

### CREATING CONNECTIONS IN NORWALK

The motto for the City of Norwalk is a "Connected Community" and the Norwalk Chamber consistently strives to offer opportunities to our members to get and stay connected with different networking events. We host a Coffee and Conversation meet up on the 4th Thursday of every other month so that business and community leaders can come together and find out what is going on in Norwalk. This event is hosted by Chick-fil-A at the Norwalk Fitness Village and Farid Khansarinia. This month at Coffee and Conversation we welcomed new member Subway and Yash Vaidya along with City of Norwalk Economic Development Director John Ramirez. Look for additional opportunities to connect with local business and community leaders during the months of August and September by viewing the Calendar section in this newspaper, visiting our website at [www.norwalkchamber.com](http://www.norwalkchamber.com) or find us on Facebook.



Norwalk Chamber Board President Rich LeGaspi of TNT Fireworks with new member Yash Vaidya of Subway 49655 at the Coffee & Conversation.



Enjoying the Chick-fil-A raffle prize is John Ramirez, City of Norwalk Economic Development Director and Heather Ramirez, Marketing Director with Chick-fil-A.



Networking at Coffee and Conversation are Cynthia Deleon, Department of Rehabilitation, Karinna Alatorre and Kimberly Peck with the American Lung Association.



Building connections at Chick-fil-A are Ambassador Denise Urriaga of Kustom Made Graphics and Board Member Dora Sandoval, 605 Kiwanis.



Getting the conversation started at Chick-fil-A are (l to r) Ambassador Sue Arthur, Yash Vaidya of Subway, Board Member Dora Sandoval and 100th Anniversary Committee Chair Toni Grijalva of Cerritos College.

### MEET THE MAYOR AT THE NASC

Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia and the Norwalk Recreation & Park Services Department hosted another "Meet the Mayor" event on July 25th at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex. Visitors were able to speak directly with Mayor Valencia and share thoughts and concerns with her. They were also able to enjoy light refreshments and a beautiful cake celebrating the Mayor's birthday. Tables were set up with information about the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training this August. For those that are interested the upcoming training is August 11th, 5pm to 9pm; August 12th, 8:30am to 4pm and August 19th, 8:30am to 4pm. Participants must attend all three sessions in order to become part of the CERT team. What is CERT? CERT is the Community Emergency Response Team program that educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains you in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Volunteers must be 18 or older, a Norwalk resident and pass a background check. There is no cost to participate. If you would like to sign up for this program, contact the Norwalk Office of Emergency Management at 562-929-5919 or email [oem@norwalkca.gov](mailto:oem@norwalkca.gov). Make plans to attend the next Meet the Mayor event when the details are shared with the community.



Attendees at the Meet the Mayor event include Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia, California Assembly Member Blanca Pacheco, City of Norwalk Commissioners, Public Safety Officers, Norwalk Chamber Board Members and residents of Norwalk.



Sharing Norwalk information at the "Meet the Mayor" event are (l to r) Nandy Santana, Field Director for State Senator Bob Archuleta, Board President Rich LeGaspi, Board Members Dora Sandoval, Jose Rios and Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia.



Wishing Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia Happy Birthday are State Assembly Member Blanca Pacheco, and Norwalk Board Members Dora Sandoval and Rich LeGaspi.



Enjoying the "Meet the Mayor" event are Norwalk Commissioner Patti Hoskins and her granddaughter Anna Hansen.

### DREAM BIG PROJECT 5TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

The Dream Big Project 5th Annual Scholarship Awards Celebration was held at the Norwalk Arts and Sports Complex on Sunday, July 30th at 3pm. Dream Big Project provides scholarships to students in the Norwalk area. This year students that were honored with scholarships attended La Mirada High School, Norwalk High School and Santa Fe Springs High School. Luncheon was provided by the team from Skills USA and Norwalk High School Culinary Arts supervised by Ken Cook and Chef Tracy Horton. Next the audience heard from keynote speaker Martha Pelayo of the Cerritos College Foundation and student guest speaker Carlee Romero, a former scholarship recipient. They both shared wise advice to the current scholarship winners. Following the keynote speeches attendees met the scholarship winners. Executive Director/President Miguel Rivera Jr. introduced the first two scholarship recipients, who each then got up and shared their thoughts on not only the scholarship but on their past and future endeavors. Dr. David Olea, Principal of Norwalk High School introduced the next group of scholarship winners who also spoke and thanked their families and everyone who had helped them get to where they are today. We also had David Gallegos and Pedro Ruezga introduce the remaining students. These students are going on to attend Cerritos College, Rio Hondo College, UCLA, Middlebury College, Cal State Fullerton, USC, Cal State Long Beach, and UC San Diego. We congratulate the Dream Big Project on another successful year of providing student scholarships. If you would like to support this organization and the good work they do in the community, visit their website at <https://dreambigproject.org/> to find out about future events or how you can donate.



Miguel Rivera Jr, President/Executive Director of the Dream Big Project getting ready to present the 2023 Scholarships.



Attending the Dream Big Project luncheon are 605 Kiwanis members Dr. Cathy Alvarez, Claudia Martinez-Olea and Principal of Norwalk High School Dr. David Olea.



605 Kiwanis members attending the Scholarship Luncheon supporting the Dream Big Project. In this photo are (l to r) Dr. Cathy Alvarez, Miguel Rivera Jr. President Dora Sandoval, Wendel Cook, Dr. David Olea, Millie Casillas, Ken Cook and Esperanza Serrano.



The 2023 Scholarship winners with Dream Big Board Members. Pictured here (l to r) Maximilian Villanueva, Santa Fe High School, Miguel Morales, Norwalk High School, Rayanna Campos, Norwalk High School, Heidi Valencia, Norwalk High School, Melissa Flores, Santa Fe High School, Yolanda Rivera, Miguel Rivera Sr. Miguel Rivera Jr. Yolanda Gallegos, David Gallegos, Leilani Juan, Norwalk High School, Kayla Romero, Norwalk High School, Janelle Peralta Norwalk High School, and Nicolas Toselli, La Mirada High School. (Not pictured Hyerin Shin, Norwalk High School)

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**CALENDAR  
OF EVENTS**

- Wednesday, August 9th**  
City of Norwalk  
Summer Concert Series  
Civic Center Lawn 5pm to 9pm  
Neon Nation
- Wednesday, August 16th**  
Board of Directors  
9am via ZOOM
- Norwalk Chamber Annual Business  
Expo & City of Norwalk  
Summer Concert  
Civic Center Lawn 4:30pm to 9pm
- Friday, August 18th**  
Front Street Friday Night  
5pm to 9pm  
Historic Front Street
- Tuesday, August 22nd**  
Gateway Chambers Alliance  
12noon via ZOOM
- Friday, August 25th**  
Annual State of the Nation Luncheon  
12noon
- Thursday, September 7th**  
After Hours Networking Mixer  
5pm to 7pm  
Outback Restaurant
- Tuesday, September 12th**  
Creating Connections Lunch  
12noon  
Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant
- Thursday, September 28th**  
Coffee & Conversation  
9am  
Chick-fil-A Norwalk Fitness Village

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Friday, October 13th**  
8th Annual Fall Festival

The following companies and individuals renewed their membership with the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce and the services we provide are made possible by their support.

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**35 Years**  
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Jason Pena  
562-863-5555



Norwalk Chamber Board Members and Ambassadors at the Annual Planning Meeting. Pictured here are (l to r) Essen Menjivar, Shana Crittenden, Danika Mendoza, Amanda Blanton, Gary Murphy, Joe Derthick, Frank Zepeda, Karla Butler and Rich LeGaspi.



Norwalk City Council declares July as Parks and Recreation Month in Norwalk. Pictured here are Recreation and Park Services Staff along with Norwalk City Council Members.



Youth leaders from the Door of Hope Family Foundation visit the City Council meeting to share information on their various activities. Staff and Youth are pictured here with Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia.

**RENEWING MEMBERS**

**30 Years**  
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562-653-3200  
<https://www.aalr.com/>

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Community Member

**11 Years**  
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Yuri Marquez  
yuri@appincusa.com

**9 Years**  
Mercury Legal Assistance  
Ana Torne  
tornelda@gmail.com  
562-929-2180

**4 Years**  
Advanced Network Consulting  
Chris Staples  
chris@ancsite.com  
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Door of Hope Foundation staff and youth pictured with Norwalk City and School Board Leaders.

**Jacobsma Law**  
Laila Havre Jacobsma  
562-219-2747  
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**3 Years**  
American Lung Association  
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karinna.alatorre@lung.org  
[www.lung.org](http://www.lung.org)

**2 Years**  
Ambros Construction  
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ambrosconstructioninc@gmail.com

**NEW MEMBERS**

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**NORWALK CHAMBER**  
Annual Business Expo  
With City of Norwalk Summer Concerts  
Wednesday, August 16th, 2023  
NORWALK CITY HALL LAWN  
4:30 to 7:00 pm  
12700 NORWALK BLVD, Norwalk 90650  
DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS AUGUST 11th

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Norwalk Chamber Members,

We are well into the summer and there are activities going on all over our community. From summer concerts, Front Street Fridays and family movie nights, there is something for everyone. We invite you to participate in our upcoming Business Expo on Wednesday, August 16th on the Civic Center Lawn. Come out for the Expo and meet local businesses then stay for the entertainment of the summer concert.

September will bring you lots of networking opportunities. You can join us for an After Hours Mixer at Outback Restaurant on Thursday, September 7th from 5pm to 7pm. Or you can meet up with us for lunch with three Chambers at Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant on Tuesday, September 12th at 12noon. And if those don't work for you, we will be having Coffee and Conversation on Thursday, September 28th at Chick-fil-A in the Norwalk Fitness Village.

Fitness Village.

We encourage you to take advantage of all the opportunities to promote your business here in Norwalk. Are you new to the community? Reach out to the Chamber office to schedule your Ribbon Cutting event. You can call them at 562-404-0909 or email [info@norwalkchamber.com](mailto:info@norwalkchamber.com).

Be safe and have a great month.

Respectfully,

**Rich LeGaspi**  
2022-2023 President, Norwalk Chamber of Commerce  
TNT Fireworks

## SUMMER EVENTS IN NORWALK

Summer is in full swing and there are many opportunities for you to get out and enjoy community activities this Summer. From concerts on the Civic Center Lawn to Friday Nights on Front Street, there is something for everyone. Each year the City of Norwalk provides musical entertainment for the residents on the lawn. The concerts begin with the 4th of July event and run through mid-August. You still have two more opportunities to attend the summer concerts. Wednesday, August 9th and Wednesday, August 16th. Also on August 16th is the Norwalk Chamber Business Expo. Come at 4:30 to visit the different vendor booths and stay through 9 for the food trucks and the music. Then on Friday, August 18th is the next Front Street Friday Night. Many sports organizations will have booths for you to visit and find out how to get your children involved in local sports. There will be music, food trucks a beer garden at the Elks Lodge and a kid's fun zone. This runs from 5pm to 9pm, so mark your calendars for August 18th. There are also many other activities going on during the summer for you to participate in. Visit the City of Norwalk Recreation and Park Services page on the website [www.norwalkca.gov](http://www.norwalkca.gov) to find out about the different activities going on in the community.



At the City of Norwalk Summer Concerts getting ready to enjoy the music are (l to r) Joshua Cabebe, Ashley Gomez, Board Member Dora Sandoval, Past President Toni Grijalva and Board President Rich LeGaspi.



Ready to spin the wheel at the Chamber Booth are Toni Grijalva, Cerritos College and City Council Member Jennifer Perez.



Summer nights in Norwalk at the Concert. In this photo is City Manager Jesus Gomez and Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia.



Chamber Interns Aubrey Spilsbury and Ashley Gomez with Joshua Cabebe at the Summer Concert.



Heather Ramirez of Chick-fil-A at the City of Norwalk Summer Concert.



Laurira Creations & Designs provided the balloons for the Front Street Friday Night.



Getting ready for the crowd at Front Street Friday Night are Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia with Toni Grijalva of Cerritos College at Front Street Friday.



Norwalk Mayor Ana Valencia with Toni Grijalva of Cerritos College at Front Street Friday.



Council Member Jennifer Perez and her husband Mike with Toni Grijalva getting ready for Front Street Friday Night.



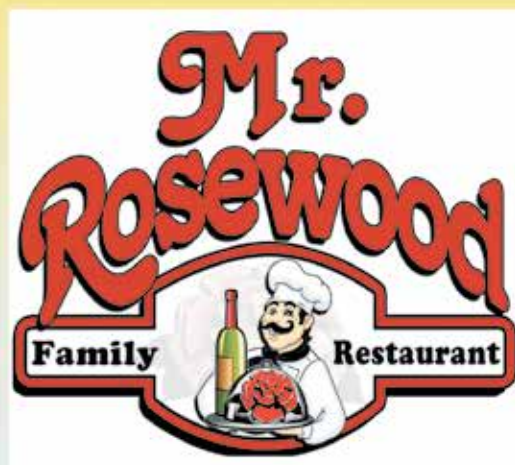





Enjoying the music and crowd at Front Street Fridays are City Manager Jesus Gomez, Board President Rich LeGaspi, TNT Fireworks and Natalie LeGaspi, Soroptimist Int'l Norwalk/SFS.

### Creating Connections Luncheon

With the  
**Bellflower, Downey and Norwalk  
Chambers of Commerce**

**When: Tuesday, September 12th**  
**Time: 12noon to 1:30pm**  
**Location: Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant**  
**10640 Rosecrans Ave.**  
**Norwalk CA 90650**

**Cost: \$20.00 includes lunch and a beverage**  
**RSVP to your Chamber**  
**Norwalk:**  
**[info@norwalkchamber.com](mailto:info@norwalkchamber.com)**

### The Norwalk Chamber of Commerce

Invites you to...

## AN AFTER HOURS MIXER

Outback Restaurant | 12850 Norwalk Blvd. Norwalk CA  
Thursday, September 7th - 2023 from 5pm to 7pm



#### Great Opportunity to Connect

Norwalk Chamber Mixers are a great way to reconnect and build new relationships. Enjoy networking with other business owners and professionals!

#### No Charge to Attend!

Light refreshments will be served and make sure to bring plenty of business cards. Take advantage of this social opportunity to promote your business and network with business and community leaders!

#### Make a Reservation

When making a reservation please include:

1. Your Full Name
2. Your Company's Name
3. Your Company's Address
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#### Where to Send Your Reservation

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EMAIL: [INFO@NORWALKCHAMBER.COM](mailto:INFO@NORWALKCHAMBER.COM)

## Bereavement Leave for Complex Family Relationships

Employees with 30 days of service may take up to 5 days of job-protected bereavement leave upon the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, domestic partner, or parent-in-law. The new law uses the definitions of those terms from the California Family Rights Act (CFRA) regulations. Complex family relationships can make it quite a challenge to figure out exactly for whom an employee may legally take bereavement leave.

### Spouse or Domestic Partner

A spouse is someone to whom your employee is currently married. It does not include a former spouse. A domestic partner is not merely an individual with whom your employee lives; the couple must be registered as a domestic partnership with the California Secretary of State. California does not recognize common-law marriages, even for couples who have lived together for many years. Therefore, your employee is not entitled to bereavement leave for the father of her child because they were neither married nor registered as domestic partners.

### In-Laws, Stepparents, Stepchildren

An employee may use bereavement leave for current parents-in-law, stepchildren or stepparents, as well as the parents and children of their current registered domestic partner. An employee's divorce or dissolution of a registered domestic partnership would by law end the other linked relationships, so your employee would not be entitled to use bereavement leave for her former father-in-law. Similarly, if your employee is widowed, they would not be entitled to use bereavement leave for the individuals whom they still may consider to be their in-laws and stepchildren. This is because they are not legally related to those individuals after the death of their spouse or domestic partner. Note that if your employee stood "in loco parentis" to a child while that child was growing up, protected bereavement leave could apply despite the end of a legal relationship as a stepchild. "In loco parentis" means a person who stands in responsibilities to care for and financially support a child even without a biological or legal relationship.

### Designated Person

It's important to note that although the CFRA was expanded recently to allow a leave of up to 12 weeks to care for a *designated person* (any individual "related by blood or whose association with the employee is the equivalent of a family relationship") with a serious health condition, the bereavement leave law does *not* provide employees time off after the death of a designated person.

### Employer Policies May Be More Generous

Given the many complex family relationships that can arise, an employer certainly could choose to extend bereavement leave beyond what is required by law. Seek legal counsel if you wish to extend your bereavement policy beyond the relationships covered by the new law.

## SB 770 Paves Way for Massive Tax Hikes, by Preston Young

A proposal moving its way through the Legislature seeks to eliminate Medicare in California and pave the way for massive tax increases on California workers and employers. SB 770 would create a workgroup to petition the federal government to redirect hundreds of billions of dollars in annual Medicare and Medicaid funding that currently flows to California to a new health care system known as "single payer" instead. In doing so, SB 770 would set in motion a complicated scheme envisioned by its proponents that would result in the elimination of Medicare and all private health coverage in California, replace it with a costly, untested health system run by state government, and require the largest tax increase in state history.

### Concerns to Consider

For those who think dismantling our health system is a good idea, here are a few specific concerns to consider:

SB 770 / single payer proponents seek to eliminate all private health coverage in California and force all Californians into a new untested health system — with no ability to opt out or choose private coverage instead. Study after study shows Californians like their health coverage and Medicare, and strongly support protecting their right to choose it, and strongly support protecting the Medicare coverage seniors have earned. The waiver sought by SB 770 would redirect roughly \$200 billion annually to the new single payer health system. But that system is projected to cost more than \$500 billion/year. The missing \$300+ billion a year would be raised by new, higher taxes on payroll, employers, and the goods and services Californians purchase. Many people and employers in our state are already struggling with the high cost of living here — a recent Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) survey showed 57% of adults are experiencing some form of financial hardship due to rising costs. We cannot afford any kind of tax increase, much less one that is bigger than the entire state budget — especially to fund a massive new untested health system they don't want or need. SB 770 gambles California's health care on the whims of Congress. The waiver SB 770 seeks is not permanent — it is dependent on approval by future Congresses, who could decide to withdraw it. This would immediately deprive the new single payer health system of more than \$200 billion a year (roughly 40% of its funding), throwing it into chaos and forcing even more massive tax hikes on Californians.

### Disruption

Ultimately, single payer would cause overwhelming disruption in the health care some 38 million Californians rely on, all paid for by tax increases and questionable federal funding. We do not need to embark down this path. California is already on the cusp of ensuring everyone has access to health coverage. There are changes we can make to improve California's health care system, including quality improvements and lower costs, but dismantling our health system is unnecessary, costly, and harmful.

*Preston Young is a policy advocate for the California Chamber of Commerce.*

## SB 553 Impact Touches Every Industry in California

With this week's amendments and the upcoming hearing in the Assembly Labor and Employment Committee, it's worth taking another look at SB 553 (Cortese; D-San Jose), a California Chamber of Commerce-opposed bill that has been getting national attention for its potential implications on retail theft. This article briefly summarizes what the bill does, what the amendments changed, and which employers (hint: all of them) should remain very concerned going forward.

### What Is SB 553?

SB 553 creates a new workplace violence regulation for every public or private employer in California, regardless of their size. Its provisions include requiring employers to:

- Perform annual detailed assessments of their workplace for potential violence risks;
- Potentially re-organize their workplace, including installing new security equipment, lighting, and alarm systems;
- Assess access to employees by members of the public and visibility for employees across the workplace;
- Consider hiring additional staff, including security personnel.

### Based on Hospital Rule

Most of these provisions were copied directly from Cal/OSHA's hospital-focused workplace violence regulation, and were never intended to be applied to non-healthcare employers. However, SB 553 would do just that, applying these hospital-level provisions to all employers in California. Interestingly, Cal/OSHA staff specifically considered applying the hospital regulation to all employers, and rejected that text. Instead, Cal/OSHA has been working since 2017 to prepare a workplace violence regulation that is feasible for all employers ... but SB 553 does not use that proposed text.

### What Did Amendments Do?

The recent amendments to SB 553 were aimed at one of the more bizarre provisions of the bill, which specifically prohibited employers from having a policy of having employees "confront" suspected shoplifters or active shooters. This provision generated national news because it was widely viewed as further encouraging retail theft in California. In effect, this provision ensured that no one could speak to or interfere with suspected shoplifters. Recent amendments in Assembly Labor and Employment attempted to address this issue by exempting "dedicated safety personnel." Although the exemption theoretically would permit loss prevention personnel to speak to shoplifters, it notably does not help small employers who do not have "dedicated safety personnel" on staff. For example: if a small retail boutique employee sees a customer stealing merchandise, normal employees would be unable to "confront" that shoplifter, because they would not specifically be designated "dedicated safety personnel."

### Concern for All

Who should still be concerned about SB 553? Everyone. Because of the bill's broad reach, the coalition opposing SB 553 touches every industry in the state, from tech and manufacturing to agriculture and from restaurants to public sector employers. The amendments removed none of that opposition because the

amendments failed to address the core problem with SB 553: that not even Cal/OSHA thinks this language is feasible for every employer in the state. And, as frequent readers of CalChamber articles will know, Cal/OSHA's drafting team generally are not friends of the business community ... so when even Cal/OSHA staff think something isn't feasible for employers, it probably isn't. The bill will be heard in Assembly Labor and Employment, and then heads to the Assembly Judiciary Committee, and then to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The CalChamber expects to continue opposing SB 553 unless amendments make it feasible for the majority of California's employers.

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