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"Small business is the backbone of our economy, but I don't think we spend enough time listening to small business."

- Assemblymember Laura Friedman at the Assembly Select Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

VICA Thanks our Renewing Members

Silver Members



(2017)



Support the Children's Hospital Bond Act

VICA supports Proposition 4, the Children's Hospital Bond Act of 2018, which would authorize \$1.5 billion in bonds, to be repaid from the state's General Fund, to fund grants for construction, expansion, renovation and equipment of qualifying children's hospitals.



In regional children's hospitals, over two million children are treated annually for life-threatening illnesses or injuries without regard to their family's ability to pay the medical bill. This medical bill typically gets picked up by the hospital, hindering their ability to pay for new medical equipment, expand facilities and modernize current facilities. A steady fund for children's hospitals would give them the financial capability to make important improvements to their facilities. This funding would alleviate a financial burden hospitals face, allowing them in turn to better serve children's needs.

Visit the coalition's [website](#) to support the Children's Hospital Bond Act of 2018.

VICA Foundation Scholarships Now Open

Each year, the Valley Industry & Commerce Association (VICA) Foundation offers scholarships to outstanding local students with a demonstrated interest in business. We strongly encourage our member schools to share this opportunity with their students. The application deadline is November 2, 2018.

Marvin R. Selter Memorial Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship to a full-time undergraduate student attending a VICA-member university or college.

More information is available [here](#).

Melvyn A. Kohn Memorial Scholarship

A \$500 scholarship to a student attending a VICA-member high school or primary education institution.

More information is available [here](#).

Gelb Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship to a full-time student attending CSUN, Los Angeles Mission College, Los Angeles Pierce College or Los Angeles Valley college.

More information is available [here](#).

Click [here](#) for more information on all scholarships.

(2009)

Build Rehabilitation Industries
(2010)

EcoTierra Consulting Inc.
(2016)

Lamar Advertising of Los Angeles
(2009)

Seymour Consulting Group
(2001)

Calendar

The Week Ahead

Sacramento Advocacy Day

Wednesday, August 8

All Day

State Capitol

Click [here](#) to RSVP

Energy, Environment & Utilities Committee Meeting

Sponsored by

Metropolitan Water District

Thursday, August 9

Noon to 1:30 p.m.

VICA Office

16600 Sherman Way, Suite

170, Van Nuys

Click [here](#) to RSVP

Save the Date

Land Use Committee Meeting

Sponsored by **The Garland**

Tuesday, August 14

8 to 10 a.m.

The Garland

4222 Vineland Ave., North

Hollywood

Click [here](#) to RSVP

Government Affairs

Committee Meeting

Sponsored by **Dolphin**

Group

Wednesday, August 15

Noon to 2 p.m.

VICA Office

16600 Sherman Way, Suite

VICA Supports Common-Sense Fix for Ambulance Crews



VICA SUPPORT

standard industry practice. VICA recognizes that Prop 11 is a common-sense fix and strongly supports the measure.

Proposition 11 will address difficulties created by a recent court ruling that says employees must be totally unreachable during their meal and lunch breaks. Staffing extra crews to cover these short breaks will be extremely expensive for municipalities. Prop 11 establishes the right for private ambulance crews to remain reachable during employee breaks, and the requirements for paid breaks, make-up breaks, additional compensation and training are already

For more information, visit the coalition's [website](#).

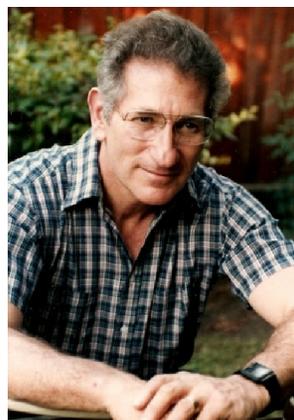
Join VICA's 2018 Board of Directors

VICA's 2019 Board of Directors nomination and selection process is underway, and we want your nominations! Board members must be able to attend regular board meetings and be prepared to vote on a wide variety of public policy issues. Board members must also attend regular committee meetings and VICA events. Additional responsibilities may include calling or writing lawmakers, attending press conferences, testifying, authoring editorials, interacting with top opinion leaders and more. For more information on the 2019 Board of Directors guidelines, click [here](#).

If you or someone you know is interested in participating on the board in 2019, please click on the nomination form below and submit to Jessica@vica.com. If you don't want to serve on the board, but are interested in serving as a committee chair, please let us know that on the nomination form. Applications are due by Friday, August 31.

Click [here](#) for the Board of Directors Nomination Form.

Send VICA Your Nominations for the 2018 Harmon Ballin Award



VICA's Harmon Ballin Community Service Award annually honors an active VICA member who has made an outstanding contribution to our community through their long-term community service activities. A nominee is someone who:

1. Has been an active VICA member and is actively engaged in the organization currently
2. Has significant and long-term involvement in philanthropic and community/public serve organizations or a significant record in that area
3. Is a role model as a community leader

Please submit your nomination to Jessica@vica.com by Friday, August 31.



170, Van Nuys
Click [here](#) to RSVP

Local Officeholders Luncheon

Thursday, August 16
11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sheraton Universal Hotel
333 Universal Hollywood Drive, Universal City
Click [here](#) to RSVP

VICA After Dark with Frank Miller

Wednesday, August 29
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Burbank Airport Marriott
2500 N. Hollywood Way, Burbank
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Local Officeholders Luncheon

Thursday, August 16, 2018

11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Sheraton Universal Hotel
333 Universal Hollywood Drive, Universal City

Reserve your spot for one of VICA's most popular events of the year! The Local Officeholders Luncheon provides members unparalleled access to the Valley's elected officials and officials from other local governments.

Hot Issues

Environment

Gov. Jerry Brown vowed to [push back](#) against efforts by the Trump

Administration to end California's power to set its own, tougher greenhouse gas emissions standards and nullify the state mandate that automakers sell a specified number of electric vehicles.

CA Joins Lawsuit

California Atty. Gen. Xavier Becerra announced that the state will join a [lawsuit](#) filed against the Trump administration to block the release of blueprints for 3-D-printed guns. The suit, led by Washington state, was filed this week and a Seattle federal judge issued an order temporarily preventing the public from accessing the blueprints.

California Election

Former President Barack Obama [endorsed](#) 10 California Democrats before the November

midterm election. Among those was Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsom, who is running for governor against Republican John Cox. Cox received President Trump's endorsement last May.

Healthcare

California is poised to [ban](#) the planned expansion of

Confirmed Speakers (as of 8/3/2018):



Jeffrey Prang
L.A. COUNTY Assessor



Jim McDonnell
L.A. COUNTY Sheriff



Mike Feuer
L.A. CITY Attorney



Ron Galperin
L.A. CITY Controller



Herb Wesson
L.A. CITY Council President



Bob Blumenfield
L.A. CITY Councilmember



Joe Buscaino
L.A. CITY Councilmember



Mitchell Englander
L.A. CITY Councilmember



José Huizar
L.A. CITY Councilmember



Paul Koretz
L.A. CITY Councilmember



Paul Krekorian
L.A. CITY Councilmember



Nury Martinez
L.A. CITY Councilwoman



short-term health plans under a new Trump administration rule. Such plans offer consumers lower premiums in exchange for skimpier benefits that do not meet the Affordable Care Act's coverage requirements for other policies sold in the individual marketplace.

Transportation

The California state rail authority is struggling to meet a speed requirement included in the 2008 bond act that approved the construction of a [bullet train](#) from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

Transportation experts have long dismissed the probability that any operational California bullet train will meet the two-hour 40-minute timetable enshrined in legal fine print.



Mitch O'Farrell
L.A. CITY
Councilmember



David Ryu
L.A. CITY
Councilmember



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CITY OF
BURBANK
Mayor



David Shapiro
CITY OF
CALABASAS
Councilmember



Ara Najarian
CITY OF
GLENDALE
Councilmember



Antonio Lopez
CITY OF
SAN FERNANDO
Vice Mayor



Glen Becerra
CITY OF
SIMI VALLEY
Councilmember



Mike Judge
CITY OF
SIMI VALLEY
Councilmember



Keith Mashburn
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Steve Veres
LACCD
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Nick Melvoin
LAUSD
Board Member



Scott Schmerelson
LAUSD
Board Member

Click [here](#) to RSVP for the Local Officeholders Luncheon.



Frank Miller
Executive Director, Hollywood Burbank Airport

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Burbank Airport Marriott
2500 N. Hollywood Way, Burbank



Join VICA for our next After Dark, featuring Executive Director of Hollywood Burbank Airport, Frank Miller. Attendees enjoy hosted drinks and appetizers as they meet and interact with other prominent business leaders from the community. VICA After Darks are complimentary to VICA members.

Non-members who are interested in attending are encouraged to contact Helene@vica.com.

[Click here](#) to RSVP for VICA After Dark with Frank Miller!

Committee Updates

Labor and Employment Committee (8/1)

Hosted by Hilton Universal City

- Gilbert Aragon, District Administrator for the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing, spoke about types of investigations and complaints procedure, enforcement strategies, dispute resolution and employers' responsibilities under the law.
- Tal Yeyni, employment attorney with Lewitt Hackman, shared an update on recent court cases impacting independent contractors and small tasks that occur after clocking out.

Education Committee (8/2)

Sponsored by Woodbury University

- Dr. Doug Marriott, Dean of Adult/Community Education & Workforce Development, and Marni Roosevelt, Director of the Family Resource Center, discussed their partnership to support parents doing workforce training at Los Angeles Valley College.
- Marilyn Koziatek spoke about plans for Granada Hills Charter High School to renew its charter and serve grades TK-12.





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ABOUT VICA

Presenting the business perspective on behalf of employers in the San Fernando Valley cities of Los Angeles, Burbank, Glendale, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, San Fernando and Santa Clarita.

Read more about VICA at vica.com.

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