

# County of Monterey Communications Program

Report to the Board of Supervisors – June 14, 2022



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### **Communications Program Objective:**

To develop, coordinate, and implement a county-wide communications strategy, implementation and evaluation of the County's communications methods as it relates to departments, programs, government relations, crisis management and media relations activities.



## Why Invest in Civic Engagement

Source: Bang the Table in Communication, Magazine Fall 2021

# Engagement & Communications challenges facing local governments across the country include:

- Small groups of people turning out for meetings
- Communities have feelings of disenfranchisement
- Local governments are struggling to engage more effectively
- Strong need to adopt a broad-based approach to community engagement



# Community Engagement is Critical

Source: Bang the Table in Communication, Magazine Fall 2021, Micromex Study\*

# Well designed and implemented, broad-based community engagement works.

- It increases satisfaction with government performance
- It enhances trust in civic institutions
- It helps make better, more robust, and resilient solutions, which in turn, saves large amounts of time and resources
- Communities are happiest when they feel well informed about local government's business and has opportunities to be part of policy formation
- The extent to which a community feels engaged is consistently one of the most important factors in explaining community satisfaction



# Strategy Development Process

Road map to greater communication and community engagement

- The first step in developing the County's first communication plan was to develop actionable initiatives with a strategic purpose. (Gantt charts provided in your packet)
  - Short-term, 6-months timeline
  - Mid-term, 6-months to 12-months timeline
  - Long-term, 12-months to 24-months timeline
- The next step was to develop a comprehensive plan outline. (Plan outline provided in your packet)
  - This will help track the necessary steps to accomplish each initiative

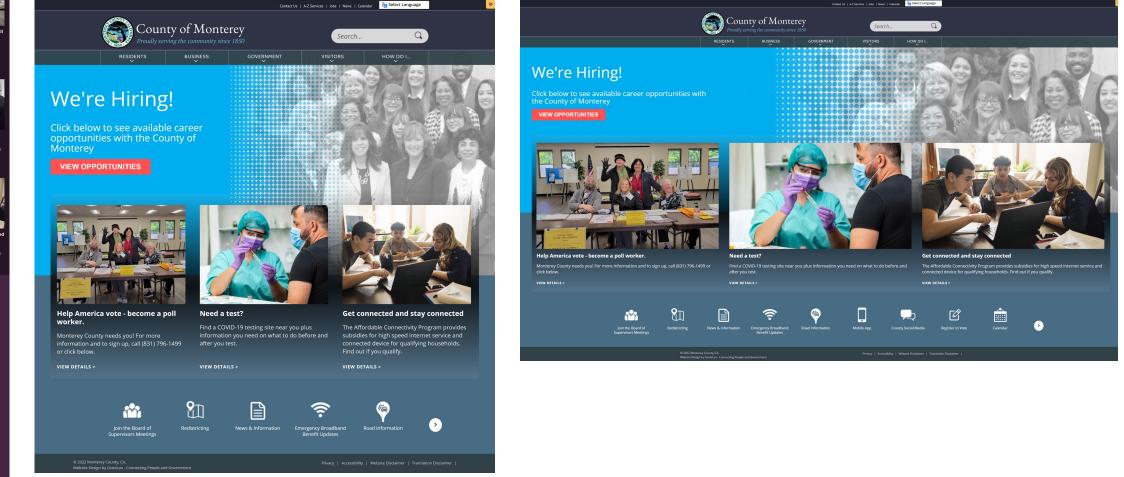
# Short-term Successful Initiatives



Expanded General COVID Messaging Awarded a \$20,000 grant for COVID-19 outreach to the African/American Community Development of a new press briefing room Reboot of the CAO's Newsletter Wrote new County Public Relations Policy Prepared a draft County's first Communications & Brand Policy Expanded Social Media outreach efforts Engaging the Social Media Working Group Initiated listening sessions with more scheduled\*\* Refresh of the County website home page\* Commenced the creation of a crisis communications plan for the EOC Deployed a media relations survey



### \*Refreshed website homepage, mobile and desktop screen shot views



# Short-term Successful Initiatives



\*\*Communications listening sessions that have been completed include:
District 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 Board of Supervisors
Departments & Programs include:
Office of Emergency Services
Department of Social Services
MCOE, MCCVB, Monterey Arts Council
Public Works & Facilities

Housing & Community Development
Economic Development
Human Resources Department
Health Department
ITD
Emergency Communications/911
Legislative Affairs

# Short-term Successful Initiatives



Completed refresh of the COVID-19 Weekly Update

Developed and deployed a county-wide social media calendar

Created new collateral materials for the County Economic Development Program

Created a newsletter template for Risk Management Created several dozen new social media info graphics and messaging campaigns Created Resolution templates for promotion on social media Created new template for promoting County Parks Completed compilation of individual department branding Samples of messaging created by your County Communications Team; a complete record is in your packets.

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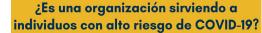
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COVID-19

#### **OVER 50? YOU ARE ELIGIBLE** FOR A SECOND COVID-19 **BOOSTER SHOT**



Puede ser elegible para obtener suministros de COVID-19 a través del Condado de Monterey





## How Can We Help Your Business



Building Business Back helps businesses in Monterey County recover from the effects of the pandemic.

Take this 2-minute survey Tell us how we can help YOUR business





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# Media Engagement Initiative



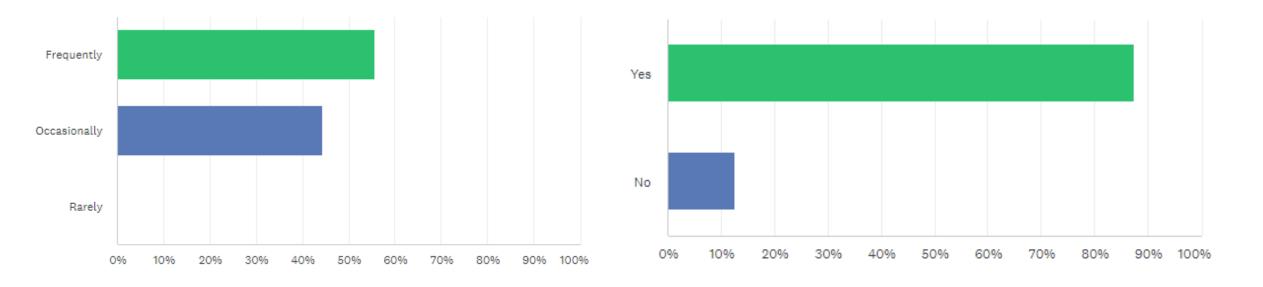
In late February 2022, the communications team developed a survey in an effort to learn from local news media what we can do to improve the weekly media briefing and our general engagement practices. We deployed the survey on April 5, 2022. The following slides are highlights from the survey.



# Survey Highlights

How frequently to you participate in the weekly briefing?

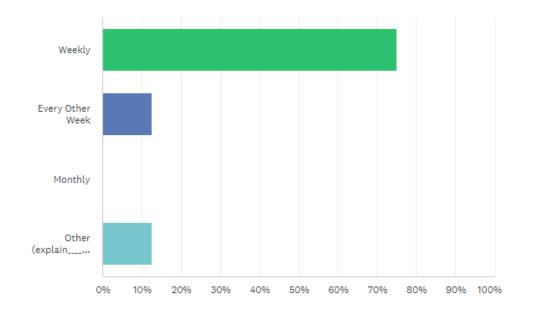
Should the County continue to hold weekly briefings?



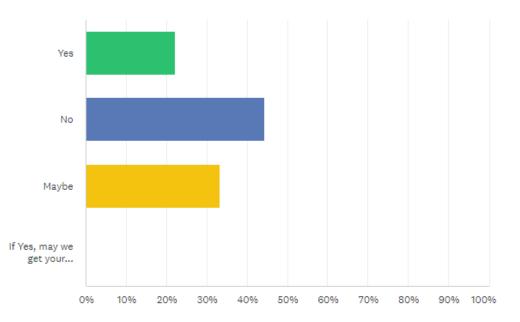


# Survey Highlights

### How frequently should the County hold briefings?



Would you be willing to serve on a Media Advisory committee?



### Major Mid-Term Initiatives Underway





L PLAN – MEDIA GUIDELINES JEST AND POLICY Preliminary look at branding standardization. County Emblem

Stacked



County of Monterey

### Semi-stacked





### Horizontal



County of Monterey Proudly serving the community since 1850





### Preliminary co-branding standardization.

Sample Grouped Logos Without County workmark













#### Sample Grouped Logos With County workmark



County of Monterey AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER DEPARTMENT



County of Monterey MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE



County of Monterey HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

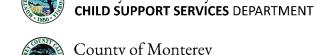
Sample Department Logos Incorporating County workmark



County of Monterey Public Works DEPARTMENT



County of Monterey HEALTH DEPARTMENT



County of Monterey **CLERK OF THE BOARD** DEPARTMENT

County of Monterey



County of Monterey **COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM** 



County of Monterey **EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS/911** DEPARTMENT



County of Monterey **OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES** 



County of Monterey MARY A. ZEEB TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR



# Major Long-Term Initiatives Underway

Cloud-based project management system	Integration of Hootsuite Social Media Platform
Development of a Guide to County Services	Planning for Website Overhaul
County Government Channel Content Improvement Plan	County Communications Strategic Plan

# Board Priorities Project Update

We are updating on the progress or seeking board direction for the items listed below and will provide a brief explanation for each. Full materials are in your packets.



Public Relations Guidelines and Policies (under review - CAO)

County Branding Guidelines and Policies (in draft)

Update of the County's Social Media Policy and best practices (in progress)

Development of a crisis communications Spanish translation team call-out list (in progress)

Development of a crisis communications community leaders contact list with departmental support (in progress) We will be asking the board at a future meeting to adapt the new County Public Relations Guidelines and Policies current under review

As requested, we are asking that all departments fully utilize of the County master calendar for posting all County public events

We will be updating of County Ordinance: Chapter 11.06 County Emblem\* based on branding guidelines and bring the proposed new ordinance for adoption

Title 11 - PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE I - OFFENSES BY OR AGAINST PUBLIC OFFICERS AND GOVERNMENT Chapter 11.06 COUNTY EMBLEM

#### Chapter 11.06 COUNTY EMBLEM

Sections:

#### 11.06.010 Design of emblem.

The design of the Emblem of the County of Monterey excluding colors shall correspond to the following representation thereof: (Monterey County of California Seal Emblem).

(Ord. 2582 § 1, 1979)

#### 11.06.020 Colors of emblem.

The colors of said emblem shall conform substantially to the colors of the emblem filed with the Secretary of this Board pursuant to an order adopted by this Board on May 13, 1969.

(Ord. 2582 § 2, 1979)

#### 11.06.030 Use of emblem.

Said emblem may be used to identify County property, on the official stationery of the County and its officials, and for other County purposes. It shall not be used to authenticate County legal documents, as that shall continue to be the function of the seal of the Board of Supervisors.

(Ord. 2582§ 3, 1979)

#### 11.06.040 Misuse of emblem a misdemeanor.

Every person who maliciously, or for commercial purposes, or in order to misrepresent any County action that is taken, or for personal gain uses or allows to be used any reproduction or facsimile of the County Emblem is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(Ord. 2582 § 4, 1979)

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### Revision planned Chapter 11.06 County Emblem Code of Ordinances

(Supp. No. 47, Update 3)

Seeking Board Direction County Calendar Improved Utilization Planning

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County Calendar



Thank you for your time and support today.

The Communications Program team is happy to answer any questions.



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