

## Calendar of Events

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February 28, 2026  
- April 4, 2026

### **Mini Market Youth Program (In-Person)**

**Supplied after registration**

11:00 AM - 01:00 PM PST

*The Mini Market Youth Program is back bigger, bolder, and live with the support of the City of Foster City and Visa. After a successful digital pilot last spring, the program is launching as a fully in-person, hands-on experience designed to take young marketeers from idea to execution with real-world guidance every step of the way.*

*This six-week Saturday morning program runs from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and blends structured instruction with interactive learning, guest speakers, and peer collaboration. Each participant receives a comprehensive printed workbook that serves as both a guide and a keepsake, covering business fundamentals they'll use well beyond the program.*

*Over the course of six weeks, marketeers will learn everything included in the original Mini Market Youth Program, and then some. Topics include budgeting, pricing, branding, marketing, customer service, cost models, and money management, along with expanded lessons on real-world decision making, problem-solving, and adapting on the fly.*

*A key enhancement of the in-person program is direct access to local program graduates and business owners, who will share honest insights, lessons learned, mistakes made, and practical tips that only come from experience. These conversations help demystify entrepreneurship and show participants that success is built through learning, adjusting, and trying again.*

*The program culminates in a live vending opportunity at the Mother's Day Weekend Market, where participants will launch and test their businesses with real customers in a high-energy community setting. Marketeers who complete the program will also have an additional opportunity to participate in a holiday market in the fall, giving them a second chance to refine their concept, improve their approach, and grow their confidence.*

*Graduates of the Mini Market Youth Program are also eligible to vend at Chamber-supported community events such as the Foster City 5K Festival, reinforcing the program's focus on repetition, growth, and real-world application.*

*This program isn't about creating perfect businesses—it's about building confident young entrepreneurs who know how to think critically, communicate clearly, manage money, and show up with courage. The Mini Market Youth Program gives participants the tools, the platform, and the support to try, learn, and succeed—one market at a time.*

April 2, 2026

## **Women Impact Network - Pricing for Profit**

**TBD**

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM PST

*Pricing for Profit: Stop Undercharging and Start Pricing Strategically with Gisel Martin from the San Mateo SBDC*

*Many business owners set prices based on what competitors charge, what feels reasonable, or what they think customers will pay. The result? Working harder than ever while profits stay frustratingly small.*

*In this practical, no-nonsense workshop, you'll learn how to price your products and services in a way that actually supports the growth and sustainability of your business. We'll break down the key factors that go into profitable pricing, how to understand your true costs, and how to position your value so customers are willing to pay for it.*

*Whether you're running a service-based business, selling products, or just starting out, this session will help you stop guessing and start making confident pricing decisions that support your goals.*

*You'll walk away with tools to evaluate your current pricing, strategies to improve your margins, and a clearer understanding of how pricing impacts your long-term success.*

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April 4, 2026

**Amara Easter Egg Hunt ? Family Community Event**

**Amara Restaurant**

**1015 Alameda de las Pulgas**

**Belmont , CA 94002**

**11:00 AM - 01:30 PM PST**

*Amara Easter Egg Hunt – Family Community Event*

*Celebrate spring with a fun-filled Easter Egg Hunt at Amara Restaurant in Belmont! Families are invited to join this festive community gathering featuring an exciting egg hunt for kids and special photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny.*

*Bring the whole family and enjoy a joyful afternoon in Amara's beautiful garden space while children search for colorful eggs and create lasting holiday memories together.*

*Amara is a Mediterranean restaurant located in Belmont's Carlmont Shopping Center known for its welcoming atmosphere and garden-style setting that hosts special events and gatherings.*

*Event Details*

*? Date: Saturday, April 4*

*? Time: 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM*

*? Location: Amara Restaurant (Garden)*

*1015 Alameda de las Pulgas*

*Belmont, CA – Carlmont Shopping Center*

*? Admission: Free*

*Families are encouraged to arrive early so children can participate in the egg hunt and take photos with the Easter Bunny. This community celebration is a great way to welcome the spring season with friends, neighbors, and family.*

*We hope to see you there for a fun and festive Easter celebration!*

April 4, 2026

**Fixit Clinic: Repair Workshop At Foster City Library**

**Foster City Library**

**1000 E Hillsdale Blvd**

**Foster City, CA 94404**

**11:00 AM - 02:00 PM PST**

*Join Us for a Fixit Clinic!*

*Bring your broken household items and learn how to repair them at our free, hands-on Fixit Clinic. These fun, community-based workshops bring neighbors together to troubleshoot and fix items with the help of specialty tools and knowledgeable volunteer Fixit Coaches. You'll gain practical skills, save money, and keep usable items out of the landfill! These events are made possible by volunteers, want to help others repair their items and reduce waste? Register to be a Fixit Coach!*

*Event details:*

*Date: April 4, Saturday, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm*

*Venue: 1000 East Hillsdale Boulevard, Foster City, CA 94404*

*Register: <https://sustainsmc.org/events>*

April 12, 2026

**Bio-By-The-Lagoon - Pushing the Frontiers of Biology & Drug Discovery with AI**  
**Audubon Elementary School Multipurpose Room**  
**841 Gull Avenue**  
**Foster City, CA 94404**  
11:30 AM - 02:30 PM PST  
biobythelagoon@gmail.com

*Bio-By-The-Lagoon Biotech Event*

*Pushing the Frontiers of Biology & Drug Discovery with AI*

*Date: Sunday, April 12, 2026*

*Time: 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM*

*Join us for an honest and insightful conversation on where AI is actually moving the needle in biotech and drug discovery, and where it's still hype. We'll explore how model choice, experimental design, and data quality shape real translational impact.*

*This event is designed for a broad audience — from individual contributors to founders and C-suite leaders — who want a clear-eyed view of what's working in AI for biology today.*

*Meet Our Expert Speakers and Panelists?*

*Debanu Das, PhD — Co-founder & CEO, Accelero Biostructures; Co-founder & CSO, XPose Therapeutics*

*Speaker TBD (Debanu collaborator) — Co-founder, CellCircuit Bio*

*Kristin (Rule) Gleitsman, PhD — CSO, Eigen Bio*

*Rabia Khan — Founder and CEO, Serna Bio*

*Charbel Eid - VP of Platform, BigHat Biosciences*

*Meromit Singer - AI/ML Biotech, ex Guardant Health*

*What You'll Learn*

*Our speakers will present on the following core topics, followed by a panel discussion:*

*Respecting Biology*

*Signal vs. noise: Where are AI models genuinely improving biological prediction vs. just fitting noisy proxies?*

*Training data that matters: What experimental systems produce the most useful datasets for biological models (and why)?*

*From models to medicine: How do we connect in silico models to real human biology — especially longitudinal patient data?*

*ROI reality check: Where are we seeing real ROI across the pharma value chain today (and what “ROI” really means in practice)?*

*Drug Discovery*

*Case study / deep dive: AI/ML for multiplexed, high-content protein expression analysis (e.g., PK/ADME in organoids)*

*Macro-analysis: How AI is transforming Drug Discovery*

*Have questions about AI in Biology and Drug Discovery? Submit them during registration and our panel will address them live! Alternatively, questions can be emailed to [biobythelagoon@gmail.com](mailto:biobythelagoon@gmail.com).*

**REGISTER**

*About us*

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*Location*

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Multi-Purpose Room  
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Foster City, CA 94404*

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May 2, 2026

## **Foster City 5k Fun Run**

**Park at 4100 East 3rd St, Foster City, CA 94404 Run from Seacloud to Bayside towers along the levee!**

**4100 East 3rd St**

**Foster City, CA 94404**

8:00am

Chamber Staff,

info@fcbiz.org

### *Foster City 5K Fun Run – Third Annual Community Event*

*Get ready for an exhilarating morning at the Third Annual Foster City 5K Fun Run on Saturday, May 2, 2026, starting at 8:00 AM.*

*Lace up your sneakers and hit the levee for a fun and energizing community run benefiting the Foster City Chamber Foundation. Whether you're an experienced runner, casual jogger, walker, or cheering from the sidelines, this event is a great way to bring the community together while supporting local programs.*

*The scenic course runs along the Foster City levee and offers participants a beautiful waterfront route to start their morning. After crossing the finish line, participants and spectators are invited to continue the celebration at the Mother's Day Weekend Market, featuring vendors, music, and community festivities.*

#### *Event Details*

*? Date: Saturday, May 2, 2026*

*? Start Time: 8:00 AM*

*? Location: Foster City Levee (Start near Sea Cloud Park, finish near Bayside Towers)*

#### *Early Bird Registration*

*Early bird pricing is available February 9 – March 31*

- Adults: \$50
- Youth: \$20

*Participants will receive race perks such as event swag and a fun community experience while supporting the Chamber Foundation's initiatives.*

*Whether you run, walk, or simply come out to enjoy the atmosphere, the Foster City 5K Fun Run is a perfect way to kick off Mother's Day weekend with family, friends, and neighbors.*

*? For race waves, shirts, schedule details, and registration:*

*<https://www.fostercitychamber.com/fcfunrun>*

May 2, 2026

**Mother's Day Weekend Market**

**Bayside Towers**

**4100 E 3rd Avenue**

**Foster City, CA 94404**

08:00 AM - 12:00 PM PST

Foster City Chamber Staff,

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*Mother's Day Weekend Market*

*Looking for the perfect Mother's Day gift? ?? Explore a variety of unique, handmade goodies from talented local artisans and home-based businesses in Foster City and the surrounding areas! ???*

*? One-of-a-kind gifts*

*?? Handmade crafts & goodies*

*? Delicious treats*

*? Locally made products*

*Support small businesses, find something special for Mom, and enjoy a fun shopping experience right here in Foster City! ??*

*Held the Saturday before Mother's Day from 8 AM to Noon, this is a great shopping experience!*

*This years market is at 4100 E 3rd St - Bayside Towers in Foster City!*

*Vendors: Check out vending opportunities [HERE](#)*

May 21, 2026

**Women Impact Network**

TBD

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*DETAILS COMING SOON!*

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June 14, 2026

**Bio-By-The-Lagoon**

**Audubon Elementary School Multipurpose Room**

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**Foster City, CA 94404**

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July 23, 2026

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August 9, 2026

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September 4, 2026

**State of the Peninsula**

TBD

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*State of the Peninsula - DETAILS COMING SOON!*

*Presented by the Foster City Chamber of Commerce*

*The State of the Peninsula is a new annual civic forum hosted by the Foster City Chamber of Commerce, bringing together regional leaders, business stakeholders, and community partners for a focused discussion on the challenges and opportunities shaping the Peninsula's future.*

*This event offers attendees a unique opportunity to hear directly from public and private sector leaders as they share updates on key initiatives, discuss local and regional concerns, and explore paths for collaboration across city lines. Designed to inform, connect, and inspire, this gathering is a must-attend for anyone invested in the Peninsula's long-term vitality.*

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October 10, 2026

**Fostoberfest**

**TBD**

TBD

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? Fostoberfest - *DETAILS TBD*

*Our annual fall celebration, Fostoberfest, is more than just a good time—it's a fundraiser with heart. With live music, bounce houses, games, food and beer vendors, cultural showcases, and interactive activities, this event is designed to celebrate Foster City's unique spirit while supporting local programs. All proceeds benefit our foundation initiatives.*

October 18, 2026

**Bio-By-The-Lagoon**

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November 15, 2026

**Mistletoe & Magic - Holiday Market**

TBD

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*?? Mistletoe & Magic ??- An amazing holiday market!*

*Get into the holiday spirit at Mistletoe & Magic! This festive market is your one-stop shop for unique, handcrafted gifts from local businesses, artisans, and talented home-based crafters. Stroll through a winter wonderland of tables filled with one-of-a-kind treasures, perfect for finding something special for everyone on your list. Enjoy the cheerful atmosphere, connect with the community, and support small businesses while you shop. Don't miss this perfect blend of holiday magic, community spirit, and local shopping!*

*At Mistletoe & Magic, you'll experience the joy of holiday shopping while supporting local makers and entrepreneurs. Discover a curated selection of handcrafted art, seasonal décor, jewelry, specialty foods, and more that make for thoughtful, memorable gifts. The event is designed to highlight the talent within our community, giving home-based businesses and artisans the spotlight they deserve. In addition to shopping, enjoy festive treats, wonderful music, and a warm, inviting atmosphere that captures the spirit of the season. Whether you're shopping for loved ones or treating yourself, Mistletoe & Magic offers an enchanting holiday experience.*

*? Save the Date: November 15th!*

*? Location: TBD*

*?? FREE Photos with Santa*

*?? Enjoy Festive Treats: Cookies & Hot Cocoa!*

*??? Shop Local, Gift with Heart!*

*Explore a curated selection of handcrafted art, seasonal décor, jewelry, specialty foods, and more—perfect for thoughtful, memorable gifts. ??*

*Stay tuned for more details! ??*

November 19, 2026

**Women Impact Network: Holiday Party**

TBD

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December 13, 2026

**Bio-By-The-Lagoon: Holiday Mixer**

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