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# **PRESS RELEASE**

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# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## SUBJECT: 2024 FIREWORKS STAND LOTTERY WINNERS

On Thursday March 14, 2024, at 1:00 PM, the City of Salinas conducted this year's fireworks sales stand lottery at the City of Salinas Rotunda, 200 Lincoln Avenue.

31 non-profit groups representing schools and school organizations, youth organizations, community organizations, and religious, fraternal, and service organizations vied for 18 fireworks stands within the city limits.

Twelve school organizations, two youth organizations, two community organizations and two religious, fraternal, and service organizations were selected by random drawing in the presence of city staff and interested members of the public.

The following is a list of the successful applicants:

#### HIGH SCHOOLS

Alisal High School Everett Alvarez High School Athletics Booster Club Mount Toro High School North Salinas High School Athletic Booster Club

#### SCHOOLS

Lincoln Elementary School Madonna Del Sasso School Salinas City Virtual Academy

YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS CJ's Sport's Academy Dance Arts Boosters Palma High School Rancho San Juan High School Booster Club Salinas High School Boosters (Aquatics)

Sherwood School Oasis Charter Public School

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS** Confidence Pregnancy Center The Epicenter

# **RELIGIOUS, FRATERNAL, & SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS**

Family and Faith Ministries of CA

Salinas Alisal Rotary Club

#### 2024 Fireworks Stand Lottery Winners Press Release

Mayor Craig states, "The sale of "**Safe and Sane**" fireworks by these nonprofit organizations will allow continued opportunities and services to be provided for the youth and adults in our community. I encourage the residents of Salinas to support these local organizations during this year's celebration of America's Independence Day".

Salinas Fire Chief Klemek states, "Only State approved "**Safe & Sane**" fireworks are allowed to be sold and used in the City of Salinas. The selected non-profit groups will be allowed to start sales beginning June 28, 2024 and ending no later than July 5, 2024".

"Dangerous and illegal fireworks such as bottle rockets and M-80s are prohibited throughout California, and persons found using or in possession of dangerous and illegal fireworks are subject to fines ranging from \$1,250 to \$50,000".

Make sure you and your family celebrate safely during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July by following these Fireworks Safety Tips:

- Buy and use only "Safe and Sane" fireworks with the State Fire Marshal approved seal.
- Always read and follow instructions on fireworks packaging.
- Always have an adult present and closely supervise children during the use of "Safe and Sane" fireworks.
- Never use fireworks around dry vegetation or areas likely to catch fire.
- After firework has been used, soak in water before discarding.
- Always keep at a safe distance.
  - Always have a garden hose and a bucket of water on hand when using Fireworks.
- If a fire escapes your control, call 911 immediately.