



CONGRESSMAN

BRAD SHERMAN

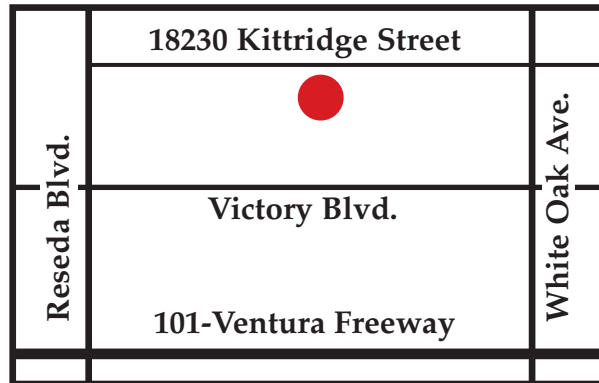
REPORT TO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY



Town Hall Meeting – See inside for details

CONGRESSMAN BRAD SHERMAN'S TOWN HALL MEETING

Please come to Congressman Sherman's upcoming Town Hall Meeting. This will be a chance to hear from Congressman Sherman about education, foreign policy, taxes, and Social Security, and to ask questions. The event and parking are free, and refreshments will be provided.



Sunday, August 29, 2004
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Reseda High School
18230 Kittridge Street



Congressman Sherman's constituent services staff will also be available at the Town Hall to help you deal with federal agencies.

Pictured here with Congressman Sherman from left to right are Michael Tou, Roz Silva, Erin Prangle, Larry Horner, Evita Mendiola and John Anderson.

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IMPROVING TRANSPORTATION

Congress is currently working on the major highway bill allocating funds for the rest of the decade. Sherman has testified publicly, and worked privately, for major projects such as



adding a northbound lane to the 405 through the Sepulveda Pass, improving the 101-405 Interchange, and adding a lane in each direction on the Valley portion of the 5 Freeway. He is also seeking millions of dollars to resurface local streets throughout the Valley.

Over the last eight years, Congressman Sherman has secured over \$20 million for Valley transportation projects. He has worked with other Valley leaders to build the East-West Valley Busway (opening next year), the new southbound lane on the 405 through the Sepulveda Pass, and off-ramp and connector improvements designed to improve traffic flow through the 101-405 Interchange.

Recently, Congressman Sherman secured \$750,000 for a regional transit hub near the Burbank Airport that will serve as a centralized

facility for both air and ground travelers. He also secured \$250,000 to help build a Bus Rapid Transit route along Reseda Boulevard.

PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT

Congressman Sherman has worked to preserve our environment, both in the Valley and across America. Sherman has a 100% lifetime voting record on the important environmental issues identified by the Sierra Club. He has worked to protect clean air and clean water regulations and preserve our national parks and forests.

Sherman has strongly opposed the expansion of the Sunshine Canyon Landfill in the north San Fernando Valley. This expansion would worsen our area's air and water quality and increase traffic problems. Sherman helped block the development of the Ahmanson Ranch project, which would have generated 45,000 additional vehicle trips per day on the 101 Freeway and Valley roads. Congressman Sherman has secured over \$18 million to improve the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area and the Santa Monica Mountains Recreation Area.



To sign up for periodic email reports from Congressman Sherman, please visit: BradSherman.house.gov

WORKING FOR VALLEY FAMILIES

PROTECTING CONSUMERS

Helping Homebuyers. Congressman Sherman is working to ensure that national banks making loans in California follow our state's consumer protection laws designed to



prevent predatory lending. He has introduced legislation increasing the "conforming loan limit" in California and other high-cost states from \$333,700 to \$500,000. Loans under the "conforming loan limit" are available at 1/4% less interest. Congressman Sherman knows that many Valley families pay more than \$333,700 for even a modest home.

CONSTITUENT SERVICES

Call us if you have questions or problems in dealing with any federal agency.

Phone: (818) 501-9200

Fax: (818) 501-1554

Stop Unwanted Telemarketers.

Congressman Sherman cosponsored the *Do Not Call Implementation Act* creating a Do Not Call Registry for telemarketers. If you have not already signed up, you may go to www.donotcall.gov or call the following toll-free phone

number from the phone you wish to register: **(888) 382-1222**. For more information call our office.



Keeping Your Emails Private.

A recent court decision allows your internet or email service providers to read the email you send and receive. Some email service providers have announced they would begin to scan every email for key words, then send advertisements based on the presumed interests of the email sender or recipient. Congressman Sherman thinks this is outrageous and has introduced the *Internet Privacy Protection Act of 2004*. This legislation would prevent internet service providers from reading your emails.

Let Congressman Sherman Know Where You Stand.
Fill out his Online Questionnaire: BradSherman.house.gov

MEDICARE REFORM

- Are any of the Drug Discount Cards right for you?
- Will seniors ever get *real* drug coverage?
- For a short report on the recent Medicare reforms, visit our webpage, or call us and we will mail you a copy.

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