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### Alameda County's top science event for kids returns this October

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Science in the Park returns this October, with more fun activities and free of charge to all families in Alameda County.

Science in the Park is a family event that makes science and health fun for children in Central and Southern Alameda County. The past two events have engaged kids and families with interactive science exhibits, health booths, and various outdoor activities.

Science in the Park is one of the most anticipated family events in South County as the 2012 festival drew over 5,000 residents, with over 60 organizations participating. The event is spearheaded by Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle, whose office coordinated and reached out to school districts throughout District 2 to participate and attend.

“Science in the Park has an outstanding legacy of making STEM fun for kids. We hope our new expanded additions this year meet the kids’ expectations,” said Supervisor Valle, referring to participation by groups such as the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office Bomb Squad, and local rapper and science teacher Tom McFadden.

Some activities to look forward to this year include: water rocket launches, egg drop contest, spin art bikes, hands-on science activities created by teachers from the participating school districts, and local organizations, robotics demonstrations, animal/wildlife education, and much more. Science in the Park also features groups that promote health and safety in the community, such as Tiburcio Vasquez, La Familia Counseling Service, California Highway Patrol, the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office, and the Hayward Police Department. Food Truck Mafia and Dig Deep Farms will also be in attendance.

This event would not be possible without the generous support of the event’s co-host, the Hayward Area Recreation and Park District (H.A.R.D.), and our many sponsors, including Cognex Corporation, Integral Communities, and the Masonic Homes of California.

Science in the Park benefits the H.A.R.D. Children's Programs, the New Haven Schools Foundation, the Hayward Education Foundation, the Newark Educational Foundation, and Fremont Education Foundation.

“We are very excited to discover our inner innovators with the community at Science in the Park, and we hope to see you there” said Supervisor Valle.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.scienceinthepark.org](http://www.scienceinthepark.org)