



**SUPERVISOR MONICA BROWN AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 UPDATE**

Hello Benicia, Fairfield, and Vallejo,

Welcome to my most recent update. I can be reached at [mebrown@solanocounty.com](mailto:mebrown@solanocounty.com).

I want to dedicate this update to Nichelle Nichols and Bill Russel.

Nichols played Uhura on Star Trek. She was one of the first African-American women to be featured in a major television series. Martin Luther King Jr. personally encouraged Nichols to stay on Star Trek, telling her that her role provided inspiration to so many people. Nichols later worked with NASA to recruit more women and minority staff for the space agency.

The work that Nichols did in breaking barriers and opening doors for so many cannot be understated. She provided inspiration, laughter, and entertainment to people from all walks of life across multiple generations. Her passing truly represents the end of an era.

As a sports fan myself, I was so saddened to learn of the passing of Bill Russell. Russell was a center for the Boston Celtics and is one of the greatest basketball players in history. Russell is tied for the most championships won by an athlete in a North American sports league.

Russell took part in the Civil Rights Movement. Specifically, Russell attended the March on Washington in 1963. When a restaurant refused to serve Black Celtic players, Russell refused to play in the scheduled games. Russell was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by then President Obama in 2011 for Russell's sports accomplishments and his work in the Civil Rights Movement. His passing also represents the end of an era.

**CORONAVIRUS**

To see our numbers, where to get tested, and where to get a COVID-19 vaccine:

<https://www.solanocounty.com/depts/ph/ncov.asp>

### **CHANGES TO PUBLIC SAFETY POWER SHUT-OFF (PSPS)**

PG&E has announced that they will be making changes to PSPS notifications. The notifications may come at night. Please make sure to check your phone notifications when you wake up in case you may have received a PSPS notice.

### **SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SBDC) SEMINARS**

The SBDC will be holding a seminar on online marketing on August 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. This will be a virtual event. SBDC will also hold a seminar on how to start your business. There is a virtual or in-person option for this one.

<https://norcalsbdc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUtde6srTwuEtJki6nqXuoJ4pnWU-n2sJXI> (online marketing)

<https://norcalsbdc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcsd-isqDwpEtfDQHPMglZF3iiLsJ0usHM2> (how to start your business webinar)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/starting-a-business-in-solano-or-napa-county-tickets-381364219647> (how to start your business in person)

### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

My office participated in National Night Out on Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup>. My office was able to visit Benicia, Fairfield, and Vallejo. It is always nice to see the community come together and get to know their neighbors. I look forward to the next National Night Out.

### **BENICIA SCOUTS UPDATE**

To see what the Benicia Scouts have been up to:

<https://www.facebook.com/thebeniciascouts/posts/pfbid0mEZ6X4Q15FPxoZinuRW4fPFSQLJ8Q8X1e95MdQZP4DjJXGjGH9WgL6QER13dsHwkl>

**NOTICE FROM CALTRANS ON HIGHWAY 37**

**Night Closures of Westbound State Route 37 between Vallejo**

**And State Route 121 for Pavement Repairs**

*Closures occur 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM, Sunday, August, 14 – Friday, August 19*

**SOLANO COUNTY** – As part of a pavement rehabilitation project, Caltrans will close westbound State Route 37 (SR-37) between Walnut Avenue in Vallejo and State Route 121 (SR-121) at Sears Point in

Sonoma County for five consecutive nights beginning Sunday, August 14. from 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM. Work will conclude by 4:00 AM, Friday, August 19, 2022.

The eight-hour nightly closures will allow workers to repair deteriorated pavement and shoulders on a six-mile stretch of westbound SR-37 between Walnut Avenue and Skaggs Island Road.

Eastbound SR-37 will not be affected.

During the closures, the ramp from Walnut Avenue/Railroad Avenue interchange leading to westbound SR-37 will be closed; however, the remaining ramps will stay open.

The closure will not affect traffic traveling on SR-121 to eastbound or westbound SR-37.

**RIB COOK-OFF AT THE BENICIA VETERAN'S HALL**

The Rib Cook-Off will be at the Benicia Veteran's Hall. Setup will be from 6:00am-6:45 am. The Briefing and rib issue will be from 6:45am-7:00am. The Judging will be from 12:30pm-12:45pm. The public serving will be at 12:45pm. The Benicia Veteran's Hall is located at 1150 First St.

### **CONGRESSMEN GARAMENDI AND THOMPSON OPPOSE DELTA TUNNEL**

Here is the news article about the Congressmen's opposition to the delta tunnel project:

<https://www.dailyrepublic.com/all-dr-news/solano-news/fairfield/solano-reps-in-congress-voice-continued-opposition-to-tunnel-project-in-delta/>

### **RODRIGUEZ HIGH SCHOOL IN THE NEW YORK TIMES**

Rodriguez High School in Cordelia was featured in the New York Times. To read the article:

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2022/08/01/upshot/rich-poor-friendships.html>

### **AMAZON PLEDGES FUNDING TO PROMOTE HEALTH EQUITY**

To learn about this program:

<https://aws.amazon.com/government-education/nonprofits/global-social-impact/health-equity/>

### **MEDI-CAL NOW COVERS ASTHMA PREVENTION SERVICES**

To read about this new development:

<http://www.rampasthma.org/archives/16792>

### **HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA DETECTED IN WILD BIRDS IN SOLANO COUNTY**

Please see the county's press release:

<https://www.solanocounty.com/news/displaynews.asp?NewsID=2451&TargetID=1>

### **FIRST HUMAN CASE OF WEST NILE VIRUS IN SOLANO COUNTY IN 2022**

Here is the county press release:

<https://www.solanocounty.com/news/displaynews.asp?NewsID=2452&TargetID=1>

### **SOLANO COUNTY CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT**

Our number one crop this year was almonds! Solano County's agriculture production in 2021 was \$407,642,000. We are truly an agricultural county. You can find the crop report at:

<https://www.solanocounty.com/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=37439>

### **JOBS**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA: <https://www.calcareers.ca.gov/>

SOLANO COUNTY: <https://jobapscloud.com/solano/>

CITY OF BENICIA: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/benicia>

CITY OF FAIRFIELD: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/fairfield>

CITY OF VALLEJO: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/vallejo>

SOLANO COMMUNITY COLLEGE: <https://welcome.solano.edu/hr-job-opportunities/>

BENICIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT: <https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?districtID=874&catID=0>

FAIRFIELD-SUISUN UNIFIED SCHOOL  
DISTRICT: <https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?districtID=876&catID=0>

VALLEJO SCHOOL DISTRICT: <https://www.edjoin.org/Home/Jobs?districtID=879>

POST OFFICE: <https://about.usps.com/careers/>

GREATER VALLEJO RECREATION DISTRICT: <https://www.gvrd.org/current-job-openings>

YOUTH JOBS CORPS: <https://www.californiavolunteers.ca.gov/youth-jobs-corps-interest-form/>

SOLANO RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT: <https://www.solanorcd.org/employment-and-volunteer-opportunities/job-opportunities.html>

FAIRFIELD-SUISUN SEWER DISTRICT: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/fairfieldsuisunsew?>

Thank you for reading this update. Please stay safe, spread kindness, and support our local businesses.

Sincerely,

Monica Brown,

Solano County Supervisor, District 2



First elected in 2016, Monica represents District 2 on the Solano County Board of Supervisors. District 2 encompasses the city of Benicia, the portion of Vallejo south of Georgia Street, Mare Island, Cordelia, Green Valley and a portion of Fairfield.