



The City of Brisbane Stands in Solidarity with our Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Community



Photo by: Jim Colton of Pro Bono Photo

Over 500 gathered at the Community Park on Saturday, March 20th to stand in solidarity with the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Community. The incredible show of support was more than we expected, and we are so grateful to have been able to partner with such passionate community members on this event.



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Special thanks to Calvin Lee for taking the small but important first step of writing to his City Council members, where he expressed a deep concern for what was happening in the Asian community. His request was a simple one – a demonstrative show of support for the AAPI community in Brisbane. Thank you to the Brisbane City Council and everyone who came and made that a reality! THANK YOU also to Supervisor David Canepa, District Attorney Stephen Wagstaffe, local Tahitian School of Dance and Drumming O Hina'aro Nui, youth speakers Sebastian Sun, Aeneas Buiy, and Michael Lee, Hataitip Buiy of the Thai Community Development Center, CCD parent Christina Ordon and all the students in Ms. Dalmacio's class that created posters, Karen Dhami, Arthur Sun, Jasama Patel, Karen Smith and the Brisbane Youth Advisory Committee for volunteering their time, and Brisbane PD, North County Fire Authority, Brisbane Parks & Recreation, and Brisbane Public Works for your assistance with this event!

You can view a recording of the event on the City's Facebook page, [facebook.com/brisbane94005](https://www.facebook.com/brisbane94005), where links to resources and articles were provided as part of the Facebook Live video, or on the City's YouTube Channel, [youtube.com/brisbaneca](https://www.youtube.com/brisbaneca).

One of those resources was the PD Feedback Form: brisbaneca.org/tipline, where you can leave anonymous tips and comments for your local Police Department. You may also leave them an anonymous tip or comment on the new **PD Tip Line: (415) 347-2070**. Remember, if you see something, say something! We are all responsible to care for and look out for one another.

See additional photos from the event on the City's website, [brisbaneca.org](https://www.brisbaneca.org).



RESOLUTION NO. 2021-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL DENOUNCING XENOPHOBIA, RACISM, AND ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT DUE TO FEARS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND AFFIRMING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE WELL-BEING AND SAFETY OF ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, hate crimes, discrimination, and aggression against Asian Americans are on the rise throughout the country as Asian American Pacific Islander ethnic groups are being blamed for the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, since the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 29,506,986 cases and 535,758 deaths have been reported in the United States as of March 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, scientists have confirmed that the COVID-19 disease does not respect borders and is not caused by ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30 percent of the City of Brisbane's 4,692 residents are of Asian heritage, compared with 15.3 percent for the State of California; and

WHEREAS, as the COVID-19 virus has spread, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders have reported experiencing offensive comments and actions related to their race, racial profiling, hate incidents, and, in some cases, violence, hospitalization, and tragically, even death as a result of their assault; and

WHEREAS, since March 19, 2020, the organization Stop AAPI (Asian American Pacific Islander) Hate received about 3,000 of first-hand reports of anti-Asian hate across 47 states and Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a public health issue, not a racial one and using racist rhetoric to characterize COVID-19, such as "Chinese virus", only encourages hate crimes and incidents against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders at a time when communities should be working together to get through this crisis; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2021, a community-led vigil will be held in the Brisbane Community Park to stand with Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in solidarity to denounce racism; and

WHEREAS, it is critical that the City take leadership and stand in solidarity with its Asian American Pacific Islander communities to send a message that racist and hate-motivated behavior will not be tolerated; and

WHEREAS, all persons are encouraged to report any such xenophobic, racist, or discriminatory incidents to the proper authorities for investigation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brisbane wishes to affirm its commitment to the well-being and safety of its Asian American Pacific Islander community members and ensure they know they are welcomed, respected, and valued, and that their city stands united against hate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Brisbane hereby denounces xenophobia, racism, and anti-Asian sentiment and joins cities, counties, and states across the country in affirming its commitment to the safety and well-being of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and in combatting hate crimes targeting them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will continue its efforts to protect and aid victims of hate acts related to COVID-19 in partnership with local nonprofits, community volunteers, and our law enforcement partners.





Clothes Dryer Safety

Doing laundry is most likely part of your every day routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to the safety of your home? With a few simple safety tips you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
- Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time.
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating. Once a year, or more often if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you.
- Keep dryers in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a qualified professional to make sure that the gas line and connection are intact and free of leaks.
- Make sure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected properly.
- Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions and don't overload your dryer.
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.

AND DON'T FORGET...

Dryers should be properly **grounded**.

Check the **outdoor vent** flap to make sure it is not covered by snow.

Keep the area around your dryer **clear** of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc.

Clothes that have come in contact with **flammable substances**, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed and dried as usual.

FACT

! The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.



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North County Fire Authority



Housing Element 2023-2031

Brisbane is kicking off its update to the Housing Element this Spring. We all know that housing supply is a regional concern and it affects us all, but you may be wondering...



What is a Housing Element?

The Housing Element is a “roadmap” for preservation of existing housing and development of new housing within a city. It’s intended to meet the future housing needs of the community. It identifies city housing goals and establishes policies and programs to achieve these goals. In accordance with state law, the Housing Element is updated approximately every eight years. The next cycle will cover 2023-2031. Leading up to 2023, Brisbane will be engaged in various tasks to gather information and public input that will help shape the preparation of the Housing Element. It will then be subject to public hearings at the Planning Commission and ultimately at City Council prior to adoption.

Where do I find Information?

The City has access to a range of regional and county-wide resources related to housing, including a new website, “Let’s Talk Housing”, provided through 21 Elements, a county-wide cooperative of the cities and the County of San Mateo. That website provides both county-wide and Brisbane specific housing information. See letstalkhousing.org.



How to be part of the conversation?

The more people we hear from, the better our plans for the future of housing will reflect what is actually needed. Your voice – along with the voices of your neighbors, our workforce and our young people – are critical to ensure we have housing that meets all our needs.

There are a couple virtual events coming in April. The first, “Let’s Talk Housing Countywide Community Meeting”, on April 13th, from 6 to 7:30pm, will be one of a series of

introductory community meetings, with breakout sessions for individual cities. As an introductory meeting, it’s meant for everyone, including people who are learning about this planning process for the first time. For a deeper dive, join in for, “Let’s Talk Housing: All About RHNA” on April 22nd, also from 6 to 7:30pm. RHNA stands for Regional Housing Needs Allocation which is the number of housing units each city must plan for in the next 8-year cycle. For further information or to register for either of these events, please see the events page on the Let’s Talk Housing website, letstalkhousing.org/lthevents.



For other events that will be rolled out in the coming months, please check in on the Let’s Talk Housing website. Additionally, to be included in the Housing Element

email list for other upcoming events, please sign up through brisbaneca.org/subscribe or letstalkhousing.org/getinvolved. If you’d like to sign up to receive updates via text, you can do so by sending a text that says “JOIN” to (650) 677-1598.

Celebrate Earth Day and Play

CLIMATE JEOPARDY!

COMPETE FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

What is Brisbane’s carbon footprint?	Do we have a climate action plan?	WHEN: Wednesday April 21 2021
What’re we doing as a community to help?	What are your ideas to make it better?	WHERE: on Zoom
		DOORS OPEN: 6:30PM GAME STARTS: 7:00PM
		HOSTED BY: Brisbane’s Open Space & Ecology Committee

BYO Refreshments!

Join us: www.brisbaneca.org/zoom-osec

April Blood Drive at Vitalant in Brisbane



Celebrating Diversity in Brisbane

The City's Equity Plus Inclusion Committee (EPIC) is conducting a short community survey during the month of April in order to have a better understanding of the diversity within our community. You can take the survey online at: surveymonkey.com/r/DiversityInBrisbane. If filling out the below hardcopy version, please make sure to deliver this page back to City Hall (50 Park Place) by **Friday, April 30th**. You can send it via mail or by dropping it in one of the utility payment drop boxes (c/o EPIC). Thank you!



1. What Holidays and celebrations are important or meaningful to you? Please list.

2. Can we contact you to help with a holiday or celebration that is important or meaningful to you? If so, include your name, email, and phone contact.

Name

Email

Phone

3. List all the organizations (civic, cultural, religious, educational, sports/athletics, etc) you are a part of.

4. Can we contact you to help outreach to your organizations? If so, include your name, email, and phone contact.

Name

Email

Phone



Did you know that every blood donation has the potential to save the lives of 3 patients in need? The pandemic continues to impact the number and availability of healthy donors as COVID-19 cases climb across the U.S. While all blood types are needed, there's a critical need for type O blood donations—the most transfused blood type. Type O donors can maximize their impact by giving a Power Red donation when a concentrated dose of red cells is given, and other blood components are safely and comfortably returned to the donor.

Vitalant is hosting a blood drive on **Friday, April 23, 2021 from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM** in their Community Room located at 400 Valley Drive in Brisbane. Please click below to schedule an appointment! You can help rebuild the blood supply to adequate levels as we continue to provide lifesaving blood to patients across Northern California.

Make an Appointment: tinyurl.com/brisbaneblooddrive

Appointments are strongly encouraged to help maintain social distancing, and donors and staff must wear a mask. In addition, temperature checks are performed upon arrival and sanitizing and disinfecting measures are taking place throughout the process.

Schedule your life-saving appointment today!

Cultural Diversity Day is May 21... Taking Your Submissions for the May STAR and City Platforms!

How do you live out your heritage? Are there special foods you prepare, places you visit, crafts you create? We would like to hear about them as we prepare to recognize Cultural Diversity Day in May. It's oftentimes when we share our cultures, traditions, and heritage, that we grow to understand, appreciate, and respect the diversity all around us. And with the pandemic, doing so may also be a source of resilience, solidarity, and inspiration for your fellow community members, yourself included. Selected contributions will be featured in the May STAR, as well as electronically on City platforms.

Send in yours today to: creatingcommunity@brisbaneca.org. Thank you for your contribution.



Brisbane Lions Club 2021/2022 Scholarship Program Let's knock it out of the park this year!

By: Lion Deb Horen



*The Brisbane Lions Club serves our community in many ways; one of the most important is in our support of the education of our community members. Through the efforts of our Club and its members, we offer scholarships to Brisbane residents who are pursuing **full-time** higher education and vocational programs.*

That this has been a challenging year for our students is an understatement. Many have lost their jobs, as much of the service sector was decimated by the pandemic. Many have stayed at home, taking classes online, trying to balance isolation with contact, to keep themselves and their families safe. College has traditionally been a time to leave the nest and spread your wings. Even on campus, students have been isolated, subjected to regular Covid testing, and local Health Orders that suddenly opened and closed social gathering places throughout the past year. Some have gotten sick.

It has been a challenging year for our community, both for residents and local businesses. Some of our beloved businesses have been forced to close. We Brisbanians love to gather, for concerts, for art events, for local school and sports events, for celebrations, for civic events, and on and on. We even had to cancel the Annual SBMW Pancake Breakfast and the Lions Club BBQs that we love.

Yet, our Brisbane community spirit cannot be cancelled! The Brisbane Lions Club, the City of Brisbane, our schoolteachers, and so many other Brisbane social services, organizations, and friend groups have demonstrated resilience and creativity to help connections, local businesses, and people endure this past year. We are so grateful for all of the effort, financial support, and love our community freely gave to keep each other safe and afloat.

The Lions Club so appreciates our local businesses and residents who have supported the Scholarship Program in the past. If you have the means, please consider donating to the Lions Club Scholarship Program specifically this year. Let's hit it out of the park for our Scholars who will be in college and vocational programs this next year, moving forward with their hopes and dreams, with some uncertainty for what the next year will bring. They are our future.

To donate specifically for the program, go to the Lions Club website at brisbanelions.org and scroll down to the donate button. Please note on your donation that your donation is specifically for Brisbane Lions Club Scholarship Program.

For our Scholars: We have moved the application process online this year! Your applications are **due by April 22, 2021**. Go to brisbanelions.org/scholarship-program to learn what is required and apply!

April 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 Avenue) 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 now **Thursdays** from **3-7pm** in the Community Park. Face coverings and social distancing are required.

Brisbane Community Calendar link: brisbaneca.org/calendar

Residential Street Sweeping: 2nd Monday of Every Month

Commercial Street Sweeping: Weds. 3-6am

COVID-19 Testing is safe, easy, and available at no-cost at County-sponsored locations for everyone who works or lives in San Mateo County, regardless of symptoms: smcgov.org/testing.

Public Meeting Agendas may be viewed online at brisbaneca.org/meetings at least 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting, and at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting.

01, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular City Council Meeting, B

05, Monday, 6:30pm

Regular Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting, B

06, Tuesday, 7pm

Residential Objective Design & Development Standards Workshop (Register for the workshop on Eventbrite at bit.ly/oddsworkshop1)

08, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

12, Monday

Parks and Recreation accepting applications for picnic table reservations – up to 3 households or maximum 30 guests (please call 415-508-2140)

13, Tuesday, 6pm

Let's Talk Housing Countywide Community Meeting (register at letstalkhousing.org/lthevents)

14, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Regular Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting, B

15, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular City Council Meeting, B

21, Wednesday, 6:30pm

Regular Open Space and Ecology Committee Meeting, B

22, Thursday, 6pm

Let's Talk Housing: All About RHNA (register at letstalkhousing.org/lthevents)

22, Thursday, 7:30pm

Regular Planning Commission Meeting, B

23, Friday, 1-6pm

Blood Drive and COVID-19 Antibody Testing at Vitalant, 400 Valley Dr. (tinyurl.com/brisbaneblooddrive)

B – Broadcast on Comcast Ch. 27 and youtube.com/brisbaneca

City Hall Walk-In Service Hours: Mondays and Thursdays only, 9am-1pm (see our What's Open Guide: brisbaneca.org/whatsopen)

Staff available by phone or email: M – Th: 8am-5pm, F: 8am-1pm

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 ccheung@brisbaneca.org or call her at (415) 508-2157.

GET SOCIAL WITH US!

Stay connected with us on the City's social media platforms.



Nextdoor





COMMUNITY OUTREACH QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete this questionnaire by April 14, 2021 (see below)

This questionnaire is also available in an alternate accessible formats, by request. Please contact Abby Partin (contact info below) to request a different format as a request for accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The City of Brisbane is collecting information as part of the process of preparing an ADA Self-evaluation and Transition Plan for City facilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to update existing documents.

This questionnaire is one of many ways that the City of Brisbane is identifying and defining accessibility needs as part of its process to provide more accessible programs, services and activities.

Any information provided to us will help strengthen the final recommendations for policies and procedures that will result from these efforts. Please feel free to attach additional pages, where necessary.

1. In your experience with the City of Brisbane, have you encountered physical barriers or difficulties in gaining physical access to facilities (parks, parking lots, buildings, sidewalk or bus stops, etc.)?

- Yes
- No

If you have, then please identify the facility in which it took place and describe the condition(s) or situation(s) that caused the difficulty.

2. Have you encountered policies or practices that make it difficult in gaining access to City programs, services or activities?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please describe the policy or practice?

3. In your experience with City facilities, have you encountered barriers or difficulties that prevented or complicated access to programs, activities or services provided?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please describe the situation(s), the response and/or outcome of the situation(s).

4. Can you identify any successful outcome or solution to accessibility issues that has been used at other City facilities that you would consider a model solution or program that the City could implement?

5. Do you have other suggestions for improving mobility around or at City facilities to encourage full participation in our programs, services or services?

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this questionnaire!

We would appreciate completion of the information below. This information is *optional*. If completed, it will provide our team the opportunity to contact you for further comment and to notify you of future disability-related events.

- My responses are confidential
- My responses may be published

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____



E-mail Address: _____

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Ethnicity: _____

Please describe your ability status: _____

Are you a member of any organization that specifically serves people with disabilities (example: California Council for the Blind, Etc.)? Please list affiliations.

Questionnaires must be received by April 14, 2021.

Please mail or e-mail to:

City of Brisbane
Attn: Abby Partin
Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator
Brisbane City Hall
50 Park Place
Brisbane, CA 94005
Email: ada@brisbaneca.org

THANK YOU
for your time and valuable feedback
in helping ensure our facilities remain
accessible for all!



VACCINE APPOINTMENT REGISTRATION

**DO YOU
NEED HELP?**

WE KNOW THE PROCESS CAN BE DIFFICULT

The Brisbane Recreation Dept. wants to know if you need help with registering for a vaccine appointment.

Confused about which website to visit?

No email or internet?

We want to help!

Feel free to speak with one of us during meal pick up or delivery on Mondays & Wednesdays.

**FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT
RECREATION SUPERVISOR STEVE BEATY
415-508-2144 SBEATY@BRISBANECA.ORG**

Ride for Free to a Vaccination Site!



**SamTrans is providing free rides to vaccination sites
in San Mateo County.**

Caltrain is also providing free train rides to and from vaccination sites for people living or working along the corridor within San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara counties.

**For more info: healthytransitplan.com
Passengers going to and coming from a vaccination site must notify the operator/conductor upon boarding and show proof of the vaccine appointment or a vaccination card.**

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COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON APRIL 6, 2021 AT 7 PM
OBJECTIVE DESIGN + DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (ODDS) FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT



SMC Alert REMINDER

What Do You Want to See in New Residential Development?

Please join us for a virtual Community Workshop on **Tuesday, April 6, 2021** to learn more about the project objectives and timeline. This is the first community-wide workshop that is planned for this effort. The workshop will focus on reviewing and discussing the results of the Residential Design Visual Preference Survey. We'll break down how these results will inform the development of ODDS per the community's preferences and explore the different architectural and site design techniques referenced in the survey. For more information on the project, please visit the project webpage: brisbaneca.org/sb2.

What are Objective Design and Development Standards (ODDS)?

Recent changes to State law (e.g., Senate Bill 35 and Housing Accountability Act) require that cities adopt and act on residential development applications based on objective design and development standards. The City is in the process of updating its design review ordinance and residential zoning district standards to comply with State law. It is important that the City update current regulations with objective standards that reflect the community's vision, in order to shape the design of new residential developments.

JOIN US!
Upcoming Virtual
Community Workshop
Tuesday, April 6, 2021
7-9pm
TO ATTEND
Sign up here:
bit.ly/oddsworkshop1



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San Mateo County's Alert System

Please register to
get updates from the
City in the event of a
disaster or emergency.

Text "94005" to 888777
or sign up at
SMCAAlert.info



CONTACT

Julia Ayres, Senior Planner
email: jayres@brisbaneca.org
ph: 415-508-2120

for more information, visit:
brisbaneca.org/sb2

DID YOU KNOW...

Bayshore/San Bruno Mast Arm Installation Completed March 28th

Please be aware that to reduce the risk of traffic collisions and to keep motorists safe, U-turns at this intersection are now prohibited in both directions. Thank you for driving safely!



**CA COVID-19
RENT RELIEF**

Rent Past Due?

Renters and landlords have enough things to worry about. Past due rent shouldn't be one of them.

If you're an income eligible renter who has experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19 and have past due rent, or you're a landlord who has experienced a loss in income because of unpaid rent, you may be eligible to get financial assistance now through the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program.



Who Can Apply?

Landlords who have income-eligible renters experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 with past due rent.

Renters who have experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19, have past due rent or utilities, and have a household income that is not more than 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI).

How Much Rent Relief Will I Get?

Landlords can get reimbursed for 80% of past due rent accrued between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021, if they agree to waive the remaining 20% of unpaid rent.

Eligible renters whose landlords choose not to participate may still apply on their own and receive 25% of unpaid rent accrued between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021 through a direct payment to their landlord. If a landlord refuses direct payment, the 25% can be paid to the renter to pay missed rent to their landlord by June 30, 2021. Paying 25% of past due rent by June 30, 2021 can help keep renters in their homes under the extended eviction protections provided in SB91.

Eligible renters can also receive help paying future rent, equal to 25% of their monthly amount to help them stay in their homes, and 100% of up to 12 months of unpaid or future utility bills.

How do I Apply?

To check eligibility requirements, apply or find a Local Partner Network organization who can assist you further, visit HousingsKey.com or call 833-430-2122, toll free.

HousingsKey.com