

Sacramento



SRCC Newsletter

April 2024

Wishing you a happy Spring!

We Are Stronger Together

Hello Community!

If you joined us for any of the programs and events we had in March, we want to sincerely *thank you!* From the monthly networking mixer to the 2024 Business & Community Excellence Awards, it was great to reconnect with so many of you and we're even more excited for our other upcoming events – like the [Big Day of Giving Drag Queen Bingo](#) on May 2nd!

Programs like the Business & Community Excellence Awards wouldn't be possible without the dedicated volunteers behind them. We'd like to extend a special thank you to our awards selection committee: Erica Quarles of Platinum Notary; Sara Hanson of Broadway Sacramento; Alexandra Michel of Alexandra Michel Consulting; and Tyler Thompson of Insperty.

If you're interested in becoming more involved in the Chamber this year, please [email us](#) to learn more about open committee positions or other ways to volunteer.

Warmly,
Samuel N. Jones, Chair



Photo above from left to right: Samuel N. Jones (He/Him/His), Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Board Chair and Alex Bell (She/Her/Hers), ABC 10 at the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce's 2024 Business and Community Excellence Awards and Expo. (Photo Credit: [Amy Medina Photography](#))

Are you a Transgender or Gender Expansive Business Owner in Sacramento?



**Grow
Your
Business
With
Us**



**The Sacramento
Rainbow Chamber of
Commerce wants to
offer you a 1 year Free
Membership**



If you're already a member, talk to us about this offer!

Following Transgender Day of Visibility (March 31st, 2024), the SRCC will be offering a one year free general membership for transgender, gender non-conforming, intersex, non-binary, and gender expansive owned businesses in the Greater Sacramento Region.

Contact:

Lauren.Pulido@rainbowchamber.com for more information on how to utilize this offer.



The Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce is excited to share, in honor of Transgender Day of Visibility, that we will be offering a **one-year free general membership for transgender, gender non-conforming, intersex, non-binary, and/or gender expansive business owners!**

Business must be 51% or more owned by a transgender, gender non-conforming, intersex, non-binary, and gender expansive person. Business must also be located within the Greater Sacramento Region. This initiative will improve and create efforts to procure goods and services from transgender, gender non-conforming, intersex, non-binary, and gender expansive business owners, with the goal of economic empowerment for some of the most vulnerable — yet most innovative— members of the LGBTQ+ community.

If you or someone you know could benefit from this offer, feel free to share this invaluable information with them. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to join our membership community. If you are already part of our membership and this offer applies to you, reach out to our team to discuss options for you. All inquiries of this offer can be emailed to Lauren.Pulido@rainbowchamber.com. We can't wait to welcome our new members.

Welcome New Members!

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to these members who recently joined the Chamber:

- [WeR2Creative](#)
- [Kai Skye Peasley](#)
- [Trisha Wallis, Licensed Psychologist specializing in LGBTQ+ & gender-affirming mental health care](#)
- [Bear Dive](#)
- [R4 Homes Inc](#)
- [APAPA](#)

We are proud to have you as part of our business community!

Upcoming Chamber Events

Sacramento's Original Drag Queen Bingo!
This Beneficiary is Congregation Beth Shalom

Sacramento's Original...



\$20
Cash Donation
For 8 Games

Hosted by:
Do Me Moore

It's On...
April 4, 2024
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

This month's Beneficiary



SRCC's Monthly Networking Mixer

Rainbow Chamber Networking Mixer

April 16, 2024

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm



Hosted By:



FREE for Members
\$10 for Non-Members

tri counties bank

Service With Solutions®

801 K Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Registration Required

www.RainbowChamber.com

This month's networking mixer will be held by a proud member of the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, Tri Counties Bank at 801 K Street, Sacramento CA, and will be on April 16th from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Registration is required for this event.

Register for this event by clicking the flyer to the right or by clicking [here](#).

SRCC's Big Day of Giving Bingo

Big Day of Giving

Thursday May 2, 2024



ADVANCED TICKET
PURCHASE REQUIRED

VIP Drag Bingo Package

Hosted Appetizers

A Sweet Treat

Early Reception

Photo Opportunity with Drag Queens

Reserved Seat

Guaranteed FUN



Table reservations
available for groups

www.RainbowChamber.com

VIP \$50 VIP
per person

Join us for Big Day of Giving

Drag Queen Bingo on Thursday, May 2nd, 2024

This VIP Bingo Experience will directly support our Sacramento Rainbow Chamber Foundation and scholarship programs.

Use the button below to reserve your tickets today!

Get BDOG Bingo Tickets today!

New Member Orientation

NEW MEMBER *Collaborative* ORIENTATION

WEDNESDAY APRIL, 24

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

SMUD HEADQUARTERS

Arden Room

6201 S Street

Sacramento, CA 95817



Guest Speaker

Dr. Markisha Webster

SMUD Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

SEE YOU THERE!



Join us on **April 24th from 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.** for our **New Member Orientation** in collaboration with Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce hosted by SMUD! We are excited to hear from our incredible guest speaker, Dr. Markisha Webster, SMUD Director of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion.

If you're a new member, come and learn all of what your membership has in store for you and your business. If you're a seasoned member, see how you can more explore your benefits with us. We are here to support you and help your business or organization succeed!

Register for this **FREE** in person event using the button below.

[Register for New Member Orientation Here!](#)

Community News and Events



On March 26th, 2024, the Sacramento City Council approved a resolution declaring Sacramento a sanctuary city for transgender people.

We are thrilled to share this announcement that the City of Sacramento has officially been declared a Sanctuary City for Transgender People. This resolution, championed by Emily Smet of Democratic Socialists of America's Sacramento chapter, aims to protect and support our transgender community in the face of increasing discrimination nationwide. Let us stand together against hate and discrimination.

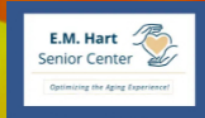
Read the full Resolution and other related articles below:

- [Resolution Declaring the City of Sacramento a Sanctuary City for Transgender People](#)
- [Sacramento is a sanctuary for trans people. Why it's more than a symbolic gesture - Sacramento Bee](#)
- [Sacramento Becomes Sanctuary City For Trans People - Huff Post](#)
- [Sacramento becomes first transgender 'sanctuary city' in California - The Center Square](#)

8th Annual Senior PRIDE Fair

Creating Community Connections for LGBTQ+ Seniors

Co-hosted by:



Thursday April 25th
10am - 1pm

Hart Senior Center
915 27th St
Sacramento

Featuring New Exhibitors

Social Groups
&
Senior Resources

that strive to keep us engaged and
independent

Awareness & Empowerment Projects of Servant Hearts
servant_hearts@hotmail.com ~ 218-760-2415

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Thursday, April 25th 2024, 10:00am - 1:00pm at the Hart Senior Center, 915
27th Street.

This year's theme:
'Creating Community Connections for LGBTQ+ Seniors'

California Public Utilities Commission
Small and Diverse Business Expo



CPUC Small and Diverse Business Expo

On April 4th, come join this free event to meet with procurement and supplier diversity representatives and learn of business opportunities and upcoming contracts.

This expo will provide small and diverse businesses opportunities to connect with representatives from utility companies, public agencies, community choice aggregators, prime contractors, resource centers and other businesses. The event is designed with the intent to facilitate networking, education, and exchange of information.

Representatives from firms such as Comcast, Southwest Gas, Liberty Utilities, AT&T, California Water Association, Ava Community Energy Authority, Clean Power Alliance, Central Coast Community Energy, Pioneer Community Energy, CleanPowerSF, and more will be in attendance looking forward to connecting with you.

To register for the Small and Diverse Business Expo, please visit [here](#).

For more information about the Small Business Expo and the Small Business Program, please visit [Small Business Expos](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Small and Diverse Business Expo

April 4, 2024
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

LOCATION:

South San Francisco
Conference Center
255 S Airport Blvd, South
San Francisco, CA 94080

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Phone: (916) 261-3041

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The CPUC regulates privately owned electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water, railroad, rail transit, and passenger transportation companies.



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California Public Utilities Commission

Small and Diverse Business Expo

Thursday, April 4, 2024

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

South San Francisco Conference Center

255 S Airport Blvd, South San Francisco, CA 94080

Register for the Small and Diverse Business Expo

UC Davis Health's Small and Diverse Supplier Expo

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UC DAVIS HEALTH**

**SMALL AND
DIVERSE
SUPPLIER
EXPO**

April 11, 2024

JOIN US AT THE

Small and Diverse Supplier Expo

UC Davis Health Procurement, UC Davis Supply Chain Management, the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Health Equity, Diversity & Inclusion invite you to learn more about doing business with us!

Join UC Davis Health and UC Davis campus department purchasers at the Oak Park Community Center in Sacramento to learn more about their needs for goods and services and what steps to take to position your business to meet those needs.

Questions? Contact HS-SmallBusinessFirst@ucdavis.edu

THURSDAY

APRIL 11

10 AM – 12:30 PM

Oak Park Community Center
3425 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Sacramento

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MORE
OR
REGISTER**

Thank you to our event partners:



UC Davis Presents the 4th Annual Small & Diverse Business Expo

April 11th, 2024

10:00am - 12:30pm

Oakpark Community Center

3425 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95817

To register please complete the form below and reach out to HS-SmallBusinessFirst@ucdavis.edu with any questions.

UC Davis Presents the 4th Annual
Small & Diverse Business Expo



UC Davis Health's 4th Annual Small & Diverse Business
Expo

PG&E Small and Diverse Business Engagement – Delivering for our
Hometowns



PG&E Small and Diverse Business Engagement

Delivering for our Hometowns

Tuesday, April 16, 2024
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM PST

Forum Objectives:

- Learn about PG&E support in your region.
- Gain insight on how to do business with PG&E.
- Discover resources available for small and medium size businesses.
- Network with PG&E Prime Suppliers

Key Benefits:

Increased knowledge and insight into opportunities available for small and diverse businesses and networking with PG&E representatives and prime suppliers.

Who Should Attend:

This event is by invitation only for small and diverse businesses, community-based organizations, and PG&E Prime Suppliers.

PG&E Representatives:

Joe Wilson

Vice President, North Valley & Sierra Region

Sourcing and other Regional Representatives.

Location:

Small Business Administration
6501 Sylvan Road, Ste 100
Citrus Heights, CA 94583

Light refreshments will be served during the event.

Check in at 8:30

[Register Here](#)

Please RSVP by April 10th



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PG&E Small and Diverse Business Engagement – Delivering for our Hometowns

April 16, 2024

Small Business Administration Building
6501 Sylvan Road
Citrus Heights, CA 95610

Have the opportunity to network with attendees and hear from the PG&E Regional leaders and other PG&E representatives from the functional areas, Supply Chain and Small Business Engagement Team. Register using the button below!

PG&E Small and Diverse Business Engagement – Delivering for our Hometowns

Community Offer



(916) 741-3551
vnyberg@drvalerienyberg.com
7828 Zenith Drive #7461
Citrus Heights, California 95621

Maintaining PRIDE Amidst the Storm: A Restorative Healing Circle

Even with decades of hard-fought gains, members of the LGBTQ+ community continue to find various aspects of who they are and how they show up under attack. This impacts the body, mind, spirit, and how one shows up at all levels of their lives. For these reasons, this circle practice is designed to provide a safe space for participants to gather, get to know one another on a human-to-human level through sharing their experiences, learning strategies to increase wellness and well-being. When we can connect, build relational belonging, and implement practical everyday wellness skills, we increase resilience and decrease stress and anxiety.

Restorative Healing Circle Structure: (Total Time 90 minutes)--Zoom

Ideally groups would range from 15 - 20 people

- Members will gather together and check-in **(10 minutes)**
 - Begin with a grounding or centering activity **(10 minutes)**
 - Learn about research/information about stress and/or trauma and 1 - 2 practical skills or strategies **(30 minutes)***
 - Circle Share Time—can be structured (the four questions) and unstructured **(30 minutes)**
 - Wrap up and Debrief **(10 minutes)**
- *Can be substituted with an exploration of creative works (art, poetry, music, etc.)*

About Dr. Valerie Nyberg:

Dr. Valerie Nyberg was raised here in Sacramento. She recently moved back after spending 12 years in the Pacific Northwest and 18 years in Iowa where she raised her sons. She is a former high school teacher and high school associate principal and principal. In 2017, she became a trained restorative practitioner. Recently Dr. Nyberg has earned her certification as a [IIRP Restorative Practice Trainer](#). Though not a mental health professional or psychologist, Dr. Nyberg has extensively studied and has experiences with implementing trauma-informed practices. As a survivor of childhood complex trauma and military service-connected PTSD, she wants to help others leverage their experiences for their personal growth and wellbeing. Dr. Nyberg earned her PhD in Teaching and Learning from the University of Iowa in 2012.

2024's Business and Community Excellence Awards and Expo!

Thank you to all who participated!

BCEA Expo Photos



(BCEA Expo Photo Credit for above pictures: [Amy Medina Photography](#))



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Congratulations

The winners of Sacramento Rainbow Chamber's Annual Business and Community Excellence Awards

Community Leader of the Year



Matthew St. Amant
UC Davis Health



Corporate Advocate



Business in Excellence



Clarmundo Sullivan
Golden Rule Services



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Interested in becoming a member?



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Thank you to our sponsors





Pictured From Left to Right: 2023's Corporate Advocate of the year - CSU Sacramento President Luke Wood, 2024 Corporate Advocate Award Winner - Tri Counties Bank represented by Thomas Kane, 2023's Corporate Advocate of the year - SMUD's Paul Lau, and BCEA Chair Erica Quarles. Photo Credit: [Tia Gemmell Media Photography](#)



Pictured From Left to Right: 2023's Business in Excellence Award Winner - Joel Hockman of Pucci's Pharmacy, 2024 Business in Excellence Award Winner - Clarmundo Sullivan of Golden Rules Services, 2023's Business in Excellence Award Winner - Clint Hopkins, and BCEA Chair Erica Quarles. Photo Credit: [Tia Gemmell Media Photography](#)



Pictured From Left to Right: 2024 Community Leader of the Year Award Winner - Matthew St. Amant of UC Davis Health , 2023's Community Leader of the Year Award Winner - Jake Bradley Rowe of Sunburst Projects, and BCEA Chair Erica Quarles. Photo Credit: [Tia Gemmell Media Photography](#)

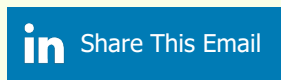
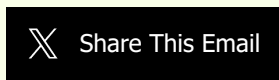
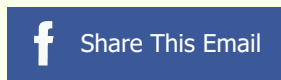


THANK YOU to all of our guests, sponsors, supporters, members, expo participants, and our incredible award winners and past recipients for making this another successful event.

We can't wait to see you next year!

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