

MEMORANDUM




To: Mirian Saez, Director of Operations, Treasure Island Development Authority

cc: Marc McDonald, TIDA
John Stewart, JSCo
Paula Schlunegger, JSCo

Suzanne Wood, Edison Capital
Loren Sanborn, JSCo
Lynny Lee, JSCo

Ned York, JSCo
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Jack Gardner, JSCo

From: Michael Smith-Heimer 

Date: November 20, 2009

Subject: Percentage Rent for Treasure Island Housing Project Sublease for October 2009

Enclosed is our payment of Percentage Rent in the amount of \$429,608.22 for the October period, calculated per the sublease agreement. This figure is based on the accompanying attachments. You should note that these expenses include funding reserves as outlined in the sublease requirements including accrued funds to pay Possessory Interest charges of the property.

Calculation of Funds Available for Distribution

TIDA receives 95% revenues remaining after adjusting gross revenues by operating expenses, current accretion due and the repayment of ledger balances based on sublease specifications. Funds expended for replacement reserve eligible items are expensed in the period expenses are recognized. To the degree that these costs are reimbursed from the replacement reserve account, percentage rent will be adjusted in the period that the reserve draw is approved.

For the month of October 2009, Actual Total Revenues were above Budgeted Total Revenues by about 2% while Actual Total Operating Expenses were above Budgeted Total Operating Expenses by about 4.7% (due to significantly higher replacements). The result was that Funds Available for Distribution were about 1.5% below budget.

Calculation of Percentage Rent

Based on operations, a total of 453,254 in adjusted Gross Revenues after costs of operations are available for distribution for the October period. These revenues are distributed as follows:

<u>October 2009 Distributions</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Available for Distribution	\$453,255.00	\$460,405
Percentage rent for TIDA	\$429,608.22	\$437,385
Percentage rent reimbursed to JSCo for Playground Construction	\$983.78	
Total percentage rent to TIDA	\$430,592.00	\$437,385
Percentage rent for JSCo	\$22,663.00	\$23,020

This percentage rent breakdown reflects the current year split by TIDA/JSCo. Beginning with April 2005 disbursements, TIDA receives 95% of revenues after expenses, while the John Stewart Company percentage is 5% of the amount.

ESTIMATE OF REVENUES AND OPERATING EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS
October 2009 Operations for Treasure Island Project

Draw	Draw 117	Draw 118	Draw 119	Draw 120	Draw 121	Draw 122	Draw 123	Draw 124	Draw 125	Draw 126	Draw 127	Draw 128
October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS												
Estimate of Gross Revenue	1,140,521	1,141,429	1,145,658	1,145,730	1,147,181	1,149,408	1,150,472	1,155,338	1,158,271	1,179,535	1,158,409	1,138,587
Adjustment for Move-In Timing	-32,182	-35,714	-31,984	-48,951	-49,895	-43,835	-43,427	-47,403	-61,578	-63,284	-110,182	-115,910
Financial Income (inc. marketing from Sept. 2000 onward)	3,285	995	1,603	527	737	1,894	562	428	1,211	788	836	843
Credit Check Revenue	7,389	6,904	13,548	5,233	12,887	3,892	12,743	9,557	10,558	10,312	12,241	11,234
Other Revenue	1,116,533	1,113,124	1,127,226	1,102,529	1,110,837	1,111,449	1,120,351	1,117,859	1,108,464	1,107,851	1,061,393	1,035,864
Gross Revenue Collected												
EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS												
6300 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES												
6210 Advertising/Marketing	3,154	1,415	1,327	2,782	2,255	1,333	2,367	6,235	1,781	1,174	1,214	4,885
6250 Credit Reports	1,804	1,258	1,100	794	1,482	1,508	1,547	1,339	848	1,862	1,462	1,853
6287 Model Unit/Office TI	-2,592	-431	0	0	19,639	21,981	20,752	21,851	22,508	23,737	24,639	22,117
6310 Office Salaries	21,386	21,386	20,097	21,137	19,639	21,981	20,752	21,851	22,508	23,737	24,639	22,117
6311 Office Supplies	6,144	2,553	3,065	4,842	4,843	6,440	4,978	8,705	3,637	6,375	6,032	6,287
6315 Furniture Lease												
6316 Consulting Expense												
6319 Office Supplies Environmental	32,536	33,710	32,397	34,139	33,218	33,104	38,373	32,815	32,109	32,728	34,050	31,407
6320 Management Fee			0	0	5,857	5,813	5,825	5,812	5,825	5,813	5,812	6,186
6326 Temporary Services	5,018	5,359	8,265	5,857	5,250	5,813	5,825	5,812	5,825	5,813	5,812	6,186
6330 Manager/Supervisor	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600
6331 Staff Units												
6333 Payroll Expense	4,058	2,954	6,555	2,104	1,558	7,527	1,778	2,890	-804	838	5,393	5,765
6340 Legal Expenses			0	1,500	2,021	20,593	0	1,710	0	0	0	0
6341 Legal Environmental			1,750	1,066	2,021	1,759	2,529	1,517	1,722	1,872	1,850	1,703
6350 Audit Food/Bookkeeping	2,454	1,712	304	-40	2,021	1,759	2,529	1,517	1,722	1,872	1,850	1,703
6390 Telephone	10,219	304	284	-40	2,021	1,759	2,529	1,517	1,722	1,872	1,850	1,703
6370 Collection Loss	3,300	114	638	-1	-1	258	1,032	0	33,768	2,808	774	1,035
6390 Miscellaneous Administrative	1,000	1,947	-158	1,015	145	946	843	1,181	1,070	619	772	480
6385 Mileage/Travel			100			1,110	185					
6386 Vehicle Lease & Insurance												
6392 Seminars/Training												
6393 Temporary Services												
6394 Community Outreach												
6395 Administrative Services												
6396 Computer Charges												
6398 Rent Credits	165	232	165	765	3,148	3,618	788	769	697	2,037	165	502
Remediation Expense												
Subtotal: Administrative Expenses	92,075	75,170	84,195	79,423	75,959	108,649	81,396	85,423	105,541	89,273	84,564	98,573
UTILITIES												
6450 Subtotal: Utilities												
6589 Navy CAM Charge												
6500 OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE												
6510 Janitorial Payroll	1,113	633	83	251	389	347	586	83	1,097	136	1,002	0
6515 Janitorial Supplies	-3,690	450	110	810	1,130	880	880	880	2,740	1,650	1,960	100
6517 Contract Cleaning	1,505	1,200	3,770	1,290	1,870	1,350	2,830	150	2,075	1,320	2,190	925
6519 Externalizing/Supplies	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825	1,825
6521 Operation/Maintenance Rent Free Unit	21,843	7,088	18,744	15,318	20,342	17,640	17,703	17,794	21,590	14,301	23,623	18,109
6525 Rubbish Removal	9,363	8,507	9,995	7,154	7,328	9,205	8,024	8,169	6,083	11,272	7,509	12,428
6530 Security Contract	3,613	104	3,773	1,103	833	3,348	232	519	4,458	2,724	3,789	9,905
6532 Security Supplies												
6533 Fire Alarm Expenses												
6530 Maintenance Contracts												
6535 Grounds Payroll												
6536 Grounds Supplies												
6537 Grounds Contract												
6538 YB Maintenance Payroll												
6541 Maintenance Payroll												
6541 Repairs Material												
	38,189	38,189	38,189	38,189	38,189	38,189	42,105	38,449	38,769	37,767	37,175	43,784
	14,389	16,292	19,504	17,476	15,503	17,499	20,181	21,614	19,124	18,446	16,782	13,155
	8,838	1,201	-121	4,085	4,886	3,880	13,693	7,392	5,926	5,653	3,928	6,984

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Draw	Draw 117	Draw 118	Draw 119	Draw 120	Draw 121	Draw 122	Draw 123	Draw 124	Draw 125	Draw 126	Draw 127	Draw 128	Draw 129
Draw	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578	578
Units ready for occupancy at Beginning of month	536	536	529	531	531	531	538	529	518	486	485	431	486
Units Leased and Occupied during month													
Aggregate Units Leased and Occupied during month													
Average Unit Rent													
6542 Repairs Contract	435	1,210	4,370	7,354	3,935	4,380	75	1,075	11,488	4,980	7,590	5,034	5,145
6543 Plumbing Maintenance (includes \$618 EOY adjustment in December, 2004)	19,874	18,054	10,003	5,643	5,452	23,383	11,071	928	11,216	6,757	6,403	11,038	4,258
6544 Electric Maintenance	279	2,508	1,002	597	1,562	2,371	2,220	0	1,176	2,004	-10	3,288	946
6545 Elevator Maintenance													
6546 Heating and Cooling (includes \$291 EOY adjustment in December, 2004)	3,922	1,886	3,051	871	248	2,022	2,713	0	264	0	235	548	
6548 Payroll Environmental													
6549 Repair Material Environmental													
6553 Appliance Repairs	835	4,730	0	1,158			830	3,850	1,053	807	275	1,308	
6554 Windows Repairs		85	0										
6555 YBI Maintenance Repair													
6560 Painting and Decorating (includes adj for August 2007)													
6562 Roof Repairs/Contract													
6565 Furniture rent - Temp Relocation													
6570 Vehicle Lease													
6572 Maint and Equipment Repair (includes \$769 EOY adjustment in Dec)													
6580 Misc. Oper and Maintenance													
6573 Uniform/Laundry Service													
6588 Fire Damage Costs	40,215	34,784	6,722	10,578	17,039	18,472	13,768	23,798	50,827	39,125	32,945	32,779	16,776
7220 Interior Replacement (eligible for RR Draw)	6,058	14,942	4,707	8,084	7,711	10,889		4,382	30,924	486	11,068	12,404	15,159
7220 Appliance Replacement (eligible for RR Draw)													
7280 Replacement Expense	51,379	4,004	49,234	41,821	16,225	35,181	16,877	20,579	44,430	2,975	4,980	3,669	66,047
7280 Exterior Replacement (eligible for RR Draw) (includes \$9,320 EOY adj in Dec)	227,464	180,618	195,120	170,046	149,534	192,680	263,685	152,509	263,128	161,251	164,452	174,913	206,379
Subtotal: Operating and Maintenance													
6700 TAXES/INSURANCE													
6710 Taxes - Real Estate	5,372	3,228	7,705	5,878	4,303	3,587	3,356	6,048	3,628	3,550	5,623	5,041	3,140
6711 Payroll Taxes													
6760 Misc Licenses/Permits (inc. marketing in September, 2000 on)	34,184	34,184	34,184	34,184	34,184	35,878	33,978	33,978	36,273	35,101	38,007	34,401	35,453
6720 Property Insurance (inc. adj for insurance Claims and YTD adj)													
6721 Fidelity Bond	3,278	3,404	3,773	2,919	2,481	3,041	3,112	4,821	3,142	3,152	3,087	2,607	2,778
6722 Workers Compensation (includes \$11 EOY adjustment in Dec)	5,089	5,088	4,887	5,247	5,501	5,086	5,557	5,557	5,557	5,557	5,557	5,557	5,541
6723 Employee Health and Life Insurance (excludes 401(k))													
6723 401(k) Matching Contribution estimate	5,980	5,980	3,206	5,088	5,508	1,348	584	584	584	584	584	584	584
6710 Possessory Interest Tax	46,230	46,230	5,980	5,980	5,980	5,980	5,980	5,980	5,980	5,980	6,221	6,108	8,108
6710 Base Rent Payment	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230	46,230
Subtotal: Taxes/Insurance	100,142	98,629	105,975	100,956	95,197	102,051	99,194	103,560	101,791	100,559	105,675	100,911	100,217
6900 SERVICE EXPENSES													
6991 Recreation Salaries													
6992 Recreation Supplies (includes -\$150 EOY adjustment in Dec)													
6995 Janitor													
Subtotal: Services													
7000 Replacement Reserve Eligible Expenses													
7100 CORPORATE EXPENSES													
7120 Legal Expenses													
7130 Federal Income Tax													
7131 State Income Tax													
Subtotal: Corporate Expenses													
Adjustment for Operating Expense actuals for 2003 (reversal in Dec 2004)													
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES													
Monthly Expense per Unit (net of Replacement Reserves)													
Loss Reserves													
Marketing Expenses													
TOTAL EXPENSES													
Total Expenses Net of Environmental													
Per Unit Monthly Expense (of occupied units - Net of Environmental)													
Per Unit Monthly Expenses (occupied unit pro rata of Total Expenses)													
TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENSES													

October 2008 Operations for Treasure Island Project

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COMPARISON TO BUDGET OCTOBER 2009

	OCTOBER				YEAR TO DATE			
	Actual	Budget	Variance	% Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	% Variance
Total Revenue	1,035,854	1,016,781	19,073	1.88%	10,979,761	10,167,810	811,951	7.99%
Marketing	7,625	7,125	500	7.02%	65,780	71,250	(5,470)	-7.68%
Administrative	90,948	77,117	13,831	17.93%	817,400	771,170	46,230	5.99%
Utilities	137,629	150,560	(12,931)	-8.59%	1,447,975	1,505,600	(57,625)	-3.83%
O&M (incl insurance expense)	136,640	144,628	(7,988)	-5.52%	1,466,401	1,446,280	20,121	1.39%
Tax Ins (inc. community room and finance exp)	53,581	58,291	(4,710)	-8.08%	548,971	585,160	(36,189)	-6.18%
Rent	46,636	47,245	(609)	-1.29%	465,139	472,450	(7,311)	-1.55%
Reserves	11,560	11,560	-	0.00%	115,600	115,600	-	0.00%
Replacement (excl. anticipated draw)	97,981	59,850	38,131	63.71%	704,597	598,500	106,097	17.73%
Total Expenses	582,599	556,376	26,223	4.71%	5,631,862	5,563,760	68,102	1.24%
Prior Period Adjustments								
Available for Distribution	453,254	460,405	(7,151)	-1.55%	5,347,899	4,604,050	743,849	16.16%
TIDA	430,592	437,385	(6,793)	-1.55%	5,080,504	4,373,848	706,657	16.16%
JSCo	22,663	23,020	(357)	-1.56%	267,395	230,203	37,191	16.16%



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CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT INVOICE SUMMARY

PROJECT: Treasure Island Playground
PO#9375
BILLING DATE: May 30, 2009

JOB NO.: 10123
PAYMENT APPLICATION NO.: 10,123.10
PAGE NO. 1 of 1

To: The Villages at Treasure Island
The John Stewart Company
San Francisco, CA. 94109
Attn: Ned York

Remit To: The John Stewart Company
1388 Sutter Street, 11th Floor
San Francisco, CA. 94109

DESCRIPTION: Construction Management Services for April 2009

1 CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES (A Fixed Fee of \$13,036.66)

Fee
\$13,036.66

X

<u>% COMPLETE</u>	
100.00%	13,036.66
Previous Billed	13,036.66
Current Invoiced	0.00

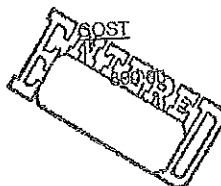
2 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES SUMMARY

Ross Recreation Equipment
San Francisco GAA

0.00
0.00
Subtotal 0.00

3 CONTINGENCY (A Fixed Fee of \$11,107.23)

National Construction Rentals
Safeplay By Design



x	<u>Multiplier</u>	=	<u>TOTAL</u>
	1.15		0.00
	1.15		920.00
	1.15		0.00
	1.15		0.00
	1.15		920.00
	Current Invoiced		920.00
	Previous Invoiced		9,413.51
	Total YTD		10,333.51

4. GL. INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT (A Fixed Fee of \$3,911.00)

This Invoice

<u>COST</u>	x	<u>% COMPLETE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
\$3,911.00		100.0%	3,911.00
		Previous Billed	3,911.00
		Current Invoiced	

5 Total Gross Amount before Retention
6 Less Withholding 10% retention

920.00
92.00 ✓

NET CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT TOTAL 928.00

Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services - Previous Invoices
Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services - This Invoice
Total Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services To Date

CK#8735 Issue 7/27/09 \$828



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CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT INVOICE SUMMARY

PROJECT: Treasure Island Playground
PO#9375
BILLING DATE: July 31, 2009

JOB NO.: 10123
PAYMENT APPLICATION NO.: 10,123.12
PAGE NO.: 1 of 1

To: The Villages at Treasure Island
The John Stewart Company
San Francisco, CA 94109
Attn: Ned York

Remit To: The John Stewart Company
1388 Sutter Street, 11th Floor
San Francisco, CA, 94109

DESCRIPTION: Construction Management Services for July 2009

1 CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES (A Fixed Fee of \$13,036.66)

Fee
\$13,036.66

X

% COMPLETE

100.00%

13,036.66

Previous Billed

13,036.66

Current Invoiced

0.00

2 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES SUMMARY

Ross Recreation Equipment
San Francisco GAA

3 CONTINGENCY (A Fixed Fee of \$11,407.23)

Ross Recreation Equipment
Safeplay By Design

COST
135.46
0.00

X

Multplier

=

1.15

1.15

1.15

1.15

1.15

Current Invoiced

155.78

Previous Invoiced

Total YTD

4. GL INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT (A Fixed Fee of \$3,911.00)

This Invoice

COST
\$3,911.00

X % COMPLETE

100.0%

TOTAL

3,911.00

Previous Billed

3,911.00

Current Invoiced

5 Total Gross Amount before Retention

6 Less Withholding 10% retention

\$15.58

NET CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT TOTAL \$140.20

Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services - Previous Invoices
Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services - This Invoice
Total Construction Development/Rehabilitation Services To Date

RECEIVED

OCT 22 2009

BY:

*Final invoice for T.I.
playground project.*

CK#8798 issued 8/13/09 \$140.20

CK#8986 issued 10/27/09 \$15.58

Ned York

From: Lynny Lee
Sent: Wednesday, November 18, 2009 11:32 AM
To: Ned York
Subject: FW: T.I. Playground Invoice Reimburse from % Rent
Attachments: T.I. Playground Invoice Final Bill GL1485-000.pdf

Dear Ned,
Would you please forward the request to Mike before he start working on % rent calculation. Thanks for your help.

Lynny Lee
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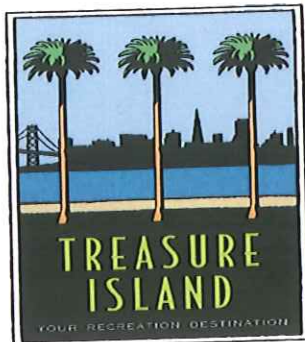
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From: Lynny Lee
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2009 2:19 PM
To: Ned York
Subject: T.I. Playground Invoice Reimburse from % Rent

Dear Ned,
Here attach with the invoices backup for T.I. Playground Project which we can reimbursed by deduct from % rent payment to Treasure Island Development Authority.
This will be the final request for playground project and total reimbursement will be \$983.78. Please refer to attach copy of invoices. Please let me know if you have any question. Would you please forward the request to Mike after your review? Thanks.

Lynny Lee
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NEWS

This newsletter was prepared
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and Yerba Buena Island
under consultation with:
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Owen Stephens, President,
Treasure Island Authority;
and Mirian Saez,
Director of Island Operations

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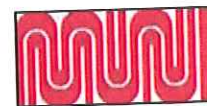
THE 108

For many of us on the Island the Muni 108 is our sole means getting around. There are some changes coming you will want to be aware of.

Effective December 5, we will be losing the segment of the trip from the Transbay Terminal to Safe-way. On Treasure Island itself the bus will no longer go down Ave. M, but will start to go down Ave H instead. A map of the changes can be found on page 4. You can read about more changes at MUNI by going to www.sfmta.com.

Sometime in the second quarter of the year (April, May or June) the 108 should stop going to the Transbay Terminal all together, and will be re-routed to the temporary terminal currently under construction (<http://temporaryterminal.org/closures>).

Thanks to Rich Rovetti and Marianne Thompson of TIDA our replacement bus shelters have been installed. We have waited a very long time for these replacements. Please report any vandalism to the police and to Marianne Thompson at 415-274-0662. Thank Rich and Marianne!



TREASURE ISLAND NEWS

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RESIDENT SURVEYS

"A big thank you to everyone who has participated in the Treasure Island resident interview program thus far. Your participation allows Treasure Island Development Authority and Treasure Island Community Development to better understand the current community of residents as they plan for the proposed redevelopment of Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island.

If you have not yet participated in a resident interview, please do so. More than 500 households have already participated, but we are aiming higher and want everyone to contribute.

You still have the opportunity to participate, but time is running out. Interviews will continue until December 10th.

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GOOD NEIGHBORS QUARTERLY MEETING

Good Neighbors, the community group that produces this newsletter, the residents resource guide and hosts the monthly Island Watch meetings, and is working to address quality of life issues on the Island is holding its December quarterly general membership meeting

When: Saturday, December 12
Time: 11 am–1 pm
Where: The Shipshape Building

To RSVP, please either visit www.TreasureIslandSF.org and register, or call (415) 520-6653 and leave your name and phone number.



December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Learn about the environmental cleanup on the Island—The next Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) meeting is on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at the Casa de la Vista. The meeting officially begins at 7pm and runs to about 8:30. However, in December we also have a potluck beginning at 6pm so folks can come socialize, talk to the Navy, and enjoy the view of the skyline

"Time in running out! The Treasure Island resident interview program will be ending December 10th. Please Participate. Please contact AutoTemp at 510-238-9386 to schedule an interview.

TECH CENTER DECEMBER COMPUTER CLASSES

Good Neighbors and TIHDI have teamed up together to offer free basic computer classes at the ShipShape. Our classes in December and January will focus on the Basic Introduction to Computers.

For the computer basics course below you must attend all three sessions.

Sat. Dec. 5 10 - 12 Computer Basics 1: Parts of the Computer; Using the Mouse; What a "Window" is; Minimizing and maximizing windows; How to create files and folders

Sat. Dec 12 10 -12 Computer Basics 2: The Windows desktop, icons, making folders

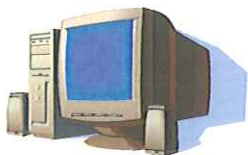
Sat. Dec 19 10 - 12 Computer Basics 3: Create folders, download files from the Internet, copy and paste files, edit Word files.

Note: Weekday and Evening classes will be based on residents need, interest, and the availability of volunteers. Please contact Sherryl Morris at 415-986-4810 or smorris@tihdi.org if you are interested.

How to sign up for classes:

- Registration is on a first come/first served basis.
- If you do not attend a class you sign up for, you will be wait listed for future classes.
- You can register in person at the center, or by emailing (smorris@tihdi.org) or by calling Sherryl Morris at 415-986-4810.
- You must be 18+ and a resident of the island.

TECH CENTER REFURBISHED COMPUTERS



Need a computer? Reliatech, has partnered with TIHDI and the Tech Center to provide refurbished computers to Island residents. Each computer comes complete with Microsoft Office 2003, AVG virus protection software, adobe reader, a wireless network card, monitor, keyboard, mouse, 90- day warranty.

If you are interested please submit a money order or money gram if the amount is \$125.00 payable to TIHDI no later than Friday, Dec. 11th.

You must complete a brief training in how to connect the computer parts and an overview of computer maintenance at the time of pickup, as well as register with the center when you come in to pick up your computer. To see a demo model, visit the ShipShape anytime the business center is open.

This offer is on a first come/first served basis. Availability is subject to change . To purchase a refurbished computer, contact Sherryl Morris @ 415-986-4810 or stop by the Ship Shape office during regular office hours.

A demonstration model is available for your review at the Ship Shape.

2010 TAX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON TREASURE ISLAND

The Treasure Island Tax Site will be open for the 2010 tax season and we need volunteers.

As a member of the Earn It! Keep It! Save It! San Francisco, County coalition, TIHDI and it's Business Assistance Center (which also provides other financial services for clients), is located at the Ship-Shape building on Treasure Island, is a VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) site that prepares tax returns for low to moderate income families and individuals, earning less than \$52,000 a year.

We want to help people with their tax return, ensuring they receive the tax refund they deserve. We also want our clients to avoid paying predatory fees to have their taxes prepared somewhere else.

But we need help.

With the help of the Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Coalition and the IRS, we train and certify our volunteers so they can prepare returns for our clients.

Training is free and takes approximately 24 to 36 hours to complete.

Training usually takes place in December or January. Volunteers then take a test to certify at up to 3 levels: basic, intermediate, and advanced.

By being a VITA site volunteer, you will:

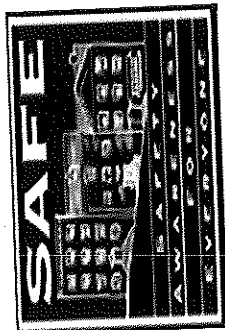
- Learn a valuable and useful skill: tax preparation
- Regularly work with other volunteers that want to help people, too
- Help families and individuals that really need someone they can trust to do their taxes and get their full tax refund without feeling taken advantage of or insecure about the process
- See the immediate effects of your hard work – a family sees their refund amount and can't stop smiling and thanking you

If you are interested in being a VITA volunteer with the Treasure Island VITA site, please contact **Shannon Wise** at 415.274.0311 ext 301 or by sending an email to swise@tihdi.org so I can be sure to send you training schedules and get you all the information you need to be ready for the 2010 tax season or visit www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org and click on the VOLUNTEER button.

MUNI SERVICE CHANGE AND NEW 108 MAP



HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS BY SF SAFE



Though crime rates are down on the Island at present we usually experience an increase of crimes of opportunity during November and December. Most burglaries occur because of an open window or door (even on the second story) and can be avoided by keeping all entrances to your home locked.

Below are some suggestions on how to enjoy a SAFE holiday season by San Francisco SAFE.:

Personal Safety

- Share your shopping itinerary with someone you trust.
- If shopping after dark, take a friend. Park in well lit & well-traveled areas.
- Be Alert! Look confident; walk with a purpose.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages.
- Keep keys in your hand when walking to your car or home.
- Be aware of your surroundings and anyone approaching you or your vehicle.
- If someone demands your purse or wallet, surrender it immediately—it's not worth your life.
- If anything is stolen, report it to the police.

Home Burglary Prevention

- Gifts and valuables should be kept out of sight and away from windows.
- If you are traveling, ask a neighbor to watch your house. If you have an alarm system, use it!
- Put timers on different lights throughout the interior and exterior of the house.
- Have newspapers, mail and deliveries held or picked up by someone you trust.
- Take a home inventory of your valuables and record serial numbers; engrave property with your CA driver's license number or ID number. Photograph your items.
- Do not publicize that you will be out of town for the holidays on your answering machine or to others whom you don't know.
- Schedule a Residential Security Survey with SAFE.
- Start a **SAFE Neighborhood Watch** group so you and your neighbors can identify and report suspicious activities.

Prevent Pickpocketing and Identity Theft

- Bring only the cash and credit cards you will need.
- Keep cash separate from ID and credit cards. Do not carry your social security card or passport.
- Be Alert! Your purse or wallet may be a target for crime in crowded shopping areas, bus stops, and on buses. Be wary of those creating distractions.
- Limit the use of your iPod or cell phone when in public areas; your awareness level is compromised and you could be the target of pickpocketing, robbery and iPod theft.

- Record credit card numbers so you can immediately report any loss to the police and issuing company.
- Strong, confident body language and eye contact with others is likely to discourage pickpocketing.
- Men should keep wallets in hard-to-reach spots.
- Women should keep wallets deep inside their purse.
- If taking public transit, keep your Fast Pass separate from your purse or wallet.
- Shred receipts that show your credit card number.

Prevent Auto-Boosting (breaking into your car)

- Leave nothing visible in the car. Keep vehicle locked, including doors and trunk.
- Keep packages locked in your car trunk while shopping.
- Move your car to a different location each time you pack in more items.
- Never leave your vehicle with the engine running.
- Consider parking in an attended lot if possible.

Be Alert and Aware of Suspicious Activities While Shopping or Traveling

- The Holiday shopping season gives rise to threats against shopping malls and other crowded places.
- Be alert and aware of your surroundings at all times.
- If you notice an unattended package at a shopping mall or at the airport, notify security.
- Be aware of suspicious persons who exhibit erratic or nervous behavior in a shopping mall, on public transportation or at an airport.
- Take notice of people in bulky or inappropriate clothing, which may be used to conceal threatening devices or objects.
- If you notice any suspicious chemical smells or pungent odors in public areas or on public transit, alert security.
- Report anyone tampering with surveillance cameras or entering unauthorized areas.
- If you see something, say something!

9-1-1 for Emergencies or Crimes in Progress
(415) 553-0123 for Non-Emergencies

Alert a Police Officer

Shopping Online with your Credit Card

- Do business only with companies you know.
- Shop only at secure websites.
- Do not respond to emails asking you for personal or credit card information.
- Check your credit card & bank statements regularly and closely for fraudulent use.
- Report any fraudulent charges to your bank, the credit bureaus, and the police.

FROM "CORPS TO CAPITOL"- LEADERS IN THE MAKING AT TREASURE ISLAND JOB CORPS

Last month, September 23rd, three Treasure Island Job Corps leadership staff (Business & Community Liaison Director Wilhelmina Parker; Work Based Learning Supervisor Krista Vendetti and Deputy Center Director Redford Salmon) journeyed to Capitol Hill in Washington, DC to partake in activities to commemorate Job Corps 45th Anniversary, themed "45 Years of Building Lives."

Journeying with them were two exemplary Treasure Island Job Corps students: Sajataflori Poole and Kamilah Banks from the Advanced Culinary Program and Certified Medical Assistant Programs respectively; two of the 11 technical training programs available at the San Francisco Treasure Island based Job Corps.

As part of the nationwide anniversary celebrations, Sajataflori (who also goes by her nickname "Sajata") and Kamilah, were part of a small group of students selected from various Job Corps' nationwide to shadow several congressional dignitaries on Capitol Hill, in Washington, DC. For Sajata, (also Treasure Island Job Corps Student Government Association President) this is the second time she has had the distinguished honor of visiting Capitol Hill to shadow a Congressional figure in connection with her studies at Job Corps.

The following interview provides a snapshot of the teenage Treasure Island Job Corps students' experiences regarding their Washington, DC visit and shares some of their simple words of wisdom; words which quite frankly, resonate at many levels.

Question: "You were both selected for this trip because you distinguished yourselves as exemplary Treasure Island Job Corps students. For both of you; what are three core strengths you feel have been developed by your experience(s) at Treasure Island Job Corps?"

Answer:

Sajata: "Well, Interpersonal skills- I've learned how to interact with people on very mature levels, Multi cultural Awareness- I've learned to respect people with their individualities, and different nationalities and beliefs. Communications- I've also learned the wonderful skill of communication. I can communicate with anyone; be it Congresswomen Barbara Lee, the Treasure Island Job Corps Center director Mr. Miller, or my fellow peers".

Kamilah: "For myself I'd have to say Independent Living. Since I have become a Job Corps student, I don't rely on my family as much for support. I am more reliant on myself. I have never had a job, but with help from Brian Stott and other Treasure Island Job Corps Center Career Transition Specialists I was able to find leisure time employment"

Question: "If you could share three things you learned following your trip to Washington, DC, what would they be?"

Answer:

Sajata: "The three things I've learned from this trip to D.C. are that it takes a lot of hard work, dedication, courage, and patience. Sorry that's four. It takes all of that to do or even be on their level and ac-

complish what they do on a daily basis".

Kamilah: Well, my response is more about me than anything...which I guess is good! I learned how to feel more comfortable addressing a large audience; even when being put on the spot. Also, I am more of a role model that I ever thought".

Question: "How has your trip impacted your career/personal development goals?"

Answer:

Sajata: "I'm going to the military in hopes to one day cook in the White House. But I don't see myself going into government or politics, I'm sure if I applied the four things I've learned I could, but it's not my thing."

Kamilah: "This trip will always be something that will make me stand out from the masses when dealing with future employers".

Question: "Are there any words of advice you'd like to share with your peers/others?"

Answer:

Sajata: On this trip to D.C. we got to see how life is on Capital Hill, and life doesn't get any easier, whether you are in Job Corps, at home, in college, working, or anything else -life will always be hard. It's your job as individuals, to get what you want out of life. So stay focused, dedicated, hard working, and when the going gets tough, keep moving forward".

Kamilah: "Hard work really does pay off in the end. And everything we do is for a reason. Let's make our reasoning positive".



Ms. Banks (left) and Ms. Poole (right) in pink shirts, on the steps of Capitol Hill preparatory for work on the Hill. Seen with them is Krista Vendetti-Work Based Learning Supervisor (in white shirt)

THE OHLONE INDIANS ON YERBA BUENA ISLAND

BY ANTHONY NORTON --- SEPT. 23, 2009

In a previous issue, Lee Davis, former resident of Treasure Island told us about the reading group she had started on Island for resident children. Below is a story written by one of them... If you would like to know more about the reading group, please write to good_neighbors@treasureisland.net

The Indians that lived on Yerba Buena Island are the Ohlone Indians



They hunted animals like fish and rabbits.

They made boats called canoes.



The Ohlone spend their time mostly outside, but when they got cold, they wore rabbit skin blankets and stayed in their tule reed houses

Ohlone fathers and mothers loved their sons and daughters. The fathers would teach their sons how to hunt. The mothers would teach their daughters how to cook food

I am in the 5th grade. I live on Treasure Island. I am proud to be an Ohlone and Miwok Indian. My name is Anthony Norton



HALLOWEEN 2009



We're on the web!
www.TreasureIslandSF.org

How To SUBSCRIBE

For residents of the Villages,
send an email to:

villages@jsco.net

with the subject "Email Notices
Sign-Up." and include your name,
address and contact information.
Staff will first verify the
information, and then send the
latest community news.

For all other residents, agencies,
staff and friends, please send
your request to:

Good_Neighbors@comcast.net

Please encourage and tell your
housemates and neighbors how
to sign up.

Everyone is Welcome!



Next Quarterly Meeting
Saturday
December 12, 2009
11 pm to 1pm
Shipshape
Call (415) 520-6653

NOTES...

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Interviews can be scheduled at a time that is convenient to you and can be conducted at your home or at offices located at Building One. To schedule an interview, please contact AutoTemp at 510-238-9386. If you have other questions about the long-term plans for the redevelopment of the island, please call the Treasure Island Redevelopment hotline at 415-554-6170

San Francisco SAFE, Inc. (Safety Awareness for Everyone) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation that provides crime prevention education and public safety services citywide. We act as a liaison between the community and the San Francisco Police Department. SAFE strives to address crime and quality of life issues to make our neighborhoods a safer place to live, work and play. Visit SFSafe at www.SFSafe.org

December Bi-Monthly Community Meeting Canceled. The next community meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 17, 6:30-7:30 at the ShipShape. For information, please contact Marianne Thompson at (415) 274-0662.

Treasure Island Parent Association Group
401 13th Street Ave. E Building 28
Contact Number: 415-655-3433

We are inviting you to our Treasure Island Parent Association Group right here on the island. Come join us in building our families up with in our community.

- General meetings once a month every third Friday
- Closed meetings with members every Wednesday 12:00 O'clock noon

Activities

Fridays: 2 - 5 Reading Resource Time
4 - 6 Pre-Teens Meeting
Drop In 5 - 7

Margaret Billsborough
Melanie Williams

TI COUNTRY FAIR DECEMBER 2009



Happy Hour Specials
3pm-6 pm, Monday-Friday



Come out and meet your neighbors!
**Special TI/YBI
Resident Happy Hour**
Thursdays, 6:30pm-8pm

\$3.50 Well Drinks
Bucket of Beer Specials
~~buy 4 get the 5th for free~~
\$2.50 Beers & More!

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MIRIAN SAEZ

DIRECTOR OF THE ISLAND OPERATIONS

December 3, 2009

Mr. Lev Kilum
Lev's Probiotics, Inc.
2 Commodore Drive#384
Emeryville, CA 94608

Dear Lev,

On behalf of the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), I would like to thank you for the donation of a case of Kombucha tea to the TIDA Board of Directors meeting on October 14, 2009.

TIDA Board Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed your e-mail and understand the value of the donation to be \$144.00. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of said gift.

Thank you again for a great event.

Sincerely,

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Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

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DIRECTOR OF THE ISLAND OPERATIONS

December 3, 2009

Mr. Philippe Lee
Jade Studio Productions
560 4TH Street
San Francisco, CA 94107

Dear Philippe,

It is my pleasure to thank you for your donation of the lovely photography binder to the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA) on November 18, 2009.

TIDA Board of Directors Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed your e-mail and understand that the value of the photography binder is \$4,000. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of the gift.

Thank you again for your generous donation and I look forward to working with Jade Studio Productions in the future.

Sincerely,

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Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

A large, expressive handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Thank you!" with a long, sweeping flourish.

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December 3, 2009

Timothy Child
Tcho
Founder, Chief Chocolate Officer
Pier 17, San Francisco, CA 94111

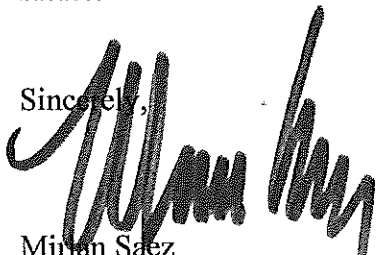
Dear Timothy,

It is my pleasure to thank you for your donation of the delicious chocolate at the Treasure Island Development Authority ("TIDA") Board of Directors meeting on 11/18/09. The reception after the meeting was open to members of the public, Treasure Island employees and TIDA Board members and staff.

TIDA Board Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed your e-mail and understand that the value of the donated chocolate is \$65.00. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of the gift.

Thank you again for your generous donation and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,


Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

Thank you, again!

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Ms. Lorene McCaffrey
Wine Valley Catering
875 Sousa Lane
Napa, CA 94559

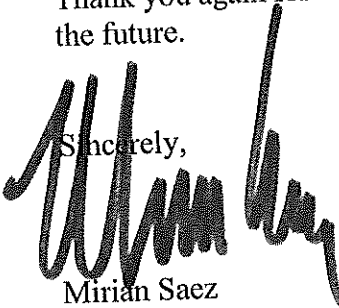
Dear Lorene,

On behalf of the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), I would like to thank you for the donation of food and beverages for the TIDA Board of Directors meeting on November 18, 2009 at the Pavilion-by-the-Bay. The reception after the meeting was hosted by Wine Valley Catering as part of a marketing program to promote the Pavilion-by-the-Bay on Treasure Island as a newly available venue for Special Events. The reception after the meeting was open to members of public, Treasure Island employees and TIDA Board members and staff.

TIDA Board Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed the catering menu contract and understand the value of the reception to be \$6,103.80. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of said gift.

Thank you again for a great event and I look forward to working with Wine Valley Catering in the future.

Sincerely,


Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

Many thanks!

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December 3, 2009

Ms. Suzanne Kavert
Best Beverage Catering
540 Barneveld Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94124

Dear Suzanne,

On behalf of the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), I would like to thank you for the donation of beverages and wait staff for the TIDA Board of Directors meeting on November 18, 2009 at the Pavilion-by-the-Bay. The reception after the meeting was open to all members of public, Treasure Island employees and TIDA Board members and staff.

TIDA Board Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed your e-mail and understand the value of the reception to be \$2,500. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of said gift.

Thank you again for a great event.

Sincerely,

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Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

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December 3, 2009

Mr. Patrick Bowen
PB Wines
16 Morning Sun Avenue
Mill Valley, CA 94941

Dear Patrick,

On behalf of the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), I would like to thank you for the donation of wine to the TIDA Board of Directors meeting on November 18, 2009 at the Pavilion-by-the-Bay. The reception after the meeting was open to all members of public, Treasure Island employees and TIDA Board members and staff.

TIDA Board Resolution #98-15-4/15 governs TIDA's ability to accept gifts and also gives the Director the authority to accept gifts valued at \$10,000 or less via written acknowledgment. I have reviewed your fax and understand the value of the donation to be \$60.00. Please let this letter serve as recognition and acknowledgment of said gift.

Thank you again for a great event.

Sincerely,

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Mirian Saez
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Mr. Paul J. Mirowski
Treasure Island Wines
527 Hillcrest Road
San Carlos, CA 94070

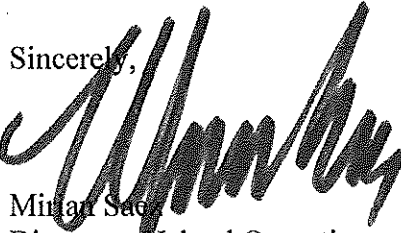
Dear Paul,

On behalf of the Treasure Island Development Authority (TIDA), I would like to thank you for the donation of wine to the TIDA Board of Directors meeting on November 18, 2009 at the Pavilion-by-the-Bay. The reception after the meeting was open to all members of public, Treasure Island employees and TIDA Board members and staff.

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Thank you again for a great event.

Sincerely,


Mirian Saez
Director of Island Operations
Treasure Island Development Authority

Thank again!

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Thank you again for a great event.

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Save the Date

Wednesday, November 11th

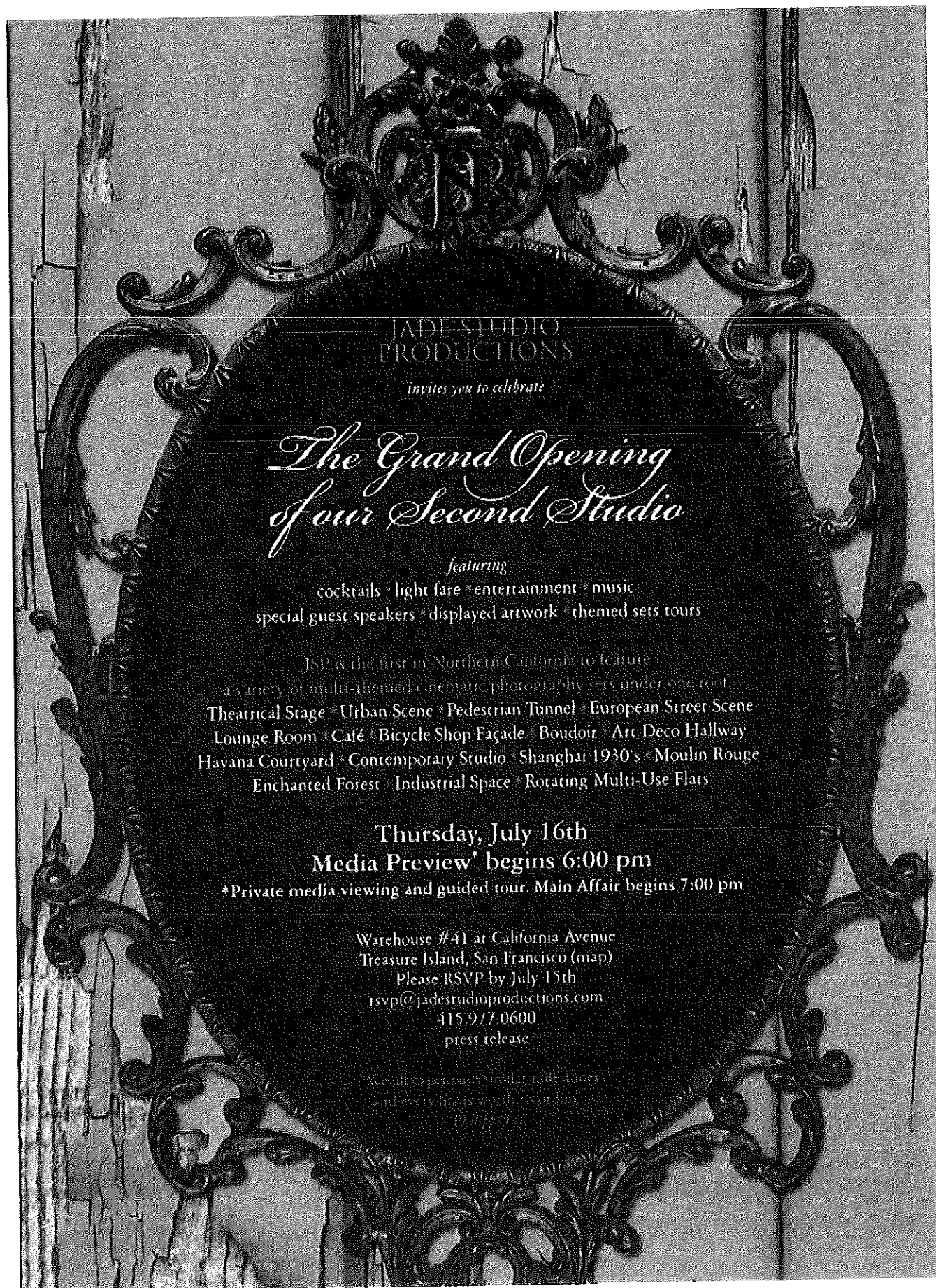
JADE STUDIO PRODUCTIONS *invites you to join us for an*

LGBT COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

Contributions raised from this event will support Out & Equal Workplace Advocates.

For more information view: www.OutandEqual.org

WHERE: Jade Studio on Treasure Island, Warehouse #41 at California Avenue **WHEN:** Wednesday, November 11th, 2009 at 6:00PM - 9:00PM



JADE STUDIO
PRODUCTIONS

invites you to celebrate

The Grand Opening of our Second Studio

featuring

cocktails * light fare * entertainment * music
special guest speakers * displayed artwork * themed sets tours

JSP is the first in Northern California to feature
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Google Earth explores climate risks to California

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SACRAMENTO, CALIF. — Google Inc. launched a new feature in its Google Earth Web site Wednesday designed to let Californians see the risks of climate change.

Google unveiled the new interactive tool in San Francisco as part of a climate change press conference by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

The state partnered with Google on the program that shows Californians how warming temperatures, rising sea levels, precipitation shifts and more frequent, intense wildfires impact their environment.

The feature, called CalAdapt, was one of the recommendations of a 200-page state report detailing how California should prepare for climate change.

"When it comes to fighting global warming and climate change, it is technology, in the end, that will save us all," Schwarzenegger said.

Internet users can view interactive maps showing such things as the shrinking snow pack along the Sierra Nevada and how a rise in sea level could submerge parts of San Francisco.

"It allows Californians to see what's happening to our wonderful and beautiful state," Google chief executive Eric Schmidt said.

The Google feature and climate report were produced after Schwarzenegger directed agencies last year to devise a strategy to prepare California for the inevitable changes ahead.

The Republican governor released his report on Treasure Island, a man-made island where three years ago he signed California's landmark global warming law that requires the state to slash greenhouse gas emissions by 2020.

The report warns rising temperatures over the next few decades will lead to more heat waves, wildfires, droughts and floods. It recommends avoiding development in low-lying areas vulnerable to rising sea level, storm surges and coastal erosion.

Not all the responsibility lies with state government, however.

"The 800-pound gorilla is land-use and making changes at the local level," said Tony Brunello, deputy secretary for climate change and energy at the California Natural Resources Agency, who helped prepare the report.

Schwarzenegger also created a 23-member climate advisory panel to devise recommendations for how the state must adapt to climate change. Its members include former U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Secretary William Reilly and former California Gov. Pete Wilson.

The recommendations are due in July.

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Looking to get married on Treasure Island? Check out Wine Valley Catering's Pavilion by the Bay



Pavilion By the Bay

Wine Valley Catering recently hosted an open house for its new wedding and event venue, Pavilion by the Bay. Located just a stone's

throw from San Francisco, on Treasure Island, Pavilion by the Bay is a gem of a ceremony and reception venue offering magnificent views of San Francisco, the Bay Bridge and the Golden Gate Bridge.

The heart of the venue is the Pavilion, a 6500+ square foot permanent tent structure that can accommodate more than 300 people for a sit-down dinner with dance floor. The state-of-the-art pavilion was designed by a German company and offers air-conditioning, heating and a beautifully-canopied ceiling. The adjacent outdoor lawn area is ideally situated for those couples wishing to host their ceremony on-site.

Lorene McCaffrey, Wine Valley Catering's proprietor, describes the new event space as a "hidden treasure on Treasure Island, where your guests will be in awe of the city...Absolutely spectacular!"

Wine Valley Catering is the exclusive caterer for the Pavilion by the Bay and Classic Party Rentals is the exclusive rental provider.

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Shipyards developer stays course in bad economy

Robert Selna, Chronicle Staff Writer

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As San Francisco's first naval base redevelopment takes shape, a project with notable similarities across the bay has had mixed results, indicating how challenging it can be to remake large tracts of industrial property as economic cycles ebb and flow.

Like the Hunters Point Shipyard in San Francisco, Vallejo's Mare Island Shipyard opened in the mid-1800s, was central to shipbuilding during World War II, and developed a symbiotic relationship with its adjacent community - the base relied on residents for labor and workers depended on the base for their livelihoods.

When each base closed - Hunters Point in 1974 and Mare Island in 1996 - the communities confronted intertwined problems related to the land: staggering job losses on property whose economic potential was dependent on industrial cleanup, new infrastructure and development.

To meet the unique financial and logistical challenges, each city partnered with Miami-based Lennar Corp., one of the nation's top home builders based on units built and revenue. The company's experience with expensive and tedious infrastructure work and relative financial heft made it the right partner, the cities' officials said.

San Francisco has since chosen Lennar and its other investment partners to develop not only Treasure Island, but also Candlestick Point, which was added to the Hunters Point Shipyard project through a ballot initiative in June 2008. An environmental report is in the works for the 702 acres at the shipyard and Candlestick Point for a plan that calls for 10,500 residential units, research and development space, retail stores and possibly an NFL stadium.

Meanwhile, Mare Island's plan for 1,400 homes and industrial, retail and commercial space on 650 acres recently escaped being scuttled altogether when the team that included Lennar and its commercial development partner LNR were pulled into the bankruptcy case of a larger real estate interest, LandSource, in June.

Much to the relief of Vallejo's city leaders, Lennar, which is considered by Wall Street analysts to be financially secure and has projects throughout the United States, has decided to go forward with the project. LNR continues to have financial problems and has dropped out.

The Lennar-led development team in San Francisco is different than at Mare Island. In San

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Francisco, the company has teamed with capital investors and infrastructure and retail development partners.

Officials in both San Francisco and Vallejo still praise Lennar.

"They have been a partner that we have worked well with for a long time on a complex project in a changing economy," said Vallejo Assistant City Manager Craig Whittom. "The land plan has been preserved, and we're looking forward."

But that plan has a long way to go and is well behind its stated goals. The Navy transferred the land to Lennar in 2002, and the company hopes the project will be completed in the next six to 10 years.

Of 1,400 planned homes, 274 have been constructed. The company has invested more than \$142 million - \$17 million more than it had projected. And land sales and leasing have generated \$124.5 million, about \$100 million short of original goals.

Home values on the former base have plummeted by around 40 percent, consistent with the rest of Solano County.

Most observers attribute the shortfalls to the slow pace of industrial cleanup and the national economic crisis, which originated with a collapse of the residential real estate market - a central component of the Mare Island redevelopment plan.

The city of Vallejo's financial situation did not help. Its decision to declare bankruptcy in May 2008 likely did not encourage potential businesses and investors. But observers also say that the city made itself more vulnerable to the downturn by relying on one developer.

"Lennar is fundamentally a home builder," said Marti Brown, a senior planner with the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, who will begin her first term on the Vallejo City Council in December.

Brown believes the economic downturn presents an opportunity to rethink the development strategy for the former base.

"The city of Vallejo has a history of handing over the keys to housing developers; it might have made more sense to focus on light industry and manufacturing."

In addition to the new housing, Lennar has used existing industrial locations to add businesses. In recent months, a railcar repair company set up shop to repair Amtrak cars and the city Planning Commission approved a plan to begin using the base's old dry docks for ship breaking and ship repair.

Myrna Hayes, who serves as co-chair of a base advisory board and lives nearby, believes some of

Shipyards developer stays course in bad economy

the island's potential was lost by transferring such a big chunk of land to Lennar. She also said the project needed more of a cohesive identity.

"Instead of having a vision, the project has been driven by Lennar's bottom line," Hayes said.

The company says it does not intend to deviate from the initial plan, however, saying it was driven by the city's goals for housing, commercial and industrial development.

City Councilwoman Joanne Schively said the project should stay the course.

"The housing market will come back eventually, it always has before," said Schively.

Meanwhile, at the Hunters Point Shipyard in San Francisco, Lennar plans to embark on building its first homes next year.

That project also has been delayed by the economy. The bigger project, which would include the rest of the shipyard and Candlestick Point, is moving forward, but still must undergo a series of approvals from city departments and the Board of Supervisors.

Mare island

The island is 3.5 miles long and about 1.25 miles wide, covering more than 5,600 acres, much of which is wetlands. In the early 1920s, the shipyard began producing and maintaining submarines and, after World War II, became one of the Navy's main bases for building and maintaining the Pacific Fleet's subs.

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SFGate.com**San Francisco's school of last resort**

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With a convicted bank robber and a former methamphetamine user in charge, John Muir Charter School on Treasure Island is not your typical public school.

But the typical public school experience didn't work for the 105 students at John Muir.

Among them are former robbers and thieves. Some are teenage parents. All were academic failures elsewhere and, at one point or another, on the state's long list of high school dropouts.

Each one wants another chance.

This school gives them that as well as health care, bus passes, individual support, construction job training, and a capitalistic reason to show up: a paycheck.

John Muir offers its students a fast track to the elusive diploma and the option of vocational job training in various construction fields. Getting a paycheck with benefits gives them one more reason to go to class.

"We're taking the kids our school system can't handle," said Garry Grady, the former bank robber, as he sat in his musty administrator's office watching students head back to class to solve algebraic equations, complete a plant biology worksheet and finish a lesson on Adolf Hitler.

He summed up his students in five words: "These are the crack babies."

The students, who range in age from 16 to 24, get paid \$50 per week for attending class; they get \$7 per hour during the weeks they're learning to hammer nails, frame a room, or paint a wall, for example.

The Glide Foundation, with public grants and nonprofit donations, provides funding and support services.

Glide also pays Grady to run the program with his counterpart, the former methamphetamine user, Kyle Money Penny, a previously homeless man turned credentialed teacher and now John Muir director of education.

A desire to learn

Every stereotype suggests the young people at the school have no future outside a jail or a graveyard, but Grady and Money Penny know better.

They know that most of the students get up at 5 a.m. or earlier to catch public transit to arrive at the former Treasure Island elementary school campus by 7 a.m. They know that since the school opened four years ago, about 200 young adults are now high school graduates. The stipend they receive is a lure, but a diploma is the hook.

"I've got to get my education," said Lamont Mims, who that morning caught the 5:19 a.m. BART train out of Hayward, followed by a bus out of San Francisco to get to school well before his first class at 7 a.m.

He would get paid \$10 that day for his attendance. That amounts to \$1.50 per hour for his time on campus.

Outside the school, many of these classmates would be enemies - in some cases mortal enemies - compelled by the street code of neighborhood gangs to hate each other and hurt each other.

Treasure Island is neutral turf.

There they sit side by side calculating how much lumber it would take to frame a door.

"This is their last chance," Grady said. "They know it. They want to change their lives."

The school's roots

The San Francisco school and vocational training program opened in 2005.

It is part of a network of 43 school sites statewide that fall under the umbrella of John Muir Charter School, a network under the authority of the Nevada County Office of Education.

Each John Muir site is affiliated with a vocational or job skills organization, including the local or state Conservation Corps, the national YouthBuild job skills program or a local Job Corps.

The San Francisco campus offers both an academics-only program called Scholars and a YouthBuild vocational/academic program, both affiliated with the Glide Foundation. State education money pays the teacher salaries and basic academic costs while donations to Glide from the Irene S. Scully Family Foundation, the Alexander M. and June L. Maisin Foundation and corporate foundations, combined with city and federal money, pay for everything else.

The students get health care through Healthy San Francisco in addition to bus or BART passes, and

San Francisco's school of last resort

assistance from case managers who help with food stamps, housing or other needs throughout school and up to a year after graduation. Those in the vocational program also receive steel-toe work boots and brown construction coveralls.

So far, about 200 of the 500 current or former students have graduated.

Makia Johnson almost gave up.

A teenager in the Fillmore district, Johnson was expelled from San Francisco's Galileo Academy before dropping out of Ida B. Wells High School. After that she hung out with friends, "doing nothing and in a lot of trouble."

After a robbery landed her in jail for a month, she had two choices: spend more time in jail or enroll in the Treasure Island charter school.

"I love my freedom," she said in explaining her decision.

And so she got up before the sun to catch a bus to school.

That was in 2007. By May 2008, she was a high school graduate, Cal/OSHA-certified with training in hazardous waste, asbestos removal and lead.

Johnson, now 21, is a plasterer making \$15.63 per hour.

"It changed my life," she said.

About 20 students currently are on the Scholars track, focused on getting a diploma and heading to college or a post-secondary vocational school. Another 60 students are in pre-YouthBuild classes to help them catch up academically so they can qualify for the school's vocational program.

The 24 YouthBuild students alternate between pursuing academics in the classroom and learning trade skills at a deserted former officers' quarters on Yerba Buena Island, on loan for free through the Treasure Island Development Authority.

Books and hammers

At the Yerba Buena site, general contractor Jeff McGallian and training coordinator Steve Michell are the no-nonsense instructors teaching everything from Hammering 101 to insulation, lighting and safety (tuck the thick neck chains in the shirt), along with daily life lessons.

While Moneypenny and Grady often empathize with their students' struggles and can joke about the bad taste of bologna sandwiches behind bars, bad choices at John Muir are met with swift and sometimes seemingly harsh consequences.

On a recent morning, Moneypenny spent a couple of hours processing the two-day suspension of a student.

The offense? At the Yerba Buena job site, the male student had pulled out his cell phone.

Suspended for a cell phone?

"If you're at a job site and a foreman is telling you something and you pull out a phone, he'll tell you to get out and never come back," Moneypenny said. "We needed to teach him some hard, fast lessons."

The students are already judged and labeled with negative stereotypes. Any mistake they make validates those impressions, the administrator said.

"We have to beg, borrow and steal to get these kids into jobs," Moneypenny said. "I guarantee that (suspended) kid is not pulling out a cell phone any time soon."

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More Iraq, Afghanistan veterans need more help

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Pentagon bean counters see an extra \$40 billion in annual costs if President Obama sends 40,000 more troops to Afghanistan, but Michael Blecker sees mainly this:

More than 13,000 new cases of post-traumatic stress disorder. An additional 8,000 or so traumatic brain injuries. More suffering and need coming home in the form of wounded vets than the country can easily handle.

The wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have produced more diagnosed cases of PTSD and debilitating injuries per capita than any other war in the nation's history, health care experts say. And veterans who encounter homecoming trouble are becoming homeless more quickly than ever, street counselors say.

It's something most people don't consider when they think of sending more soldiers overseas, said Blecker, head of San Francisco's Swords to Plowshares veterans aid agency. But they should, he said - especially now, as Obama prepares to make a speech to the nation Tuesday.

In his address, the president will announce plans for Afghanistan that are almost sure to involve dispatching tens of thousands of new troops there in the cause of defeating al Qaeda and its terrorist allies.

More ptsd cases

"We have this theme in this country that we will support our troops, all work as a team, but there are so many cases when they are just released from service and left on their own," Blecker said. "We treat them as second-class citizens, but they are the ones who pay the price."

There are proportionately more vets than ever suffering from PTSD and disability upon coming home because military armor and rescue capabilities are better than ever, experts say. That means fewer soldiers die of serious wounds, and more survive with lost limbs, injured brains and the damaging memories of horror.

Estimates by organizations including Swords to Plowshares, Stanford University and the nonprofit research center Rand contend that about one-third of the 1.8 million men and women who have served in Iraq or Afghanistan have suffered from PTSD. About 17 percent have experienced brain

injuries ranging from mild to severe.

In comparison, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs reports that 11 percent of the 8.7 million veterans of the Vietnam War suffered from PTSD. Common estimates say the numbers were lower or about the same in previous conflicts.

Redeployments - about four for most military personnel now, compared with an average of one deployment in previous wars - exacerbate the problem by exposing soldiers to more danger.

Irony of better care

"The equipment is better and the medical care is better, so they're surviving injuries that soldiers in other conflicts would have never survived," said Judi Cheary, spokeswoman for the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in San Francisco. "And we've increased staff, created a bunch of new programs and are actively doing outreach for these young vets to come to us, but unfortunately most of them don't.

"We want them to know we're here and our doors are open."

A study last year by Rand showed that 70 percent of homecoming vets who need help don't seek it from the military or Veterans Affairs.

Boosting aid efforts

As part of that push to draw young vets in and treat them faster, Cheary said, the San Francisco VA center has added 35 mental health clinicians to the 100 already on staff. Nationally, the Veterans Affairs Department held a summit in Washington earlier this month at which organizations from around the country pledged to try to house the nation's homeless veterans - estimated to number 131,000 on any given night - within five years.

One reason young vets don't seek help is the tough-it-out stance of soldier culture, Blecker said. But most will find that acting tough won't put off the inevitable need for assistance - or the troubles.

"In the past, it took Vietnam vets about 10 years to become homeless after they were discharged," Blecker said. "The trend is about half that now, for these new vets."

The VA runs several programs for homeless and struggling vets, including a one-stop integrated-care clinic at its medical center in San Francisco. Swords to Plowshares runs the most comprehensive residential counseling program for homeless veterans in the Bay Area, currently on Treasure Island - helping more than a thousand vets gain independence since 1988.

But as quickly as the warriors are healed, more take their place, said Amy Fairweather, policy director for Swords to Plowshares.

"The costs to individuals and society are going up all the time, and these costs will be with us for decades," she said. "These are young men and women."

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"Trauma" Gets a Jolt of Life

New episodes ordered, despite cancellation

By [JESSICA GREENE](#)

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Tom Hilton

[NBC](#) said last month that they were [pulling the plug on San Francisco-based medical drama "Trauma"](#) because of poor ratings. But now the show has been given a jolt of life.

The actors, the fake blood and the emergency vehicles are being called out again, to shoot three more episodes.

Apparently, NBC needs to fill time. The network has 13 episodes in the can but if it shoots another three, that would allow it to run until the winter Olympics starts.

[San Francisco](#) leaders love what the show does for the local economy.

San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom announced at the beginning of March that NBC committed to locate the show's pilot production to the City, with its base of operations on Treasure Island.



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"This production is a great opportunity to create several hundred jobs and stimulate the local economy with as much as \$7 million in revenue," Newsom said. "It demonstrates that despite the economic downturn, San Francisco continues to stand out as a beautiful and welcoming city, and we are extremely pleased that NBC has chosen San Francisco as the location for its new show."

An estimated \$3-4 million per episode is spent in the area in the form of payments of crew, permits, police overtime and catering, the site TV Series Finale says.

Now the City won't benefit from that revenue or the possible cash that could have come from actors renting or buying in the area as production.

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Crossing phobias rise after Bay Bridge repairs

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When 5,000 pounds of metal broke off the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge last month, it rattled more than just the physical structure - it shook the nerves of even the most stalwart commuters like Michael Little, a 40-year-old technology consultant with Techsoncall.com who lives in the East Bay and easily averages up to 100 miles driving a day.

"I've been unnerved by all of this," said Little. "It's now not just the inconvenience factor and financial impact, but to learn that the issue is ongoing, there's no permanent fix, it's just not worth taking the risk."

When visiting clients in San Francisco, he now takes a longer route through Marin, which he finds less stressful. "Why be a guinea pig on those S curves? I can drive over the Golden Gate Bridge, enjoy the pleasant view and not worry about gridlock, semi trucks or safety."

Little said he doesn't know how long he'll keep avoiding the Bay Bridge, but it's likely to last at least until the next closure and repair. When he recently found himself heading toward the bridge as a matter of habit, he did a U-turn, he said.

Considering his reticence, it's easy to imagine how difficult a time this is for those suffering from geophyrophobia, a persistent fear of crossing bridges, a type of phobia associated with generalized anxiety disorder. Specific numbers are hard to come by, but about 10 percent of the population is likely to experience a clinically significant phobia (including situational phobias like geophyrophobia) over the course of their lives, according to the American Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Richard Patel, a psychiatrist who works in private practice and in the psychiatric emergency room at San Francisco General Hospital, said he has seen an uptick in patients reporting all forms of anxiety related to the bridge incident (including claustrophobic BART riders). San Francisco psychologist Daniel Weiner is also getting more calls from people with bridge-related anxiety.

Despite repeated assertions from Caltrans authorities that the repairs are sound and the bridge is safe, some drivers still harbor fears about crossing. And this time around, experts say, it's harder to reassure them.

"Much of what we do in therapy is to challenge thoughts and beliefs around frightening outcomes,"

said Weiner, who works at the San Francisco Bay Area Center for Cognitive Therapy.

"Normally, bridge failure and collapse is infrequent and we don't have access to images of catastrophic events. But now we do," he said.

Weiner has treated over a dozen patients with extreme bridge fears with cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), often accompanying them on drives. As homework, he often prescribes visual therapies, such as watching videos that have been posted on YouTube recording their journey over the Bay Bridge and other crossings - some of which are even accompanied by classical music.

"Without an intervention it will get worse and a person will then latch on to that object of their anxiety," said Patel, who added that he believes anxiety-related disorders are at an epidemic proportion and need to be more readily and effectively addressed.

After 12 years of avoiding both the Golden Gate Bridge and the Bay Bridge, Cesar Chirion sought therapy for his bridge crossing fears two years ago at the age of 50.

"I was really closing doors in my life. I knew I had to do something. I couldn't even drive up to West Marin to watch soccer games with my friends," he said. "I would have to rely on other people to drive me. I began to lose my independence."

He recently walked across the Golden Gate Bridge for the first time since he arrived here from Lima, Peru, 30 years ago.

But it was a long journey to get to that point. As part of his specific therapy, Cesar drove with Weiner over the Bay Bridge, but he stopped at Treasure Island when he had a panic attack.

They resumed their crossing after discussing bridge safety data to counter his irrational fear. "I never used to be able to say the word 'bridge' without getting sweaty palms or feeling uneasy," he said. "But now I can. It's still not the most comfortable experience for me, and I can't say I like the new Bay Bridge - it looks too open and not protective (enough) - but I will deal with that too."

For those who still struggle with fears that keep them from driving across the span themselves, the Bay Area Toll Authority has a link on its 511.org web site to encourage casual carpooling. (In Maryland, the Transportation Authority recently began offering \$25 vendor-provided drive-over services across the 4-mile William Preston Lane Jr. Memorial Bay Bridge over the Chesapeake for those who are not able or prefer not to drive.)

With all the news, recent accidents, questions of confidence in Caltrans, concerns about safety and unanswered questions, Weiner reminds us that it's OK to be a little nervous. "Talking about what is happening on the Bay Bridge is helpful because when you talk about your fears, exposure to them begins in this way. And a conversation is where healing can start."

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