

# Moving San Bernardino Forward

Improving City Services, Public Safety and Quality of Life

San Bernardino strives to become a model city for its diverse residents. We're proud that our City is overcoming fiscal setbacks and moving forward to create a higher quality of life for those who live, work and play in San Bernardino. Our growing economy is starting to attract more employers to the City, which brings unique opportunities and provides more jobs to create citywide prosperity. While San Bernardino has gone through major changes to ensure the success of our financial goals, City leaders understand there is still more which must be done.



Median home price increased



Unemployment down to 5.2%



Developers interest in City has increased



\$10 million federal grant for road safety

# **Moving Forward:** Preparing for the Future

As we look to the future, the City is working hard to move our community forward and improve our public safety, city services and quality of life. In recent years, the City has taken a number of steps to maintain a transparent and open government while controlling costs to making services to our community more efficient. As we continue to evaluate the needs facing our City, it is clear additional funding is needed to strengthen public safety and 911 emergency response, retain and attract businesses, maintain city streets, improve local parks and create safer and cleaner neighborhoods.



### The Status of Public Safety in San Bernardino

While the City has been able to maintain public safety personnel, the City recognizes the need for additional resources to provide the services our residents desire.



## **Youth Programs and Gang Prevention**

Approximately 2,400 San Bernardino children are served by our after-school and summer programs, and our gang and drug prevention programs. We need to prevent reductions to these programs, as they are more important than ever to keep students from dropping out, and kids off the streets and out of trouble.



#### **Improving Roads and Public Infrastructure**

San Bernardino's streets and roads require substantial repairs and repaving at a cost of \$200 million. Additionally, the City needs to maintain storm drains to reduce flooding, repair sidewalks and maintain local parks.

# **Moving Forward:** Renewing Funding for San Bernardino

In 2006, Measure Z, a general sales tax, was passed by voters to help provide funding for public safety services and personnel, anti-gang and anti-crime operations including drug resistance education, and after school youth activities. In order to accomplish the City's goals, the City may consider extending Measure Z before it expires in order to continue funding public safety and public works services in our City. For more information on Measure Z and the community oversight committee reports, please visit: http://www.sbcity.org/measureZ

#### We Want to Hear From You!

As we plan for the future of San Bernardino, we invite you to make your voice heard and share your priorities for our community. To provide your input or ask questions, please contact the City Manager's Office at 909-384-5122 or sbinfo@sbcity.org. You can take also our survey online at www.sbcity.org/movingforward



