afoot, which has a host of environmental and health benefits, including clean air. According to the City's latest greenhouse gas emissions inventory, on-road transportation accounted for 45% of the City's total greenhouse

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gas emissions. The National Household Travel Survey cites that short trips (<1 mile) represent nearly 30% of all trips people generally take! And yes, we acknowledge that some parking was eliminated, but the greater good is safety for children and clean water for the environment.

Thank you to the community for being patient as this project is completed; on your next walk, look for these inset wayfinding marker on the sidewalk of streets which have been delineated Safe Pedestrian Routes. We hope you enjoy the improvements made to the walk routes!

EXPANDED Curbside Pickup

As of Tuesday, July 14, Curbside Pickup has expanded to 5 days per week! This safe, contactless service is available by appointment at all 12 San Mateo County Libraries (SMCL) locations, **Tuesday – Saturday from 11-4 PM**, except during holiday closures.

- Browse <u>smcl.org</u> (or the SMCL mobile app) and place your item(s) on hold.
- After you receive your email confirmation that your item(s) are ready, schedule a time for your pickup.
- Arrive during your scheduled appointment, pick up your item(s), and enjoy!

Employees and customers will be following social distancing and public health recommendations during pickup. All returned items will be held in quarantine for 72 hours. Please note: held items may not be available as soon as they previously were due to increased safety procedures. If you have any issues with placing items on hold, scheduling Curbside Pickup, or have mobility issues or special considerations, call SMCL's customer service team at **1-833-YES-SMCL** (1-833-937-7625) or text them at **(650) 851-0147**.



August City Calendar 🌘



The City's **Meals for Seniors Lunch Program** takes place **Mondays & Wednesdays** from **12-12:45pm** outside the Senior Sunrise Room (2 Visitacion Ave) for drive-by pick-up. Call (415) 508-2144 if you would like to participate in the meal program.

The **Brisbane Farmers' Market** takes place **Thursdays** from **3-7pm** in the Community Park. Physical distancing and face coverings are required.

Community Calendar link: brisbaneca.org/calendar

Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month Commercial Street Sweeping: Every Weds. AM (Visitacion Ave. enforced 3-6AM)

The City Council is currently on summer recess, and will resume regular meetings in September. In lieu of a meeting in August, OSEC will be hiking to review Vegetation Management of the Acres.

All meetings listed below will be conducted virtually and are compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020 allowing for deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act. The purpose of this is to provide the safest environment for staff, City Council, Commission, Committee Members, and the public while allowing for public participation. Agenda materials may be viewed online at <u>brisbaneca.org/</u> <u>meetings</u> at least 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting, and at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting.

03, Monday, 6:30pm

Regular Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting

12, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, B

13, Thursday, 7:30pm Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

27, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

B – Meeting broadcast on Comcast Ch. 27 and on **youtube.com/brisbaneca**

City Hall Regular Hours of Operation:

M, T, Th 8am-5pm, W 8am-5pm, F 8am-1pm **City Hall Phased Re-Opening Schedule: Mondays & Thursdays 9am - 1pm** See our What's Open Guide: <u>tinyurl.com/whatsopenguide</u>

Do you have questions about the STAR or have an article to suggest? Articles are due by the 15th of each month. Contact Caroline at <u>ccheung@brisbaneca.org</u> or call her at (415) 508-2157.

Calling All Makers! RECYCLED ARTS & CRAFTS CONTEST

Submit your useful home items wearable art fine art jewelry kinetics sculpture garden art or other artwork!



Open to All Ages

Contest ends October 15, 2020

For details, to submit art, or apply to be a judge:

www.brisbaneca.org/recycled-arts-crafts-contest



Presented by the Brisbane Parks and Recreation Dept and the Open Space and Ecology Committee Prizes to be provided by: south san francisco SCOVENGER company, Inc.

City Council Candidate Filing Period Concludes August 7th at 1pm



The City of Brisbane will be holding a Municipal Election on November 3, 2020 for three (3) members of the City Council with a term of 4 years each.

The candidate filing period runs from Monday, July 13, 2020 through Friday, August 7, 2020 at 1pm.

If nomination papers for an incumbent officer of the City are not filed by August 7th, the voters shall have until Wednesday, August 12th at 5pm to nominate candidates other than the person(s) who is/are the incumbents for that incumbent's elective office.

For more information, please contact City Clerk Ingrid Padilla at (415) 508-2113 or at cityclerk@brisbaneca.org.

Solidarity Posters Now Available to Purchase



We heard from numerous members of the community their desire to purchase one of the posters shared in May and June on our social media accounts. They were created by the City of Brisbane to spread awareness and show solidarity for those facing injustice in our society. Choose from three designs currently available to print and ship to you for just \$5.

Posters will be printed on 11"x14" cardstock and either mailed or dropped off to you. All proceeds from poster sales will be donated to a charitable organization decided upon by the City's Equity Working Committee. Please visit <u>brisbaneca.org/</u> <u>solidarityposters</u> to order yours today.



Brisbane Honored with a Reach Code Award from Sustainable San Mateo County

On July 10th, Sustainable San Mateo County recognized the City of Brisbane along with 3 other cities and the County of San Mateo with a Reach Code Award for Innovation during their virtual 21st Annual Awards Celebration. Read on for some background...

In December 2019, the Brisbane City Council unanimously adopted local Reach Codes addressing electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure, building electrification, on-site solar generation, and fire protection. Brisbane's EV Reach Codes are among the strongest in the state, and will require all new residential units (single-family and multi-family) to have at least one Level 2 EV-ready circuit, and for commercial buildings to have 25 - 50% electrified spaces. Brisbane followed Menlo Park's model for building electrification, and as of January, 1, 2021, will require new, all-electric buildings, with exceptions for natural gas cooking and fireplaces in residential units, and life science buildings in the commercial sector.

Aside from building electrification, the City's Reach Codes went into effect January 1, 2020, and included the City extending previously-adopted Reach Codes for on-site solar generation and fire protection.

Thank you, SSMC, for this special recognition and congratulations to fellow Reach Code Awardees: San Mateo County, and the cities of Menlo Park, Pacifica, and San Mateo!

Reach Code Awardees City of Brisbane - Innovation Award City of Menlo Park - Regional Impact Award of Pacifica - Fast Track Award of San Mateo – Trailblazer Award ounty of San Mateo – Leadership Award on emission nnovation Award Brisbane

Brisbane Building Efficiency Program Launches Voluntary Compliance Pilot



Brisbane Building Efficiency Program

As part of an effort to lower the environmental impact of existing buildings, the City Council passed an ordinance last year which established the Building Efficiency Program. The goal is to better understand and improve building energy and water use in commercial, industrial, and multi-family rental buildings over 10,000 square feet in the City by tracking their consumption and identifying ways to save resources and money.

The program will officially launch next year, with most owners of buildings over 10,000 square feet required to submit energy and water benchmarking data by the first **compliance deadline of** <u>May 15, 2021</u>. To help with that, the City recently launched a Voluntary Compliance Pilot for any building owners looking to get a head start and receive special attention and support as they help test out the process. Building owners and representatives, whether experienced in benchmarking or completely new to the process, are encouraged to participate and will have the opportunity to provide their feedback on Program support resources. Voluntary Compliance Pilot participants also have the benefit of early preparation, making future compliance a breeze!

For more information about the Program and the Voluntary Compliance Pilot, please visit: **<u>brisbaneca.org/building-</u> <u>efficiency-program</u>**. For questions, please contact **<u>bbep@brisbaneca.org</u>** or (415) 347-2010.



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Providing Quality Services

SAN MATEO COUNTY'S GREAT PLATES DELIVERED PROGRAM

California's Governor Newsom has started a home delivered meals program for people who are needing to stay at home due to COVID-19. If eligible, you can receive free home delivered meals from restaurants in your neighborhood.

Eligibility Criteria:

AGE

- Anyone 65 years of age or older
- Anyone 60-64 who is COVID-19 positive
- Anyone 60-64 who has been exposed to COVID-19 with written proof from a medical profession
- Anyone 60-64 with an underlying health condition

ANSWER "YES" TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

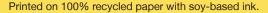
- Live alone or with one other eligible adult
- Do not receive meals from any other federal or state program
- Z Do not have family, friends, or caregivers who can help with meals
- ✓ Unable to prepare or shop for meals
- ✓ Have income less than \$74,940 for single person

HELPING BRISBANE FAMILIES WITH...

FREE COLLEGE COUNSELING

Do you have a rising High School Senior ready to get ahead of the curve this summer? Mary can help! She is offering Brisbane families 1 FREE hour of college admission counseling to help them focus on two things: finalizing a "great fit" college list, and digging into the college application essays. She can answer all of your college admission questions. Thank you, Mary, for your great offer to help during these uncertain & unusual times.

Contact: Mary Stodder, Independent Educational Advisor (IEC) artofadmission@gmail.com or (415) 516-2830



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OFFICE OF MARK CHURCH CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER & ASSESSOR-COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS DIVISION

THE ELECTIONS TEAM IS NOW HIRING!

Become a Vote Center Representative for the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election in San Mateo County.

Hourly wage starting at \$21.02 Apply at www.smcacre.org/election-VCR

Bilingual applicants are strongly encouraged to apply!

