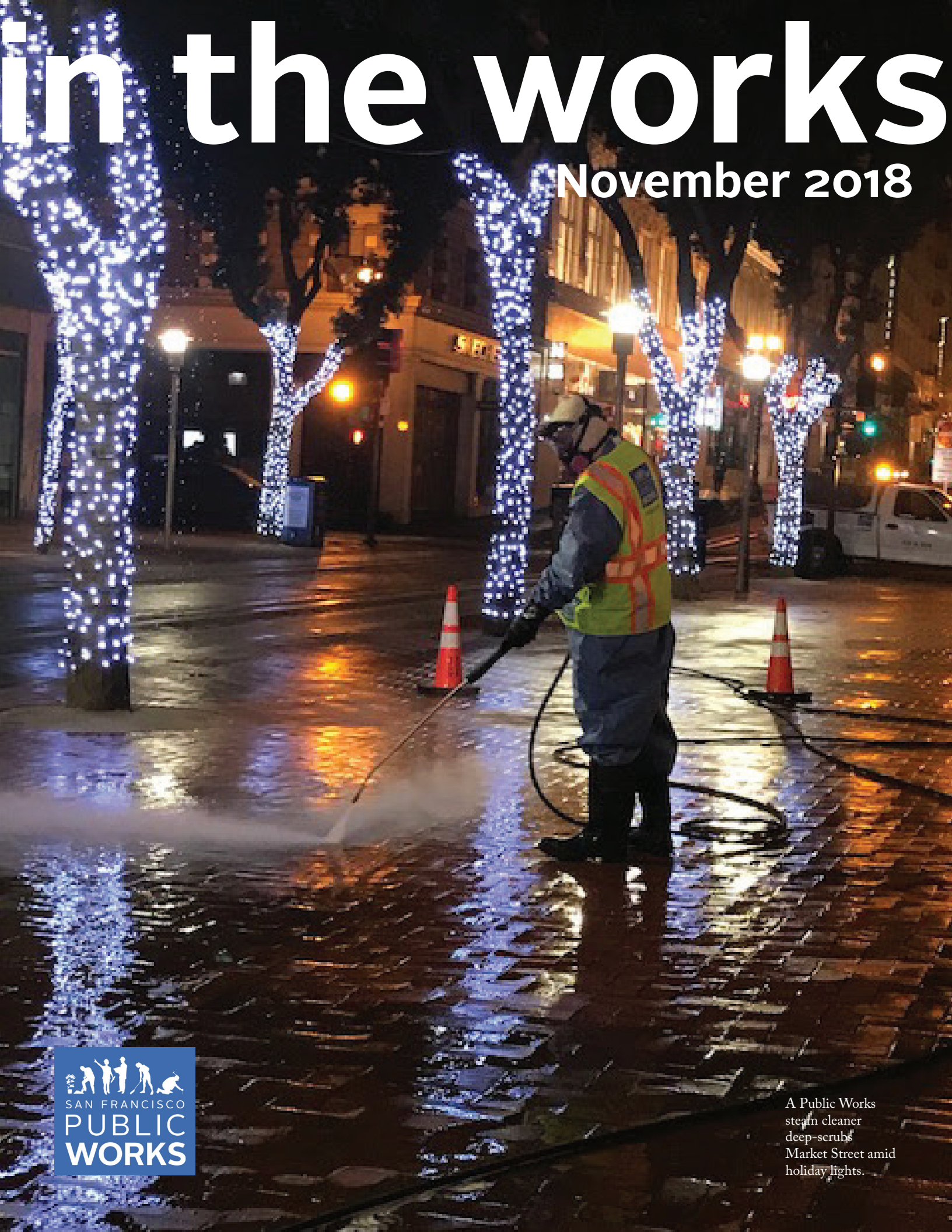


# in the works

November 2018



A Public Works steam cleaner deep-scrubs Market Street amid holiday lights.



# EVENTS



12/4

**City Hall Pop-Up Holiday Shop**  
Holiday shopping bazaar features more than 50 local makers and artisans.

11 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
North Light Court, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.



12/6

**Holiday Tree Lighting at McLaren Lodge**  
The 89th-annual tree lighting event in Golden Gate Park features toboggan rides, carnival rides, cookie decorating, visits with Santa and a holiday light show at the Conservatory of Flowers.

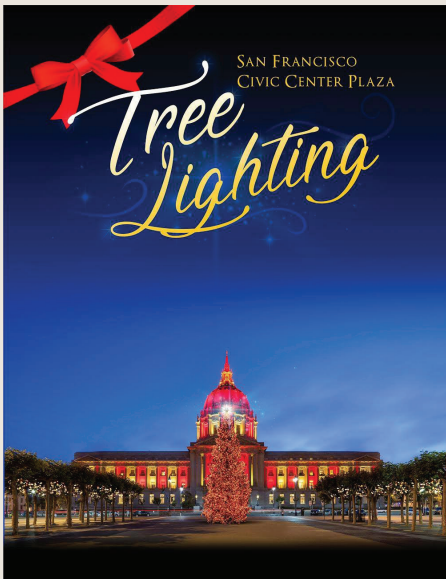
4-8 p.m.  
McLaren Lodge  
501 Stanyan St. (at Fell St.)



12/9

**Mayor's Holiday Fair**  
Attractions in the outdoor plaza will be complemented with activities inside City Hall, including photos with Santa Claus, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa festivities, and a view of the City Hall Tree inside the Rotunda.

10am - 4pm  
Civic Center Plaza and City Hall



12/5

**Civic Center Plaza Tree Lighting**  
Festivities include Another Planet and SFPD's annual toy giveaway, free activities and music and dance performances.

5-7 p.m.  
Civic Center Plaza  
Grove and Larkin streets



12/8

**A Gathering of Lights Parol Lantern Festival & Parade**  
Features parol lantern-making workshops

Ongoing through 12/31

**Winter Walk SF**  
This holiday pop-up features mobile food and beverage vendors, family-friendly activities, entertainment and more.

For hours, go to [www.winterwalksf.com](http://www.winterwalksf.com)  
Stockton Street  
(between Geary and Ellis streets)





# SOCIAL MEDIA

**Dogpatch Block Party**  
@DogpatchStFest

Following

Yay! Thank you to all who joined us in making our **#DogpatchBlockParty** as a success!! 🙌👏👏👏❤️

**SF Public Works** @sfpublicworks  
Lots of ❤️ on this ☀️ day in #Dogpatch #SF as the City family teams up with the community to cut the ribbon on the 22nd Street Green Connection project. @MaliaCohen @CarmenChuSF @dennisherrera @DogpatchStFest ...



1:55 PM - 3 Nov 2018

**Lower Polk Neighbors**  
@LowerPolk

Following

Thank you Marcus for helping keep Polk Street clean! We appreciate all your hard work!

**SF Public Works** @sfpublicworks  
Corridor Ambassador Marcus is keeping Polk Street clean - and he's still proudly wearing his Love Our City button! @londonbreed #Loveourcity



6:44 PM - 25 Nov 2018

**Josh Brown**  
@jbrownsc

Follow

We're thankful for @sfpublicworks adopt-a-street! Rewarding, mildly family friendly, and gets us out among the wonderful people!



10:45 AM - 22 Nov 2018

**Katy Tang**  
@SupervisorTang

Following

Continued efforts this morning to beautify Sunset Blvd - THANK YOU amazing neighbors and @sfpublicworks !! More wildflowers planted near Noriega. Tree planting happening 11/17 - come join us!




11:54 AM - 3 Nov 2018

**Warm Planet Bikes**  
@WPBikes

Follow

Freshly sanitized for your convenience! Come on down for a test ride! Thank you @sfpublicworks



5:01 PM - 29 Nov 2018 from Warm Planet Bikes

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# HEALTHY *Holiday* HABITS

THE TIME FOR SPLURGING AND SHARING IS HERE. HERE ARE A FEW TIPS TO KEEP US FROM OVERDOING IT.

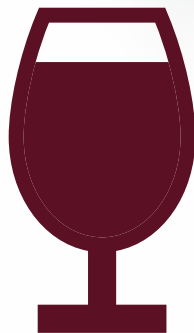
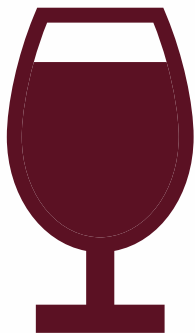
## FIND A HOBBY *(other than sampling all the goodies)*



perceived hunger may stem from boredom – doing something else can help distract & entertain the mind.

## DRINK RESPONSIBLY

while using squatter vessels, you're more likely to pour



## STAND



*more than an arm's length away*

from munchies so you're not tempted to raise your hand to your mouth every few seconds.



### WORD OF THE MONTH

**BORBORYGMI** *noun* [BAWR-BUH-RIG-MAHY]

a rumbling or gurgling sound caused by the movement of gas in the intestines. also known as a hungry stomach.

example: Joe's borborygmi distracted him from his work since he skipped 3 meals in preparation for the buffet at tonight's holiday party.

*one tends to* **EAT**



when eating with



because the meal can last longer, you're more likely to have seconds.

*(so be the last to start & the second to stop eating)*

## DON'T OVERSPEND

*set a budget*

An average American is expected to spend



# \$1,189

on holiday gifts for others & themselves.

*(That's 6% more than last year!)*

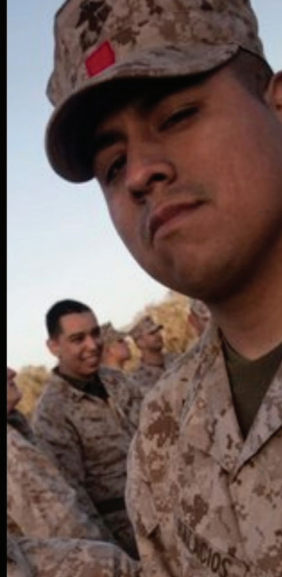








# Our Vets: Duty, Service





# Service, Pride



Showing civic pride is something that's naturally instilled in San Francisco Public Works employees; for a select few, there's the added pride of serving their country.

In honor of Veterans Day, we checked in with some of our military vets to see how their years of service – whether in the Marines, Navy, Army or Air Force – helped shape who they are today and their current roles serving San Francisco.

The jobs they do at Public Works are diverse – carpenter, financial analyst, construction inspector, cleanup crew supervisor, resident engineer, to name a few – but their sentiments are strikingly similar when it comes to key priorities cemented in the past that guide them in the present: discipline, respect, camaraderie, good leadership, teamwork and pride.

Building Design & Construction financial analyst Jamin Barnes summed up the group's outlook, stating, "You're serving your country or your community and you're trying to give back to make the world and your community a better place."

Hear them in their own words in a special Veterans Day episode of Public Works TV.





# PUBLIC WORKS



**SIGN UP** 

## EPISODE 0043

**New project will speed ambulance response times**  
Tune in to learn about the City's new ambulance deployment facility, which will speed up emergency response times. Construction broke ground late in November and is scheduled to be complete in the winter of 2020.



**EPISODE 0042**

***In the gutter with our sweepers***

Take a ride along with our street sweepers as they go about their day to keep San Francisco clean.



**EPISODE 0041**

***Our Vets: In Their Own Words***

In honor of Veterans Day, we're getting to know 11 Public Works employees who previously served for our country.



**EPISODE 0040**

***Are you ready for the BIG ONE?***

At the end of the day, our No. 1 job is to keep the City working and safe. Come along with us to learn more about the role Public Works plays in emergency situations.





An architectural rendering of a modern ambulance deployment facility. The scene is set at sunset, with a sky of soft pinks, oranges, and blues. In the foreground, a multi-level parking structure is shown. The lower level has a red SUV parked. A tall, silver light pole stands to the right. A red van is partially visible in the bottom right corner. A fence with green climbing plants runs across the middle ground. In the background, a city skyline is visible under the sunset sky. The text "CONSTRUCTION STARTS ON VOTE" is overlaid in large white letters across the center of the image.

# CONSTRUCTION STARTS ON VOTE

Architectural rendering of the new  
Ambulance Deployment Facility.





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# R-BACKED AMBULANCE FACILITY

City officials and community leaders joined together on Nov. 28 for a ceremonial groundbreaking to mark the start of construction on the new, seismically-safe Ambulance Deployment Facility that will improve emergency response times and serve as the headquarters for the San Francisco Fire Department's emergency medical services. ▶

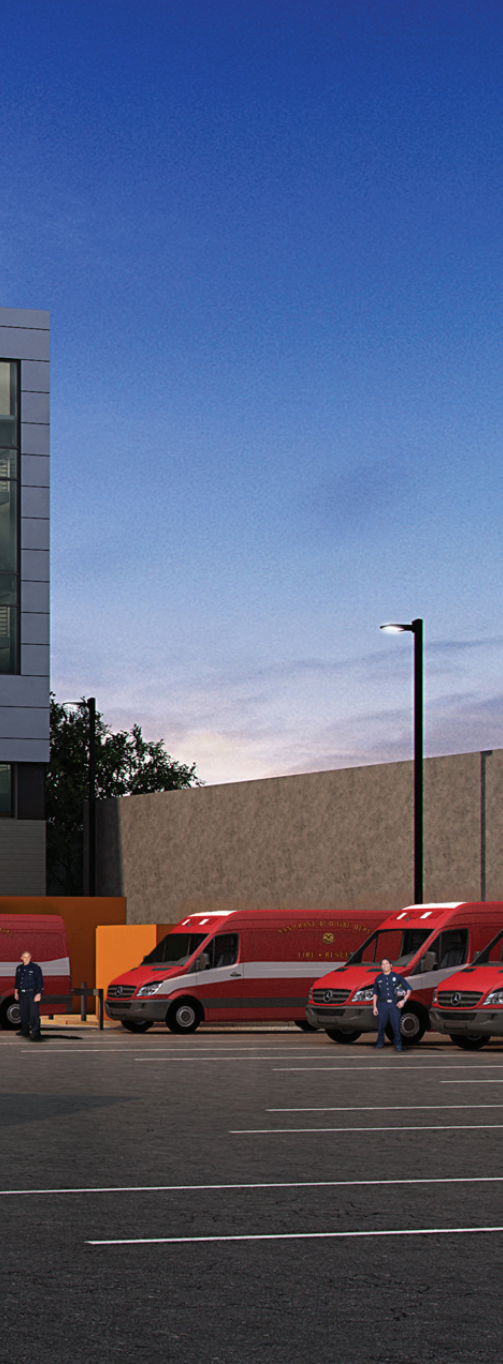


Architectural rendering of the new gas station  
at the Ambulance Deployment Facility.



**“With this new capital investment from the City  
to better serve residents when they need us**





- ▶ The nearly 59,000-square-foot facility will be located at 2241 Jerrold Ave. in the City's Bayview neighborhood and will replace the existing emergency medical services facility, located nearby in a cramped warehouse that does not meet today's earthquake-safety standards.

The modern facility and surrounding site will be equipped with ample parking for the City's ambulance fleet and storage for ambulance supplies and vehicle restocking, as well as emergency medical services offices, conference and training rooms, locker rooms and communal space. It also will have on-site fueling, an emergency generator, solar panels and entry gates featuring art panels by artist Michael Bartalos. The project is scheduled to be completed in two years.

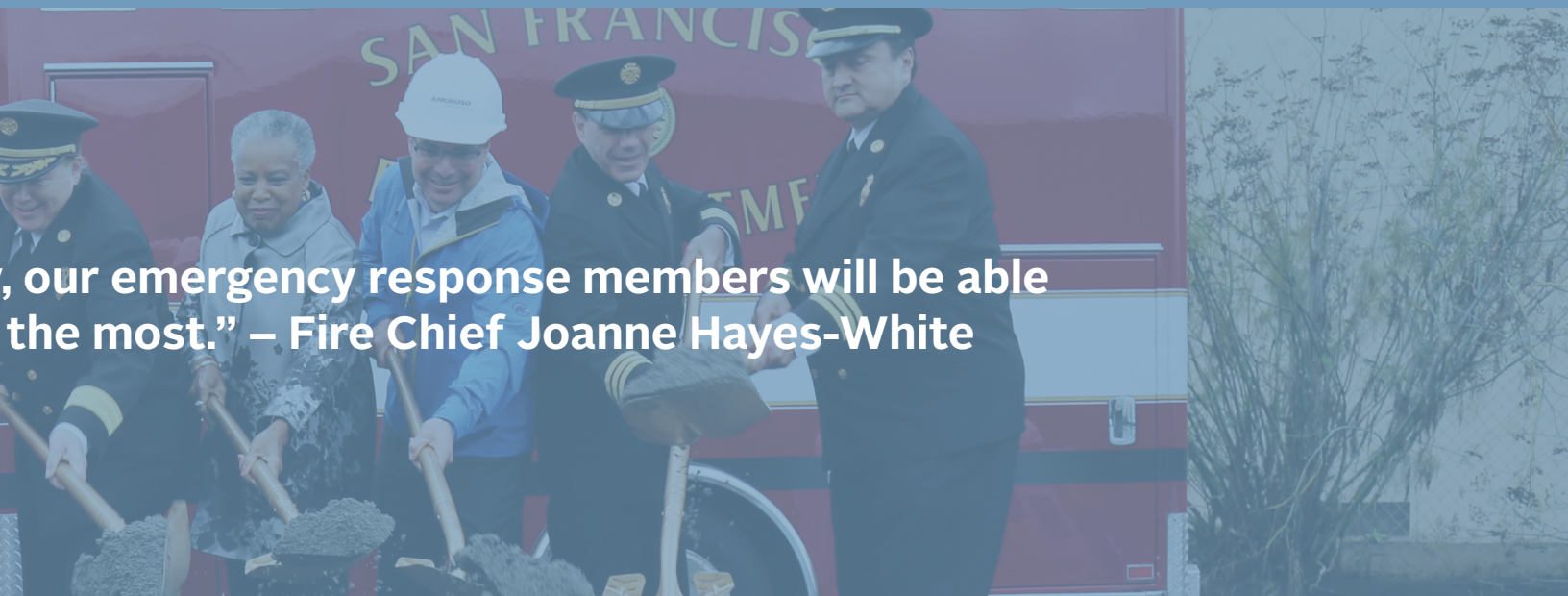
Joining Mayor London Breed and Public Works staff at the ceremony were Board of

Supervisors President Malia Cohen, Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White and her team, and fire commissioners.

"It is the responsibility of the Fire Department to respond during times of crisis and emergency," said Hayes-White. "With this new capital investment from the City, our emergency response members will be able to better serve residents when they need us the most."

The general contractor for the project is S.J. Amoroso Construction and the architects are MEI Architects and YamaMar Design.

The capital costs for the Ambulance Deployment Facility replacement project are funded by the 2016 Public Health and Safety Bond, which allocates \$350 million toward capital improvements for City facilities. The bond was approved with nearly 80 percent voter support. ■



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**Rainy**

**Season**

**Begins!**





Sandbag giveaway at the Operations Yard.

The season's first showers kept our crews busy removing downed trees, keeping catch basins, filling potholes and handing out sandbags.

The City maintains all of San Francisco's 25,000-plus storm drains, which also are known as catch basins. When they clog with debris and leaves, catch basins can build up with rainwater runoff and flood nearby streets, sidewalks and properties. Residents can help keep storm drains clear and receive free cleaning tools and training by

joining the City's [Adopt-A-Drain](#) program.

Our community partners also can pitch in by grabbing a broom and sweeping up leaves on the sidewalk, curbside gutters and catch basins and placing them in a compost bin to help minimize the risk of localized flooding. In addition, Public Works is again this year providing San Franciscans with up to 10 free sandbags. The giveaway is intended for residents whose properties are prone to flooding.

Sandbags can be picked up Monday-Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Public Works Operations Yard, Marin Street/ Kansas Street gate. To retrieve sandbags, proof of a San Francisco address is required.

Residents and business owners also can help out by contacting [SF311](#) to report clogged storm drains, flooding, downed trees and hanging tree limbs so our crews can respond.





# Making the **Green** Connection

A stretch of street in San Francisco's historic Dogpatch neighborhood sprung to life anew with completion of the transformative 22nd Street Green Connection project. ▶







Drought tolerant plantings and cut-stone benches are among the beautiful elements of the streetscape project.



A cyclist enjoys the  
new 22nd Street  
Green Connection.



The 22nd Street Green Connection provides a verdant and inviting  
with a planned future connection to



► To mark the milestone, neighbors, many joined by their canine companions, came out to celebrate on Nov. 3. The festivities coincided with the annual family-friendly Dogpatch Block Party. District 10 Supervisor Malia Cohen, Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu and City Attorney Dennis Herrera, who lives in the neighborhood, and City staff took part in the celebration.

The 22nd Street Green Connection provides a verdant and inviting connection from Illinois Street – home to the Blue Greenway, Bay Trail and future housing and parks – to the 22nd Street Caltrain station, with a planned future connection to the Potrero Hill Recreation Center.

San Francisco Public Works, in partnership with the San Francisco Planning Department and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency, worked with the Dogpatch Neighborhood Association and members of the community

for input on their shared goal to improve all modes of transportation and beautify the corridor that runs along 22nd Street, from Pennsylvania Street to Illinois Street.

Public Works worked closely with the Dogpatch community to create an even more welcoming and lively corridor. The project served as a great example of refreshing a neighborhood through greening and thoughtful design.

The project broke ground in January 2018 and introduced numerous improvements and upgrades, including decorative high-visibility crosswalks at six intersections, new street trees, hundreds of low maintenance drought tolerant plantings, new pedestrian lighting fixtures, benches, bike racks, painted bike route markings, known as sharrows, and new trash receptacles.

The \$3.6 million neighborhood improvement project was funded by development impact fees, as

well as the Public Works Paving Program.

“Improvements to Dogpatch’s 22nd Street are a textbook collaboration: Neighbors and local designers conceived the project. Public Works adopted the project and built it as part of the City’s Green Connections program. The Eastern Neighborhood Citizens Advisory Committee allocated development impact fees from Eastern Waterfront projects to help fund the renovations,” said Bruce Kin Huie, president of the Dogpatch Neighborhood Association.

Huie noted that the commitment to cleaning and greening the neighborhood will continue, thanks to the support of local neighbors and merchants, and the ongoing efforts of the Dogpatch and Northwest Potrero Hill Green Benefit District, the first of organization of its kind in the nation.

If you get a chance, check it out. ■

**connection from Illinois Street to the 22nd Street Caltrain station, the Potrero Hill Recreation Center.**







# TLC

# for

# Castro

# Palms

The iconic date palm trees lining the Market Street median between Castro and Valencia streets got a major spruce up this past month, as our [StreetTreeSF](#) crews worked overnight pruning them.

The project wasn't easy. To accommodate Muni service, workers only were able to access Market Street safely between the hours of 1:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m.

Over 10 nights, 10 employees gave the palms some much-needed care; it had more than five years since their last pruning.



# 'Tis the

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Corridor ambassadors Charles Allen (left) and Anchino Brewer (right) keep the downtown-corridor clean.



# season!



Public Works' cleaning crews are on the job 24/7, but extra attention is paid to the busy commercial districts, both downtown and in the neighborhoods, during the bustle of the holiday season. ▶





Anchino Brewer sweeps up leaves along the Market Street curb.

At the end of the day, our goal is this: to keep San Francisco safe and look





- ▶ We have our corridor ambassadors out sweeping sidewalks and we coordinate cleaning efforts with crews funded by the nonprofit Community Business District and Business Improvement District organizations.

And our mechanical sweepers and flushers are on Market Street and in the Union Square area day and night to keep the streets looking well-scrubbed. Recology, the refuse-collection company in San Francisco, empties curbside garbage cans downtown more frequently during the holidays to better serve the throngs of people visiting the area. In addition, a community partner, Community Youth Center, has staff out steam cleaning the Market Street garbage cans twice a week.

Our crews also have a focused cleaning operation around the Market Street BART Stations and we already completed a deep steam cleaning of Hallidie Plaza and the area around the cable car turn-around at the start of the post-Thanksgiving holiday rush.

In addition, bolstered street cleaning also is happening around Glide Church in the Tenderloin, which serves free meals to thousands of people daily.

At the end of the day, our goal is this: to keep San Francisco safe and looking good so our residents and visitors can enjoy a festive holiday season. ■

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Public Works staff help spread the joy by delivering free turkeys to San Francisco residents.



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Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White, Mayor London Breed and District 5 Supervisor Vallie Brown hand out holiday turkeys.

# KS GIVING

This Thanksgiving season, Public Works helped distribute more than 4,000 frozen turkeys across San Francisco to those who may not have been able to afford one or have had access to a warm holiday meal. ▶



Leather Webb and Twila Thompson take part in the Mayor's Turkey Giveaway.



**“It doesn’t matter how much you make, where you live  
warm meal before they go to bed.” - Leath**





► The Mayor's Turkey Giveaway is an annual tradition now in its 12th year. Joining Mayor London Breed in the initiative were Public Works, the San Francisco Police Department, the San Francisco Housing Authority, the A. Philip Randolph Institute, community partners and numerous grocery vendors.

"It gives me and the entire Public Works family great pleasure to see firsthand the overwhelming joy and appreciation this tradition brings to so many San Franciscans," said Public Works Director Mohammed Nuru.

The first of several well-organized turkey giveaways, which took place the Monday before Thanksgiving, brought cheer, smiles and tears of happiness to residents at the Hayes Valley South public housing complex located on Rose Street.

Among the beneficiaries were Leather Webb and Twila Thompson, who have been next-door neighbors and close friends for the past 20 years.

Webb, who oversees the Hayes Valley South food pantry that distributes food to residents every Tuesday, expressed her gratitude for the annual giveaway that takes

an extra burden off her shoulders during the holidays. "Food is for everybody," she said. "It doesn't matter how much you make, where you live or what color your skin is. Everyone deserves to have a warm meal before they go to bed."

Webb spent Thanksgiving at her brother-in-law's house with her husband, who is a community pastor, her eight children and many grandchildren.

Thompson, who is well-known in her community for her generosity and free spirit, prepared a Thanksgiving meal for her boyfriend of many years, her daughter and neighbors and friends who live close by.

As the holiday season continues, let us remember to reach out to those who may be in need. Whether helping neighbors, friends or families, there are a lot of opportunities. If you don't know where to volunteer, a good place to start looking is [volunteermatch.org](https://www.volunteermatch.org). ■



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ner Webb, Hayes Valley South food pantry



Public Works crews delivered a towering Christmas tree to City Hall where it brings holiday cheer and serves as a festive background for wedding photos.

