

Construction Underway on the Kaiser Medical Center in the Railyards



Elected officials and representatives from Kaiser Permanente and Downtown Railyard Venture ceremonially broke ground on the new Kaiser Medical Center in the Sacramento Railyards on March 19, 2025.

Kaiser Permanente has begun construction on its \$1 billion Railyards Medical Center, a transformative 18-acre medical campus anchoring Sacramento's long-anticipated Railyards development. The project will bring thousands of jobs, expand health care services, and revitalize a site that has remained largely undeveloped since the 1990s.

Slated for completion in 2029, the medical center will feature an eight-story, 662,050-square-foot hospital with 310 private beds, a 70-bay emergency department, an intensive care unit, neonatal intensive care, labor and delivery services, surgery, imaging, pharmacy, and postpartum care. Kaiser's Advanced Neuroscience Center will also be housed on-site, specializing in stroke and spinal treatments.

A five-story medical office building will include provider offices and exam rooms, alongside a 1,500-stall parking structure and a central utility plant. Once operational, the campus will employ nearly 3,000 health care professionals and staff. Up to 600 union workers will be on-site daily during the construction.

The Railyards development, one of the nation's largest urban infill projects, has faced decades of cleanup, infrastructure challenges, and ownership changes. "This is a difficult, complicated, and expensive piece of land," said State Senator Angelique Ashby, noting that local, state, and federal

UPCOMING MEETINGS

*Place Enhancement
Working Group
Tuesday, April 8
11:00 a.m.
Virtual Meeting*

*Clean & Safe Working
Group
Thursday, April 10,
9:00 a.m.
River District Office,
651 Bannon St. Ste. 1200*

*State of the River District
Tuesday, April 15,
5:30 p.m.
Blue Diamond Growers,
1701 C Street*

*River District Board
Meeting
Wednesday, April 16,
3:30 p.m.
River District Office,
651 Bannon St. Ste. 1200*

*SMUD Business
Electrification Workshop
Tuesday, May 20,
4:00 p.m.
River District Office,
651 Bannon St. Ste. 1200*

*RSVP to
info@riverdistrict.net*

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governments had to invest heavily to make the project possible.

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River District Receives SMUD Shine Award



Cristina Navarro, Program Manager with the River District and Devin Strecker, Executive Director of the River District, accept the SMUD Shine Award from Director Rob Kerth, SMUD Ward 5, on April 1, 2025.

The River District is thrilled to accept the [SMUD Shine Award](#) for our Pollinator Gardens project, which will be installed later this year.

Twenty-one local nonprofit organizations will benefit from more than \$532,000 in funding from SMUD's annual Shine program. The Shine program, now in its 8th year, is supporting nonprofit programs that engage communities across SMUD's service area in an equitable transition to a clean energy future.

This year's cohort of Shine awardees will deliver projects that increase access and support for clean energy/Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education, environmental justice and equity, zero carbon workforce development, habitat restoration, increased tree canopy, energy efficiency and electrification, and youth training and job readiness programs for under-resourced community members.

"SMUD's vision for a clean energy future is about much more than transforming our power plants, it's about equitably transforming the communities we serve," said SMUD CEO and General Manager Paul Lau. "Our Shine program empowers our region's nonprofits to make meaningful change in our communities that will benefit the entire region for generations to come."

Out of the 98 organizations that submitted applications in the competitive award process, 21 were selected for their vision which aligns with SMUD's 2030 Zero Carbon goal. SMUD's investments are matched by the recipient for maximum impact.

Dos Rios Light Rail Station Groundbreaking



Sacramento Mayor Kevin McCarty speaks at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Dos Rios Light Rail Station on North 12th Street in the River District on February 19, 2025.

The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) has officially broken ground on the new Dos Rios Station, a key addition to SacRT's Blue Line that will bring vital transit access to the River District and the Mirasol Village community. Located on North 12th Street between Richards Boulevard and Sunbeam Avenue, the station will connect residents to jobs, schools, and services across the region.

The \$43 million project is funded through a mix of local, state, and federal sources, including major contributions from the Transformative Climate Communities Program, Senate Bill 125, and a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant.

Construction is set to ramp up this summer, with the station expected to open by the end of 2026. The first weekend light rail service disruption for work on the new outbound tracks is scheduled to occur in July, 2025.

"This is more than just a stop—it's a link to opportunity," said SacRT General Manager Henry Li. Local leaders, including Rep. Doris Matsui and Mayor Kevin McCarty, echoed the station's importance for equity, sustainability, and community growth.

Dos Rios Station is part of SacRT's ongoing efforts to expand and modernize the light-rail system, bringing greener, more accessible transit to neighborhoods that need it most.

New Litter Receptacles Installed



The River District Public Spaces Team worked with MetroSTOR to install three new, branded litter receptacles in the River District as a pilot program with support from the City of Sacramento.

A project that has been years in the making, the River District recently installed three new litter receptacles created by [metroSTOR](#). A double unit, with both recycling and litter receptacles, was installed at the corner of Richards Blvd. and North 7th Street. Two single units were placed on the district's east side, one in front of Pipeworks, and one near Loaves & Fishes.

The units are wrapped with River District branded graphics, including a QR code to the district's website, and were designed to minimize the likelihood of litter being removed from the units. These represent the first public litter receptacles in the district.

Funding for this project was provided through a grant from the City of Sacramento, but the units were required to be placed on private property. Agreements are in place with all three property owners where the units are installed.

The units have been a success, as they are serviced multiple times per week by the River District Public Spaces Team. Additional grant funding remains to purchase additional units. Any property owner interested in hosting a receptacle should contact Devin Strecker, executive director, at devin@riverdistrict.net or 916-794-5877.

Friends of the River District Block Party



Neighbors participate in the Friends of the River District Block Party at Track 281 Apartments.

Friends of the River District, our initiative to build community for residents of our neighborhood, held the first of our quarterly block parties for 2025 at Track 281 Apartments on March 27. All residents of the district were invited to join together to enjoy food, music, and activities all while getting to know their neighbors. SMUD supported the event, and provided an update on their proposed rate changes. The next block party will take place in the second quarter at The Hayley in Township 9. For more information, contact Cristina Navarro, Program Manager, at cristina@riverdistrict.net or 916-358-8770.

The River District Public Spaces Team



Erds Mabilog and Jerry Kennedy; fellows with Sac Valley College Corps; River District team members Maurice Scott, Cristina Navarro, Darrell Moore, Jesse Yniguez and Devin Strecker; and Kathryn Luna and Bailey Dennis with Sacramento Republic FC.

The River District's own award-winning Public Spaces Team, commonly known as the Clean and Safe Team, works from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to reduce the district's litter, debris and graffiti. They also work with the unhoused population to keep encampments as clean as possible, and to assist and encourage unhoused individuals to accept shelter and services.

2025 Litter Abatement Statistics (January, February, March)

- 4,117 bags of litter collected - includes 842 bags from encampments
- 22 bags of green waste collected
- 1,522 bulky items removed
- 287 hazardous items removed (paint, gas, batteries, syringes)
- 164,680 lbs. or 82.34 tons - total litter disposed

Capital Protection Group (CPG) provides security services, and can be reached via our Private Security Dispatch at (916) 907-4191.

2025 Security Statistics (January, February, March)

- 759 Officer observations
- 376 Dispatch service calls
- 324 Interactions with Unhoused Individuals

For removal of litter, debris or hazardous waste from public property, contact our team by calling (916) 321-5599 or emailing cleanandsafe@riverdistrict.net.

Statistics for the entire year 2024 will be included in our upcoming *River District 2024 Q4/Annual Market Report*. For the 2024 Q3 Market Report, [click here](#).

River Cleanups Help Protect Our Waterways



Working in cooperation with the [American River Parkway Foundation](#), the River District has hosted two river cleanups so far in 2025. On January 15, 42 volunteers gathered at Tiscornia Park. During this cleanup, 126 hours of service were logged, and 492 pounds of litter were removed.

On February 15, 26 volunteers logged 108 hours of service, removing 258 pounds of litter from Sutter's Landing Park.

Both cleanups included many volunteers provided by the [California Mermaid Convention](#), an organization that has made caring for our local waterways an important part of its ethics and events. The organization aims to actively make an impact on our local waterways, and provide a pathway for event attendees to get involved in conservation.

Upcoming Events



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APRIL 5

LOT 425



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Deorro is bringing the heat to Sacramento on April 5, and he's not coming alone! Gabito

Ballesteros, Night Tales, Dem2 and Chango are all joining the party at Lot 425 for a night packed with Latin rhythms, house grooves, and high-energy vibes. [Tickets on sale here.](#)



Join the Sacramento Roller Derby for an action-packed weekend! Six thrilling games await you. Single Day Pass: VIP \$30 | GA \$20 | Kids (8-12) \$10; Two Day Pass: VIP \$50

(includes 2 drink tickets each day) | GA \$35 | Kids (8-12) \$15. Grab yours today and be part of the excitement! All sales are final, so make sure to get your tickets early! Food & Fun! Enjoy an assortment of snacks and alcoholic beverages at our concession stand. Plus, don't miss out on delicious food truck options outside! Raffles & Merch available at the front counter! [Tickets available here.](#)

THE THIRD ANNUAL
STATE OF THE RIVER DISTRICT
Forum & Cocktail Reception

APRIL 15, 2025 | 5:30PM-7:30PM

BLUE DIAMOND GROWERS, 1701 C STREET



Please join us for our third annual stakeholder forum, The State of the River District. We will be hosting our mayor, councilmember, and county supervisor in a moderated panel discussion. Learn about new projects and programs, and participate in the conversation about our vision for the future. **Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm.** Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres. Blue Diamond Growers, 1701 C Street. RSVP by April 11 to info@riverdistrict.net or 916.321.5599

TRAILS IN BLOOM

A CELEBRATION OF NATURE,
CULTURE, & COMMUNITY

APRIL 26, 2025
9 A.M.- 2 P.M.

📍 450 Jibboom St. Sacramento, CA

Join us for a full day of community action & celebration
to honor Earth Day & Celebrate Trails Day

9 a.m.- 10 a.m.

River Clean-Up @ Township 9

Volunteer at Mirasol Village Community Garden

10 a.m.- 11 a.m.

Social Bike Ride

11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Community Picnic @ Hanami Line

12:30 p.m.

Painting workshops

1:00 p.m.

Sound Bath & Meditation



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Join us for a celebration of Earth Day and Celebrate Trails Day on Saturday, April 26th at Hanami Line Park. Take action and join us early for a River Clean-Up at Township 9 Park from 9 a.m.- 10 a.m. and then bike over to Hanami Line Park to enjoy the festivities. Join a social bike ride to Hanami Line from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Enjoy live performances, participate in a painting workshop, take a free yoga and sound bath meditation class, and share a meal at the community picnic from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m.



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April 26th, 2025

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CUSTOMER SERVICE

311 is not just for residents . . .

There is an entire portal dedicated to **businesses** at **311.cityofsacramento.org/s/business-home**. This portal allows businesses to better interact with City staff. Register to get access to funding, training, procurement opportunities, and more! The goal of this system is to improve our relationships with businesses, provide various ways to engage and get your questions answered.

Here is how to get started:

1 Register for an account

An account will let you track and manage your requests and will ensure we have the right contact information.

2 Add your business to your profile

Adding your business will allow us to find opportunities specific to your business and respond to requests for service.

3 Create a request

Submit requests for funding, training, technical assistance, and more! Our business services are available under the category "Business Resources."



Pro Tip:

Add the keyword "MBARK" when submitting your request for personal follow up!

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The River District is committed to building a community that values and promotes diversity, equity, and inclusion. We recognize that we have a responsibility to establish a culture that celebrates and promotes equitable opportunities for everyone. Through collaboration, advocacy, and strategic investments, we strive to foster a welcoming and inclusive neighborhood that supports local commerce, cultural diversity and sustainable growth.

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