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## Rosemead Welcomes Sheriff Alex Villanueva

By Chris Ventura

Villanueva's campaign was a grass roots movement. A campaign with humble beginnings, little initial support, and was hounded by naysayers. During a luncheon in Rosemead, Sheriff Villanueva shared his personal story of perseverance to become LA County Sheriff and making history in the process.

On Thursday, January 17, the Rosemead Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Rosemead Keelung Sister City Association hosted Sheriff Alex Villanueva at a welcome luncheon which was held at the 888 Seafood Restaurant.

This past November, Sheriff Alex Villanueva successfully defeated former Sheriff Jim McDonnell in the 2018 election cycle. This was the first time an LA County Sheriff incumbent was ousted in over a century. Villanueva campaigned on the notion of major reform for the LA County Sheriff's Department. He's critical of former Sheriff Jim McDonnell. In an article leading up to the election, Villanueva stated in an LA Times article that he intends to "clean house" and argued that not enough reform had occurred since McDonnell had taken over in 2014. McDonnell was elected Sheriff following the 2014 resignation of former Sheriff Lee Baca.

"It's a very long journey that has brought me here," Villanueva said. "That journey took me to a lot of places. I was born in Chicago and raised in Upstate New York and then I lived on the island of Puerto Rico for 11 years.

"When I came back to the United States through the Air Force, I wound up here in California and I had that experience with me—and that experience in overcoming adversity, overcoming barriers of language and understanding how other people think coming from different cultures...It really helped me a lot when I became a deputy sheriff back in 1986," Villanueva said.

His first venture into local politics was in 1992 when he ran for public office in San Dimas. He took issue with local government's plan for land-use. Villanueva said that the city was planning on 'destroying the old San Dimas and paving it over for new development.' He

was seeking preservation of the city's historical landscape and decided to run against a three-term incumbent. Unfortunately he lost by 44 votes. He was a political unknown at the time, but he found solace in having scared the political establishment by having challenged an incumbent, and losing by only a small number of votes. He was only 29 at the time.

In 2015, Villanueva living in La Habra Heights at the time, decided to take on another local issue—fracking. An oil company in the city wanted to start fracking and one of those proposed sites was only 400 yards away from Villanueva's front door. Some of his friends and neighbors had already begun moving forward with a ballot measure to ban fracking in the city. He was persuaded by community members and his wife to run for city council.

"We should have a voice and that's the whole thing about the entire democratic process is to have a voice. So, we ran—again totally unknown. I lost by 19 votes. I was getting closer, but I still wasn't there yet," Villanueva said.

It was now 2017, and Villanueva was looking at retirement which was soon approaching.

"June of 2017, my wife and I are deciding, well we're going to retire in February 2018, which way should we do it? Should we go out in a bang and have our voice heard? Or do we go out in a whimper? So she said, 'Ah, let's do this.' So I said I'm going to run for Sheriff and what was the reaction of the political establishment? It was: 'Who are you?' No one knew me. I had very little voice," Villanueva said. "Even when I announced it, the [Los Angeles Times] reporter said there were more ducks in the park than there were supporters—which is a true statement. I think there were about six supporters and about 50 ducks."

Over the course of several months, he developed the message of his campaign: 'Reform. Rebuild. Restore.' The message was repeated over and over at campaign rallies where his message and goal was clear: 'Getting the department to work for the community, with the community, and become part of the community.'

"That was a huge difference from the status quo—the part where everybody doesn't trust law enforcement or it seems like something out of

our lives and really not a part of it," Villanueva said. "People understood that and all of a sudden people started communicating group to group. Big meetings to big meetings, and that little voice: 'Reform. Rebuild. Restore' kept getting bigger and bigger and bigger, but still—I didn't have the money. I didn't have the name and within the organization, the old political establishment literally said 'Who the hell are you?' 'Who do you think you are?' 'How dare you think that you can become Sheriff.' I said, okay, this is democracy. This is the United States of America. Let's find out."

Villanueva was not deterred. The press and members of the political establishment continued to doubt his ability to defeat the incumbent. He pushed forward, placing second in the primary, and come Election Day in November, he received 1.3 million votes—surpassing his now predecessor by 141,000 votes.

What does this political victory mean for the San Gabriel Valley and local residents? Villanueva answered that it means that every voice counts and the department belongs to the people. He wants to reform the department further, strengthen ties to the community, and build trust. He seeks diversity in his deputies—those who are familiar with local cultures and who speak the languages of the communities they serve. Ideally, he would like for deputies to serve the same cities and communities in which they live and/or grew up in. He also wants to continue good working relationships with the area's three station captains.

"We are off to a good start. I need your help to make this whole thing work," Villanueva said. "Feel free to contact my office. Feel free to use your unit commanders. Make sure they're doing their job. Let me know if they're not. We're going to have a very good, productive relationship—and a safe one."

Villanueva now serves as Los Angeles County's 33rd Sheriff and will oversee the nation's largest sheriff's department with close to 10,000 deputies and 8,500 civilian personnel. He promises to 'empower communities of color' and has a focus on community-based policing. Villanueva has earned the following degrees: Associate of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Public Administration, and Doctor of Public Administration.



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## Los Angeles County Takes Steps to Protect Immigrants from Notario Fraud

At 3.5 million, Los Angeles County has more immigrants than any other county in the nation. Profiting off the County’s foreign-born communities through a scam called ‘notario fraud,’ individuals posing as licensed attorneys are cashing in on immigrants who want to establish U.S. residency or other legal immigration status. In response, today the Board of Supervisors approved a motion, authored by Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, that will support State legislation that strengthens consumer fraud protections for immigrants and their families who seek immigration services.

“Today, Los Angeles County is reiterating our commitment to protect all County residents from financial predators who target immigrants who seek U.S. residency,” said Supervisor Solis. “County residents who fall victim to this fraud lose hundreds or thousands of their hard-earned dollars to unscrupulous scammers, and in many cases, victims also forfeit all chances of gaining U.S. residency and end up facing deportation. LA County will not stand idly by. We will protect, serve, and defend all of our residents, regardless of their immigration status.”

In some Latin American countries, “notarios públicos” have similar educational training and professional duties as lawyers. In the United States, however, a notary public can only witness signatures and translate forms, but cannot dispense legal advice. Many notarios in the United States, though, operate beyond their scope of practice.

With their familiarity of the County’s immigrant communities, these non-certified “notarios públicos” market themselves to immigrants—often targeting undocumented immigrants—as a more affordable and reliable option to expensive, licensed attorneys. Often notarios speak an immigrant’s native language to gain trust with an immigrant community. Scammers often incorrectly fill out important paperwork or fail to complete forms altogether. Some also over-charge their clients or steal their money. Victims fear deportation if they speak up, or may be unaware that they can take legal action.

When LA County resident Imelda Miranda Martin wanted to help her two sons establish legal residency in the U.S., she turned to

notario Oswaldo Cabrera. A U.S. citizen, Miranda Martin trusted Cabrera after a friend recommended him. But, she grew uneasy when he began immediately pressuring her to pay up to \$15,000.

“He charged me \$1,500 for each son just to open their cases, and he demanded that I pay him \$4,000 each right away to continue their cases, or he would charge me \$6,000 each,” said Miranda Martin, 71. “I was able to save and borrow only \$4,000. I had to decide which of my two sons to help. Soon after I paid him, I learned that Mr. Cabrera was arrested for defrauding many people like me.”

Cabrera was sentenced to five years in state prison for defrauding immigrants. After Cabrera’s prosecution, Miranda Martin recouped \$4,000, but she worries about the fate of her two sons who still lack U.S. residency. Miranda Martin has sought help from the County’s Department of Consumer and Business Affairs.

“We want all County residents defrauded by notarios to be reassured that they can safely report their cases to us. The County offers free services and can connect fraud victims to appropriate legal aid providers,” continued Supervisor Solis.

In addition to supporting statewide legislation to protect immigrants from notario fraud, Supervisor Solis’ motion directs the Office of Immigrant Affairs (OIA) to launch a County-wide outreach public awareness educational campaign for immigrants and their families in a culturally sensitive and linguistically competent manner so they learn how to identify, prevent, and report fraud in immigration services. The motion also directs OIA to consult with academic institutions to conduct surveys on immigration fraud, and to organize workshops for immigrants and their families who have experienced fraud in immigration services.

Today’s action marks the 35th immigration motion Supervisor Solis has authored to protect, defend, and fight for the rights of immigrants since the 2016 presidential election. Her efforts include a \$3 million dollar contribution to the LA Justice Fund and the creation of the first-ever County Office of Immigrant Affairs.

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"Energy efficiency programs, like the Smart Therm Program, are one of the tools that help our customers reduce emissions linked to climate change, while also helping them conserve energy and save money," said Darren Hanway, energy efficiency program operations manager for SoCalGas. "Over the past 10 years, SoCalGas residential customers' natural gas consumption has decreased by more than 14 percent, and, since 1990, our energy efficiency programs have saved more than 622 million therms – the equivalent to the annual consumption of the State of Maine."

"Energy efficiency and demand-side management programs represent a vital component of the energy industry," said John Hargrove, CEO of AESP. "SoCalGas as well as our other award recipients have demonstrated their leadership roles in moving the industry forward and driving users of energy toward smarter methods of consumption."

Customers who enroll in the Smart Therm Program agree to allow their smart thermostats to be adjusted automatically by up to four degrees when a Smart Therm Event is called. Depending on the manufacturer, participants are sent notifications through their smart thermostat, smart phone app, or over email, letting them know when their thermostats will be automatically adjusted. Program participants are eligible to receive a \$50 incentive, plus an additional \$25 for staying enrolled through April 1, 2019, and can save an additional \$75 by applying for a smart thermostat rebate from SoCalGas. The rebate covers models from

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SoCalGas is a leader in researching and developing new technologies that improve energy efficiency and protect the environment. Over the past five years, SoCalGas' energy efficiency programs have delivered more than 146 million therms in energy savings – enough to power 326,000 households a year – and have reduced greenhouse gas emissions by more than 775,000 metric tons – the equivalent of removing nearly 165,000 cars from the road.

In addition to conserving energy, SoCalGas' energy efficiency programs have helped customers save money on their energy costs. Over the past five years, the utility's energy efficiency programs have generated nearly \$862 million of avoided energy costs, including \$161 million in annual customer bill savings. Over the same period, SoCalGas energy efficiency programs have also resulted in:

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In addition to the Smart Therm Program, in late 2018, SoCalGas launched a voluntary demand response alert system designed to encourage customers to reduce natural gas consumption during peak usage periods. "Dial It Down" Alerts are similar to the Flex Alerts issued by the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) that call on customers to conserve electricity during high-demand periods.

More information on SoCalGas' Smart Therm Program can be found at [socalgas.com/smarttherm](http://socalgas.com/smarttherm).



## Coffee with the Chief

The next Coffee with the Chief event will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 from 8:00AM to 9:30AM at the Rosemead Community and Recreation Center in Room #1. During the initial planning phases of hosting this quarterly event, it was envisioned that after the initial hosting at the Public Safety Center, follow-on events would take place at local coffee shops around the area to help facilitate an at-ease informal atmosphere. However, due to the tremendous turn-out of approximately 60 guests, plans were modified to seek a larger venue area, yet maintain the ability to alternate between the North and South geographic areas of the City. Like the initial event, an informal discussion format will be maintained with light refreshments provided. Attendees are encouraged to discuss and ask questions related to law enforcement or public safety issues happening in the community and their neighborhoods. In addition, it also allows the Chief to introduce any new programs, such as the virtual neighborhood watch application, and answer any questions related to that matter. Unlike the previous event, this one will be held in the morning hours in order to accommodate and attract community members that are unavailable during the evening. The premise behind hosting one morning and one evening event during the year at both ends of the City, for a total of four (4), is to accommodate as many interested community members as possible. Again, the next Coffee with the Chief is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6, 2019 @ 8AM to 9:30AM – Rosemead Community & Recreation Center, Room #1.

## Chinese Delegation Visit to Republic Services

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**MAKE EVERY WEEK FIX-A-LEAK-WEEK**



Irrigation leaks the size of a dime will waste nearly 6,300 gallons of water a month. Old, inefficient toilets can waste up to 13,000 gallons a year. Leaks can be present anywhere so every week should be Fix-A-Leak-Week!

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**Christine Chow,**  
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Christine Chow grew up mainly in SGV but has also lived in Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Japan. Her love for learning and helping others led her to diverse careers in real estate, education, and performing arts. Besides finding dream homes for her clients, she also teaches STEM program to teenagers and acts as a marketing consultant for various companies. Christine is an active member of the Arcadia Association of REALTORS and a magician member of the Magic Castle in Hollywood. Despite her action-packed life, she finds time to serve on the Board of Rosemead Educational Foundation as well as JETAASC (Japan Exchange Teaching Alumni Association of Southern California). Did we mention that she's a proud Bruin and enjoys exploring the world?

- 1) I hope to help promote the wonderful group of people and businesses that make up the Rosemead Chamber.
- 2) It's an honor to be an ambassador and it allows me to represent the Chamber in various ways that benefit its membership.
- 3) Being an ambassador has giving me the incredible opportunity to expand my business network and knowledge.



# EDUCATION



## The Monthly Gazette

News from the Rosemead School District



February, 2019

Message from the Superintendent

Dear Rosemead Community and Friends,

Wishing everyone a Happy Chinese Lunar New Year!



It is a busy time of year in the Rosemead School District. We are both in celebration mode and preparations mode. We are celebrating the new year with performances and activities at all of our sites. Dragon dancers, drummers, acrobats and classroom lessons regarding the lunar year are activities that can be found if you visited our schools. These activities teach, inform, and value the traditions of many of the families serve.

We are also in the middle of our Founder’s Day celebrations. In partnership with our Parent-Teacher-Associations (PTAs), every school in our district will put on a special student performance and recognize key members of our community that contribute their time, talent and treasure for the betterment of our students and district. I hope you will take the time to visit one of these performances. It’s our students’ way of saying thank you for the support you provide.

We are also in preparation mode. By the time you read this, all of our schools will have completed their annual School Accountability Report Cards (SARC). These can be found on our district and site websites. The accountability report cards outline the profile of each school as well as our goals and accomplishments. The creation and publication of our SARCs are mandated by Education Code as a way of informing the community as to what is happening in our schools and district.

Several of our schools are also preparing for their annual Leadership Day. Leadership Day is an opportunity for our schools to showcase to the community how we are preparing students to Learn, Grow, and Lead. Through the use of the Leader In Me 7 Habits of Highly Effective People Franklin Covey system, our schools implement curriculum and practices aimed at creating student leaders and life-long learners. This work is showcased on a special day, Leadership Day, where community members and fellow educators are welcomed by our schools to experience how the 7 habits are implemented and the impact these practices can have on school culture. If you have not experienced a Leadership Day in Rosemead, I highly encourage you to visit our schools. Information regarding Leadership Day and anything related to our schools can be found on our school websites. Links to each of our school websites can be found below.

[www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/encinita](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/encinita) [www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/janson](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/janson) [www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/savannah](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/savannah)  
[www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/shuey](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/shuey)

Lastly, as I enter my third month as Superintendent of the Rosemead School District, I would like to again thank the Rosemead community for your warm welcome and support. I have quickly found out what a precious little gem the Rosemead School District and community is. As a district, we will continue to work to polish that gem so that the shine sparkles throughout the San Gabriel Valley.

Respectfully,  
*Alejandro Ruvalcaba*  
Superintendent

Educational Services Department:

**ENROLLMENT - TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, KINDERGARTEN, AND 1<sup>ST</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Enrollment for our 2018-2019 school year has begun. We have implemented our online enrollment process for Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1st through 8th Grade enrollment. Please visit the District website at [www.rosemead.k12.ca.us](http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us) and click on “Online Enrollment System” on the mid-upper left-hand side. **Preschool Program:** visit the District Office, Suite 150 to register. **Transitional Kindergarten through 8th Grade Program:** 1) enroll online and 2) visit your homeschool. For more information visit or call the District Office/your homeschool.

<b>Encinita Elementary School</b> (626) 286-3111 <a href="http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/encinita">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/encinita</a> 4515 Encinita Ave. Rosemead, CA 91770	<b>Mildred B. Janson Elementary School</b> (626) 288-3150 <a href="http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/janson">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/janson</a> 8628 Marshall St. Rosemead, CA 91770	<b>Savannah Elementary School</b> (626) 443-4015 <a href="http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/savannah">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/savannah</a> 3720 Rio Hondo Ave. Rosemead, CA 91770
<b>Emma. W. Shuey Elementary School</b> (626) 287-5221 <a href="http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/shuey">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/shuey</a> 8472 E. Wells Street Rosemead, CA 91770	<b>Muscatel Middle School</b> (626) 287-1139 <a href="http://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/muscatel">www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/muscatel</a> 4201 Ivar Ave. Rosemead, CA 91770	<b>Rosemead School District District Office Welcome Center - Suite 150</b> 3907 Rosemead Blvd. Rosemead, CA 91770

**Questions:**  
Preschool enrollment & qualification: contact Mrs. Bella Galvan, (626) 312-2900 x235, [bgalvan@rosemead.k12.ca.us](mailto:bgalvan@rosemead.k12.ca.us)  
TK-8th gr. & Transfer permits: contact Ms. Myrene Melendez, (626) 312-2900 x213, [mmelendez@rosemead.k12.ca.us](mailto:mmelendez@rosemead.k12.ca.us)

Important Upcoming Dates:

Day	Date	Event	Time / Location	Questions - Contact
Thurs.	Feb. 21	Janson Founder’s Day	Mildred B. Janson Elementary School, 6:00 p.m.	School Main Office
Sat.	Feb. 23	Board of Trustees Meeting	District Office - Board Room	Superintendent’s Office
Tues.	Feb. 26	Savannah Founder’s Day	Savannah Elementary School, 6:00 p.m.	School Main Office
Thurs.	Feb. 28	Shuey Founder’s Day	Emma W. Shuey Elementary School, 6:00 p.m.	School Main Office
Wed.	Mar. 6	Late Start Day	Students start at 9:30 a.m.	Schools Main Office
Thurs.	Mar. 7	Board of Trustees Meeting	District Office - Board Room	Superintendent’s Office
Wed.	Mar. 20	Late Start Day	Students start at 9:30 a.m.	Schools Main Office
Thurs.	Mar. 21	Board of Trustees Meeting	District Office - Board Room	Superintendent’s Office



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Senator Susan Rubio invites you to discuss your ideas, questions and concerns about legislative issues.


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Arcadia Public Library Auditorium  
20 W. Duarte Rd., Arcadia

Stop by for a cup of coffee with your Senator!


For information or to RSVP, call **626.430.2499** or email [senator.rubio@sen.ca.gov](mailto:senator.rubio@sen.ca.gov).




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# WILDFIRE TOWN HALL


Thursday, February 21  
5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

**Expert Panelists Will Discuss:**

- How to protect your home from wildfires
- What the utilities are doing to prevent wildfires
- The State's wildfire preparedness and response action plan

**Pasadena High School Gymnasium**  
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Pasadena, CA 91107

Please RSVP to [Assemblymember.Holden@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:Assemblymember.Holden@assembly.ca.gov) or 626 351-1917





COMMERCE

IRS Responds to Pressure From Rep. Chu, Waives Tax Fees for Individuals

Washington, DC — Following pressure from Rep. Judy Chu (CA-27), including introduced legislation and a July 2018 letter to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the IRS today announced that it would waive the penalty for under-withholding on taxes for certain individuals. This change follows an IRS decision in 2018 to grant leniency, grace periods, and penalty waivers to multinational corporations. After that 2018 decision for corporations was announced, Rep. Chu led 12 Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee on a letter to Acting IRS Commissioner David Kautter urging the IRS to give individuals and small businesses similar leniency. In October 2018, the IRS Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee released its annual report which included the recommendation made by Rep. Chu and the Ways and Means Democrats. Following that report, Rep. Chu introduced the Taxpayer Penalty Protection Act, a bill that would shield taxpayers from withholding penalties for the 2018 filing year should they find themselves to be under-withheld. Rep. Chu released the following statement:

“The Republican tax law was hastily

written and passed in a rush, with barely any substantive debate. That meant that not only were taxpayers denied an opportunity to fully grasp this law’s worsening effects on things like inequality, they were also unprepared for how it would impact their own filing. Because of this rushed process, GAO found that 1 in 5 five taxpayers are expected to owe the IRS this year. Knowing their law created confusion, the Trump Administration rushed to offer relief to corporations by waiving the penalty for the new transition tax on foreign earnings. But it took months of concerted legislative effort to get them to offer similar support to individuals. I’m incredibly pleased that the IRS responded to our letter and legislation by deciding to help individuals. This is a victory for taxpayers like those in my home state of California, who are hard hit by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act’s cap on the State and Local Tax Deduction and the elimination of personal exemptions. And as the new House of Representatives gets under way, I pledge to continue our work to reorient our economy towards middle class families and the working poor.”

As Governor Releases First Budget Proposal, CA Controller Reports State Closed 2018 Short of Expectations

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22, (SoCalGas) announced that its Smart Therm Program received the Energy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Demand Response and Pricing from the Association of Energy Services Professionals' (AESP) at this year's 29th Annual AESP Conference in San Antonio, Texas. SoCalGas was recognized for being one of the first utilities in the country to pilot the use of smart thermostats for natural gas demand response. Natural gas demand response programs, like the Smart Therm Program, provide incentives to customers who agree to allow their thermostats to be automatically adjusted during periods of peak energy use, thereby helping conserve natural gas.

"Energy efficiency programs, like the Smart Therm Program, are one of the tools that help our customers reduce emissions linked to climate change, while also helping them conserve energy and save money," said Darren Hanway, energy efficiency program operations manager for SoCalGas. "Over the past 10 years, SoCalGas residential customers' natural gas consumption has decreased by more than 14 percent, and, since 1990, our energy efficiency programs have saved more than 622 million therms – the equivalent to the annual consumption of the State of Maine."

"Energy efficiency and demand-side management programs represent a vital component of the energy industry," said John Hargrove, CEO of AESP. "SoCalGas as well as our other award recipients have demonstrated their leadership roles in moving the industry forward and driving users of energy toward smarter methods of consumption."

Customers who enroll in the Smart Therm Program agree to allow their smart thermostats to be adjusted automatically by up to four degrees when a Smart Therm Event is called. Depending on the manufacturer, participants are sent notifications through their smart thermostat, smart phone app, or over email, letting them know when their thermostats will be automatically adjusted. Program participants are eligible to receive a \$50 incentive, plus an additional \$25 for staying enrolled through April 1, 2019, and can save an additional \$75 by applying for a smart thermostat rebate from SoCalGas. The rebate covers models from

Nest, ecobee, Honeywell, and others. To learn more or to participate in SoCalGas' Residential Rebate Program, visit [socalgas.com/rebates](http://socalgas.com/rebates).

**Delivering Results in Energy Efficiency**

SoCalGas is a leader in researching and developing new technologies that improve energy efficiency and protect the environment. Over the past five years, SoCalGas' energy efficiency programs have delivered more than 146 million therms in energy savings – enough to power 326,000 households a year – and have reduced greenhouse gas emissions by more than 775,000 metric tons – the equivalent of removing nearly 165,000 cars from the road.

In addition to conserving energy, SoCalGas' energy efficiency programs have helped customers save money on their energy costs. Over the past five years, the utility's energy efficiency programs have generated nearly \$862 million of avoided energy costs, including \$161 million in annual customer bill savings. Over the same period, SoCalGas energy efficiency programs have also resulted in:

- 29 million square feet of energy efficient insulation installed in homes;
- \$15 million incentives provided to construct energy efficient homes;
- 887,623 customers receiving low-flow showerheads and aerators;
- 446,935 low-income households treated with free energy efficiency upgrades;
- 382,883 ENERGY STAR® Certified clothes washers and dishwashers purchased with rebates;
- 319,864 home energy efficiency surveys taken by customers; and
- 95,492 energy efficient water heaters purchased with rebates.

In addition to the Smart Therm Program, in late 2018, SoCalGas launched a voluntary demand response alert system designed to encourage customers to reduce natural gas consumption during peak usage periods. "Dial It Down" Alerts are similar to the Flex Alerts issued by the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) that call on customers to conserve electricity during high-demand periods.

More information on SoCalGas' Smart Therm Program can be found at [socalgas.com/smarttherm](http://socalgas.com/smarttherm).



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(Spaces are equivalent to standard parking stalls)  
Space is limited. Vendor deadline is February 28th

# SATURDAY MARCH 2nd

7:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Southern California Edison (SCE) Parking Lot**  
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Wednesday, March 13th

Rosemead Community Center

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4 PM - 6 PM

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