



# San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities (CoD)

**Disabilities Awareness Month**  
Presentation to the  
**San Mateo County Board of Supervisors**  
Tuesday, October 7, 2014



# San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities

## Advocates for the Disabilities Community





# Community Outreach

- Transition Resource Event- SSF
- Streets Alive-Foster City
- Health & Safety Fair- Daly City
- Civil Service Commission
- Housing EXPO- SMC Housing Dept.
- Youth Conference-Youth Commission
- Mayors' Breakfast
- Emergency Managers' Association
- Disaster Preparedness Day



# Disabilities Networking CoD Networking Event January 2014





# WHILL Test





# Disabilities Networking Housing Forum



June 30, 2014



# U.S. Paralympics Host Ambassadors



College of San Mateo  
June 20th-22nd



# Transition to Independence Fair

September 13, 2014







# Updating ADA Transition Plan

## ADA Project Priorities for FY 2014-15:

- 225 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue-San Mateo

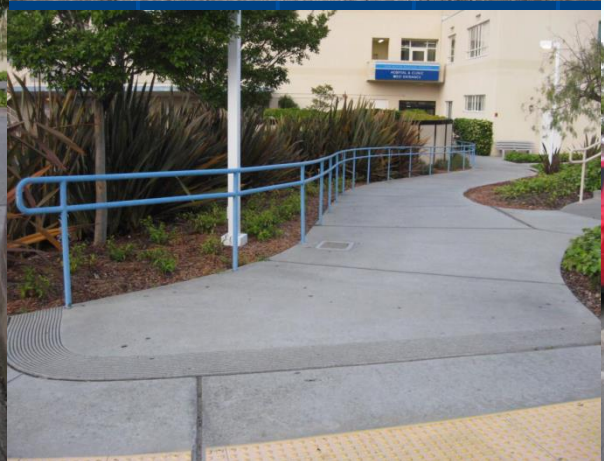




# Updating ADA Transition Plan

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- San Mateo Medical Center





# Collaboration with Parks Accessible Trails Guidelines & Standards





# Moss Beach Park Playground





# “Feel the Power of the Disability Vote!”

Continuing the campaign:

San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities'  
**Feel the Power of the Disability Vote**  
Campaign  
Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Exploratory Meeting**

Friday, September 19th  
10:00 a.m. to 12 Noon  
225 37th Avenue, Room 100 San Mateo, CA 94403

This is the initial meeting to set up a Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC) to advise the San Mateo County Elections Office on issues of importance related to accessible voting. We hope to get representation from different disability groups including, physical, developmental, sensory and others. To RSVP (by September 17th), or if you have questions, please contact Vincent Merola at (650) 645-1785 or 711 CA Relay or via email: [vincentm@cidsanmateo.org](mailto:vincentm@cidsanmateo.org)

Creating a Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC)

Voter education and registering people with disabilities to vote.



# New Commissioners & Ex-Officio Members

## New Commissioners:

- Ramiro Maldonado
- Caroline McHenry
- Vincent Merola

## Ex-Officio Members:

- Angela Bruno Castro- Mental Health Assoc. of SMC
- Alice McGrath- Vista Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Lori Musso & Linda Young- SMC Office of Ed.





# 2014 Art Showcase

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND  
**THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES'  
2014 ART SHOWCASE**

*Featuring Local Artists with Disabilities*



"Chinese Tigers" by Nancy Chisholm, ArtReach Studios

*As the CoD's signature event in celebration of October as Disabilities Awareness Month, the Art Showcase provides the opportunity for local artists with disabilities to exhibit their extraordinary artwork and talent to the community in which they live.*

**Artists' Reception  
&**

**Silent Auction**

**Tuesday, October 21, 2014**

**5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

**Caldwell Gallery**

**Hall of Justice - Main Floor**

400 County Center

Redwood City, CA 94063

**The 2014 Art Showcase**

October 1st-21st

Caldwell Gallery

Open M-F 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

(open to the public-free)

Tickets are \$10 (advance sales)

Purchase at <http://artshowcase2014.brownpapertickets.com>

or \$12 at the door—Children 5-12 \$5.

For information: [cmcculloh@smcgov.org](mailto:cmcculloh@smcgov.org)

(650) 573-2480 or 711 CA Relay

Co-Sponsored by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors & Commission on Disabilities



# Gerda's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday!







# Plans for Next Year

- ADA Symposium/Webinar (training for County employees on ADA programmatic access and accessibility issues-April)
- Continue updating ADA Transition Plan
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ADA (July 26, 2015)



# Thank You!

We thank the Board of Supervisors, particularly our CoD Board Liaison, Supervisor Groom for your continued support on behalf of people with disabilities in San Mateo County.