



Public Works
Week 2017
Operations Yard
open house offered
a chance to show
the youngest
generation what
it takes to care for
our city.

April 2017

in the works



A message from our director



Dear Public Works

Now that the dust has settled a little, I wanted to write and personally thank you both again for being ambassadors at the Public Works Hub on Walk to Work Day.

As the single biggest day for Walk SF awareness and to recruit new members, there's no way to underestimate how important W2WD is. I wanted to share that you helped recruit 88 members and 1,010 subscribers!

Thanks again for so generously giving your time and for being awesome ambassadors!

And I forgot to say, CONGRATULATIONS on winning the Golden Millipede!!! Public Works rocks.

Natalie B.
Walk SF

I wanted to thank Public Works for the work you did on the Arbor Day St. Mary's Square tree planting, which honored Rose Pak. The event itself was loving and meaningful and an appropriate tribute to Rose. And, as you can see here, the planting turned out great. This was a nice partnership effort between Public Works and Rec and Park.

Phil G.
Recreation and Park Department

I'm writing to let you know how much I've appreciated Peachy Mathias' responsiveness.

I attended the Chinatown meeting last week and spoke with her afterwards. I followed up with an email to which she responded immediately and even called me to touch base. She's a gem!

Marilynne A.

Upcoming Events

WED., 5/3 & THURS., 5/4

[Refuse Rate Hearings](#)

The Director of Public Works will hold public hearings on Recology's application to increase refuse rates:

5/3: Director's Hearing
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 400
8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

5/4: Prop 218 Hearing
San Francisco City Hall
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
Room 416
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

SAT., 5/6

[Excelsior Outer Mission Neighborhood Strategy Open House and Kickoff](#)

Supervisor Ahsha Safai, the Planning Department and the Mayor's Office of Economic and Workforce Development invite you to discuss the future of the Excelsior & Outer Mission Neighborhoods.

10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Community Assembly of God
355 Ocean Ave.

THU., 5/11

[Bike to Work Day](#)

Together, local bicycle advocacy organizations from the nine Bay Area counties have teamed up to host the best bike day of the year, and we want you there!

6:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Citywide

SAT., 5/13

[Community Clean Team in District 8](#)

Keep SF beautiful through landscaping and gardening projects, graffiti removal and litter cleanup in our neighborhoods.

9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Mission High School
3750-18th St.

SUN., 5/14

[Mother's Day](#)

WED., 5/17

[Geary at Park Presidio Improvements Project with District 1 Supervisor Sandra Fewer](#)

Public Works will consider improvements at the intersection of Geary Boulevard and Park Presidio Boulevard. This project aims to provide a safer and more inviting environment for Muni passengers, pedestrians and drivers.

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
SFPD Richmond Station Community Meeting Room
461 6th Ave.

SUN., 5/21

[Bay to Breakers](#)

Bay to Breakers is an annual footrace that has taken place continuously for more than 100 years. With a starting point near the San Francisco Bay, a few blocks from The Embarcadero, the 12K race runs west through the City and finishes at the Great Highway, where breakers crash onto the Pacific Coast's Ocean Beach.

MON., 5/29

[Memorial Day](#)

Awards



Cristina Calderón Olea, manager of the Streetscape Program for Public Works, won a Rising Star Award for her work as a civil engineer. The national honor is awarded by Civil + Structural Engineer magazine and recognizes exceptional technical capability and leadership ability in the fields of structural and civil engineering. Cristina uses her deep well of professional expertise and strong people skills to deliver infrastructure projects for the City and County of San Francisco. In her role at Public Works she has managed the Cesar Chavez, Potrero, Polk and Second Street streetscape projects. The result of her work makes the public right of way safer and easier to navigate for all users in one of North America's most densely-packed and congested cities.

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The Public Works budget team won the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the national Government Finance Officers Association. The organization found that our budget presentation effectively serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications platform. “The award,” according to the Government Finance Officers Association, “represents a significant achievement (and) reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.”



Celebrating Local 261 members working for SF Public Works who perform exemplary work above and beyond the call of duty.



7th-Annual MONTROYA AWARDS

April 26, 2017, 3-6 p.m., Mission Rock Resort, 817 Terry A Francois Blvd.

2017 Recipients

Larry Barefield
Marvin Beauregard
Frank Bonilla
Jinai Gua
John O'Rourke
Kerry Schindler

Armando Solorzano
Eric Tobian
Daniel Trayer
Victor Vallejo
Chaeron Westry
George Yee



Theresa Foglio
City Representative
Local 261
Emcee



Malia Cohen
SF Supervisor
District 10
Remarks



Ahsha Safai
SF Supervisor
District 11
Remarks

Public Works Week 2017: Fun, Informative and Celebratory



DETOUR





Public Works Week 2017

Operations open house participants learn about glass fitting from our professional glaziers.





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Young visitors explore the training sewer at our Operations Yard.



After constructing their planter boxes, students line up to fill them with flowers and herbs.



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A sheet metal worker teaches the art of crafting tool boxes to an attentive student.





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A sheet metal machine grabs the attention of a young visitor at our Operations Yard.

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Milestone anniversary pins await their recipients at our annual award and pin ceremony.



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Rising Stars celebrate their awards with Public Works managers.

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Public Works Week 2017
construction tour of the
Moscone Expansion Project.



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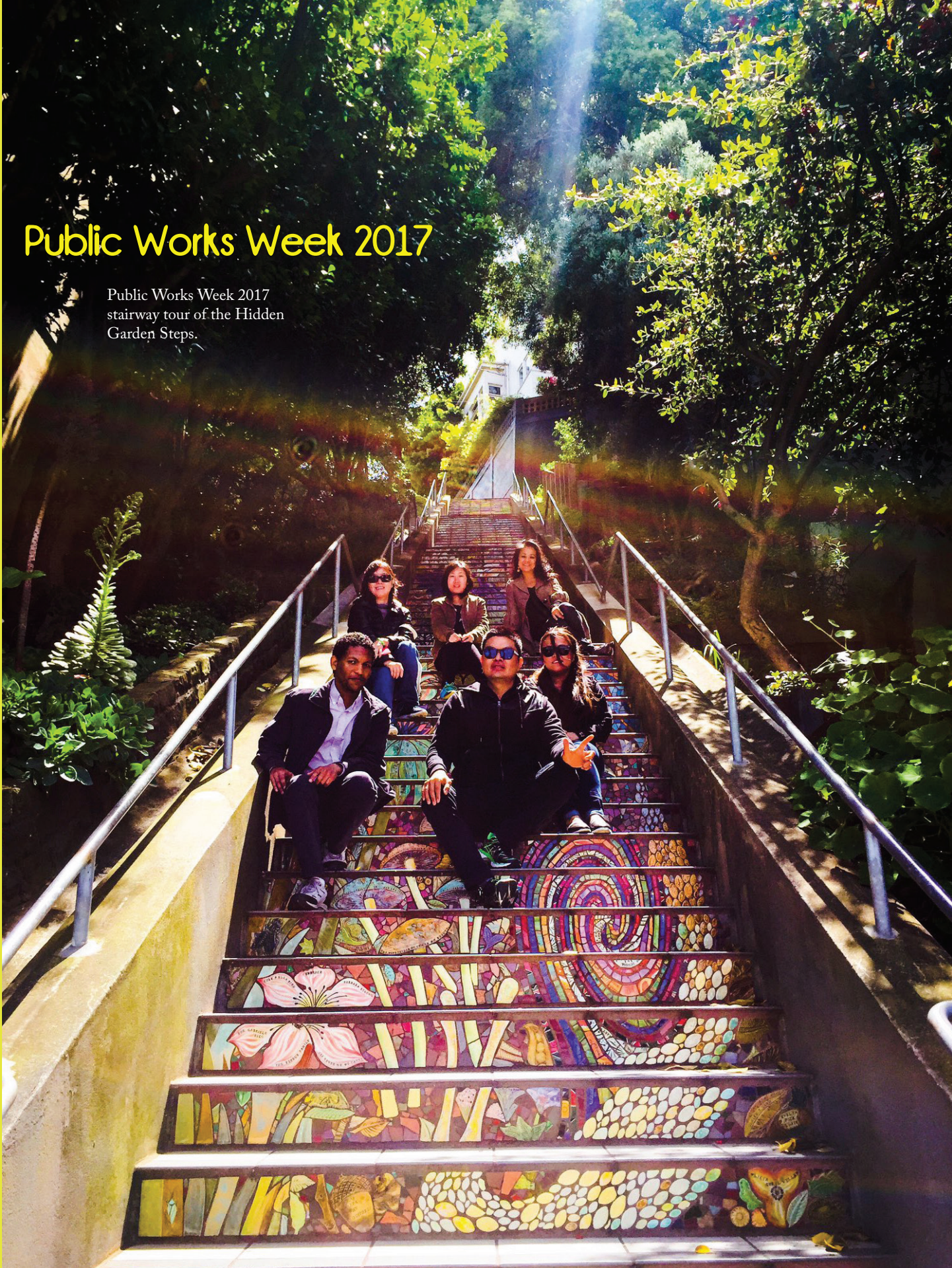


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construction tour of the
Transbay Transit Center Project.

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stairway tour of the Hidden
Garden Steps.



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Students discover their inner designer at our Architecture and Engineering open house.

Public Works Week 2017





Students take in the fine points of building a city.

Public Works Week 2017 Award Winners



OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Wilson Lau

ENSURING SAFE, CLEAN, SUSTAINABLE & INVITING PUBLIC SPACES

Japantown Tile Replacement

Kai Bevington
DiJaida Durden
Albert Ko
Andrew Molina
Jimmey Parrish
Ros Rapides
Snow Gemma
Noe Villarreal

FOSTERING A CULTURE OF OPPORTUNITY, CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT & EXCELLENCE TO DELIVER WORLD-CLASS PUBLIC SERVICE

Individual: Ed Yee

Group: CMMS Team

Carlo Alfonso
Arthur Cervantes
June Chin
Shwe Hnin
Yorsy Larraburo
Linda Lee-Robbins
Christine Nath
Thai Ngo
Sabah Shaikh
Tom Smith

CORE VALUES: RESPECT

Rachel Gordon

CORE VALUES: INTEGRITY

Tom Smith

CORE VALUES: RESPONSIVENESS

Tala Pua

BEING THE SERVICE PROVIDER OF CHOICE FOR DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE & MANAGEMENT

Macondray Stairs Project Team

Hector Alcasio
Wayne Antoine
Timothy Barlow
Dale Berger
Antoine Colbert
DiJaida Durden
Brooks Fenton
Craig Foletti
Raymond Lui
Patricia Maloney
Jose Marquez
Ramon Martinez
Brian Owes
Jimmey Parrish
Martin Queen
Jesse Rivers
Dan Roche
Anzano Rodriguez
Bill Somoza
Jeff Soria
Steve Thumas
Victor Torres
Ramiro Villalobos
Noe Villarreal
Ellen Wong

PUBLIC WORKS RISING STARS

OFFMA:

Jordyn Aquino & Julia Sweitzer

Infrastructure:

Hyeja Jung & Allison Seibel

Buildings:

Jane Chan & Jennifer Dameron

Operations:

Gerald Duarte & Guillermo Perez

OUTSTANDING TEAM OF THE YEAR

Monu Afu
Otutoa Afu
Cedric Bacchus Jr.
Ollie Bradshaw Jr.
Jonathan Cagwin
Raoun Chenault
Amy Craven
Sarai Crooms
Thomas Dahl
Robert Davis
Jose Deluna
Kristopher Fincher
Jerry Gaines
Thomas Gallot
Nicole Dela Garza
Snow Gemma
Angel Gonzales
Cary Gordon
Jinai Guan
Joseph Huelfenhaus
Kenneth Jackson
Mitchell Jamerson
Toni Jefferson
LaShanta Jordan
Arnold Lampkins Jr.
Brian Lease
Gilbert Mercadal
Jerry Moore
Martin Munoz
Siaosi Nalesoni
Netanili Niu
Sherri Pelayo
John Perez
Jose Santiago III
Phil Schanzle
Rob Stafford Jr.
John Thrailkill
Samisoni Tupou
Rene Valencia
Enrique Vera

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INAUGURAL SAFETY RECOGNITION BREAKFAST

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REWARDING A CULTURE WHERE SAFETY
IS OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY



Public Works Week 2017 Safety Recognition Awards

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Roxanne Jang
Albert Ko
Alex Murillo
Dean Walker

OPERATIONS SAFETY COMMITTEE

Steven Chew
Sarai Crooms
Ed Devereaux
Gerald Duarte
Larry Ferraz
Rodrigo Huazano
Jerry Jew
Sean Lange
John Leal
Gerry McNamara
Alison Mickels
Jacob Nicol
Netanili Niu
John O'Rourke
William Pressas
Sherri Pelayo

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT - CONTRACTOR INSPECTION TEAM

Amel Begic
Christine Hunt
Steve Jackson
Peter Liu
Cyril Velasquez

O'SHAUGHNESSY EMERGENCY HILLSIDE STABILIZATION

Bureau of Building Repair
Bureau of Street and Environmental Services
Bureau of Street and Sewer Repair
Bureau of Urban Forestry
Design and Engineering
Project Management and Construction
Public Affairs

Reza Baradaran
Jesse Blea
Mike Broder
Eric Carlsen
Fernando Cisneros
Boris Deunert
Gerald Finale
Edgar Garcia
Rachel Gordon
Tony Holguin
Mike Kelly
Raymond Lui
Martin Munoz
Matt Naclerio
Samasoni Olomua
Charles Reynolds
Jose Rivera Jr.
Armando Solorzano
Jeffrey Tom
Cyril Velasquez
Enrique Vera
Raymond Woo



Right Up Our Alley: Improving Hidden Chinatown Gems





Legend
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Legend
 Received Improvements
 No Improvements, Candidates
 No Improvements, Not Candidates
 Not Included

華埠巷里 Chinatown Alleyways

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PUBLIC WORKS

Building Design & Construction

Ross & Trenton Alley Improvements | Community Meeting #1 | 04.05.17

More than 20 colorful images of Chinatown alleyway improvement concepts were on display in a community room at the Chinatown Branch Library. There, a large crowd of people who live and work in the historic neighborhood enthusiastically voiced their opinions and picked their favorite designs to help shape the future of Ross and Trenton alleys.

The April 5 community meeting was part of the implementation of the Chinatown Alleyway Master Plan, a guide for the renovation of 31 alleys in Chinatown, with the goal of advancing safety and vitality in this iconic San Francisco neighborhood. The Master Plan was commissioned by Public Works in 1998 and authored by our nonprofit community partner, Chinatown Community Development Center.

Since the adoption of the Master Plan, 12 alleyway improvements

have been completed, including Jack Kerouac, Waverly Place, John, Commercial, Ross, Cordelia, Hang Ah, Pagoda, Beckett, Wentworth and Cooper.

Currently, Spofford Street is under construction; Ross and Trenton alleys are in the planning and outreach phase.

Ross Alley is a pathway with busy foot traffic in Chinatown connecting Washington and Jackson streets. An unofficial count conducted by Ross Alley neighbors found an average of 3,000 people using the alley every day. Trenton Street, which is adjacent to the Ping Yuen public housing development, is used as a shortcut to get to and from nearby shopping corridors and Chinese Hospital.

Public Works collaborated with District 3 Supervisor Aaron Peskin and Chinese Community

Development Center to host the meeting to show the Chinatown community a variety of design ideas for improvements in Ross and Trenton alleys. They included different pavement markings, murals, graphic designs, removable barriers, seating, lighting, interactive arts, decorative overhead elements and wayfinding signage.

Two more community gatherings about Ross and Trenton improvements are planned. Both alleys are expected to receive upgrades in late summer and early fall.

The remaining alleys in the Master Plan will continue to be included in the City's 10-year Capital Plan, which identifies, analyzes and prioritizes capital improvements citywide. When additional funds are cemented, future improvements will be implemented

Public Works crew installs new garbage cans along Mission Street.



YES WE CAN!





Public Works, in partnership with Mayor Ed Lee and District 9 Supervisor Hillary Ronen, rolled out the Yes We Can! pilot program in the Mission District this month to make more public trash cans available. The goal: Reduce litter.

The City installed an additional 38 garbage cans along the Mission Street corridor between 14th and Cesar Chavez streets, for a total of 73 cans. We will track – through 311 service requests and on-site evaluations – whether the additional receptacles result in less litter

and fewer complaints. Yes We Can! will expand to other neighborhoods if the Mission Street experiment proves successful.

While it may seem counterintuitive, past experience has found that garbage cans actually can add to the litter problem when scavengers rummage through them and scatter the unwanted trash on the sidewalk. The street cans also can become magnets for illegal dumping when people place their household or business trash in and around them

instead of paying for the legally required refuse pickup at their properties.

Because of the problems, the City removed more than 1,000 public trash cans from the sidewalks a decade ago. There now are some 3,200 sidewalk cans.

Our aim with Yes We Can! is to find the sweet spot that provides more places for people to dispose of their trash properly, while not adding to the litter problem with people using the cans inappropriately.



Pit Stop Monitor Lauded for Saving a Life

Marcus Player was nearing the end of his shift as a monitor at the [Pit Stop](#) public toilet at Victoria Manalo Draves Park on the afternoon of April 6 when he noticed something was off: A woman using the bathroom was in there for a long time. He knocked on the door to ask if everything was OK. She responded yes. More time passed. He knocked again. No answer. He went inside and saw her down on the floor, unresponsive.

“I didn’t know if she was dead or what,” he said.

Player immediately called 911. He stayed with her until help arrived. The woman had overdosed on drugs. When emergency medical personnel arrived, they administered naloxone, which can reverse an opiate overdose – waking the person up and getting them breathing again.

“Because of you, she is alive today,” Supervisor Jane Kim told Player when presenting him with a special certificate of honor at City Hall on April 25.

Kim, who represents the South of Market neighborhood where the park is located, said that since Player came on board as the bathroom monitor in December, Victoria Manalo Draves Park has become safer and cleaner, so much so that neighborhood families and students from the nearby school started visiting again.

“It has made such a difference,” Kim said.

Player, who is moving to Los Angeles for family reasons, admitted that he was scared when he found the woman passed out, but didn’t panic and just was glad that he could get her help.

“If I could do it all over again, I would,” he said.

The Pit Stop program, managed by Public Works, now operates in 17 locations in eight neighborhoods and provides people with safe and clean bathrooms. Collectively, the Pit Stops get more than 25,000 uses a month.

The Recreation and Park Department sponsors the Victoria Manalo Draves Park Pit Stop. A new monitor will replace Player.

What makes a Pit Stop a Pit Stop is that the bathrooms are staffed. Hunters Point Family is our nonprofit partner that hires the monitors as part of a workforce development program.



Daggett Plaza





Comes to Life



Daggett Street, a short, underused stretch of roadway near the crossroads of 16th Street and 7th Street, has blossomed into a vibrant, landscaped public plaza with a large lawn area, a whimsical art piece, a fenced-in dog run and other amenities to serve families living in the surrounding Potrero Hill, Dogpatch and Mission Bay neighborhoods.

Creation of this one-acre community gathering place had been owned by the state and now belongs to the City. The developer of the adjacent parcel, Equity Residential, built the public plaza and agreed to maintain it in perpetuity. Public Works was instrumental

in guiding the process to transform the space and provided construction management and inspection oversight of the public infrastructure improvements during the construction of the plaza. Alongside contractor Robert Obayashi Construction, our staff oversaw the backfill and grading of the parkland, sewer installation and testing, landscape planting and irrigation, concrete and sidewalk work and more.

A highlight of the plaza is the public arts component. The San Francisco Arts Commission worked with artist Adriane Colburn to create a permanent sculpture that speaks to the history of Mission Bay. Shadow

Kingdom is comprised of five stainless steel panels featuring imagery depicting the rich array of flora and fauna once found in the area. When viewed from a distance, the sculpture takes the shape of a California grizzly bear, a species that last roamed San Francisco in the mid-1800s. As the sun arcs across the sky, these once common species are projected as shadows back onto the terrain they once inhabited.

Mayor Ed Lee and District 10 Supervisor Malia Cohen presided over a ribbon-cutting ceremony on April 19 to mark the official opening of the new plaza. Public Works staffers also were on hand to join in on the community celebration.



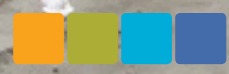
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POTRELL SERVICE STATION





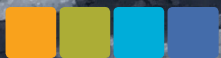
Fresh Pavement for Potrero Ave.

Work on the [Potrero Avenue Roadway Improvement Project](#) is making progress: Our contractor paving crew resurfaced the roadway between Cesar Chavez and 21st streets in April, making the street smoother for drivers and bicyclists.

The project will bring extensive upgrades to the corridor, including repaving from Alameda Street on the north to Cesar Chavez Street on the south; new sewer and water infrastructure; and streetscape improvements to make Potrero Avenue safer for people walking and biking and more efficient for Muni buses. We're also adding new landscaping and installing ADA-compliant curb ramps.

Construction began at the end of 2015 and is expected to be completed next spring.

EXTENDING THE LIFE



E OF OUR STREETS



NO PARKING
12 NOON TO 2 P.M.
2nd and 4th THURSDAY
OF THE MONTH
STREET CLEANING





Now that the worst of the rains appear to be over for the season, our contractor crews are back at work smoothing out some 70 blocks around the City with a method called micro-processing.

The micro-surfacing process involves applying a mixture of oil and crushed rock atop the asphalt roadway. Micro-surfacing prolongs the life of roadways in our neighborhoods by protecting the surface from the effects of natural aging, inclement weather and the sun.

Micro-surfacing is applied in dry, moderate- to warm-weather conditions. The process includes the

use of a large steam-roller truck that pours the micro-surfacing material onto the street. Workers then use a long, squeegee-like tool to spread the material evenly across the street.

Micro-processing is just one technique we use to maintain our streets. Last year we resurfaced 723 blocks citywide; our goal was 600 blocks! So far this fiscal year, 462 blocks have been resurfaced.

San Francisco recently received the International Slurry Surfacing Association's 2016 Excellence in Pavement Preservation – North America award. To learn more about these projects, visit our [website](#).

these

shoes

are made for



walking





Public Works team staffs Walk to Work hub at Mechanics Monument Plaza.

Despite the rain, San Franciscans took to the streets (and sidewalks) and celebrated Walk to Work Day.

Thousands of people made sure they walked for at least 15 minutes of their regular commute on April 6.

[Walk SF](#) sponsors the annual event to promote awareness and recruit new members to the cause of making San Francisco a more livable, walkable city by reclaiming streets as safe, shared public space for everyone to enjoy.

Public Works helped out by staffing a Walk2Work hub at [Mechanics Monument Plaza](#), our recently restored public gathering space in the Financial District. Walkers checked in and picked up stickers, tote bags, safety lights and donated Peet's Coffee.

More than 1,100 people checked in at 11 hubs around the City. Pedestrian traffic along Market Street increased by 5 percent on April 6, when compared with all Thursdays in 2017 that also had rain.

In addition, more than 148 Public Works employees logged in that they walked to work – so many that for the second year in a row we were honored with the Golden Millipede award for the company or organization with the most employees participating in Walk to Work Day.

Making the streets and sidewalks clean and safe for everyone is a core mission of Public Works. As people walked to work, they likely experienced the results of our sidewalk repair and curb ramp programs and our numerous streetscape projects. We strive to make walking safer and more enjoyable every day in San Francisco!



Volunteers pull weeds and pick up litter at UN Plaza.





Protecting the Earth, One Volunteer at a Time





Lisa and Liam help spread wood chips at Pioneer Monument near City Hall.





The air was crisp and the breeze was light when more than 200 volunteers came out to give back to their community at this month's Earth Day-inspired Community Clean Team volunteer work day.

The April 22 event kicked off at Boeddeker Park with a pumped up crowd ready to clean and green the South of Market, Tenderloin and Mission Bay neighborhoods. You could feel the positive energy radiating as friends, families and co-workers broke off into teams to do their work.

Working side by side with our crews, volunteers celebrated Earth Day by planting trees along McCoppin and Market streets, sprucing up Pioneer

Monument and UN Plaza and tackling graffiti and litter along the neighborhoods' commercial corridors. When the work was done, participants shared in a communal meal to celebrate a job well done.

Although Earth Day is a once-a-year celebration, Public Works believes that taking care of our planet is an integral part of daily life.

Every day of the year, you can find our crews giving back to the Earth by planting trees, cleaning up garbage and advocating for a healthier, more sustainable environment. We invite you to join us in the tradition of treating every day like it's Earth Day.

Each month Community

Clean Team visits a different supervisorial district where volunteers join together to spruce up their neighborhoods.

Since the program's inception in 2000, we have added more than 33,900 plants to public spaces and painted over more than 3.6 million square feet of graffiti – making it Public Works' largest and longest-running volunteer program.

Join us on May 13 as we visit District 8 to clean and green the Castro, Noe Valley and Glen Park neighborhoods. As always, registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the speaking program begins at 9 a.m. For more information about Community Clean Team click [here](#) or view the season's [calendar](#) for future dates.



Spring Spru

Dolores Heights Neighbors





ce Up Get to Work

The Dolores Heights stairway – a delightful patch of landscaped open space near Cumberland and Noe streets – got a much-needed spring spruce up by a group of dedicated volunteers.

They came out in force, 16 volunteers in all, and put in a collective 38 hours weeding, pruning and removing litter. The Dolores Heights Improvement Club and the 20th Street Neighborhood Watch group organized the April 1 neighborhood stewardship effort.

Public Works and the San Francisco Parks Alliance pitched in. It takes teamwork to keep San Francisco clean and green; thank you volunteers for all you do!

Volunteers prune and weed Dolores Heights stairway.

Meet **Darby Auerbach-Morris**



Dolores Heights Improvement Club's Darby Auerbach-Morris helps care for this neighborhood.





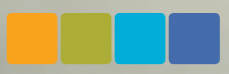


SAFETY FIRST

SAFETY FIRST.
SAFETY ALWAYS.

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GIANT SWEEP



Meet Adam Maroney



Public Works street cleaning crew member Adam Maroney helps care for this neighborhood.

A high-angle photograph of a person, identified as Dustin Gonzales, sweeping a street. The person is wearing a black baseball cap with a gold 'SF' logo, a bright yellow and orange safety vest over a black t-shirt, and white work gloves. They are holding a broom with a wooden handle and a red bristle head. The broom has 'MORRIS' written on it. The person is standing on a paved street with a metal grate. In the background, other people are visible, some wearing dark clothing. The overall scene is outdoors and appears to be during a large event.

The Inside Dope on 4/20 Event

An estimated 15,000 revelers packed into Haight Hill on the eastern end of Golden Gate Park for the “4/20” pro-marijuana festival, marked annually on April 20. ►

Dustin Gonzales tidies up Haight Street during the 4/20 happening.









Chris Banks directs Public Works street cleaning crews at 4/20 event.

Our street cleaner
keeps on truckin' in
the Haight on 4/20.





► While the event is not officially sanctioned, Board of Supervisors President London Breed and City agencies, including Public Works, worked hard to keep the crowds safe and minimize problems in the park and surrounding neighborhoods. The Recreation and Park Department and the Police Department handled the bulk of the work. The Fire


Department, the Municipal Transportation Agency and the Department of Public Health also were involved.

And for the first time, a group of Haight Street merchants stepped up to provide additional safety measures, including security, medical personnel and portable bathrooms. Rules, including no open fires, no glass bottles, no

drug sales and adults-only, also were enforced.

Public Works supplied barricades to help with traffic control in the Haight. We also had about a dozen street cleaners on the ground, picking up litter, steam cleaning the sidewalks and flushing down the streets for a deep cleaning once the crowds subsided. ■



The background image shows two women in high-visibility yellow safety jackets. The woman on the left is smiling broadly and looking towards the camera. The woman on the right is also smiling and looking slightly to the side. They are standing in front of a brick wall. In the background, there is a glass door or window with some signs, including one that says 'M2AL'. There are some plants and a red bow on the door.

The Outreach and Enforcement (OnE Team) ready to get to work for the Mission Giant Sweep.

We're on a Mission

Our [Giant Sweep](#) neighborhood improvement campaign put the spotlight on the Mission District, where a multi-agency team spent April building partnerships with business and property owners and working with them to correct code violations, including grimy sidewalks and tripping hazards.

The team also removed graffiti and illegal postings from public furniture, flushed the streets, steam-cleaned public garbage cans, picked up illegal dumping, such as cardboard boxes and bags of household trash, checked on the condition of street trees and made sure that properties had proper garbage service.

The Mission Giant Sweep campaign focused on the heart of the neighborhood's commercial corridor – Mission and Valencia streets between 15th and 20th streets and on 16th Street between Mission and Guerrero Streets. Before the Mission, the Giant Sweep campaign was in Chinatown and the Excelsior.

Our Mission Giant Sweep platoon consisted of staff from the [Department of Public Health, Recology](#), the Public Works Outreach and Enforcement (OnE) Team and our bureaus of Street-use and Mapping, Urban Forestry and Street and Environmental Services, which includes our street cleaners,

public and private graffiti units and special projects. And to assure that we were able to communicate with everyone, we had bilingual staff on hand speaking Spanish, Chinese and Tagalog.

Our efforts were noticed by Mission residents, who thanked the crews for removing litter and graffiti.

Overall, the team reached out to 151 merchants and residents and sent 43 letters to property owners notifying them of code violations.

The Giant Sweep team will return to the same locations in May for the first round of re-inspections.



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