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To:

Members of the City Council Councilmember Sheng Thao

From: Re:

Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley presentation on the Alameda County Illegal

**Dumping Pilot Project** 

#### Dear Colleagues,

As you know, illegal dumping negatively impacts our residents, visitors, and businesses, in the City of Oakland. It will take every level of government to solve this crisis and keep our streets clean and safe. I am pleased that Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley has offered to present the Alameda County Illegal Dumping Pilot Project to the Public Works Committee, it is my hope this could be an opportunity to expand our partnership with the County to combat this shared problem.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Sheng Thao

District 4





"Illegal dumping knows no bounds.
It is a plague on our communities,
and we all have a role to play."

~Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley

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# **Overview of Pilot:**

Identify Dumping Hot Spots

Partner with City and Community to Identify Hot Spots:

- Railroad Avenue
- G Street

Implement Effective Strategies

#### **Engage Stakeholders**

- Businesses
- Community Groups

#### Implement 3 E's:

- Education
- Eradication
- Enforcement

Monitor, Evaluate & Report

#### Measure Our Results:

- Identify and track metrics for success
- Robust evaluation of Pilot's effectiveness
- Disseminate results

# **Pilot Locations:**

# Railroad Avenue:

Between 85<sup>th</sup> & 98<sup>th</sup> Ave.



# **G Street:**

Between 85<sup>th</sup> & 92<sup>nd</sup> Ave.



# **Cross-Sector Partnerships:**

#### **Elected Officials:**

- Alameda County Supervisor Nate Miley
- Alameda County Sheriff Greg Ahern
- District Attorney Nancy O'Malley
- Oakland Mayor Libby Schaaf
- Oakland City Council Member Larry Reid

#### **Public Sector:**

- Alameda County Sheriff's Office
- Alameda County District Attorney
- Alameda County Dept. of Public Health
- Oakland Public Works Department
- Mattress Recycling Council

#### **Private Sector:**

- Oakland Industrial Association
- ♦ AB&I Foundry
- Argent Materials
- Aaron Metals
- Oakland Athletics

#### **Civic Sector:**

- Men of Valor
- The Beautification Council
- Urban Releaf
- Community Members and Stakeholders
- Volunteers

# Strategy: The 3 E's

#### **Education:**

 Conduct an educational campaign targeting the Residents, Businesses, Property Owners, and Landlords.

#### **Eradication:**

Engage a multi-sector partnership to quickly remove illegal dumping: Oakland Industrial Association, Oakland Public Works, Beautification Council, and Men of Valor.

#### **Enforcement:**

- Connect the District Attorney and Alameda County Sheriff's Office, to identify, catch, and prosecute illegal dumpers.
- Work with Environmental Officers to identify dumping cases and refer to City Attorney.



# **Tracking & Sharing the Results:**

### **Tracking the Results:**

- Community Input
  - Pre & Post Survey
  - Community Meetings
- Tracking Activities
  - Clean-up Events
  - Targeted Interventions
- Evaluation by the Alameda County Public Health Department

#### **Sharing the Conclusions:**

- Reporting
  - Monthly Reports
  - Final Report

#### Final Report Aims to:

- Identify Best Practices and Solutions that are:
  - Scalable
  - Replicable

## Our Results So Far:

#### **Education:**

- Letters Sent = 597
  - Residents and Property Owners (550)
  - Businesses (27)
  - Landlords (16)
- "Intensive" Engagement
  - Targeted outreach in problem areas
- Neighborhood Events
  - ◆ 1 Community Potluck
  - 3 Stakeholder Mtgs.

#### **Eradication:**

- 55 Tons of illegally dumped waste removed
- Property Owners (550) ◆ 2 Large-Scale Cleanings
  - Partnered with local businesses and residents
  - 6 Micro-Cleanings
    - Targeted cleanings to address specific problem areas
  - Twice-Weekly pickups with Men of Valor

#### **Enforcement:\***

- 386 Patrol Checks
- 466 Individual Contacts
- 125 Citations
- 89 Vehicles Towed
- 26 Arrests
  - 20 Misdemeanors
  - 6 Felonies
- 6 Dumpers Caught
  - ♦ 10n-View Dumping
  - 5 Caught on Camera

<sup>\*</sup> Enforcement Statistics are between April 22nd and July 16th.

# **Results: Before and After**



#### **Survey Results:**

- April '19: 100% of residents reported that "Illegal Dumping Happens Often."
- June '19: 75% of residents reported that "Illegal Dumping Happens Often."

#### **Quotes from the Neighborhood:**

- "Happy to see the change and hope it continues."
- "Lately the clean-up has been amazing! Great job! Looks really good."
- "Thank you very much for doing this program. Keep it up the good work."

# Next Step: 115+ Trees on Railroad

# Join us for this exciting opportunity to beautify East Oakland!

We've partnered with Urban Releaf to plant 115+ trees on Railroad Ave. Using Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) to prevent future dumping, foster community pride, and improve local air quality.

# **Tree Planting Phase 1**

- Saturday, October 26th
- 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Railroad Ave. (98th side)

# **Tree Planting Phase 2**

- Saturday, November 2nd
- 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
- Railroad Ave. (85th side)

# **Next Step: Potential Pilot Expansion**



# **Related Efforts**

The Illegal Dumping Pilot Project is one piece of a larger effort.

Regional Taskforce on Illegal Dumping

# Related: Regional Taskforce

The Regional Illegal Dumping Taskforce convenes monthly to increase the communication and collaboration between entities responsible for stopping illegal dumping.

#### **Sharing Best Practices:**

- Contra Costa County
- City of Oakland
- City of Los Angeles
- City of San Jose
- City of Vallejo
- California Highway Patrol
- Regional Franchise Haulers

#### Statewide Legislation:

- ▶ AB 1216 AC/CoCo Pilot
- ◆ SB 409 Penalties for Illegal Dumping
- ♦ AB 187 Mattresses

#### **Statewide Conference:**

- The Taskforce is looking to host a statewide conference on Illegal Dumping.
- Tentatively scheduled for Q1, 2020.

# **Related: Encampment Sanitation**

# LOCATE:

# **SERVICE:**

# **SUSTAIN:**

- Identify Encampments
  - Crowd-Sourced Data:
    - 311/SeeClickFix/Etc...
  - Supplemental Data:
    - Service Providers
    - Community Partners
- Realtime GIS Mapping
  - # of people
  - Garbage Services
  - Hygiene Services

- Garbage
  - Regular Pickup
  - Large Locked Bins
  - Smaller Receptacles
  - Sharps Containers
- Hygiene
  - Laundry
  - Showers
  - Restrooms
  - Fresh Water

- Long-Term Investment
  - Growing the Housing Supply Takes Time
- Cross-Jurisdictional Boundaries
- Sanctioned Encampment Model

# **THANK YOU!**