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What's Happening at Hooter's and the Corrie Center AKA The Edge



Construction is underway to build a drive-thru Starbucks and retail space at the site of the former Dublin Hooters restaurant. Plans for renovating the building were approved by the Planning Commission in September. The 5,640-square-foot single-story building will house two tenants, 50 parking spaces and an outdoor seating area.

The Starbucks drive-thru will wrap around the back of the retail tenant space, with the drive-thru line able to accommodate eight cars, back-to-back.

The Dublin Hooters location closed after 16 years in March 2020. Starbucks is slated to close 400 locations through 2021 as it looks to focus on quick pickup options such as drivethrus, and curbside and mobile-only pickup stores. Starbucks also recently closed its nearby location at 7197 Village Parkway.

The renovated office building at Corrie Center, rebranded with the name, "The Edge", denoting its location as a major gateway into Downtown Dublin and the planned 138 room Cambria Hotel are adjacent to the new Starbuck's. The developer, Rubicon Properties, has approved plans for the city's west end gateway property; and will place three buildings on the whole site at San Ramon Road — the hotel, a remodeled Corrie Center converted to offices for high-tech tenants, and the Starbucks retail location.

Trent Barmby of JLL Properties is marketing the 81,000 sq. ft. office building. "We have applied for building permits and expect to be under construction by Fall," said Barmby. "Demographic pattern changes from COVID has made a suburban location next to BART an attractive opportunity for many companies."



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Dublin Development Projects
Scroll down to Former Hooter's
Renovation & Drive-Thru



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS • APRIL, MAY, JUNE 2021

Thank you to our members who renewed during these difficult times. More than ever your Chamber membership is paying dividends. We are helping members with navigating funding relief options, outlining labor laws, and keeping you up to date on the latest COVID-19 news.

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45 YEARS OR MORE

Graham Hitch Mortuary – 53 years Dublin Lions Club – 45 years

36-40 YEARS

Knights of Columbus – 38 years Amador Lakes Apartment Homes – 36 years

31-35 YEARS

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Dublin\ Auto\ Body} - 32\ years \\ {\rm Dublin\ Sister\ City\ Association} - 32\ years \\ {\rm Dublin\ San\ Ramon\ Services\ District} - 31\ yrs \\ {\rm Easterseals\ Kaleidoscope} - 31\ years \\ \end{array}$

26-30 YEARS

Joseph E. Gordilo, CPA – 28 years Deluca Saverio, D.D.S. – 27 years Ducky Wash & Dry – 27 years

21-25 YEARS

B.A. Morrison – 22 years Rigatoni's – 22 years Dublin Corporate Center Owners, LLC – 21 yrs El Monte RV – 21 years

16-20 YEARS

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Studio Blue – 18 years
Bay East Association of Realtors – 17 years
Dr. William Diamond, O.D. – 17 years

11-15 YEARS

American Swim Academy – 15 years
Livermore Valley Performing Arts
Center – 15 years
Lehman Insurance – 14 years
Sutter Health/ Palo Alto Medical
Foundation – 14 years
State Farm Insurance,
Mr. Larry Damaser – 13 years
Netrique, Inc. – 12 years
Tri-Valley Career Center – 12 years
Bright Horizons at Dublin – 11 years
I.B.E.W. Local 595 –11 years

6-10 YEARS

Alameda County Supervisor District 1,
David Haubert – 10 years
Costco Wholesale – 10 years
Mortensen & Son Carpet Cleaning – 10 yrs
Sensiba San Filippo LLP – 8 years
AC Hotel Pleasanton – 7 years
Association of U.S. Army,
MG W. F. Dean Chapter – 7 years
Trumark Homes – 7 years

All Natural Stone, Dublin -6 years John Muir Health -6 years Tile Setters Toy Store -6 years Today P.C. -6 years

1-5 YEARS

Brookfield Residential - 5 years Dublin Integrity in Action − 5 years IKEA - 5 years Lamps Plus – 5 years Aloft Dublin Pleasanton Hotel - 3 years JJACPA, Inc - 3 years Provident Credit Union - 3 years Visit Tri-Valley − 3 years **Alameda County General Services** Agency - 2 yearsCalifornia Gold Advocacy Group - 2 years Edward Jones -2 years Locksmith on Wheels -2 years Mission Hope Day Program − 2 years Mutual of Omaha - 2 years Sourdough & Co. - 2 years The Well Studio & Eat Real Food Nutrition - 2 years Valley Capital Realty - 2 years San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission - 1 yr The JPRE Group - 1 year

NEW MEMBERS • April, May, June 2021



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CHRIS FUNK TO LEAD DUBLIN UNIFIED INTO EDUCATION FUTURE

Paced with a growing school district amid issues with funding of capital improvements, brand new Superintendent Chris Funk will be leading the Dublin Unified School District as school begins this fall.

Funk came to Dublin after nine years as Superintendent of San Jose's East Side Union High School District, where he oversaw 16 high schools that enrolled a combined 26,500 students. By contrast, the 12-school Dublin Unified School District is about half the size

of his previous district and is the only District serving the city.

Funk has acknowledged that the District has faced its fair share of challenges. The District projects the number of students to reach 14,500 within the next six years and then level off. To meet that demand, the previous leadership embarked on an aggressive capital program of old school modernization and new school construction. Two bond measures approved by the voters appears to be falling well short of what was promised.

Funk spent nearly two decades in San Jose and nine years at his last job. The hiring of Funk may signal the end of the turnover and



turbulence that has marked the last four years in the District. He plans on being here for the long haul and acknowledged Dublin should be known as a "destination" job.

Funk recognized that the District has gone through a period of administrative and financial turmoil. A forensic audit of District finances is currently underway, and when it is completed he believes both his administration and the school board will have a better idea of what happened and can learn

from past mistakes — and not point fingers.

Funk — the District's fifth superintendent since 2019 — further acknowledged the turbulence that the community has recently endured. The top-to-bottom turnover seen throughout Dublin schools and in Administration during the past four to five years is unsettling and leads to a lack of consistency, accountability and alignment, he said.

Funk has pledged transparency and communication as he prepares for his first year on the job. He appears to be in the right place at the right time to lead Dublin Unified into the future.

CITY OF DUBLIN LAUNCHES TWO NEW SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT PROGRAMS

On July 20, 2021, the Dublin City Council approved two new small business support programs to aid local businesses that have been severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The two new programs will aid local businesses by providing commercial rent relief, and assisting with outdoor operations.

The Commercial Rent Relief Grant program provides a one-time \$10,000 grant to up to 100 qualified small business



tenants who have at least \$10,000 or more in rent arrears from March 30, 2020 to present. Applications are being accepted

through August 8, 2021. The Program is open to all eligible small businesses; however, a priority will be placed on restaurants, retail, and personal service (fitness, salon, and spa) establishments. Each qualified small business tenant is limited to one grant. Interested small business tenants should contact their landlords to submit an application on their behalf.

For more information about the program andtoreadtheprogramguidelines, please visit dublin.ca.gov/commercial rentrelief.

The **Outdoor Operations Grant** program will provide assistance to local eating establishments and retailers in Dublin who

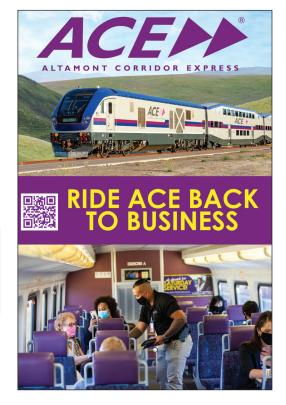
are looking to provide an outdoor area for dining or shopping. The program will reimburse a variety of eligible expenses related to



long-term temporary or permanent outdoor operations incurred by the business. There will be two grant opportunities which include a mini grant of up to \$10,000 for improvements that fall under the long-term temporary category, or grants of up to \$50,000 for improvements that fall under the permanent outdoor operations category.

For more information about the program and to read the program guidelines, please visit dublin.ca.gov/outdoor operations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Rhonda Franklin with the City of Dublin's Office of Economic Development at 925-833-6650.





Mission Statement

The Dublin Chamber of Commerce convenes leaders and influencers to foster innovation, champions a strong and vibrant business community, and is a catalyst for economic growth.

Lunch Bunch - Yafa • May 19



Lunch Bunch - Outback • June 23



BUSINESS ROUNDTABLES

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May 6 Restaurant Revitalization





June 2 **Dublin Police**





July 19 **SBA PPP Forgiveness**





July 22 Managing Stress as Society Reopens



Ribbon Cutting – Nurses Next Door • May 19



Ground Breaking – Dublin Nissan • May 27



Ribbon Cutting - LeanFeast • July 17



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Every Dose Counts!

Get vaccinated today so California's small businesses, like yours, can remain open for business.

THE DEVIL IS IN THE DETAILS -

What you need to know about Newsom's Budget in Sacramento.

While technically the Legislature fulfilled their obligation to pass a state budget in June, much of the real action will be coming in August when the Legislature returns from their July recess. The \$262.6 billion spending plan for the fiscal year that begins July 1

was fueled by a \$76 billion state surplus and \$27 billion in federal aid. Significant negotiations will continue as key expenditures will likely be approved through a special kind of legislation known as "budget trailer bills".

The budget includes \$1 billion over several years for wildfire prevention, \$3 billion to alleviate drought and \$3.7 billion over three years to mitigate dangers posed by climate change. Details to be worked out.

The budget includes \$6 billion to expand broadband service, an infrastructure need as millions of people shifted to remote school and work but suffered poor internet connections. Details to be worked out.

Childcare and funding for the Developmentally Disabled, including pay rates for some providers, was a final sticking point

in the budget negotiations, Newsom initially did not propose significant funding to rebuild the state's public health infrastructure, but the Legislature fought for \$300 million a year, but delays payments until 2022. Details are still to be worked out.

But they did agree to fund Medi-Cal Health insurance to undocumented residents over age 50.

Legislative leaders and Newsom agreed on a whopping \$12 billion to spend on homelessness and affordable housing. You got it.... Details to be worked out.

Other highlights included extending the statewide eviction moratorium through Sept. 30 and spending of rent relief of \$5.2 billion from the federal government.

One glaring omission was the budget did not contain any spending on California's high-speed rail project that aims to connect San Francisco and Los Angeles. Newsom proposed \$4.2 billion in bond funds for construction but legislators left it out of the budget.

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More information.

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Mayor Melissa Hernandez



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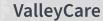


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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD MESSAGE

One of the true benefits of membership in the Dublin Chamber of Commerce is the information download that is available to you from a variety of sources. One outstanding new benefit has been the recent formation of the Chamber Economic Development Committee.



The purpose is to have direct information from the movers and shakers in the Tri-Valley and shape policy direction of the Dublin Chamber. The types of speakers and issues that we hear at the Committee range from the very interesting to crucial for your business. And it is the most direct way for your voice to be heard and affect the Chamber of Commerce when it deals with our Federal, State, and local City of Dublin leaders

Think of this as speed-dating for your business. So much information and feed-back from all Chamber members that help you navigate the post-COVID marketplace. Warning! The meetings are 7:30AM SHARP and are over in one hour; so you can get back to business! Check the Chamber calendar and your emails for date, and topic. You won't be disappointed.

Mayor Hernandez State of the City coming in September — Usually a spring-time event, the Chamber has pivoted to bring you a LIVE event with Dublin Mayor Melissa Hernandez on September 22 for the State of the City and community update. This is always a widely anticipated event and will be the Mayors' first address to the Chamber and its members. Sponsorships for the event are available now, looking forward to working with you and your company to make this a great success.

CEO Message

Your Chamber is Hiring!

To keep up with our growing needs here at the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, we are seeking a Member Benefit and Communications Specialist. This person develops strong relationships with



our membership assuring each receives the benefits best suited for the businesses needs. Benefits include marketing opportunities, networking, referral, building strong relationships with leaders and elected officials in the community, advocacy, and being part of cool events that generate special attention for the Chamber of Commerce and its members. A great way to build a solid reputation and a strong professional network. If this is the right job for you or you can refer someone special, let me know.

Office-Share at the Chamber

Has working out of your spare bedroom gotten old? Ready to sport a more professional image or save money on a lease? The Dublin Chamber moved into upgraded space the first of the year and has office-share suites available for the right local professional. Private offices are available with all Chamber amenities such as conference room, receptionist area, parking, great location in Downtown... all for less than ½ of a similar office in Dublin. Come visit your new office today.

SCORE returns to the Dublin Chamber

With the new upgraded facilities at the Dublin Chamber, SCORE will have an opportunity to expand their reach in Dublin. SCORE has the largest network of free volunteer small business mentors in the nation. No matter what stage your business is at, SCORE has a mentor for you. Another valuable resource and tool for local business. Mentors help you start, grow, or transition your business today! Let me know what your need and SCORE will match you with the best professional to assist you and your business.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Wed: Aug 18 9:00 am Ambassadors – In-Person • Chamber Office
- Wed: Aug 25 12 Noon Lunch Bunch Mountain Mike's Pizza, 8951 San Ramon Road
- Thurs: Aug 26 7:30 am Economic Development Committee • Virtual
- Thurs: Aug 26 2:00 3:00 pm TVCCA Speed Networking • Virtual
- Fri: Aug 27 5:00 pm August Mixer Co-Hosted KeyPoint Credit Union and Dublin High Athletics • Dublin High Football Stadium
- Wed: Sept 1 3:45 pm Ribbon Cutting for Edward Jones 6601 Dublin Blvd. Ste. P, Dublin
- Thurs: Sept 2 9:00 am
 Business Roundtable: John McPartland,
 BART Director Chamber Office
- Mon: Sept 6 Office Closed/ Labor Day
- Thurs: Sept 9 4:00 7:00 pm
 Tri- Valley Career Center Job Fair with
 Tri-Valley Chamber of Commerce Alliance
 5860 Owens Drive, 3rd Floor, Pleasanton
- Tues: Sept 14 11:30 am September Board Meeting • Chamber Office
- Wed: Sept 15 9:00 am Ambassadors – In-Person • Chamber Office
- Wed: Sept 22 11:30 am
 State of the City Luncheon Shannon Center
- Wed: Sept 29 5:00 pm September Mixer hosted by Edward Jones at Chamber Offices 6300 Village Parkway, Suite 100
- Thurs: Sept 30 7:30 am Economic Development Committee – Virtual
- Mon: Oct 4 10:00 am
 Member Orientation Chamber Office
- Wed: Oct 13 12 Noon Lunch Bunch Sourdough & Co • 2696 Dublin Boulevard
- Wed: Oct 20 9:00 am Ambassadors – In-Person • Chamber Office
- Thurs: Oct 28 7:30 am Economic Development Committee – Virtual
- Thurs: Oct 28 11:30 am Mayor Summit hosted by Livermore Chamber Wente on Arroyo
- Thurs: Nov 4 9:00 am
 Business Roundtable: Assemblymember
 Rebecca Bauer Kahan Virtual
- Wed: Nov 10 5:00 pm SPECIAL Joint Mixer with Pleasanton All Natural Stone
- Sun: Nov 14 12 Noon
 Turkey Bowl Earl Anthony Dublin Bowl
- Wed: Nov 17 9:00 am Ambassadors – In-Person • Chamber Office
- Nov: 25-26 Office Closed/ Thanksgiving