



# CANEPA'S CORNER

A District 2 Dialogue

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## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH: BE WELL CAMPUS MILESTONE

**Q:** What milestone did San Joaquin County reach during Mental Health Awareness Month?

**A:** The County marked a major milestone in developing the Be Well Campus, a new initiative focused on expanding mental health services.

**Q:** What is the Be Well Campus?

**A:** It's a comprehensive mental health facility designed to improve access to care, crisis response, and long-term support for individuals facing mental health challenges.

**Q:** How much is being invested in the Be Well Campus?

**A:** The County is investing \$261.8 million, making it one of the region's largest mental health infrastructure projects.

**Q:** Why is this project significant?

**A:** It represents a major step toward improving mental health outcomes by providing essential services and reducing barriers to care for the community.

## COLLABORATIVE COURTS GRADUATION

**Q:** What was the Collaborative Courts graduation ceremony on May 8th about?

**A:** Held at the historic Bob Hope Theatre, the ceremony honored over 200 individuals who completed court-supported recovery, rehabilitation, and reentry programs. It celebrated their personal achievements and highlighted the impact of alternative court programs focused on treatment and support.

**Q:** Why are Collaborative Courts important?

**A:** Collaborative Courts offer a supportive alternative to incarceration by focusing on treatment and rehabilitation for individuals struggling with substance abuse or other issues. These courts aim to reduce recidivism and help participants successfully reintegrate into society. The graduation highlights San Joaquin County's commitment to justice through compassion, showing that rehabilitation and support can lead to long-term success for individuals and safer, stronger communities.





## MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE: HONORING DAVE AVILES

As we paused to remember and honor our nation's heroes this Memorial Day, we extended special recognition to Dave Aviles, a local advocate and veteran whose tireless support for community service and veterans' wellness continues to make a lasting impact. Look for highlights of Dave's work and his message of remembrance and resilience in our Memorial Day post.




## YOUTH IN FOCUS: SUPPORTING IMPACTED PROGRAMS

San Joaquin County remains committed to investing in our youth. In response to federal and state funding cuts, discretionary funds have been allocated to support vital programs such as Improve Your Tomorrow and Family Promise. These initiatives are essential lifelines for underserved youth, helping them access education, housing, and mentorship opportunities to build brighter futures.

Thank you for staying connected and supporting efforts that uplift, empower, and strengthen our community.



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