

JapantownSF SafeCity Program completes first phase of mobilization!

In November the JCBD Board voted to move forward with Applied Video System's (AVS) Professional Service Agreement and Statement of Work for the first phase of the mobilization.

We are excited to report that the outdoor streetscape cameras at the Hotel Kabuki and 1700 Post Street are online! SFPD has already reached out to the JCBD for video retrieval from 4 crimes that were committed during the holidays.

The 2nd phase will include the Buchanan Hotel and AMC Kabuki Theater. The video control center is being set-up at the JCBD office.

In the coming months we will be reaching out to other key property owners to get their approvals so that we can complete the JapantownSF SafeCity Camera Program before the 52nd Annual Cherry Blossom Festival.



UPCOMING

February 10, 2019

Why We Remember - A discussion on Japanese American Incarceration and its Legacy - JCYC, 2012 Pine St.

February 23, 2019

Nichi Bei Foundation "Films of Remembrance" - New People Cinema, 1746 Post St.

February 24, 2019

Nihonmachi Little Friends Dowa no Omatsuri - Palace of Fine Arts Theater, 3301 Lyon St.

FEB. 13 **Japantown
Community Benefit
District, Inc.
Board Meeting**
WEDNESDAY

JACL SF Headquarters
1765 Sutter Street, S.F., CA
(Board meetings are held every
2nd Wednesday of each month
at 6:00 p.m.)

Honoring our past and preserving our future

Kinmon Gakuen is one of the oldest structures and cultural organizations in San Francisco's Japantown. The school currently operates a weekly Japanese language and education program. During WWII, the site served as the assembly place for one of the main contingents of evacuees to the Tanforan Assembly Center. Kinmon Gakuen is in the process of applying for Historical Preservation Designation.



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Greater Japantown Marketing and Communication Group

In the next coming weeks key representatives of Japantown: Japan Center Malls, Japantown Merchants Association, Japantown Task Force, Nihonmachi Parking Corporation, Hotel Kabuki, AMC Theatre, Kinokuniya, the Buchanan and JCBD will be moving forward with action steps to plan and launch the top marketing priorities as presented in the 1/9/19 meeting.

Working together we hope to combine our knowledge, resources and ideas to help promote Japantown to locals and visitors. Stay tuned!

Reminder: Japan Center Garage Construction

The Japan Center Garages is improving its efficiency by replacing its dated parking equipment. A full closure of the Fillmore Annex Garage has begun and will last through Feb. 9, 2019. During this closure, all parking will be redirected to the main garage, one block east on Post Street.

The Main Garage will be under construction through March 2019, and will not require a full closure.



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Stay up-to-date with the what the Japantown Community Benefit District has been doing. Visit our website and make sure you join our mailing list to stay connected.



Coming to Japantown in early April 2019!



Through OEWD's Bigbelly Pilot Program, Japantown will receive 4 Bigbelly HC5 units. These leading solar-powered waste compactor delivers a 150 gallons of capacity, up to 10X a traditional waste bin. Total containment ensures that trash is kept in and pests stay out for cleaner streets.

Bigbelly's smart waste bins communicate their real-time status and notify Recology crews when they are ready to be collected. Having enough capacity and knowing when to collect streamlines waste management operations, increases productivity, and keeps public areas clean and green.

Accessible Business Entrance Ordinance

Have you completed your ABE form yet? JCBD wants to ensure that you're on track to be in compliance with the program. The Accessible Business Entrance (ABE) ordinance (no.51-26) applies to all San Francisco businesses with buildings of "public accommodation" to have all primary entrances accessible for people with disabilities. One of 3 forms (Category Checklist Compliance, Waiver, or Pre-screening/Exclusion) form must be turned into DBI. The due dates are dependent upon which category your building falls under.

Please visit our website at www.jtowncbd.org for helpful links to ABE resources.

Making Connections in and around Japantown



Commander David Lazar frequently comes to Japantown to have lunch as his favorite spot, Sanpo Restaurant. We look forward to having more interaction with Commander Lazar and learn about the **Healthy Street Operation Center (HSOC)**!



District 5 Supervisor Vallie Brown's Legislative Aide, Shakira Smiley met with JCBD's Executive Director and our new **Community Relationship Director, Nikki Yoshikawa** at YakiniQ Cafe to talk about how we can help each other in the new year and to discuss Japantown's concerns. Staying connected with Supervisor Brown's office regularly is key to ensuring Japantown stays on the radar.

Monthly meetings with businesses and property owners help keep the communication flowing.

The Japantown Task Force and the JCBD met with **Japan Center Mall's** Property Manager, Sharon Chiu to discuss her concerns and share ideas.



Recology's Dan Negrón, Ron Sherman and Beau Agnello met with JCBD and NPC's Greg Marutani to discuss services in Japantown. We're planning a **Community Meeting with Recology** in the coming weeks! Stay tuned!

Japantown's SFPD Beat Cops, Officers Yuka Nagamine and Cliff Burkhart walk the streets of Japantown to make sure that our neighborhood is safe and continue to show SFPD's presence here. They are both excited to see the JapantownSF SafeCity Camera Program being implemented and know that it will definitely help deter crimes committed here.



Super Mira's owner Kazuyoshi Miura continues to stay in touch with the JCBD. Alerting us of any crime and homeless activities in Japantown.

Arigato Miura-san!

We'd like to hear from you!

Call us at **415-265-5207**
or email us at info@jtowncbd.org

Whether you have a concern, need assistance or have ideas on how to improve the economic and environmental well being of Japantown, please drop us a line. We'd be happy to sit down and chat with you.

How to recycle your cardboard:



All cardboard must be broken down and placed in the blue recycling bin so the lid can close completely.

Cardboard that does not fit in the blue recycling bin must be flattened, bound together neatly and set out with the bin.

Bundles should not exceed 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 3 ft.

All refuse should only be set out for collection after 6:00 pm the evening prior to a scheduled pickup.





How NOT to recycle your cardboard

Loose cardboard can increase litter and blight. Avoid fines by properly preparing your cardboard to be picked up and recycled at the appropriate time for pickup.



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For questions or more information, please contact San Francisco Public Works at (415)-641-2635

Please Help STOP Illegal Dumping in our neighborhood

Community Ambassadors have been noticing an increase of illegal dumping in Japantown. Please do your part to keep our streets clean!



Download the **311 mobile app** on your smart phone to report and document problems.

Cleaning Highlights for 2018!



To request service, call or text the JapantownSF Clean Team Hotline: **(415) 680-7171**

Please note that the ambassadors cannot arrest anyone