The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) strives to be a good neighbor in the communities where we provide high quality water, power and sewer services. We are especially committed to the communities most impacted by our operations such as the Bayview-Hunters Point community which is home to the City’s largest wastewater treatment facility, the Southeast Treatment Plant (SEP).

Built in 1952, the SEP is the City’s largest wastewater treatment facility, but many of its facilities are past their useful life and generate odors that impact the neighborhood. We are investing over $2 billion to transform this facility into a modern resource recovery center, an attractive workplace and a neighborhood asset. When complete, these upgrades will ensure a reliable, sustainable system that addresses the needs of the system and the odor concerns of the community.

**Biosolids Digester Facilities Project**

The Biosolids Digester Facilities Project (BDFP) will replace the existing outdated solids treatment facilities along Phelps Street and Jerrold Avenue with state-of-the-art facilities located farther away from residents. The new facilities will capture and treat odors more effectively, produce a higher quality biosolids, and maximize biogas utilization and energy recovery. [sfpuc.org/digesters](http://sfpuc.org/digesters)

**New Headworks Facility Project**

Headworks is where the wastewater flows enter the treatment plant and debris (such as bricks) and grit (like sand) are removed. The New Headworks Facilities Project will help minimize odors, reduce operational costs, and increase SEP’s efficiency. [sfpuc.org/headworks](http://sfpuc.org/headworks)

As the SFPUC transforms the SEP into an advanced resource recovery center, we are partnering with the community to thoughtfully and creatively shape the design and aesthetics of our new facilities to make SEP an attractive workplace and neighborhood asset.

**New Southeast Community Center**

Replacing the existing Southeast Community Facility located at 1800 Oakdale Avenue, the SFPUC, in partnership with the Southeast Community Facility Commission, is building a new Southeast Community Center (SECC) at 1550 Evans Avenue. The SECC was developed and designed to benefit the community by providing meaningful economic and workforce development opportunities through educational programs, hands-on-training and job opportunities. Scheduled to be completed in 2022, the new modern green building design is LEED Gold and will include a childcare center, classrooms, community space, a café, office space, and over two acres of open space with picnic grounds, an amphitheater, play areas and over 190 new trees. The center will host a wide range of programs and services to serve Southeast residents of all ages. In response to community input, the design and layout includes more extensive affordable co-working spaces and multi-purpose rooms use. The existing tenants of the current Southeast Community Facility at 1800 Oakdale Avenue will relocate to the new SECC. [southeastcommunitycenter.com](http://southeastcommunitycenter.com)

**Operational and Seismic Reliability, and Odor Control Projects**

There are several completed projects at the SEP to address operational and seismic reliability, regulatory compliance and specific technologies to monitor, control and reduce odors. (Existing Digester Roof Repairs, Primary and Secondary Clarifier Upgrades, Disinfection System Upgrades, Oxygen Generation Plant, and the Existing Digester Gas Handling Improvements).
INVESTMENTS TO ENRICH THE COMMUNITY

Public Art
Recognizing the important role of art in the community, 2% of above ground construction costs go to integrating arts and cultural elements into the new facilities and green spaces. The SFPUC partners with the San Francisco Arts Commission to utilize the Bayview Artist Registry and the Bayview Arts Master Plan to ensure the public art funded by the SFPUC projects support local artists, and recognize and celebrate the people, values, and history of the Bayview-Hunters Point community.

Workforce Development and Small Business Support
As the agency invests in its infrastructure, it is also investing in local, underserved communities by connecting youth and adults with learning, apprenticeship, job training, employment, and business opportunities to residents and local businesses. These programs support a strong, inclusive, local economy and a skilled, diverse, local workforce for today and for generations to come. To ensure local residents have the opportunity to participate on SSIP projects, we actively partner with multiple public and community-based organizations in the community, including the Office of Economic and Workforce Development’s (OEWD) CityBuild Program and the SF Building and Construction Trades.

THE SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Every day, over one million residents, businesses, and visitors rely on our combined sewer system to protect public health and the environment. The investments at the SEP are part of the Sewer System Improvement Program (SSIP), a multi-billion-dollar investment to upgrade and modernize San Francisco’s critical sewer infrastructure with new technologies to improve operations, reduce odors, better manage stormwater, and safeguard against climate impacts, like sea level rise. Projects across the City range from neighborhood green infrastructure like rain gardens that collect and clean stormwater, to extensive treatment plant upgrades. sfpuc.org/SSIP

Resources
To stay up to date on SEP construction, sign-up for email updates at sfpuc.org/newsletters, visit sfpuc.org/SEPConstruction or join a Southeast Community Facility Commission meeting every fourth Wednesday of the month beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you have questions that sfpuc.org/SEPconstruction cannot answer, connect to a member of our outreach team via (415) 551-4SEP (4737) or SSIP@sfwater.org

Job Training
CityBuild offers construction industry training and employment networking services. (415) 701-4848 oewd.org/city-build

Contractors Assistance
The Contractors Assistance Center is a free resource for professional service firms, construction companies, vendors, and suppliers to help establish or grow their business. (415) 467-1040 sfpuc.org/contractorcenter

OEWD Access Points
Office of Economic and Workforce Development Neighborhood Access Points provide workforce services to assist jobseekers. (415) 554-6969 oewd.org/employment #sfsewer sfpuc.org/SSIP

The CityWorks Internship Program is an example of how the SFPUC is providing educational opportunities for residents of the Bayview-Hunters Point community. sfpuc.org/cityworks

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