

Summer months in Japantown

Summertime in the City brings more visitors to our neighborhoods. It also means the beginning of many events taking place in and around Japantown.

Keeping our streets clean and safe, sharing information and promoting Japantown are just few things that the JCBD has started to work on since it's inception.

As part of the economic development, the JCBD is working on the JapantownSF marketing plan. An integral part of this is to meet with the various organizations and businesses in Japantown and work on a collective effort to attract more travelers as well as locals to eat, drink, shop and promote our unique neighborhood.

We'll also be meeting with key individuals at other CBDs and Merchants Associations, to share ideas and find ways to work together.



UPCOMING

Wednesday, July 11

Japantown Community Benefit District, Inc.
Board Meeting
JAACL SF Headquarters
1765 Sutter Street, S.F., CA
(Board meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.)

1st Japantown Peace Plaza Vision Plan - Community Meeting

Tuesday, July 31, 2018
6:00 - 8:00 Pm • JCCCNC
Learn more about the process and provide input to help shape the future design of the Peace Plaza.



Download the **311 mobile app** on your smart phone to report and document problems.

Updates of What's Going On at the JCBD

- Community Walk-Through with DPW Director Mohammed Nuru
- JCBD Board votes to not increase FY18-19 Assessment Roll
- Sponsored the Shuttle Bus for the 8th Annual Soy & Tofu Festival
- Admin Part Time Staff search continues
- JCBD website to launch soon!

DPW Director Mohammed Nuru Walk Through

On Friday, June 22, community representatives had the opportunity to meet with Department of Public Works Director, Mohammed Nuru and the Mayor's Fix-It Team to conduct a walk-through of Japantown. Main focus was the Buchanan Mall's Origami Fountain and cobblestone walkway. Safety of pedestrians walking on the cobblestone and the Fountains plumbing problems were identified.

Director Nuru suggest we should work towards a face lift that will once again highlight Ruth Asawa's Fountains and make the Buchanan Mall area an urban plaza that will attract visitors and locals alike.

He recommended that we look for a landscape architect, with experience and know-how in Japanese culture and aesthetics, to help create a Master Plan for improvements.

Community members present:
 Steve Nakajo, Richard Hashimoto,
 Jim Yonashiro, Sandy Mori, Nob Mihara,
 Eugene Morales (Block by Block),
 Community Ambassador Stephon,
 Kayleigh Lloyd (District 5),
 Steve Nakajima, Grace Horikiri



Community Ambassadors

Our Community Ambassadors (Stephon & Michael) not only keep our streets clean, they are the eyes and ears of our neighborhood. They've been keeping a watchful eye on recent homeless activities.



To request service, contact the Clean Team Hotline: (415) 680-7171
 Please note that the ambassadors cannot arrest anyone

Cleaning Highlights

April 2018 through June 2018

	Apr	May	June	TOTAL
Answered Hotline	1	3	1	5
Auto Glass Clean Up	11	10	18	39
Business Contact	46	0	0	46
Cigarette Butts	9356	9755	10056	29167
Hospitality Assistance	57	12	4	73
Power Washing (block faces)	3	1	3	7
Sharps Clean Up (needles)	36	7	5	48
Stickers/Graffiti Removed	50	87	124	261
Trash (lbs)	1793	1785	1890	5468
Trash Bags Collected	55	52	54	161
Weed Abatement (block faces)	12	2	1	15