

## Board Adopts Approved Budget

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on Sept. 28 formally adopted the Approved Budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year

The Approved Budget in June totaled \$6.5 billion. With the completion of the County's FY 2021-22 year-end financial closing activities and updated information, an increase of \$400 million was proposed, bringing the Budget Recommended for Adoption to \$6.9 billion in appropriations. The increase includes a \$210.7 million increase in General Fund appropriations, and a \$189.6 million increase in appropriations in other funds.



The Approved Budget does not include funding from the County's approximately \$300 million State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Allocation under the American Rescue Plan Act. A comprehensive spending plan for these funds is being developed based on priorities identified by the Board.

The Board of Supervisors approved the following additional costs, totaling \$6,758,000 to be paid out of the County's General Fund:

- » \$5M contingency for Afghan Refugee costs
- » \$500,000 to augment encampment debris removal
- » \$498,000 to the Regional Parks Park Maintenance Team for four positions, two vehicles and supplies
- » \$400,000 for five additional housing navigator positions for the American River Parkway

- » \$200,000 to support County Property and Business Improvement Districts (PBIDs)
- » \$75,000 to Effie Yeaw/Soil Born Farms/Camp Pollock park education programs
- » \$65,000 to Sacramento Splash environmental education program
- » \$20,000 Hood Franklin Road pedestrian access

For details, read the Budget Letter to the Board of Supervisors or view all budget documents on the Office of Budget and Debt Management website at <https://bdm.saccounty.net>.

### Sign up for Emergency Alerts!

This system alerts residents about emergency events and other important public safety information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods. [www.Sacramento-Alert.org](http://www.Sacramento-Alert.org)

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## Suicide Prevention: Help is Available



Sacramento County Division of Behavioral Health Services offers suicide prevention resources and wants to reach out to those affected by suicide, including those

who have lost loved ones to suicide.

Suicidal thoughts, like other mental health conditions, can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, or background. By recognizing the signs, knowing how to start a conversation and where to get help, you have the power to save a life. Learn more at [www.suicideispreventable.org](http://www.suicideispreventable.org).

### Help is Available

- » **Suicide Prevention Crisis Line**
- » **1-800-273-TALK (8255)** is operated by WellSpace Health, the region's Suicide Prevention Crisis Line. Calls are answered 24/7 by trained counselors. Details: [www.wellspacehealth.org](http://www.wellspacehealth.org)
- » **Crisis Chat by Text.** Text the word HOPE to 916-668-ICAN (4226). Crisis Chat and Texting are support services not meant for life-threatening situations. If you or someone you know is in crisis, call the 24-hour Suicide Prevention Crisis Lines or 911. Details: [www.wellspacehealth.org](http://www.wellspacehealth.org)

- » **Sacramento County Division of Behavioral Services** provides services including early intervention, outpatient services, case management services, crisis and intervention and stabilization services. Details: [dhs.saccounty.net](http://dhs.saccounty.net)
- » **The National Alliance for Mental Illness/California** (NAMI) has partnered with the Crisis Text Line, available 24/7. Text the word NAMI to 741741 and a crisis worker will respond. Details can be found at [www.namika.org](http://www.namika.org) and [www.crisistextline.org](http://www.crisistextline.org).
- » **The Trevor Project** (for LGBTQ Young People): 1-866-488-7386, [www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)
- » **Friendship Line** (for Older Adults): 1-800-971-0016, [www.ioaging.org/friendship-line-california](http://www.ioaging.org/friendship-line-california)
- » **Trans Lifeline** 1-877-565-8860, [www.translifeline.org](http://www.translifeline.org)
- » **Teen Line** Call 1-800-852-8336 (from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. PST), [www.teenonline.org](http://www.teenonline.org)

"Today, it's more important than ever before that we reach out and support each other," said Ryan Quist, Director of the Sacramento County Division of Behavioral Health Services. "Most people thinking about suicide do not want to end their lives. If they can get through the crisis, treatment works."



## Supervisors Appoint County Executive

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors unanimously agreed to appoint Interim County Executive Ann Edwards as County Executive.

The appointment took effect Sep. 14, 2021. Edwards is the first woman appointed to the County Executive position.

Edwards' accomplishments in her seven month tenure as Acting/ Interim County Executive include increasing transparency in the budget process, organizing a process for a spending plan to provide assistance to both the County and the community with the American Rescue Plan Act funds and increasing engagement with local government and community-based organizations.

"I appreciate and thank the Board for the trust and support they have shown me," said Edwards. "I commit to looking at the County organization in new ways, to pursue a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, increase public transparency and engagement and enrich the County's organizational culture."

Edwards' current and upcoming initiatives include the formation of a Public Safety and Justice Agency, increased public engagement in and a new budget process for FY 2022-23 and implementing implicit bias training countywide.

### About Ann Edwards:

Edwards has served as Acting County Executive since December 2020 and Interim County Executive since February 2021. Before that, she worked as Sacramento County's Director of Human Assistance since 2014 and worked as the Director for Social Services for Solano County. Prior to Solano County, she worked for Sacramento County between 1998 and 2013, serving as Chief Deputy County Executive for Countywide Services, Director of Health and Human Services, Director of Mental Health Services, Division Manager for Adult Mental Health and Program Manager for Child and Family Mental Health.

Edwards holds a Master's degree in Counselor Education and a bachelor's degree in Social Work from California State University, Sacramento.





## Do You Recycle Right? We Can Help You Sort Smart!

Recycling is part of our everyday lives, and we know it's important that we don't throw away items that end up in the landfill if they can be reused or recycled. Are you doing everything you can to recycle right? If you need help, it's time to Reboot your Recycling. We are here with Robbie Recycle to help you to sort smart!



### WHAT TO KEEP OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING CART:

*"Tanglers," Food Waste, Liquids, and Household Hazardous Waste*

#### Tanglers, Including:

- 1. Bagged Items** – All bagged items placed in your Recycling Cart go directly to the landfill, which means what could have been recycled gets buried. Instead, put your empty and dry recyclables loose into your Recycling Cart.
- 2. Plastic Wrap, Bags, Bubble Wrap and Other Flimsy Plastics** – These items get stuck in the recycling equipment, and staff must climb into dangerous

equipment to remove them. Flimsy plastics belong in the Garbage Cart or taken to an approved film plastics recycler: [PlasticFilmRecycling.org](http://PlasticFilmRecycling.org).

- 3. Clothes, Shoes, Blankets/Bedding** – Donate clothing/bedding that's gently used, and what's not, put in the Garbage Cart.
- 4. Hangers, Cords, Hoses, Packaging Straps** – Repurpose/reuse or place in the Garbage Cart.

#### Food Waste, Liquids, Food-Soiled Items

Recyclables need to be empty and dry. Please make sure your recyclables are free of food waste and liquids before

putting them loose in the Recycling Cart. When a greasy pizza box or quarter jug of spoiled milk are put in the Recycling Cart, the grease and liquid can contaminate not only your cart, but also the entire truckload of recyclables. If this happens, these recyclables end up going to the landfill.

#### Household Hazardous Waste (HHW):

Items like household batteries, cleaners, pesticides, fluorescent light tubes/bulbs and paint never belong in any of your curbside carts (Garbage, Recycling or Green Waste)! Drop these off for free at any local HHW drop-off site in Sacramento County – learn more at [SacGreenTeam.com](http://SacGreenTeam.com).

Do your part to Reboot your Recycling by sorting smart. This helps prevent contamination. Learn more at [www.SacGreenTeam.com](http://www.SacGreenTeam.com) and check out the Sort Smart Game and the "How Do I Get Rid Of..." search tool to be sure you place the right item in the right cart!

## Healthy Teeth for Kids | Healthy teeth not only help children eat, speak and sleep better, they also help them to perform better in school.



With the school year in full swing, the Sacramento County Oral Health Program encourages parents and caregivers to make getting a dental check-up for their children a priority. That's especially true for children entering kindergarten. California requires

that all children have a comprehensive oral check-up by the time they are ready to enter public school. The "Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment" helps schools identify children suffering from untreated dental disease.

Cavities, which are largely preventable, remain the most common chronic childhood disease. In the Sacramento region, more than 46 percent of students have experienced tooth decay by third grade. To help address the issue, the Sacramento County Oral Health Program is partnering with Smile, California, the Medi-Cal Dental Program's campaign to help Medi-Cal members make use of their dental

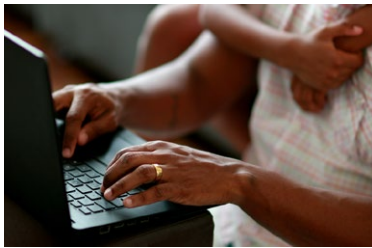
benefit, and the California Department of Public Health's Office of Oral Health, in a statewide Back-Tooth-School effort to raise awareness about the importance of children's dental health.

Visit the Sacramento Oral Health Program at [www.saccountyoralhealth.net](http://www.saccountyoralhealth.net) for educational resources, including a list of dental care agencies which accept Medi-Cal.

To download Back-Tooth-School resources including informational flyers, videos, fact sheets, presentations and social media images, visit the Oral Health and School Readiness page at [SmileCalifornia.org](http://SmileCalifornia.org) and [SonrieCalifornia.org](http://SonrieCalifornia.org).

## Medi-Cal Members Can Get Help with Internet Costs

Registration is now open for an emergency broadband program that will help Medi-Cal members and other low-income residents receive up to \$50 a month to cover their internet costs. All Medi-Cal members qualify, and it will not affect their health coverage. Funds are limited, so act quickly. To see if you qualify, visit [www.getemergencybroadband.org](http://www.getemergencybroadband.org).



The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program that provides a temporary discount on monthly broadband bills during the COVID-19 pandemic for qualifying low-income households. For more details about the FCC program, visit [www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit](http://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit).

### To qualify you must have:

- » An income that is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or participate in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medi-Cal, or Lifeline;
- » Been approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision in the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school year;
- » Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year;
- » Experienced a substantial loss of income due to job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020 and the household had a total income in 2020 at or below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers; or
- » Met the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

The program will end once the program funds are exhausted, or six months after the Department of Health and Human Services declares an end to the pandemic, whichever comes first.



## 2021 Adult and Family FREE FLU CLINICS

Sacramento County Public Health Immunization Assistance Program  
**(916) 875-SHOT (7468)**

Sacramento County Public Health urges everyone to get a flu shot to protect themselves and their families from influenza. The Sacramento County Immunization Assistance Program will host free Adult and Family Flu Clinics throughout Sacramento County.

**EGUSD–Laguna Creek High School**  
Tuesday, October 12  
3:30pm–6:30pm  
9050 Vicino Drive  
Elk Grove, 95758

**Galt Flea Market**  
Wednesday, October 13  
10am–1pm  
610 Chabella Avenue  
Galt, 95632

**Sac County Animal Control**  
Saturday, October 16, 9am–1pm  
*In Partnership w/Mexican Consulate*  
Sleep Train Arena  
1 Sports Parkway  
Sacramento, 95835

**SCUSD–Hiram Johnson High School**  
Tuesday, October 19  
3pm–6pm  
6879 14th Avenue  
Sacramento, 95820

**Mission Oaks Community Center**  
Wednesday, October 20  
10am–1pm  
4701 Gibbons Drive  
Carmichael, 95608

**Healthy Sacramento Day – Cal Expo**  
Saturday, October 23  
10am–2pm  
1600 Exposition Boulevard  
Sacramento, 95815

**Loaves & Fishes**  
Tuesday, October 26  
10am–1pm  
1351 North C Street  
Sacramento, 95811

**FCUSD – District Office**  
Wednesday, October 27  
3pm–6pm  
1965 Birkmont Drive  
Rancho Cordova, 95742

**Pannell Meadowview Community Center**  
Wednesday, November 3  
10am–1pm  
2450 Meadowview Road  
Sacramento, 95832

**Rio Linda Depot Building and Park**  
Tuesday, November 9  
10am–1pm  
6730 Front Street  
Rio Linda, 95673

**Hagginwood Community Center**  
Saturday, November 13  
1pm–4pm  
3271 Marysville Boulevard  
Sacramento, 95815

For questions or to find out more about the vaccination clinics, contact the Sacramento County Immunization Assistance Program at 916-875-7468 or visit [www.sacvax.com](http://www.sacvax.com).