Small Business Monthly Update  
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Valley Meal Prep Opens in Stockton

Valley Meal Prep is a prepared meal pick up/delivery service from Modesto that recently opened a second location in Stockton. Valley Meal Prep offers its clients a wide variety of healthy breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, and dessert menus. Clients choose their preferred meals and Valley Meal Prep cooks and packages them for pick up or delivery.

Valley Meal Prep's chef, Matt Martin, recognized a need for healthy food options that was nutritious, easy, and delicious. He uses organic produce when available and hormone-free, cage-free proteins with fresh herbs and salt-free seasoning for the preparation of each meal.

Valley Meal Prep is located at 1019 E. March Lane, Suite D by Crunch Fitness. For more information, visit the Valley Meal Prep website.

Dobo's Deli Opens Downtown

A new eatery opened in downtown Stockton, Dobo's Deli. Chef Pia Gonzales is a graduate of Le Cordon Bleu College of Culinary Arts and worked as a chef and baker in the Philippines and Bay Area for many years. Chef Gonzales decided to open a restaurant to create her own menu and be part of the downtown Stockton scene. Dobo's farm-to-table menu consists of breakfast, soups, salads, sandwiches, pastries, and desserts along with a changing weekly special. Dobo's Deli also offers catering services for lunches, dinners, weddings, and cocktail parties.

Dobo's Deli is located at 19 S. San Joaquin Street. For more information, contact Dobo's Deli or call (209) 817-2801.
Small Business Development Council (SBDC) Workshops
Starting & Financing a Business
July 11, 2018
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
July 25, 2018
Noon - 2:00 p.m.
56 S. Lincoln St.
Click on each date for tickets and information.

Stockton Chamber of Commerce Mixer
July 12, 2018
5:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Frisbie-Warren & Carroll Mortuary
809 N. California St.
Click here for information.

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Mixer: Shades of Color
July 19, 2018
5:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
5759 Pacific Ave. #B135
Click here for information.

Asian-American Chamber of Commerce Mixer
July 26, 2018
5:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
SuperFish Poke & Tea
5052 West Ln.
For more information, contact Leslie Edman (209) 405-2630

Upcoming City Events

Stockton Business Survey
How is your business doing?

Do you know there are many resources available for you and your Stockton business? We value your opinion and want to hear from you, the local business community. Please take this short five-minute survey. Providing your name is optional, or you can leave your contact information and

BUSINESS RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT
City of Stockton
Commercial Facade Improvement Forgivable Loan Program

The Facade Improvement Forgivable Loan Program assists property owners in making exterior, cosmetic improvements to commercial buildings (e.g., painting, awnings, new doors and windows). Funds are granted in the form of a loan, with a lien placed on the building, which is forgiven after five years on the condition the property is kept free of graffiti and blight.

Facade Improvement Forgivable Loans are available for commercial properties or nonprofit properties located in Downtown Stockton, Midtown, North Stockton, or South Stockton.

Commercial property owners are eligible for up to $20,000 per 50 lineal feet of building frontage with a maximum of $100,000. The first $10,000 comes in the form of a base grant, with the additional $10,000 available on a dollar-for-dollar matching basis. In order to qualify for more than one grant on a single building, the property owner must put in at least $5,000 of matching funds per additional grant sought.

Facade projects must conform to the City's design guidelines. A professional architect must be involved in the facade design (City will pay up to $2,500 for services). Contractors must bid the job according to City guidelines and Davis-Bacon, and/or State prevailing wages (whichever is higher) must be paid for all onsite labor relating to the project.

For more information, visit the Economic Development Department's Business Financial Assistance webpage or contact the Economic Development Department at (209) 937-8539.

STOCKTON BUSINESSES MAKING NEWS

ABC10: Young Entrepreneurs in Stockton
Stockton offers young entrepreneurs the opportunity to own and grow their own business. Watch ABC10's "Young Under 30 Entrepreneurs Setting up Business in Stockton" as they speak with 29-year old Alyssa Marty, owner of Shine Yoga + Barre in downtown Stockton and on March Lane, and 27-year old Mat Ferdun-Wood, co-owner of CR Porter Home Collection in Lincoln Center.

**FOX40: Lilou of the Valley Vintage**

In the FOX40 segment "Positively Stockton," hosts interviewed Lilou of the Valley Vintage, a used, vintage, and consignment store located at 32 E. Acacia St., to discuss vintage fashion and summer picks. Click here to watch FOX40's coverage in "Mix Up Your Summer Style."

**Comstock's Magazine: Feast at the Fox Photos**

Comstock's Magazine shared some photo highlights from the Visit...
Stockton and City of Stockton collaborative event **Feast at the Fox**, which took place on May 11 and featured a five-course meal by local chefs using San Joaquin County ingredients.

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**CITY OF STOCKTON CRIME PREVENTION CORNER**

**Report Crimes**

Should you report a crime?

Anytime you observe suspicious activity, illegal events or suspect the occurrence of one while in Stockton, you should report the incident to the Stockton Police Department. Always contact the police as soon as you discover a crime has been committed or is in the process of being committed.

Never assume another observer will make the call or there is time to talk the event over with friends and family. Call the police immediately to insure the most effective response to the problem. If the incident has just occurred or requires emergency response to protect life and property, call 9-1-1. If the situation is a non-emergency, call the Stockton Police Department at (209) 937-8377.

When you make your report, the police officer or dispatcher will ask for your name, address, and phone number for information purposes; however, you may remain anonymous and any information you provide will be kept in confidence. An officer will gather pertinent facts about what you witnessed, such as what happened, where, when, and who was involved. It is always helpful if you can provide information like names, physical descriptions, facial features, types of clothing, and estimated ages of the people involved. If a vehicle is involved, a physical description as well as the color, model, year, and license plate number are very helpful. Any detail you can remember will greatly assist police in the apprehension of criminals. If you are reporting a crime such as a burglary, breaking and entering, or theft, provide the police with as much information as possible about the property taken, including property value and serial numbers.

For any questions, contact the Stockton Police Community Services at (209) 937-8208. Sign up to receive news and events, crime stoppers information, and crime prevention tips with Stockton Police Department Email Alerts.

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