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LET'S GET COVID-19 BOOSTED!

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COVID-19 Vaccines and Booster doses are safe, effective, and free to all community members regardless of immigration status! As we fight through this cold and flu season, protect your loved ones by getting your updated COVID-19 booster. The updated boosters provide increased protection against the original COVID-19 strain and new variants.

All eligible people age 5 and older should receive an updated booster dose at least two months following completion of their primary vaccine series. Eligible children 4 and younger should receive their Bivalent dose following two monovalent doses of their primary series.

Please wear a mask in public spaces, practice social distancing, & wash your hands. Together we can work towards better health and protect one another from COVID-19.

COVID-19 and Booster doses are available in many places, including healthcare providers, clinics, and local pharmacies. Californians can visit: MyTurn.ca.gov or call 833-422-4255, or visit Vaccines.gov to make an appointment or find a walk-in vaccine clinic near you.

All COVID-19 resources are from Vaccines.gov & Vaccinateall58.com



Kern County Board of Education Approves CAAT Petition

On January 10th, 2023 the Kern County Board of Education approved the The Central Academy of Arts and Technology (CAAT) petition to build a charter school in Downtown Bakersfield despite student and parent opposition. The petition was denied in August 2022 by the Bakersfield City School District (BCSD) and petitioners filed an appeal to the Kern County Board of Education where it was subsequently approved in January. The Dolores Huerta Foundation (DHF) in partnership with the California Teachers Association (CTA), Bakersfield Elementary Teachers Association (BETA), and California School Employees Association (CSEA) worked tirelessly alongside community members and partnering organizations to collect 384 signatures in opposition of the CAAT petition.

Youth from the Dolores Huerta Foundation Liberated Youth for Empowerment (LYFE) program members and Vecinos Unidos Chapters shared personal testimony and urged the board to vote no on the petition. DHF will continue to fight for education equity for all students. We are inspired by the voices of our youth and community members and are grateful to all the partner organizations

for their commitment to education equity. The fight continues... Si Se Puede!

UFW to Provide Relief to Farmworkers Affected by COVID-19

In September 2021, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced a \$665 million Farm and Food Workers Relief (FFWR) program to reimburse frontline farm and food workers with pandemic-related costs. Through this program, a one-time direct relief payment of \$600 will be available to qualifying frontline farm, grocery, and meatpacking workers for expenses incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The FFWR program has selected fourteen nonprofit organizations and one tribal entity to administer the FFWR program. The United Farm Workers Foundation (UFW) has been selected and will be providing technical assistance to organizations assisting farm workers.

For support and to apply for the FFWR program please contact UFW via email at **FFWR_Admin@ufwfoundation.org** or via phone at **1-877-881-8281**.

For updates regarding the FFWR Program visit: www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/ffwr

For more information on how you can join the Vecinos Unidos® contact 1-833-564-6343 or 1-833-JOIN-DHF To support the organizing work of the Dolores Hueta Foundation, please visit Give2DHF.org

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