

# PHONG LA

ALAMEDA COUNTY ASSESSOR



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## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

### Message from Assessor La

Dear County Residents,

Spring brings new opportunities and a chance to appreciate our wonderful cities in Alameda County. In the month of April, we celebrate and honor Easter, Passover, Ramadan, and Earth Day, and I wish every County resident a Happy Spring!

Also, a reminder that the Assessor's Office Annual Homeowners Fair is just around the corner! This year marks the 4th Annual Homeowners Fair, an opportunity to provide Alameda County homeowners with information impactful to them and their property. We will be focusing on the highly coveted topic of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) also known as in-law units, granny flats, backyard cottages, etc. Check out our Resource Section below for more info!

Assessor's Office 4th Annual Homeowners Fair Saturday, May 6th

10 AM- 12 PM (Doors open @ 9:30 AM)

Berkeley Adult School

[1701 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley](#)

Register Today! <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/alameda-county-assessors-office-4th-annual-homeowners-resource-fair-tickets-539734790287>

**Community Engagements:**

It is always wonderful to see new businesses opening in Alameda County. Congratulations to all the new businesses in Alameda County. The Assessor's Office celebrates your business opening and wish you great success!

Last month we were able to join the City of Dublin at their Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and wish the City of Hayward a happy 147th Birthday!

The Wa Sung Community Service Club held its 65th Easter Pancake Breakfast in Oakland! I was happy to attend and recognize Wa Sung Community Service Club for their ongoing advocacy and dedication within the community!

Look below at the Assessor in the Community section to see what community events my staff and I participated in.

Please let the Assessor's Office know if your organization is hosting an in-person or virtual event that you would like the Assessor's Office to attend. If there is a specific topic you would like to see covered in a future webinar, I encourage you to fill out the poll with possible topics [HERE](#).

Keep an eye out for our upcoming programs and tell others to [sign up for our newsletter](#) to stay up to date on our events, important dates, and deadlines.

**Free Legal Clinic to Help Answer Questions:**

The Property Transfer Clinic (PTC) is here to help! The PTC is a free legal clinic available to assist property/business owners and constituents on the third Friday of each month. I continue to work with the Alameda County Law Library, the Alameda County Bar Association, Legal Access Alameda, and the Alameda County Library to maintain this clinic and to make it available for Alameda County residents, who do not have access to an attorney. Sign up [HERE](#)!

As always, we remain committed to serving the residents of Alameda County.

Sincerely,  
Phong La  
Alameda County Assessor

## Assessor in the Community



Photo of Assessor Phong La making pancakes at the Wa Sung Community Service Club's 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Pancake Breakfast at Oakland's Lincoln Square Playground.



Photo from United Access' ribbon cutting event in the City of Fremont. Thank you to United Access for providing a new Fremont business of specialized home and vehicle mobility services to Alameda County.



**Photo of Assessor staff Emilia Ordaz- Salto with Fremont Chamber Chair Jasmine Bazrai, and Aura Spa owner Neelam Thakkar at Aura Skin N Beauty Day Spa's grand opening and ribbon cutting in the City of Fremont.**

## **Dates & Deadlines**

**April 5 – April 13 – Passover**

**April 9 – Easter Sunday**

**April 16 – Pascha (Orthodox Easter)**

**April 20 – Last Day of Ramadan**

**April 22 – Earth Day**

**April 28 – National Arbor Day**

**May 1 – May Day and International Workers' Day**

**May 5 – Cinco de Mayo**

**May 6 – Alameda County Assessor's Homeowners Fair**

May 7 – Last day to file BPP statements without penalty

## Resource Assessor's Office 2023 Homeowners Fair

### 2023 ASSESSOR'S 4TH ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS FAIR



**ADUs, GRANNY FLATS, IN-LAW UNITS,  
TINY HOMES, AND YOU IN BERKELEY**

JOIN ALAMEDA COUNTY ASSESSOR PHONG LA

**Saturday, May 6th**



VISIT OUR COMMUNITY  
RESOURCE FAIR AND  
ENTER RAFFLES FOR  
FUN PRIZES



LEARN THE STEPS TO BUILD  
AN ADU FROM  
BERKELEY CITY STAFF



GET INFORMATION  
FROM LOCAL UTILITY  
COMPANIES  
ABOUT ADUs

**FREE ADMISSION SO REGISTER NOW!**

Berkeley Adult School  
1701 San Pablo Ave, Berkeley, CA 94702

Doors open at 9:30AM  
Program begins at 10AM  
Free onsite parking

**REGISTER AT:**

  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/539734790287>

**PARTNERS**



The information at this resource fair is not an endorsement from the Assessor's Office, it is for informational purposes only.

Have any questions? Need special accommodations? [2023Fair@acgov.org](mailto:2023Fair@acgov.org)

I created the Annual Homeowners Fair in 2020 to expand community engagement and education to Alameda County residents. The Homeowners Fair allows County residents to engage directly with my staff and I about vital topics for new and existing homeowners.

The 4th Annual Homeowner Fair is on Saturday May 6th in the City of Berkeley at the Berkeley Adult School. This year's topic will focus on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU). Over time ADUs have gone by many names—granny flats, in-law units, backyard cottages, and secondary units. They are of high interest among homeowners in Alameda County, ADUs are an innovative, affordable, and effective option for adding much needed housing. ADUs have a variety of uses; intergenerational housing, potentially providing additional income and improving your property.

This will be a free community event, where residents can hear from the Assessor's Office, the City of Berkeley Planning Department staff, and local utility companies about the process of building an ADU in Berkeley.

We will also have a community resource fair with coffee, pastries and raffle prizes! I hope you can join us and spread the word!

See the flyer above or follow this link to register today, <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/alameda-county-assessors-office-4th-annual-homeowners-resource-fair-tickets-539734790287!>

## Profile

### Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce



The Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce was founded in 2017 and is an affiliated Chamber organization to the Oakland Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose of the Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce is to promote and support Latino culture and Latino owned businesses in both Alameda County and the surrounding Bay Area. The Latino Chamber remains committed towards creating a healthy business environment through networking, collaboration, advocacy, and economic development.

The Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce has five different levels of memberships and also offers member special rates for students, government agencies, corporations, and public utility companies. For more information on membership opportunities or to become a Latino Chamber of Commerce member, click [HERE](#).

For more information on the Oakland Latino Chamber of Commerce, click [HERE](#) to access their website.

**CHAMBER ADDRESS:**

<https://www.oaklandlatinochamber.com/>

**CHAMBER ADDRESS:**

P.O. Box 24112  
Oakland, CA 9462



# Property Transfer Clinic

Do you have questions about:

- The Assessment Process in Alameda County
- Transferring property to family members
- What happens to property after the death of a loved one
- Common exclusions from reassessment

Talk with a volunteer attorney for a  
FREE 30-minute consultation.

Clinics are held every third Friday of every month. Visit  
<https://appointments.aclibrary.org/appointments/lawyers>



## Upcoming Dates:




April 21st, 2023  
May 19th, 2023  
June 16th, 2023

Appointments begin at  
12:30PM.

The Property Transfer Clinic is a partnership between the Alameda County Library, the Alameda County Law Library, and Legal Access Alameda. It is funded by the Alameda County Assessor's Office.

**The next Property Transfer Clinic will take place on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Please visit the link [HERE](#) to make an appointment with a volunteer attorney for a free 30-minute consultation.**

# MONEY 101

-  Various Dates Available
-  11am - 12:30pm
-  Alameda, CA

## TOPICS TO DISCUSS

- + Personal Financial Literacy + Budgeting + Taxes
- + Inflation + Establishing Credit + Debt + Retirement
- + Savings + Building Wealth & Protection

SCAN ME



**RSVP Here**

[bit.ly/money101\\_alameda](https://bit.ly/money101_alameda)

(SPACE IS LIMITED - MUST RSVP)

YOUR EDUCATORS:



**Ngoc Tran, CPA**  
Debt + Wealth Coach



**Gina Wong**  
Debt + Wealth Coach

**FREE EVENT | Age 17+ Welcome**





# MPX VACCINATIONS

## Where?

**Every Thursday**

Skywest Golf Course Facility

*Free of Charge*

1401 Golf Course Rd. Hayward, CA 94541

9:00am-3:00pm

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Gay, bisexual, and other men or trans-persons who have sex with men
- Sex workers of any sexual orientation or gender identity
- Persons who have had close contact with someone with suspected/confirmed MPX within the past 14 days
- Persons who had close contact with others at an event or social gathering where a suspected/confirmed MPX case was identified within the past 14 days
- Laboratory workers who routinely perform MPX virus testing
- Clinicians who have had a high-risk occupational exposure (e.g., examined MPX lesions or collected MPX specimens without using recommended personal protective equipment)

## BOOK AN APPT.

**Vaccinations are available  
by appointment only**

Scan to book:



[tinyurl.com/MPX-Skywest](https://tinyurl.com/MPX-Skywest)

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**For More Information Please Contact us at (510) 954-0560**



Funded by Alameda County Measure A1  
and approved by Alameda County taxpayers

## Ready to buy your first home? Down payment assistance is available!

AC Boost provides financial assistance to middle-income working households to purchase a home in Alameda County. The program offers **shared equity loans of up to \$210,000** to first-time homebuyers who live, work, or have been displaced from Alameda County.  
**Application deadlines apply!**

Learn more at [acboost.org](http://acboost.org)



### ¿Listo para comprar tu primera casa?

AC Boost ofrece préstamos de asistencia para el pago inicial de hasta \$ 210,000 para compradores de vivienda por primera vez que viven o trabajan en el Condado de Alameda o que han sido desplazados del Condado de Alameda. Asistencia en español está disponible.

### Bạn đã sẵn sàng để mua ngôi nhà đầu tiên?

AC Boost cung cấp các khoản vay hỗ trợ thanh toán trước lên tới 210.000\$ cho những người mua nhà lần đầu sống hoặc làm việc tại Hạt Alameda hoặc những người phải chuyển nhà khỏi Hạt Alameda. Có hỗ trợ bằng tiếng Việt.

### 準備購買你的第一間房屋嗎？

AC Boost 提供 \$210,000 首期貸款幫助，給予首次買屋者。購房者要在亞拉米達縣 (Alameda County) 居住或工作，或在亞拉米達縣流離失所者。有中文提供幫助。

### Handa na bang bumili ng unang bahay ninyo?

Ang AC Boost ay nag-aalok ng tulong sa paunang pagbayad na mga pautang ng may hanggang \$210,000 para sa mga unang-beses na mamimili ng bahay na nakatira o nagtrabaho sa Alameda County o sinumang napaalis mula sa Alameda County. May pagtulong sa Tagalog na magagamit.



[acboost.org](http://acboost.org)  
(510) 500-8840  
[acboost@hellousing.org](mailto:acboost@hellousing.org)



AC Boost is funded by Measure A1 Affordable Housing Bond funds and administered by nonprofit organization Hello Housing on behalf of the County of Alameda.

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