

December 2024 Newsletter



A Note from Senator Tom Umberg:

This month saw a lot of change for California, with more on the horizon. We have new laws taking effect and new elected officials across local, regional, and statewide offices. I'm looking forward to working with my partners in the legislature to continue tackling some of the most significant issues our state faces. I also want to thank the candidates who ran; putting yourself out there with the voters is not easy. Let us always be thankful that so many people care about their neighbors. I also

want to wish you and your family a joyous and embracing Thanksgiving, and a Happy Holidays!

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

With Election Day come and gone, we're on our way to a new legislative session. I've been meeting with different stakeholders throughout the last few months to gather input on ideas to benefit our community in the year ahead. Last year, we made great strides in public safety, homelessness, fentanyl, veterans, and a host of other areas of importance. I look forward to helping the state utilize the path forward Proposition 36 has given us to bolster our collaborative courts system and keep our communities safe. If you're interested in seeing what we've done previously in these areas or any other work my team and I have done over the years, please visit: https://sd34.senate.ca.gov/legislation.



LA HABRA VETERANS DAY

I was honored to attend the La Habra Veterans Day Ceremony. As a veteran, I know that the oath we take is not easy, and those who do take it have my and my family's thanks. Huge thanks to Councilmember Surich, American Legion Post 267, and the La Habra Veterans Committee for celebrating our veterans!



CALCHAMBER ANTI-TRUST PANEL

I had the pleasure of speaking with the California Chamber of Commerce and several of my legislative colleagues about the state's anti-trust efforts. We had a good discussion about how to balance the need to protect competition while allowing business growth. I want to thank Cal Chamber for inviting me to participate in this important discussion!



UNITED ACROSS BORDERS TOUR

Thank you to Erika Robles with United Across Borders (UAB) for inviting me to tour their Santa Ana Facility. UAB helps our constituents find essential resources like backpacks, diapers, and food. Erika and her team have built a strong partnership with our community, and we look forward to seeing all the great things to come.

DISTRICT ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT



The SD34 staff continues to work diligently for our constituents. In November, we attended 17 events, acknowledged 311 individuals for their outstanding work, and assisted 8 constituents with issues involving state departments and agencies.



SPOTLIGHT ON... JOSH FINKELSTEIN

For the last six weeks, Josh Finkelstein has been an intern in my district office helping us do legislative research while completing his credits for his Bachelor's Degree from Washington State University.

If you've called my District Office during the last month and a half, you might have spoken to an unfamiliar voice answering your call. This was our intern, Josh Finkelstein. Josh has been working in my district office as an intern, helping my team with legislative research and other events while he completes his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sports

Management from Washington State University. His presence has been a great addition to the team and he's grown to be a fun member of our little family. While we're sad Josh is no longer going to be with us after this week, we are certainly thankful that we got to spend the last few weeks with him. The team and I look forward to seeing the outstanding work he goes on to do after law school! Thank you to Josh for such a memorable time, and know that you'll always be welcome back at the district or capital office any time!



12/08 - Fiesta Del Mariachi

Santa Ana Stadium 602 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, CA 92703 **9:00 AM - 10:00 PM** The Power of One Foundation are hosting a two-part mariachi celebration event that will feature dozens of international and local talents, while supporting local mariachi programs. Tickets available with purchase at: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fiesta-del-</u> <u>mariachi-tickets-886715208057?aff=POOF</u>

12/12 - Senator Umberg Holiday Open House

SARTC 1000 E. Santa Ana Blvd. Suite 100 Ballroom Santa Ana, CA 92701 **4:00 PM - 7:00 PM** My district office is hosting a holiday open house on Thursday, Dec. 12 from 4PM-7PM. Bring an unwrapped toy to donate and don't forget your ugly sweater. Please RSVP at: <u>https://forms.gle/kL42rpU7kZeKfoUj6</u>

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