

District 4 Report for May MCOA Mtg

The **West Marin Connect Program** hosted a job fair on April 11 in Point Reyes Station to bring essential information and resources on job opportunities directly to the West Marin community.

Supervisor Rodoni and staff connected with residents at **Community Conversations in Homestead Valley**, gather with neighbors at the **Point Reyes Community Potluck**, and celebrate local traditions at **Día del Niño in West Marin**. **West Marin Connect** job opportunities fair at the Dance Palace, and in partnership with **Canal Alliance and the San Geronimo Valley Community Center** hosted Salvadoran poet Javier Zamora. Highlighting the power of community partnerships in creating opportunity, sharing stories, and building understanding. The event was held at the San Geronimo Valley Community Center and was attended by nearly 1,000 people.

Supervisor Rodoni participated in the **California Coastal Commission meeting**, where issues affecting our coastline were discussed incl large pipeline of coastal development projects, considered local coastal housing element overlay approvals, and discussed enforcement and policy decisions that shape coastal land use.

On-going discussions on affordable workforce housing at the **Oak Hill Joint Powers Authority**, climate resilience and wildfire prevention through the Marin Wildfire and Prevention Authority, and infrastructure and transportation through agencies like the Transportation Authority of Marin and the Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District.

Point Reyes National Seashore and Trust for Public Land community meeting, had more than 800 people came together to share perspectives, ask questions, and engage in dialogue about the future of Point Reyes National Seashore and to hear from the Department of the Interior representatives.

Strong community participation in meetings like the **Countywide Septic Regulations meetings** and the **San Geronimo Fire Facility community meeting**, where residents heard project updates and asked questions about on projects that directly impact our neighborhoods. The County of Marin is updating the County's Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) for the management and regulation of onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS), typically referred to as septic systems. There were two

community gatherings in West Marin – Point Reyes Station and San Geronimo. The Fire Department sponsored a Zoom presentation about the planning process for a new County fire facility in San Geronimo. These meeting and presentations were intended to keep community members informed and engaged and encourage input and feedback from local residents.

Climate and Environmental Leadership was driven by a major investment in the Parks Measure A FARE Grant Program, which awarded \$1.55 million to projects that expand local food systems, support sustainable agriculture, and improve environmental resilience. These grants fund community gardens, food access programs, Indigenous land stewardship, wildfire resilience through prescribed fire, and regenerative farming practices across Marin

The Board approved continued funding for **Canal Alliance** to provide immigration legal services, helping residents access representation, understand their rights, and navigate complex federal systems. Additional investments expanded broadband access in rural areas, improved accessibility for people with disabilities, and supported culturally responsive health, childcare, and workforce programs. These actions help ensure that all residents, regardless of income, language, or location, who can access essential services.

In addition, federal disaster assistance is available in the form of low interest loans from the US Small Business Administration to help businesses, private nonprofits, homeowners and renters to help replace or repair property damaged by the flooding and king tides earlier this year.

The Board continued to invest in **libraries as community hubs**, expanding programs that support early childhood learning, youth engagement, and access to resources for seniors and underserved communities. New initiatives such as “Play for All” spaces and mobile library access points are helping remove barriers and create more inclusive, welcoming spaces for learning and connection across Marin.

Three **Community Land Trusts** in West Marin are continuing facilitated discussions to evaluate common administrative and operational issues in consideration shared resources and possibilities for consolidation or merging.