VICA Celebrates Legislative Success Rate of 74 Percent

As California legislators voted on hundreds of bills during the last week of the legislative session, VICA successfully advocated on a number of priority bills for the business community. VICA was pleased that 74 percent of the bills VICA advocated on in the Legislature were successful, including bills that VICA supported which were sent to the Governor and VICA-opposed bills which failed to pass out of the Legislature.

VICA was thrilled that on the second attempt, SB 905 (Wiener), a bill which will give local control to local municipalities on nightlife, was sent to the Governor. Another VICA-supported bill that passed was SB 961 (Allen), which will give cities a new financing tool to drive housing development near transit. VICA was pleased that SB 910 (Hernandez) passed, which guarantees that all Californians, regardless of age or health, enroll in a comprehensive healthcare plan.

VICA will continue to urge the Governor to oppose SB 100 (de Leon), a bill that sets expensive and unrealistic mandates on renewable energy and drives up costs for California employers and families. VICA will also continue to urge the Governor to veto SB 946 (Lara), which places strict limits on how cities regulate sidewalk vending.

Send an email to the Governor by visiting VICA's Action Center.

New Tax on Property Owners Set to Harm Businesses
VICA Welcomes Our New Member
Agora Realty & Management

Calendar

The Week Ahead

Transportation Committee Meeting
Hosted by The Garland
Tuesday, Sept. 11
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, Sept. 12
Noon to 2 p.m.
VICA Office
16600 Sherman Way, Suite 170, Van Nuys
Click here to RSVP

Mile of Quarters
Saturday, Sept. 15
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Westfield Topanga Mall
6600 Topanga Canyon Blvd., Canoga Park
Click here to RSVP

Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel Community Swearing-In and Resource Fair
Sunday, September 16
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Reseda High School
18230 Kittridge St., Reseda
Click here to RSVP

Save the Date

Healthcare Committee Meeting
Sponsored by Valley Presbyterian Hospital
Thursday, Sept. 20
Noon to 1:30 p.m.
Valley Presbyterian Hospital
15107 Vanowen St., Van Nuys
Click here to RSVP

Boys & Girls Club of the West Valley’s Tee Off Proposition 10 Threatens to Intensify Housing Crisis

VICA opposes Measure W, which seeks to levy a 2.5 cent per square foot parcel tax on impermeable surfaces within the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. This ballot measure fails to provide a defined expenditure plan for projects funded by this new tax, and will place unnecessary burdens and costs on businesses and property owners across LA County. Measure W displays a fundamental lack of preparation for how these funds will effectively be used and has no set provision for a credit program. Measure W has no sunset date, meaning that this ill thought out tax plan will never end. Even worse, property owners who have taken steps to retain and preserve stormwater will be forced to re-certify their eligibility for the credit program every two years with no guarantee that they will receive a credit. If passed, this measure will deter businesses and property owners from doing business in Los Angeles County.

For more information, contact Armando Flores at Armando@vica.com

Click here to join the NO on Prop 10 coalition.

Voter Guide 2018

The Valley Industry and Commerce Association recommends the following positions:

Support

PROP 1
A $4 billion general obligation bond to fund

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Fore Kids Golf Classic
Monday, Sept. 24
9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Calabasas Country Club
Golf Course
4515 Park Entrada,
Calabasas
Click [here](#) to RSVP

Ambassador Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 26
8:30 to 10 a.m.
VICA Office
16600 Sherman Way, Suite 170, Van Nuys
Click [here](#) to RSVP

After Dark with LAPD
Chief Michel Moore
Wednesday, Sept. 26
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
The Bel-Air
662 Sepulveda Blvd., Beverly Hills
Click [here](#) to RSVP

4th Annual Valley Village Run/Walk
Sunday, Sept. 30
7 a.m. to noon
Kite Field, Anthony C. Beilenson Park
6300 Balboa Blvd., Van Nuys
Click [here](#) to RSVP

**Hot Issues**

**Dockless Scooters**
On Tuesday, the Los Angeles City Council unanimously approved regulations for a one-year pilot program that regulates dockless electric scooters. The new regulations include a speed limit and a cap on the number of scooters for each company that rents them.

**Education**
The State Board of Education is expected to adopt California's first-ever computer science standards. California will join six other states with computer science standards for K-12 students.

**Fire Agency Exhausts Resources**
Barely two months into the new fiscal year, Cal Fire has made its earliest request ever for more firefighting resources.

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### VICA Welcomes New Legislative Affairs Associate

Ryan Hallenberg will be serving as VICA's Legislative Affairs Associate assisting on various committees and helping to oversee VICA's communications activities. Previously, Ryan served as a Legislative Assistant for the California Rifle & Pistol Association. In that position, he worked closely with state and local officials to advocate for Second Amendment and hunting policy. He also worked in partnership with many small businesses in the firearms industry. Ryan is excited to work with VICA members to advance public policies that increase economic opportunity for businesses in the San Fernando Valley. Ryan earned his bachelor's degree in
dollars after a season of record fires. Although the legislative session ended last week, emergency funds can be transferred quickly to Cal Fire with approval from the Joint Legislative Budge Committee.

Marijuana Crackdown
A police crackdown on local unlicensed marijuana businesses led to misdemeanor charges against more than 500 people in Los Angeles. City Atty. Mike Feuer has charged 515 people in connection with 105 illegal marijuana businesses, grow sites, extraction labs and delivery companies located throughout the city.

Temporary Shelter to Open
On Monday, Los Angeles will open the first in a series of multimillion-dollar shelters designed to relieve hundreds of homeless people and replace street camps. The shelter will house 45 homeless people. The temporary shelter will be on the lot for three years to serve as a temporary housing while homeless service providers help tenants find a more permanent place to stay.

Join VICA for our upcoming After Dark, featuring Los Angeles Police Department Chief Michel Moore. 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.

Looking for Medicare options?

Turning 65 and need to know more about your health plan choices?

Call me today — I’m here to help!

Paul Davis
On October 6, 2018, join Homes 4 Families in going Over the Edge for Veterans - a chance for the most daring donors to rappel down the Universal Hilton. 100 percent of the funds you raise will help build homes and provide services for low-income veterans and military families in North LA County. Click here to register or explore sponsorship opportunities, or call Donielle DeLeon at (818) 884-8808 x209.

The Boys & Girls Club of the West Valley will be creating a “Mile of Quarters” on Saturday, September 15, 2018, at Westfield Topanga. Quarters will be laid out for one mile (5,280 feet) inside Westfield Topanga. Every mile raised will mean $17,160 to support the Club’s programs for needy youths. Our goal is to raise over $50,000. It’s a FREE family event. Help us make this event the biggest success ever. Your change can change a kid’s life!
How You Can Participate:

**BE A SPONSOR**
Be a Mile Marker Sponsor and get major recognition at the event and in our promotions.

**START A TEAM**
Be a Club Hero and start your own online team (or support another team).

**SPONSOR BY THE FOOT**
Help support our event for just $3.25 per foot. Donate online or in-person at the event.

**ROUND UP YOUR CHANGE**
Sign up to round up your debit or credit card to support the Club every time you use your card.

Get more info and sign up at MileOfQuarters.com

Saturday, September 15, 2018
Westfield Topanga
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. • On Stage Ceremony at noon

PLUS... MUSIC, FACE PAINTING, DJ, DIGNITARIES, OTHER ENTERTAINMENT

“Going the Extra Mile for Our Kids”

Company Picnics & Employee Outings Are Our Specialty!

For More Information: 661.255.4501 • magicgroups@sixflags.com
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Get Your Message in VICA Weekly!

VICA members can promote their business, events and news in VICA Weekly. Member messages are available for $50 per week or $175 for four weeks. Messages are text-based and may not contain more than 70 words. A logo may be added for an additional $5 per week. For more information or to schedule your member message, contact Helene@vica.com or call (818) 817-0545.

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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.

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