SAC NEWSLETTER

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SCHOLARSHIPS

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scholarships are posted when they
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community scholarships can be
viewed at scusd.edu/communityscholarships.

For questions or additional information call (916) 643-9293 or email us at scholarships@scusd.edu





CELEBRATING EARTH DAY



Every year on April 22, Earth Day marks the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970.

Change starts with action. Better yet, an action that affects the world around you. A Billion Acts of Green are happening across the planet. From students in classrooms to organizers in their communities to officials in government there are ways for anyone of any background to make a difference. Start small and go big — or start big and stay big. Either way, keep coming back, keep taking action and join the movement to change the world.

Click on the links below to find out how to support Earth Day through personal action, civic engagement and political action.

Earth Day Toolkit

Practical Ways to Celebrate Earth Day

Celebrating with Kids







MINE AWARENESS MONTH

In 2023 the United Nations Mine Action Service will acknowledge the day under the campaign "Mine Action Cannot Wait", highlighting decades of contamination in Cambodia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam, as well as draw attention to recent explosive ordnance contamination.



The over-arching goal will be to bring attention to areas of the world that remain contaminated after many years, and where generations have changed their lives to avoid the threat. Explosive ordnance contamination threatens lives, curtails freedom of movement, limits access to arable land, disenfranchises communities and above all instills fear and insecurity. It spreads terror, and longstanding contamination internalizes this terror. The most affected are the most vulnerable populations.

This campaign makes it clear that the eradication of all landmines cannot wait. Whether it is new contamination in Colombia, Myanmar, Ukraine or Yemen, or old contamination, in Cambodia, Iraq or Viet Nam, clearance must be completed by mine action actors and States Parties of the Mine Ban Convention. It is a human problem.



For more information about the US role in cleaning up left over explosive ordinances in these countries, <u>click here</u>.

On the next page you will learn about the devastating effect these mines are having on the lives of communities throughout the globe.

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MINE AWARENESS MONTH

Laos unexploded bombs

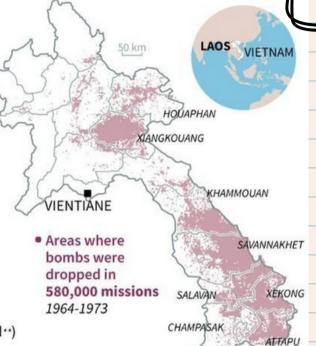
More than 2 million tonnes of explosives dropped by US during the Vietnam War, aimed at cutting supply routes for the North Vietnamese

- 270 million estimated cluster munitions (bombies) dropped
- 80 million failed to detonate
- 446,711 or 0.55% unexploded bombies destroyed by UXO Lao* 1996-2010
- 25 percent of all villages contaminated
- 50,000
 victims of leftover
 bombs since 1964
 (60% killed, 40% injured**)

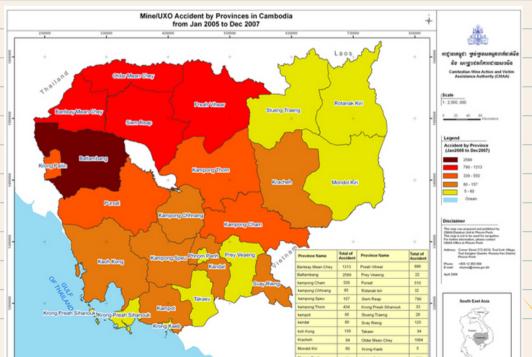
*Lao National Unexploded Ordnance Programme

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Source: **National Regulatory Authority for UXO/Mine in Lao PDR/Uxolao.org



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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

National Volunteer Month in April celebrates the impact volunteers have on our lives and encourages active volunteerism in generations to come. Most often unpaid, they generously donate a part of their lives to do the work that nobody else likes to do — cleaning up after the event, fostering shelter dogs, chaperoning field trips, or helping the librarian; there are so many areas requiring volunteers. This month, we salute them for their unwavering services to businesses and communities and hold aloft their examples to inspire young and adults towards volunteerism.

Click on the links below for local opportunities to volunteer:

Sac County Volunteers

Volunteer Match Sacramento

Hands on Sacramento

Sac Food Bank

City of Sacramento Volunteer Program





VOLUNTEERS





NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH

National Fair Housing Month in April increases efforts to end housing discrimination and raises awareness of fair housing rights. The month also remembers the assassination of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968 and his contributions to the Civil Rights Movement. The Fair Housing Act also celebrates its anniversary in April.

In 2018, the Fair Housing Act celebrated its 50th anniversary. Designed to protect Americans from discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of housing based on color, race, national origin, and religion, the act later extended to sex, disability, and family status.

Learn more about the history of housing discrimination, racialized housing policies, historical housing social movements and current fair housing organizations by clicking the links below:

The History of Gentrification and Displacement

National Fair Housing Act History

History of the I-Hotel

Gentrification in Oak Park Sacramento

Sacramento Fair Housing Resources





You may have learned that sexual assault, harassment, and abuse, are any unwanted sexual activity or touch. Sexual assault can happen to people no matter their age or identity. One and 26 men and one in four women reported completed or attempted rape at some time in their life (Basile et al., 2022). Transgender or non-binary students in grades K 12 reported significant rates of harassment, physical assault, and sexual violence — with 47% of all transgender people having been sexually assaulted at some point in their lives (James et al., 2016).

Odds are, someone you know has experienced sexual assault. It could be someone in your family, circle of friends, or school. Sexual violence is significant and affects us all.

Talking about sexual violence may be difficult and uncomfortable to discuss, but we can all work together to make a world where sexual assault, harassment, and abuse do not happen. Social change happens when we shift attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors to positively address social issues. Becoming an agent of change is about taking small, sustainable steps to positively influence the world around you. We can all become a social change agent regardless of age, race, gender, and sexual orientation. Being a social change agent is one way you can help build a future where you, your relationships, your community, and the world are safer and healthier.

On the next page, you'll learn more about how youth can become change agents for sexual assault.





Know your power. As a young person, you are in a unique position to provide your friends with useful information and perspective. Adults and communities can learn from the voices and experiences of you and your friends.

Engage friends and build a network. Social change takes time and teamwork. You can encourage your friends to join you, ask for help from local and national organizations, and inspire others to get involved. You can have a positive influence on your friends by being a role model of healthy behaviors.

Take a stand against oppression. Working for positive social change involves challenging oppression. It is important to understand how issues are interconnected when working on social change. Oppression occurs whenever one group has control over another, and it frequently includes inequality, silenced voices, and abuse of power. Racism, sexism, classism, heterosexism, ageism, ableism or other aspects of people's identities can all be forms of oppression.

Partner with supportive adults. You can also seek support from reliable adults by developing positive relationships with them. Adults and youth can learn from and teach one another in a healthy partnership and ensure that all voices are heard and respected. Members of your family, neighborhood, community, school, or church organization can be adult allies.

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SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

Use your creativity. Social change work can build on diverse strengths, and everyone has something valuable to bring to the table. Whether you love social media or prefer creative arts, think about how your interests and skills can educate and inspire others.

Take one step at a time. Whether you are looking to start small or reach for the stars, it is important to take change one step at a time. Approach challenges as an opportunity to problem solve and learn. Look at what inspires you, learn from others, and work to build your network of support. As you start to see an impact, share your successes and give others the opportunity to participate.

Seek out resources. Consider trustworthy online resources, your local library, and trusted adults as additional resources for information-seeking assistance. Although it may seem complicated at first glance, remember you can use these simple tools and support from peers and adult allies to move forward. Every person has a role in preventing sexual violence.

Look for resources in your neighborhood. You might discover that there are already people and groups working to make a difference in your neighborhood. Organizations such as your local rape crisis center are excellent places in your community to look for opportunities to participate, volunteer, or intern.



SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

The following list are local organizations in Sacramento who provide resources for victims of sexual assault and also provide opportunities for allies and advocates to become involved.

Weave Inc.

Survivor Resources

Crime Victim Resources

Crisis Lines

Connect Center at SCUSD





FEBRUARY RECOGNITION

LET'S CELEBRATE

Monthly Observances in April2023

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APRIL 2023 Holidays & Observances



Monday April 3rd
Find a Rainbow Day



Sunday April 9th

Easter Day



Tuesday April 11th

Submarine Day



Thursday April 13th
Scrabble Day



Monday April 17th

Bat Appreciation day



Wednesday April 19th Garlic Day



Thursday April 20th High Five Day



Saturday April 22nd Earth Day



Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day



Sunday April 30th

International Jazz Day



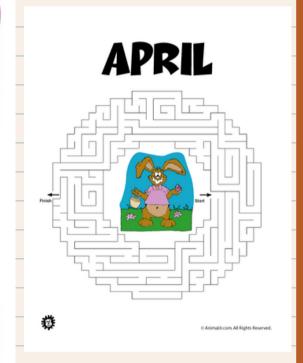


BRAIN BREAK

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April Breeze Puddles Umbrella

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If April showers bring may flowers, what do may flowers bring?



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