



SAN RAFAEL
NEIGHBORHOODS ASSOCIATION

November 30, 2015

Dear San Rafael Neighbor,

San Rafael Neighborhoods Association (SRNA) *invites your membership*, once again, for 2016!

Because of efforts by you and SRNA, San Rafael neighborhoods have the protections and security afforded by a rebuilt Fire Station 39. SRNA's rally at Church of the Angels forced Metro to reevaluate 710 route options and the 710 DEIR moved forward without the Avenue 64 alternative.

In 2015 we *continued to ease challenges* to neighborhood livability and property values:

- We responded to the La Loma Bridge closure and worked with city staff to ensure a smooth transition for detoured traffic routes for the duration of construction;
- We worked with the Hillsides Master Plan process to minimize neighborhood impacts;
- We monitored every step and every meeting related to the San Rafael Elementary School geologic testing process along with ongoing traffic and parking issues;
- We continued to support the negotiated agreement keeping the Pasadena Roving Archers in the Lower Arroyo as allowed by the Arroyo Seco Master Plan;
- We sponsored a tour of the Los Angeles Harbor to better consider alternatives to roadway movement of harbor freight along the 710 corridor;
- We hosted National Night Out, putting neighbors and the City's police and fire departments together for a social evening strengthening safety bonds in San Rafael's neighborhoods;
- We continue to lobby for sunshine on Rep. Schiff's Rim of the Valley National Recreation Area, by which nearly 50% of Pasadena's Arroyo Seco neighborhoods are designated for management by the National Park Service.

We urge you not only to join SRNA but to *consider helping us in 2016* on the following neighborhood issues:

- **Emergency preparedness** in each neighborhood through the Fire Department's CERT program.
- Traffic, safety, and historic property concerns at **San Rafael Elementary School**
- **City contract for AEG's Arroyo Seco Music/Art Festival** in the Arroyo, a significant displacement event for neighborhoods, to be written to deliver a safe, peaceful and remunerative event for all Pasadena residents
- Promotion of 21st Century transportation projects to **eliminate tunnels and mitigate freeway congestion**
- Transparency of all implications to owning property overlaid by a National Recreation Area if **Congressman Adam Schiff continues to press for inclusion of San Rafael neighborhoods in the Rim of the Valley** "boundary adjustment" to the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.

The enclosed membership form allows you to indicate one or more of those issues for which you may have an interest.

We thank you for your support and look forward to 2016, another year where neighbors have a voice!

Sincerely,

Mary Dee Romney, President
Board of Directors



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