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OAKLAND

A Newsletter for Older
Oakland Residents

Budget Time

The Mayor has released his draft of the 2024 operating and capital budgets for the city, and now is your chance to comment on what they include – and what they're missing.

The operating budget funds people and programs, expenditures that cover most day-to-day activities of city government. The capital budget funds investments in durable city assets.

Back in June, we highlighted the community service hubs program included in the Oakland Plan, which the Department of Public Works was including in its capital budget request. Community service hubs will offer space and resources for programs and services that our neighborhoods need. Many Oakland residents wrote letters to City Council in support (thank you!) - but the hubs were not included in the Mayor's draft.

Tell the city what you think! Call 311 to record your opinion, or come talk with the budget team in person: Tuesday, October 24 at 6:00 pm at the Firefighters Local in Hazelwood, 120 Flowers Avenue.

Bring Your Own Bag

Pittsburgh's single use plastic bag ban goes into effect October 14. Retail businesses will begin charging customers 10 cents for each paper bag. Remember your shopping bags!

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TOGETHER

Thank you to our Garbage Olympians!

Oakland neighbors, Pitt students and staff came out in force for the 7th annual Garbage Olympics on September 23, and once again the Central Oakland team swept honors for the most volunteers. Together with the West Oakland team, they collected more than 138 bags of trash. Way to go!



ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7

Voter Registration Deadline is Oct. 23

Mail-in Ballot Request Deadline Oct. 31

Homes for Sale

Oakland is a great place to live. Help us spread the word! The Oakland Community Land Trust creates affordable homeownership opportunities for working families, and we have homes for sale in South Oakland, Oakcliffe, and West Oakland.

Visit our website at <https://www.opdc.org/> or call Camille Dixon at 412-621-7863 x216 for more information.



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Events

Let's Play: Join us for Potluck Bingo

Wed, Oct 18, 5:30—7:30 p.m. 2520 Wadsworth Street.

October's Let's Talk event is in person, a chance to meet up with neighbors and to let us know what's on your mind. Please note there will be no hybrid/online meeting this month. Join us for an evening of fun and community. First bingo board is free!

Lunch and Learn: Indoor Air Quality

Wed, Oct 25, 12:00—2:00 p.m. Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh – Squirrel Hill Branch.

As the weather turns chilly, many of us are spending more time indoors. Join Group Against Smog and Pollution to learn about common sources of indoor air pollution, and steps you can take to make your home's air safer to breathe.