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Fresno City Councilmember **District 1**

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District 1

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Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm

We can provide information about parks and recreation, starting a business, home upgrades and repairs, neighborhood watch, and a wide range of city services available to you. If you would like to host a neighborhood meeting with Councilmember Soria, please contact our office.

Future newsletters will be available online and will be available to mail upon request. Please email us at District1@fresno.gov to be added to the list.

Dear Resident,

We have now been in office for six months, and we continue to work hard everyday on behalf of District 1 residents. Our team has worked countless hours to reach out to the community and to craft good local policy to improve our neighborhoods and the City of Fresno as a whole. It is both a duty and an honor for me to report what we have accomplished so far this year. We are excited to highlight that:

- Our Council approved a \$1.2 Billion budget for FY2015-2016. This budget restores many necessary city services, builds a reserve and invests in older neighborhoods and public safety.
- We have served over 500 constituents on neighborhood issues (illegal dumping, graffiti, blight, etc.). We have also held three community meetings and three coffees with many more to come!
- We passed an ordinance to establish a Youth Commission and allocated funding to run it for next two years. Young people from throughout our city will have the opportunity to be appointed to the commission to advocate for youth issues and develop leadership skills.
- Hosted a Drought Response Community Workshop with the California Energy Commission in June; over 100 people attended to discuss ways the state can help the Central Valley through the ongoing drought.
- Our office hosted the San Joaquin Valley Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project at City Hall.

Again, thank you for giving us the opportunity to represent you, it is such an honor and privilege. Don't forget to check out the Upcoming Events in District 1!

Best,

At Work for District 1



Tower District LGBT Pride Parade with Fresno Firefighters in June.



M Street Art Complex opening with Fresno Arts Council and Fresno State.



Memorial Day remembrance ceremony with VFW Post 8900 in District 1.



The third Community Meeting focusing on public safety and city services, held in May.



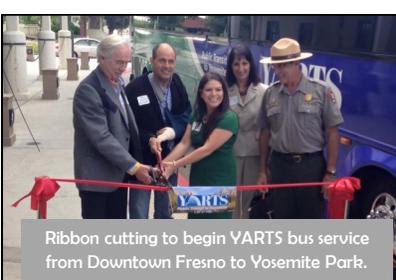
Earth Day tree planting project with students at Homan Elementary School.



Sponsored a proclamation for Alzheimer's Awareness month in June.



Groundbreaking for Vallarta grocery store in District 1, coming early 2016.



Ribbon cutting to begin VARTS bus service from Downtown Fresno to Yosemite Park.



Touring the Universally Accessible Park on Polk & Gettysburg Aves., will open Fall 2015.

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FresGO Mobile App

The City of Fresno launched a new mobile application for residents to download free on your smartphones and tablets: FresGO!

You can report a city issue and keep track of its progress, such as: out streetlights, broken sidewalks, pot-holes, water issues, traffic issues and soon graffiti and code enforcement issues.

Download FresGO on your smartphone or tablet today!



Coffee & Conversation with residents at Yosemite Falls Café in June.



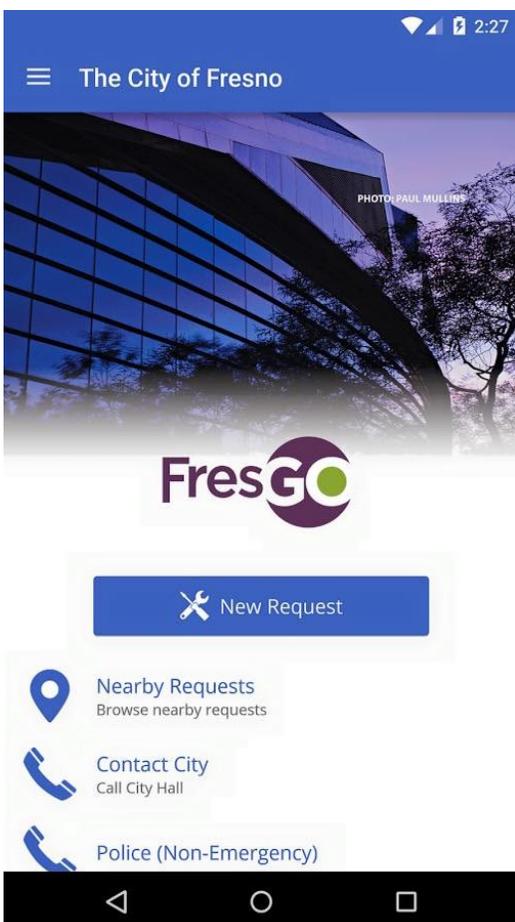
Ribbon cutting for the new Ampersand Ice Cream Shop across from Fresno High.



Opening of the new Highway City Community Science Center.



Speaking to youth about government and civics at Fresno City Hall.



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What's Happening in District 1

City Council Meetings

Date: July 16th; July 30th; August 20th (1:30p.m.); August 27th

Location: City Hall 2nd Floor--2600 Fresno St, Fresno 93721

Time: 8:30a.m.

District 1 Coffee Hour

Date: Wednesday, July 22nd, 2015

Location: Café Corazón--1306 N. Wishon Ave, Fresno 93728

Time: 7:30-9:00a.m.

Free Family Swim Nights

Date: All Summer, Monday—Friday

Location: Quigley Park Pool—808 W. Dakota Ave, Fresno 93705

Time: 5:30-8:00p.m.

Quigley Pool will be open all summer free of charge for potty trained children over age 3, accompanied by an adult age 18 and over. Space is limited and all pool rules are enforced.

Movies in the Park

Quigley Park: Tuesday, July 28th from 7:00-10:00p.m.

(808 W. Dakota Ave, Fresno 93705)

Lions Park: Thursday, July 30th from 7:00-10:00p.m.

(4650 N. Marks Ave, Fresno 93705)

Join us for a movie in the park, we will be watching Disney's "Planes: Fire & Rescue". Bring your lawn chairs and blankets, we will bring the snacks and refreshments! Movie will begin when the sun goes down.

National Night Out

Date: Tuesday, August 4th, 2015

Location: Quigley Park—808 W. Dakota Ave, Fresno 93705

Time: 5:00-8:00p.m.

Come out and enjoy free food and refreshments, car show, games, prizes, and fun activities! All children and families are encouraged to attend.

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