



# Cascades

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## Let's Shake Out Together on October 16!

Join neighbors, schools and businesses at 10:16 a.m. to practice "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" By Fire Department staff

California is home to more than 37 million people, and a major earthquake could cause widespread damage to our communities, businesses, and infrastructure. What we do now in Monterey Park will shape how we recover after a big quake. That's why the Monterey Park Fire Department encourages everyone to "Be Prepared, Not Scared!"

One of the best ways to prepare is by joining the Great California Shake Out on Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 10:16 a.m. Millions across the state—including residents, schools, and businesses—will take part in this free drill to practice the lifesaving action: "Drop, Cover, and Hold On." Last year, 10.6 million Californians participated; this year, millions are already signed up.

It only takes five minutes to practice—but it could save your life. To join, visit [www.ShakeOut.org/register](http://www.ShakeOut.org/register) and pledge your participation. Registration is free, and participants receive resources to help plan drills, talk with others about preparedness, and learn how to stay safe before, during, and after an earthquake.

At the very least, all are asked to register and practice "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" at 10:16 a.m. on October 16.

This is also a great time to sign up for City of Monterey Park emergency alerts through Everbridge. Stay informed about local emergencies by visiting [www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge).

For more preparedness information or to learn about the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep) or call 626-307-1263.

## E-Bike Safety Starts with Us

Simple rules can help prevent accidents and keep children safe on the road

By Monterey Park Police Department staff

In recent years, we have seen the growing popularity of e-bikes (electric bicycles) within the community, especially with school-aged children. With this new mode of transportation being used by many young people, it is everyone's responsibility to become familiar with current laws, proper equipment and safe operations. The Monterey Park Police Department proactively enforces traffic laws near and around schools. Your careful attention to your driving and cycling habits may help you to avoid a citation, or more importantly, a horrible tragedy.

Here are a few driving and equipment reminders:

- Lights and reflectors are required.
- Always yield to pedestrians in the roadway.
- No cellular phone use when traveling.
- Earbuds in one ear only.
- Travel with/or same direction of traffic on the roadway.
- No riding on the sidewalk.
- One rider per seat.
- Helmets required for riders under 18 years of age.
- Hand signals required within 100 yards.
- Adherence to all traffic signs and signals including stop signs and red lights.



Monterey Park Police Department shares the same desires and goals to help keep our children and community safe, healthy and happy. Thank you for taking the time to read and adhere to these safety guidelines.

For more information, please contact the Monterey Park Police Department Traffic Bureau at [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or 626-307-1240.

## MPK Transit Express Expands Service, Adds New Fare Options

New routes to Cal State LA, Rosemead Walmart, Mark Keppel H.S., Metro, and beyond come with simple \$2 fares and voucher options

By Public Works Department staff

This fall marks an exciting milestone for Monterey Park riders as MPK Transit Express expands to reach more destinations while also offering new ways to pay.

Since September 10, 2025, rides on MPK Transit Express are now \$2 per trip. Residents can book their rides through the free Via mobile app or by calling Customer Support at 626-606-2679.



Payment is simple: keep a payment card on file with Via for seamless trips, or purchase vouchers at Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, 91754. Vouchers are available in \$2, \$12 and \$20 increments. Vouchers are an alternative to card transactions, for riders who prefer to pay with cash or want to plan ahead and purchase ride credits.

MPK Transit Express operates Monday through Friday, from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., providing reliable coverage throughout the day. The service offers wheelchair accessible vehicles and door-to-door accommodations for eligible riders.

Even more, MPK Transit Express goes further. Riders can connect to Cal State LA, shop at Walmart in Rosemead, or reach important community destinations such as the Metro E Line and expanded service areas near Mark Keppel High School.

These improvements reflect the City's commitment to making transit easier, more accessible, and better connected for all who live, work, and go to school in Monterey Park. We invite residents to take advantage of the expanded service and see firsthand how MPK Transit Express is helping our community stay on the move.

For more information on other public transportation options and methods in the City of Monterey Park, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).

## Spooky Fun Awaits at Monterey Park's Monster Mash

Families invited to enjoy games, treats, and a special performance at Barnes Park

By Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library staff

The City of Monterey Park will host the seventh annual Monster Mash Halloween event on Thursday, October 16, 2025 from 4-7 p.m. at Barnes Park. Admission is free.

This family-friendly event, co-hosted by the Recreation and Community Services Department and Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library, will feature carnival games, trick-or-treating and food trucks. Attendees will also enjoy an entertaining performance for families by Kiddle Karoo at 6 p.m.

For more information, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/monstermash](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/monstermash) or contact Recreation and Community Services at 626-307-1388. Barnes Park is located at 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.



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### CITY HALL HOURS

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Regular city council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. For more city events please visit the event calendar at [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Now](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Now)



### CITY OFFICIALS

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Council Member Vinh T. Ngo, District 5

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Amy Lee, City Treasurer

Inez Alvarez, City Manager  
Karl Berger, City Attorney

## CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS MEETING SCHEDULE

**City Council**  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers

**Commission on Aging**  
3rd Monday, 11:00 a.m.  
Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave.

**Community Participation Commission**  
3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Community Room

**Economic and Business Development Commission**  
3rd Thursday of  
January, April, July and October, 4:00 p.m.  
City Hall Community Room.

**Environmental Commission**  
4th Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers

**Library Board of Trustees**  
3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.  
Bruggemeyer Library

**Personnel Board**  
Meets as Needed  
City Hall Council Chambers

**Planning Commission**  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers

**Recreation & Parks Commission**  
1st Monday, 6:00 p.m.  
Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave.

**Traffic Commission**  
3rd Thursday, 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers

For more information, please visit [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Boards](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Boards)

## CITY OF MONTEREY PARK CONTACTS 蒙特利公園市聯絡資訊 Contactos de la Ciudad de Monterey Park

**Fire & Police Emergency**  
火災及警局緊急熱線  
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市議會  
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CityCouncil@montereypark.ca.gov  
626-307-1465

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626-307-1359

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CMO@montereypark.ca.gov  
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**Desarrollo Comunitario**  
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División de Construcción y Seguridad  
626-307-1300  
Building Inspection Hotline  
建築檢查熱線  
Línea Directa de Inspección de Edificios  
626-307-1229  
Economic Development Division  
經濟發展部  
División de Desarrollo Económico  
626-307-1385  
Planning Division  
規劃部  
División de Planificación  
626-307-1315

**Public Works Department**  
公共工程部門  
**Departamento de Obras Públicas**  
PublicWorks@montereypark.ca.gov  
626-307-1320\*  
Graffiti Hotline  
塗鴉熱線  
Línea Directa de Graffiti  
626-307-1449  
Maintenance Services/Sandbags  
維修服務/沙袋  
Servicios de Mantenimiento/Sacos de Arena  
626-307-1281  
Potholes/Street Repairs Hotline  
坑洞/街道維修熱線  
Línea Directa de Reparación de Baches/Calles  
626-307-2585  
Shopping Cart Hotline  
購物車熱線  
Línea Directa de Carritos de Compra  
800-252-4613  
Spirit Bus  
Spirit巴士  
Autobuses Spirit  
626-307-7842

**Fire Department**  
消防部門  
**Departamento de Bomberos**  
Fire@montereypark.ca.gov  
Non-Emergency  
非緊急熱線  
No Emergencias  
626-573-1333\*  
General Info and Ambulance Subscription  
一般查詢及救護訂閱  
Información General y Suscripción a Ambulancias  
626-307-1262  
Code Compliance Division  
法規遵從部  
División de Cumplimiento de Códigos  
626-307-1415

**Human Resources**  
人力資源  
**Recursos Humanos**  
HumanResources@montereypark.ca.gov  
626-307-1334

**GoMPK App**  
GoMPK應用程式  
**Aplicación GoMPK**  
Problem reporting app available on your device's app store  
可於你的電子產品的程式商店中下載的城市問題報告應用程式  
Aplicación para reportar problemas disponible en la tienda de aplicaciones de su dispositivo  
[www.montereypark.ca.gov/GoMPK](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/GoMPK)

**Bruggemeyer Library**  
Bruggemeyer圖書館  
**Biblioteca Bruggemeyer**  
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Passport Services  
護照服務  
Servicios de Pasaporte  
626-307-1357

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警察局  
**Departamento de Policía**  
Police@montereypark.ca.gov  
Non-Emergency  
非緊急熱線  
No Emergencias  
626-573-1311\*  
City Hall Police Counter  
市政廳警局櫃檯  
Mostrador de Policía en el Ayuntamiento  
Daily 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.  
Animal Services  
動物服務  
Servicios para Animales  
626-307-1217  
Downey Animal Care Center  
Downey動物護理中心  
Centro de Cuidado de Animales de Downey  
562-940-6898  
Records Bureau  
檔案局  
Oficina de Registros  
626-307-1211  
Monterey Park Jail  
蒙特利公園監獄  
Cárcel de Monterey Park  
626-307-1245

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康樂和社區服務  
**Servicios de Recreación y Comunidad**  
Recreation@montereypark.ca.gov  
626-307-1388  
Langley Senior Center & Dial-A-Ride  
蘭利樂齡中心及Dial-A-Ride電話叫車服務  
Centro para Personas Mayores Langley y Servicio de Dial-A-Ride  
626-307-1395

**Finance**  
財務部門  
**Finanzas**  
Finance/Accounts Payable  
財務/應付賬款  
Finanzas/Cuentas por Pagar  
626-307-1348  
City Utilities (Water) and Cashier/Licensing/  
Purchasing  
城市公用事務(水務)和收銀員/牌照/採購  
Servicios Públicos de la Ciudad (Agua) y Cajero/  
Licencias/Compras  
626-307-1342  
Housing Division  
住房部  
División de Vivienda  
626-307-1384

**Service Providers**  
服務供應商  
**Proveedores de Servicios**  
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AT&T 家居座機電話  
Teléfono Fijo de AT&T para el Hogar  
800-228-2020  
Ware Disposal (Residential, Bulky Item & Commercial Trash Services)  
Ware Disposal (住宅,大件物品和商業垃圾服務)  
Ware Disposal (Servicios de Residuos Voluminosos Residenciales y Comerciales)  
626-225-2400  
Athens Services (Commercial Trash Services)  
Athens Services (商業垃圾服務)  
Athens Services (Servicios de Residuos Comerciales)  
888-336-6100  
Charter Spectrum  
Charter Spectrum 寬頻  
Charter Spectrum Television por Cable  
877-906-9121  
Housing Rights Center  
住房權利中心  
Centro de Derechos de Vivienda  
800-477-5977  
L.A. County Environmental Health  
洛杉磯縣環境健康  
Salud Ambiental del Condado de L.A.  
323-362-1280  
L.A. County Info. & Referral Services. (24/7)  
洛杉磯縣信息與轉介服務 (24/7)  
Servicios de Información y Referencia del Condado de L.A. (24/7)  
Dial 211  
So. Cal. Edison  
南加州愛迪生  
So. Cal. Edison (Compañía de Electricidad)  
800-655-4555  
So. Cal. Gas  
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So. Cal. Gas (Compañía de Gas)  
877-238-0092

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# Protect Your Family from High Ambulance Costs

Enroll in the City's affordable Paramedic Ambulance Membership Program and rest easy knowing you're covered

By Fire Department staff

The Monterey Park Fire Department provides emergency ambulance services by paramedics highly trained in the use of advanced life support systems. These employees are seasoned medical professionals whose specialty is saving lives. As part of the emergency ambulance program, Monterey Park residents and in-town businesses can enroll in the City's Paramedic Ambulance Membership Program for a nominal annual cost to save out-of-pocket expenses associated with emergency transport costs by Monterey Park Fire Department paramedics.

### Insurance May Not Cover Ambulance Service

The basic cost of emergency ambulance service is over \$2,500. Costs can be higher based on medications, tools and equipment used. A non-transport or patient assessment call can cost \$280 or more. As most insurance companies such as Medicare and Medi-Cal do not pay the entire bill or cover all fees, the patient is responsible for the remaining balance of the bill. As a subscriber to this program, the remaining costs are covered by the Paramedic Ambulance Subscription Program. For Monterey Park residents, the cost is \$50 per year. The program year is October 1 through September 30.

### Convenient Payment Options

Residents who receive a City of Monterey Park water/utility bill may choose to make monthly installment payments via their bill. For example, a membership subscription of \$50 per year equates to \$4.16 every month. To choose this option, simply mark the box next to "easy payment" on your application. Members who pay via the water/utility bill receive the additional benefit of automatic renewal each year.



For more information or to download an application, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/ems](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/ems) or contact the Fire Department at 626-307-1263 or [fireadmin@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:fireadmin@montereypark.ca.gov).

# Stay Connected, Stay Safe with Everbridge Alerts

Free system delivers emergency and community updates straight to your device or email

By City Manager's Office staff

The City of Monterey Park is reminding all residents, businesses, and community members to sign up today for the new Everbridge Emergency Notification System. This free service delivers real-time emergency alerts, safety updates, and important community notices directly to your phone, email, or mobile app.

Everbridge allows you to customize alerts—from public safety and street closures to community updates—and choose how you want to receive them. The system also offers multi-language options to better serve Monterey Park's diverse community.



If you were previously enrolled in Nixle, please note that you must re-register in Everbridge to continue receiving notifications.

Signing up is quick and easy: scan the QR code, download the Public Safety by Everbridge app (available on iOS and Android), or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge).



Don't wait—stay informed and stay safe by enrolling today. For more information, please scan the QR, visit the city website or contact the City Manager's Office at 626-307-1255.

# Electric Park Lights Up Barnes Park October 11

Free, family-friendly evening of music, art, food and community fun

By Recreation and Community Services staff

The City of Monterey Park Recreation and Community Services Department, in partnership with the Monterey Park Arts Collective (MPAC), proudly presents the fifth installment of Electric Park, a free, all-ages celebration of electronic dance music at Barnes Park on Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 4–10 p.m.

Headlining the evening is Insomniac's Adam Auburn, known for his decades in the industry and role in founding the Day Trip festival. The lineup also includes the Sabrosura Boyz, DJ Thee-O, Haavi, AJ Mora, DJ Quinoa, and DJ Sherlock, promising an unforgettable night of MUSIC | PEOPLE | COMMUNITY.

Beyond the beats, families can enjoy art vendors from Keep the Culture Alive (@KTCA), delicious food, free games and activities, and, for adults, a beer garden hosted by the Alhambra Educational Foundation.

Since its start, Electric Park has showcased world-class DJs—including Richard Vission, Doc Martin, DJ Dan, Anton Tumas, Nightstalker and David Delano—while fostering community connection through music, people and culture. In Monterey Park's diverse community, music and dance serve as universal languages, bringing hope and harmony to all who attend.

Sponsorships from local businesses and residents help events like this thrive. To learn more about supporting Electric Park, email [recreation@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:recreation@montereypark.ca.gov) or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/electricpark](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/electricpark).

Stay up to date on city programs and events by following @MontereyParkRec on social media. Barnes Park is located at 350 S. McPherrin Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.





**Stay informed.**  
Sign up for free real-time public safety messages through Everbridge!

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¡Regístrate para recibir mensajes gratuitos sobre seguridad pública en tiempo real a través de Everbridge!

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Scan the QR Code to register or visit our website for more information

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# Be Prepared, Be Ready—Join CERT Training

Free CERT training this November teaches residents disaster skills, CPR, and basic first aid

By Fire Department staff

The Monterey Park Fire Department will host a four-day Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course to train residents in disaster preparedness and provide basic disaster response skills. The training is comprised of four classes over a two-week period and is free to Monterey Park residents:

- Saturday, November 8, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Friday, November 14, 6–9 p.m.
- Saturday, November 15, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Sunday, November 16, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

The purpose of the CERT course is to prepare CERT members to assist themselves and others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event or disaster when professional responders may not be available immediately to help.

“Our Fire and Police departments are prepared for all types of emergencies,” said Captain Justin Birrell, Monterey Park CERT Coordinator. “However, during a disaster, the number and magnitude of incidents can overwhelm emergency services, resulting in situations where community members may have to rely

on each other for lifesaving and life-sustaining needs. Birrell added, “It is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number of people.”

The four-day course includes CPR and AED certification; how to properly use a fire extinguisher; helping triage victims by controlling bleeding, treating for shock, and providing basic medical aid; and how and where to turn off gas meters, electricity, and water service if leaking or broken pipes are detected. Students will learn about the structure and functions of emergency response operations, how to organize yourself and volunteers to be effective towards aiding victims, collecting disaster intelligence to support first responder efforts, and light urban search and rescue.

If you are interested in attending, please fill out and submit the CERT application found at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/CERT](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/CERT) to the CERT team at [mpkcert@gmail.com](mailto:mpkcert@gmail.com). You will be contacted to confirm your attendance in the class. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the CERT team.

**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PINK PATCH PROJECT  
BREAST CANCER  
AWARENESS CAR SHOW**

HOSTED BY THE  
MONTEREY PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

**CARS/TRUCKS \$25  
MOTORCYCLES \$20**

**SUNDAY  
OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
9AM-2PM**



FEATURING: FOOD TRUCKS, VENDORS, & PINK PATCH MERCHANDISE.  
CAR ROLL IN TIME: 8AM  
VENDORS ROLL IN TIME: 7AM

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO CITY OF HOPE  
**BARNES PARK**  
350 S. MCPHERRIN AVE.  
MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754

FOR REGISTRATION CONTACT OFICIL REYES 6261753-5389

**CITY OF MONTEREY PARK - MONTHLY COMPOST GIVEAWAY**  
DISTRIBUCION MENSUAL DE COMPOST  
每月堆肥贈送活動



The City of Monterey Park and Ware Disposal, will host monthly compost giveaways for Monterey Park residents. Compost is a nutrient-rich mixture made from organic materials, such as green waste, wood waste, and food scraps.

La Ciudad de Monterey Park y Ware Disposal organizarán una entrega mensual de compost para los residentes de Monterey Park. El compost es una mezcla rica en nutrientes hecha de materiales orgánicos, como desechos verdes, desechos de madera y restos de comida.

蒙特利公園市與 Ware Disposal 公司合作，將為本市居民每月舉辦一次免費堆肥贈送活動。堆肥是一種富含養分的混合物，由有機材料，例如綠色廢物、木材廢物和食物殘渣製成。

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2025  
OCTOBER 11, 2025  
NOVEMBER 8, 2025  
DECEMBER 13, 2025**

**GARVEY RANCH PARK  
751 S. ALHAMBRA AVE  
MONTEREY PARK, CA 91755**

**8:00 AM - 10:00 AM**

BAGGED COMPOST AVAILABLE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED. LIMIT 2 BAGS PER CUSTOMER DURING THE FIRST HOUR.

LOOSE MATERIAL AVAILABLE FOR SELF-SERVICE. BRING YOUR OWN CONTAINERS.

EL COMPOST EN BOLSAS ESTARÁ DISPONIBLE POR ORDEN DE LLEGADA. LIMITE DE 2 BOLSAS POR CLIENTE DURANTE LA PRIMERA HORA.

EL MATERIAL SUELTO ESTARÁ DISPONIBLE PARA AUTOSERVICIO. TRAIGA SUS PROPIOS RECIPIENTES.

袋裝堆肥先到先得，第一小時每人限領兩袋。  
散裝堆肥可自助領取，請自備容器。

For customers utilizing our Disabled Roll-Out service, you can arrange for compost delivery to your residence by calling 626-225-2400. Para los clientes que utilizan nuestro servicio de recolección para discapacitados, pueden programar la entrega de compost a su residencia llamando al 626-225-2400. 使用本公司行動不便上門服務的客戶，可致電 626-225-2400 安排堆肥配送至您的住所。

**MPINFO@WAREDISPOSAL.COM  
626-225-2400  
WWW.WAREDISPOSAL.COM/MONTEREY-PARK**

**ShakeOut.**  
**Don't  
Freak Out.**

**October 16, 2025**

Register: **ShakeOut.org**



**We're Hiring!**  
Discover a great place to work & grow



[www.governmentjobs.com/careers/montereypark](http://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/montereypark)

Hear what our employees have to say:

- 97% of employees enjoy the work they do
- 95% of employees feel they have opportunities to learn & grow
- 99% of employees feel they make a positive impact in the community
- 95% of employees value the positive relationships they have at work



# City of Monterey Park BUSINESS CONNECT

By Economic Development Division staff



## In The Game MPK Program Aims to Connect Monterey Park Businesses to 2028 Olympics Opportunities

The City of Monterey Park and the Monterey Park Business Alliance (MPBA) is launching a new initiative, "In The Game MPK," designed to help local small businesses secure contracts related to the upcoming 2028 Los Angeles Olympics. The program will educate business owners on the scope of procurement opportunities available, provide hands-on training for competitive bidding, and assist with obtaining certifications like Minority- and Women-Owned Business status. The goal is to connect local businesses directly with Olympic contractors and supply chains, ensuring they are well-prepared not only for the 2028 games but also for future large-scale events.



To kick-off the initiative, the MPBA will host its first workshop on October 30, 2025. This event will provide small businesses with essential information on how to prepare for and take advantage of these significant opportunities. For more details about the program and to stay informed about upcoming In The Game MPK events, interested business owners are encouraged to visit the [www.montereypark.ca.gov/inthegamempk](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/inthegamempk).



## Available Commercial Properties

In partnership with local brokers, the City of Monterey Park Economic Development Team assists businesses seeking commercial, industrial, office, or vacant properties in Monterey Park. Whether you're planning to relocate or expand, our team is ready to support you every step of the way—contact us today, and let's make your vision a reality!

## Discover Beloved Local Spots

Monterey Park is home to many beloved businesses that have shaped our community for years. They add to the City's unique charm and character, and every visit helps keep our local economy strong and vibrant. Let's continue to celebrate and support the places that make Monterey Park truly special!



## 2025 Community Choice Award Winners

The community has spoken, and the winners of this year's Community Choice Awards were announced at the Mayor's State of the City event at the Holiday Inn & Suites on August 26, 2025. Thank you to everyone who participated in nominating their favorites!



### 2025 Award Winners:

- **Favorite Restaurant:** Ravello Osteria
- **Favorite Retailer:** Daiso
- **Favorite Service Provider:** Math Clinic
- **Favorite Nonprofit Organization:** Chinatown Service Center

A special **Business Partner Award** went to the **Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park**, recognizing the hotel's role in hosting and bringing the community together for this important event.

Until next year, let's continue to support and uplift our local businesses and organization.

Exciting new businesses are making their mark in our city! Let's give a warm welcome to the talented entrepreneurs who have chosen Monterey Park as the ideal place to bring their passion and creativity to life. We encourage everyone to explore these new ventures and show the support that makes our community truly shine.



**New Business?** The Monterey Park Business Alliance (MPBA) is here to help with grand openings, ribbon-cutting ceremonies, and promoting your business to the community!



## Taste of Downtown MPK

The popular "Taste of Downtown MPK" program has been extended! You can continue to earn a 15% reward on dining purchases at participating Downtown Monterey Park restaurants through the Open Rewards app. This program will run until program funds are exhausted.

Take advantage of this opportunity to enjoy local flavors and get 15% back on your Downtown dining adventures! [www.montereypark.ca.gov/shoplocal](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/shoplocal).

## Monterey Park Launches New Business Concierge Program

The City of Monterey Park has announced the launch of its new Business Concierge Program, a streamlined service designed to simplify the process of starting or expanding a business within the City. This initiative provides a single point of contact for business owners, guiding them through the process of obtaining business licenses and permits. Instead of contacting various departments for different inquiries, customers will now work with a dedicated concierge who will proactively assist them with inquiries and status updates from initial application to final approval.



The Business Concierge Program is the latest effort in the City's ongoing commitment to becoming a business-friendly destination where new and established enterprises flourish. For more information, visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/1695/Monterey-Park-Business-Concierge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/1695/Monterey-Park-Business-Concierge).

## Business Spotlight: Kagura Monterey Park

### A new local spot for premium katsu and Japanese favorites

Let's give a warm welcome to Kagura, one of the newest additions to the Monterey Park dining scene, now open at 221 N. Atlantic Blvd., Unit 101. This inviting new spot specializes in Japanese comfort food with a focus on high-quality, made-to-order katsu that's already catching the attention of food lovers across the city.



Kagura sets itself apart with its dedication to fresh ingredients and authentic prep. Their signature dish features juicy pork or chicken cutlets, coated in house-made panko, then fried to a crispy golden brown. Each plate is paired with rich tonkatsu sauce and a side of fresh shredded cabbage for a balanced, satisfying meal. Along with their classic katsu, Kagura also serves katsu curry, gooey cheese katsu, and the popular katsu sando—a Japanese-style sandwich that's both trendy and traditional. Whether you're dining in or grabbing a quick bite, Kagura offers a cozy, welcoming spot for katsu lovers and curious newcomers alike. For those nearby craving something crispy, savory, and made with care, Kagura is a must-try. Welcome to the community, Kagura — we're excited to have you here! [www.kagurausa.com](http://www.kagurausa.com).

## Free Legal Support Available for Small Businesses in LA County

Small business owners in Los Angeles County can access free legal services through the Los Angeles Regional Legal Aid Program, which provides no-cost workshops, one-on-one counseling, and referrals for pro bono legal representation. The program covers a range of business-related legal issues, including commercial leases, landlord-tenant disputes, employment law, and contracts. Administered by the LA County Department of Economic Opportunity, the Office of Small Business, and the City of LA's Economic and Workforce Development Department, in partnership with Bet Tzedek and Public Counsel, supports eligible small businesses in addressing legal challenges. For more information, visit [www.opportunity.lacounty.gov/legalaid/](http://www.opportunity.lacounty.gov/legalaid/)



## Put the Spotlight On Your Business!

Are you looking for ways to promote your business? Be featured in an upcoming edition of Business Connect for your opportunity to share more about your business story, achievements, and new products and services. To put the spotlight on your business, contact the Economic Development team at 626-307-1385 or [econdev@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:econdev@montereypark.ca.gov).

**CITY OF MONTEREY PARK**  
**COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY FREE DROP OFF EVENT**  
**DIÁ DE LIMPIEZA COMUNITARIA: EVENTO GRATUITO DE RECOGIDA**  
**社区清洁日免费弃置活动**

The City of Monterey Park and Ware Disposal, will host a free clean-up event for Monterey Park residents. Residents must bring an ID or bill. This is a drive-in and drop off event. For more information, please contact the City of Monterey Park Public Works Department at (626) 307-1320. **Can't make the event? Residents receive free unlimited on-call bulky item collection. Contact Ware Disposal to schedule a pickup.**

Ware Disposal y la Ciudad de Monterey Park organizará un evento de limpieza gratuito para los residentes de Monterey Park. Los residentes deben traer una identificación o factura. Este es un evento al que se puede acceder en automóvil y dejar los artículos en el lugar. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con el Departamento de Obras Públicas de la Ciudad de Monterey Park al (626) 307-1320. **¿No puede asistir? Los residentes reciben recogida gratuita e ilimitada de artículos voluminosos. Póngase en contacto con Ware Disposal para programar una recogida.**

蒙特利公园市将联合 Ware Disposal 公司为蒙特利公园市居民举办一次清洁活动。居民必须携带身份证或账单。该活动是驾车投递活动。如需了解更多信息，请联系蒙特利公园市公共工程部，电话：(626) 307-1320。无法参加活动？居民可享受免费、无限制的随叫随到大件物品收集服务。请联系 Ware Disposal 垃圾处理公司安排回收时间。

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025**  
**SÁBADO, 4 DE OCTUBRE DE 2025**  
**2025年10月4日**

**BARNES PARK**  
**350 S MC PHERRIN AVE**  
**MONTEREY PARK CA 91754**

**8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Accepted items/ Artículos aceptados/ 接受的物品**

- Bulky items /Artículos voluminosos/大件物品
- Furniture, rugs, mattresses, and appliances
- Muebles, alfombras, colchones y electrodomésticos
- 家具、地毯、床垫和电器
- E-Waste/ Residuos electrónicos/ 电子废物
- Televisions, printers, computers, power cords
- Televisores, impresoras, computadoras, cables de luz
- 电视机、打印机、电脑、电源线

**HAZARDOUS WASTE ITEMS COLLECTION AND PAPER SHREDDING WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS EVENT! MORE INFORMATION ON SECOND PAGE!**  
**LA RECOLECCIÓN DE ARTÍCULOS DE RESIDUOS PELIGROSOS Y LA TRITURACIÓN DE PAPEL ESTARÁN DISPONIBLES EN ESTE EVENTO! MÁS INFORMACIÓN EN LA SEGUNDA PÁGINA!**  
**危险废物收集和纸张粉碎服务将在本次活动中提供！更多信息请见第二页！**

**ATTENTION! ATENCIÓN! 注意!**

**WAREDISPOSAL.COM**  
**626-225-2400**  
**WWW.WAREDISPOSAL.COM/MONTEREY-PARK**

**CITY OF MONTEREY PARK**  
**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AND PAPER SHREDDING EVENT**  
**EVENTO DE RECOLECCIÓN DE RESIDUOS PELIGROSOS DEL HOGAR Y TRITURACIÓN DE PAPEL**  
**家庭有害废物收集和纸张粉碎活动**

The City of Monterey Park and Ware Disposal, will host a free hazardous waste collection and paper shredding drive up event for Monterey Park residents. Residents must bring an ID or bill. This is a drive-in and drop off event. For more information, please contact the City of Monterey Park Public Works Department at (626) 307-1320.

La Ciudad de Monterey Park y Ware Disposal organizarán un evento gratuito de recolección de residuos peligrosos y trituración de papel para los residentes de Monterey Park. Los residentes deben traer una identificación o una factura. Este es un evento de autoservicio y entrega. Para más información, comuníquese con el Departamento de Obras Públicas de la Ciudad de Monterey Park al (626) 307-1320.

蒙特利公园市和 Ware Disposal 将为蒙特利公园市居民举办免费危险废物收集和纸张粉碎活动。居民必须携带身份证或账单。此活动为驾车进入并投放的方式。欲了解更多信息，请联系蒙特利公园市公共工程部，电话：(626) 307-1320。

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**8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Accepted items/ Artículos aceptados/ 接受的物品**

- Batteries/ Baterías/ 电池
- Aerosols/ Aerosoles/ 喷雾剂
- Sprays/ Pulverizadores/ 气雾剂
- Cleaners/ Limpiadores/ 清洁剂
- Paint, pain thinner, turpentine/ Pintura, diluyente de pintura, trementina/ 油漆、稀释剂、松节油
- Pesticides or herbicides/ Pesticidas o herbicidas/ 杀虫剂或除草剂
- Pool chemicals/ Productos químicos para piscinas/ 游泳池化学品
- Fluorescent lightbulbs/ Bombillas fluorescentes/ 荧光灯泡
- Solvents/ Solventes/ 溶剂
- Antifreezer/ Anticongelante/ 防冻液

**Not accepted/No aceptado/不接受**

- Explosives/ Explosivos/ 爆炸物
- Ammunition/ Municiones/ 弹药
- Radioactive materials/ Materiales radiactivos/ 放射性物质
- Controlled substances/ Sustancias controladas/ 受控物质

**WAREDISPOSAL.COM**  
**626-225-2400**  
**WWW.WAREDISPOSAL.COM/MONTEREY-PARK**

**CITY OF MONTEREY PARK**  
**LANGLEY CENTER SENIOR ACTIVITY**  
**Parks Make Life Better!**

**TRICK OR TREAT**  
**DANCE PARTY**  
**\$3**  
**THURSDAY, OCT 23**  
**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ~ REGISTRATION SEPT. 25**  
**AGES 50+ SNACKS PROVIDED**

2025年10月23日下午  
 1:00 - 3:00  
 夏威夷宴會舞會  
 包括免費零食！歡迎 50  
 歲以上成人。  
 需要註冊

23 DE OCTUBRE DE 2025  
 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
 baile de fiesta luau  
 ¡Incluye snacks gratis!  
 Adultos mayores de 50 años son  
 bienvenidos.  
 Se requiere registro

**MPK HOPE**  
**RESILIENCY CENTER**  
**蒙特利希望互助中心**  
**626-609-3399**

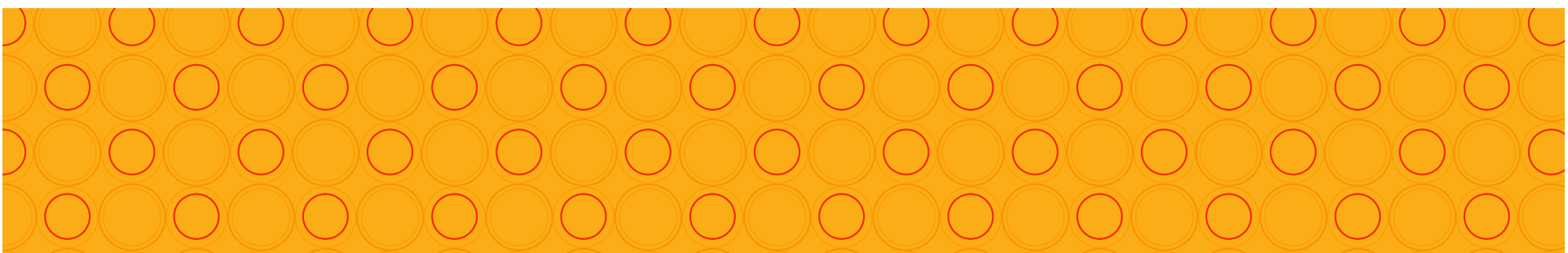
For questions please call Langley Center at  
 626-307-1395

**CITY OF MONTEREY PARK**  
**MONTEREY PARK BRIDGEMeyer LIBRARY**  
**Parks Make Life Better!**

**MONSTER MASH**  
**FREE CANDY**  
**FAMILY EVENT**

**OCT. 16**  
**BARNES PARK**  
**350 S. MCPHERRIN AVE**  
**EVENT**  
**4PM-7PM**

**MUSIC • LIVE ENTERTAINMENT • GAMES • FOOD TRUCKS**  
**FOR MORE INFO, 626-307-1388 OR WWW.MONTEREYPARK.CA.GOV/MONSTERMASH**





# Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library



318 S Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park

Monday and Tuesday: 12 - 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. • Sunday: Closed

Adult/Teen Services: (626) 307-1368 • Children's Services: (626) 307-1358

Circulation: (626) 307-1366 • LAMP Literacy/Citizenship: (626) 307-1251

For more information, scan the QR codes or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/Library](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/Library)  
Text us at (626) 283-6062 • Follow us on Instagram and Facebook @MontereyParkLib

THE ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY PRESENTS...

## ELDER LAW DAY

### 老年法律日

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25  
10 AM - 12:30 PM  
LIBRARY FRIENDS ROOM

2025年10月25日, 星期六  
上午10点至12点30分  
圖書室好友之家

CALL TO REGISTER/請打登記電話: (626) 307-1368

## TEENS COOK! HANDMADE AREPAS

Saturday, October 4  
3 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friends Room

## CREEPY CRAFTING

Join us in making some cute, spooky crafts!

OCTOBER 29TH  
3:30 PM  
STORYTIME ROOM

Kids of all ages are welcome!

## U.S. PASSPORT SERVICES

By Appointment Only  
(626) 307-1357

Hours of Operation

Tuesday	3 PM - 7 PM
Friday	1 PM - 5 PM
Saturday	1 PM - 5 PM

### Adult Events

#### Fall Gardening Workshop

Saturday, October 4 at 1 p.m. in the Friends Room  
Join us for another gardening workshop with Master Gardener Chester Chau from the UC Master Gardener Program. This session will focus on autumn plants, harvesting and more! To register, call Adult Services.

#### Banned Books Week at the Library

Monday, October 6 through Saturday, October 11 at 3 p.m. daily  
Banned Books Week highlights the importance of free and open access to information in our communities. On Monday, kick off the week with the film version of George Orwell's classic dystopian novel – a book that has faced controversy and censorship throughout its history! Then, stop by our "pop up shop" in the Adult Reference Area from Tuesday through Saturday between 3 and 4 p.m. Borrow a banned book, do some fun activities and pick up a copy of our free zine!

### Teen Events

#### Bystander Intervention with Center for the Pacific Asian Family

Friday, October 3 at 4:30 p.m. in the Friends Room  
Teens will learn how to spot bullying and what they can do to help a friend or a classmate experiencing bullying.

#### Teen Library Fear Factor

Friday, October 31 at 4:30 p.m. in the Friends Room  
Calling all teens! Get ready for Halloween by overcoming your fears with a series of frightening activities that challenge your senses and sanity. The teen who outlasts the competition will earn a wicked prize.

### Children's Events

#### LEGO® Free Play

Wednesday, October 8 at 3:30 p.m. in the Storytime Room  
Your imagination is the limit! Children are invited to build whatever they can dream during LEGO® Free Play. They can come up with their own designs or follow one of our LEGO® challenge suggestions.

#### Arts and Crafts Zone

Thursday, October 9 at 3:30 p.m. in the Storytime Room  
Kids ages 5-12 will explore their creativity through arts and crafts. This month, kids will sew their own felt monster. No registration is necessary, but materials will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### Books and Cooks

Friday, October 10 at 3:30 p.m. in the Storytime Room  
Kids ages 7 to 12 are invited to this monthly program, where they will learn how to follow a recipe, practice skills like chopping, mixing, and measuring, and then snack on their delicious creations! This month we will be celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month by making horchata and guacamole! Registration is required as space is limited. For more information and to register, please visit or call Children's Services.

#### Toddler Art and Play

Friday, October 17 at 10 a.m. in the Storytime Room  
Toddler Art & Play invites children ages 0-5 to explore their creativity through open-ended art activities and play!

### LAMP Literacy & Citizenship

#### Change a Life for Adults Learning English

Interested in creating positive change in your community? Join the Library's dedicated team of volunteer tutors. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. For information, email [vcastellanos@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:vcastellanos@montereypark.ca.gov).

#### Fall Semester English Classes

Improve your reading, writing and speaking skills! English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, conversation classes and citizenship preparation classes are free. Scan the LAMP QR code for more information about registration and class schedules.



# MONTEREY PARK COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

**NO INSURANCE REQUIRED  
TRANSLATORS AVAILABLE**

**FREE  
+ RAFFLE!**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH, 2025 FROM  
10:00AM - 2:00PM**

**LANGLEY SENIOR CENTER  
400 W EMERSON AVE, MONTEREY PARK,  
CA 91754**

**FREE SCREENINGS  
PROVIDED:**  
BLOOD PRESSURE, BMI/BODY  
FAT %, VISION, EKG  
GLUCOSE/CHOLESTEROL,  
HEALTH EDUCATION, AND  
MORE!

Contact Us  
[aphc.hf@gmail.com](mailto:aphc.hf@gmail.com)  
[aphc-ucla.square.site](http://aphc-ucla.square.site)




# 蒙特利公園 健康檢查

**不需要保險  
提供翻譯**

**免費  
+ 抽獎!**

**星期六, 10月18日, 2025  
早上10點-下午2點**

**蘭利老年中心  
400 W EMERSON AVE,  
MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754**

**免費服務:**  
血壓、BMI/體脂率, 視  
力, 峰值流量, 心电图,  
血糖/膽固醇, 健康教育  
等等!

Contact Us  
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[aphc-ucla.square.site](http://aphc-ucla.square.site)




# MONTEREY PARK FERIA DE LA SALUD

**NO SE REQUIERE SEGURO MÉDICO  
TRADUCTORES DISPONIBLES**

**+ RIFAS!  
GRATIS**

**SÁBADO, 18 DE OCTUBRE, 2025  
DE 10:00AM - 2:00PM**

**LANGLEY SENIOR CENTER  
400 W EMERSON AVE, MONTEREY PARK,  
CA 91754**

**EXÁMENES Y EVALUACIONES  
DE SALUD GRATUITOS DE:**  
LA PRESIÓN ARTERIAL, IMC  
(INDICE DE MASA CORPORAL),  
VISIÓN, ECG, GLUCOSA/  
COLESTEROL, EDUCACIÓN  
PARA LA SALUD Y MÁS!

Contact Us  
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[aphc-ucla.square.site](http://aphc-ucla.square.site)



**BARNES PARK  
350 S. MCPHERRIN AVE**

**OCTOBER 11th  
SATURDAY 4-10PM**



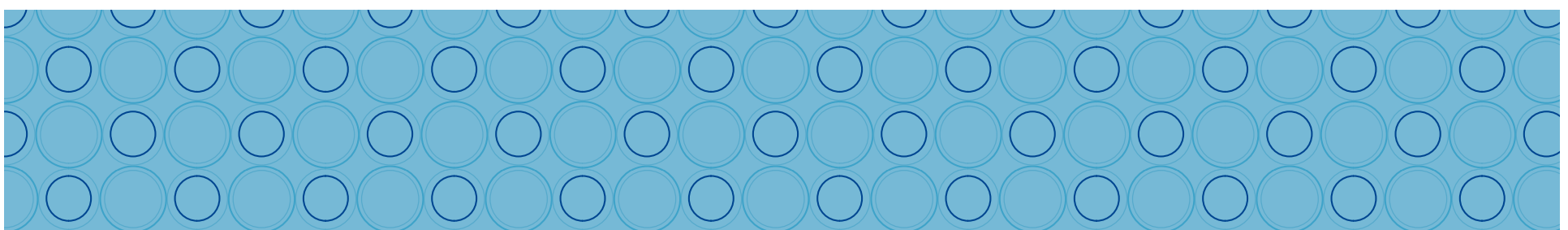
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**ADAM AUBURN**  
SABROSURA BOYZ • THEE-O  
HAAVI • AJ MORA • DJ QUINOA  
SHERLOCK

CITY OF MONTEREY PARK

**ALL HOUSE MUSIC!**  
FREE ADMISSION ALL AGES  
MUSIC • PEOPLE • COMMUNITY

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## Monterey Park <<< SENIOR SAFETY >>> Workshop Series

 **Langley Senior Center**  
 400 W Emerson Ave,  
 Monterey Park, CA 91754

 **October**  
 7, 14, 21 & 28

 **Sign Up At The Front Desk**

Join AYC's United Mental Health Promoters as we host our Senior Safety Workshop Series. Learn how to keep yourself and your community safe & strong!

*Presented in English, Chinese, & Spanish.*

- ▶ **Outsmarting Scammers**  
10/7/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Gain skills to protect yourself against scams and fraud. Presented by Bet Tzedek Legal Services.
- ▶ **Steady and Strong**  
10/14/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Find your balance and build strength to better prevent falls. Presented by Huntington Health.
- ▶ **Building Resilience Against Hate Acts**  
10/21/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Be an advocate and stand strong in your community in challenging times. Presented by AYC's Stop Hate.
- ▶ **Situational Awareness**  
10/28/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Know what to do in an active shooter situation. Presented by Monterey Park Police Dept.









## 蒙特利公园 <<< 老年人安全 >>> 研讨会系列

 **Langley Senior Center**  
 400 W Emerson Ave,  
 Monterey Park, CA 91754

 **10月7日, 14日,  
21日和28日**

 **在前台报名**

加入AYC的United Mental Health Promoters我们将与不同的专业伙伴合作, 提供一系列以社区为基础的健康讲座。

**提供英语, 中文和西班牙语版本**

- ▶ **聪明防骗**  
10/7/25 12:30-2:00PM  
学习如何保护自己免受诈骗与欺诈的技能  
主讲单位: Bet Tzedek 法律服务
- ▶ **平衡与强壮**  
10/14/25 12:30-2:00PM  
找到身体平衡点并增强体力, 以更好地预防跌倒。  
主讲单位: Huntington Health.
- ▶ **应对仇恨行为建立韧性**  
10/21/25 12:30-2:00PM  
在挑战时期, 学习在社区中坚定立场, 勇敢发声。  
主讲单位: AYC's Stop Hate.
- ▶ **情景意识**  
10/28/25 12:30-2:00PM  
了解在发生枪击事件时应该如何应对。  
主讲单位: 蒙特利公园警察局









## Monterey Park <<< SEGURIDAD PARA LAS PERSONAS MAYORES >>> Serie de Talleres

 **Langley Senior Center**  
 400 W Emerson Ave,  
 Monterey Park, CA 91754

 **Octubre**  
 7, 14, 21 & 28

 **Registro con recepción**

Únete a los Promotores de Salud Mental Unidos de AYC mientras organizamos nuestra serie de talleres de seguridad para mayores. ¡Aprende cómo mantenerte a ti mismo y a tu comunidad seguros y fuertes!

*Presentado en Inglés, Chino, y Español*

- ▶ **Superando Los Estafadores**  
10/7/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Obtenga habilidades para protegerte contra estafas y fraudes. Presentado Por Bet Tzedek Servicios Legal.
- ▶ **Estable y Fuerte**  
10/14/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Encuentra fuerza para prevenir caídas de manera más efectiva. Presentado por Huntington Health.
- ▶ **Construyendo Resiliencia Contra Los Actos De Odio**  
10/21/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Mantente firme y defiende a tu comunidad durante tiempos desafiantes. Presentado por Stop Hate AYC.
- ▶ **Conciencia Situacional**  
10/28/25 12:30-2:00PM  
Conoce qué hacer en una situación de tirador activo. Presentado por el Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park.









# CERT ACADEMY



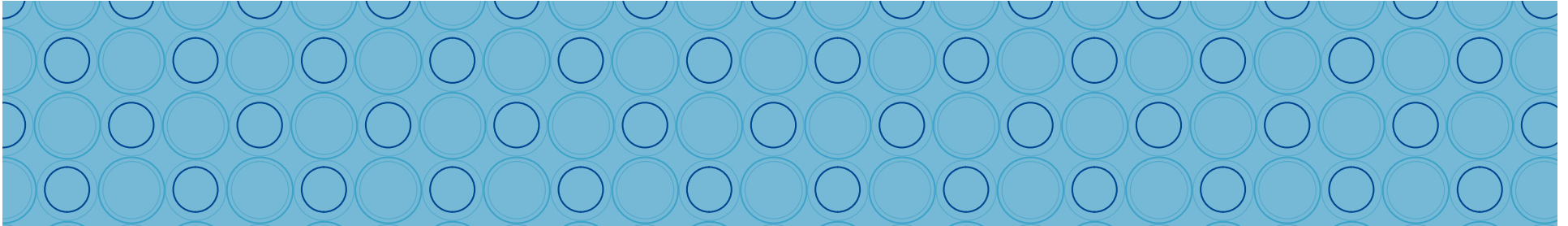

**Complete basic training in 4 sessions:**  
 Saturday, November 8, 2025, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
 Friday, November 14, 2025, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
 Saturday, November 15, 2025, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
 Sunday, November 16, 2025, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
 Monterey Park Fire Department

**Monterey Park residents are invited to join CERT by attending a three-day, free training. During the training, participants will learn:**

- Basic first aid, including ABC treatment, treatment for shock and related techniques.
- Learn and receive certification in life-saving CPR and AED techniques.
- Learning to suppress small fires.
- How to assist themselves and others in the neighborhood following an event or disaster.




If you are interested in attending, fill out and submit the CERT application found at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/cert](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/cert) to [MPKCERT@gmail.com](mailto:MPKCERT@gmail.com).



# Recreation and Community Services Department CLASSES AND PROGRAMS

Online and phone registration available at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/classes](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/classes) or 626-307-1388

**Refund Policy**

All refunds must be requested before the second scheduled class meeting. Please note that any applicable registration or processing fees are not refundable. Participants are entitled to a full refund if an activity is cancelled by the Recreation and Community Services Department. All aquatic swim lesson registration fees are not refundable unless the City cancels a class.

## In-Person Indoor Classes

**Shotokan Karate Do (Monthly)**

Shotokan Karate-Do will help students develop mobility, balance, awareness, reflexes, timing, and discipline. Promotional rankings are available. Friday class is optional. Students must verify holiday make ups with instructor. Ages 6.5+ years. 6yo may be approved by instructor. Richard Kageyama, Langley Center.



<b>Mon/Wed/Fri</b>	<b>6:30-7:45 p.m.</b>	<b>\$35/month – Child</b>	<b>\$37/month – Adult</b>
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**Wing Chun Kung Fu (Monthly)**

Introduction to Aumei Kung Fu including the official history of Wing Chun, Desui, Chi Kung, and their philosophy in fundamental training, and applications in all ranges, long, short, grappling, rejuvenation breathing exercise, and weapons. Tom Wong, Garvey Ranch Park Community Room.



<b>Sat</b>	<b>(Introductory)</b>	<b>9-10 a.m.</b>	<b>\$89</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>(Intermediate)</b>	<b>10-11 a.m.</b>	<b>\$89</b>

**American Nippon Kenpo (Monthly)**

Nippon kenpo uses self-defense techniques in striking, kicking, throwing, reverse-holds, ground combat, grappling, and judo. Balance, coordination, stretching, strengthening, and cardiovascular fitness will equip each student to reach their goals in martial arts skills. Manuel Nunez, Barnes Park Service Club.

<b>Tue</b>	<b>(4-7 yrs)</b>	<b>5-5:55 p.m.</b>	<b>\$34</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>(8+ yrs)</b>	<b>6-6:55 p.m.</b>	<b>\$34</b>

**Chinese Reading Class – Ages 5-13 (Monthly – First 4 Sundays)**

The purpose of the Mandarin learning course is to provide a fun and engaging learning experience for students aged 5 to 13. It is ideal for beginners and helps build a strong foundation in the Chinese language. Students will learn basic conversation, Chinese rhymes, and proper writing through stroke order practice – all through fun activities, games, music, and arts & crafts. My Ms Panda, Garvey Ranch Community Room.



<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30-11 a.m.</b>	<b>\$128</b>
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**Mommy & Me Chinese Class – Ages 5 & under (Monthly – First 4 Sundays)**

This 30-minute interactive class is designed for children ages 5 and under to learn Mandarin alongside their parent or guardian. Through singing, music, movement, and simple crafts, participants will explore basic vocabulary in a fun and engaging environment. The class focuses on building language skills while strengthening the parent-child bond. My Ms Panda, Garvey Ranch Community Room.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9-9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>\$99</b>
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**The Glow Effect (Monthly)**

Learn to activate your body's natural energy using breath, focused intention, and simple movements. This beginner-friendly course introduces you to cosmic life energy, meridian channels—the foundations of health-care in traditional Eastern wellness with a new approach made for self-care and self-empowerment. No experience needed, just come as you are and let your glow unfold. (Lillian) Shu-Ying Meng, Sierra Vista Park Community Room.

<b>Sat</b>	<b>10-11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>\$75</b>
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**Yoga/Chair Yoga (Monthly)**

Stretch and strengthen your body and muscles and improve flexibility with easy to follow yoga poses and movements. First half of class consists of standing stretch poses. Second part of class can be done in the chair or yoga mat. Class is for all levels! Katalina B., Sierra Vista Park Community Room.



<b>Mon</b>	<b>12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**Yoga & Recovery (Monthly)**

Come to learn stretches while increasing your body awareness and decrease chances of injury. Feel good in your own body and alleviate any pain in your body that you may have had from past injuries. Bring to class a foam roller, 2 blocks, a yoga blanket, and a mat. Adults 18+. Jen Tea, Sierra Vista Park Community Room.

<b>Sat</b>	<b>8:00-9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>\$40</b>
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**Breakthrough Sports Basketball (Monthly – First 4 Wednesdays)**

Breakthrough Sports award-winning programs for youth basketball. More information on each specific class can be found at online registration.

**“MPK Minis” by Breakthrough Sports Little Hoopers**

Breakthrough Sports developed a learn to play basketball program with one goal in mind: instilling the basic fundamentals of basketball in a fun environment for kids 3-7 years of age in Southern California. Our out-of-the-box approach to teaching basketball makes this class a must!



<b>Barnes Park Gym</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>4-5 p.m.</b>	<b>\$80</b>

**Breakthrough Sports Basketball Training Academy**

Our weekly basketball training offers a different weekly curriculum designed to develop mechanics, improve basketball IQ and boost confidence in a fun environment.

<b>Barnes Park Gym</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>(K-5th) 5-6 p.m.</b>	<b>\$80</b>
<b>Barnes Park Gym</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>(6th-8th) 6-7 p.m.</b>	<b>\$80</b>

**Laurinda's Line Dance**

A variety of music from Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Tango, Waltz, and upbeat modern. Improves memory, coordination, and builds stamina. Requirement: Must be able to adapt to loud music and some line dance. Ages 18-70 yrs. Laurinda Truong, Langley Center.



<b>Oct 7-Dec 16</b>		
<b>Tue</b>	<b>6:30-9:30 p.m.</b>	<b>\$80</b>

**Salsa Dance Class**

Get in shape while having fun moving to Latin rhythm. We will start with a variety of footwork followed by partnering dance to Latin rhythm. Dorothy Tsu & Moses Navarro, Langley Center.



<b>Oct 5-Dec 14 (No class 11/30/25)</b>		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.</b>	<b>\$126</b>

**Dance Fitness**

Join a fun, all-inclusive dance fitness class, perfect for all fitness levels! Groove to energizing music with easy-to-follow moves that can be modified for your pace. Enjoy a full-body workout in this supportive space while having fun and expressing yourself, regardless of dance experience. Ages 18+. Megan Lee, Garvey Ranch Park Community Room.



<b>Sep 10-Oct 29</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>6-7 p.m.</b>	<b>\$120</b>

**Beginner Kids Painting**

Join the fun of painting class specifically designed for kids ages 5-10 years old. The beginner's class is perfect for little artists to be creative and learn new skills. Explore different techniques like color mixing and brush strokes. Step-by-step guide in sketching with your own creativity and self-expression. Take home your own project to show off and be proud of. Tianna Hernandez, Garvey Ranch Park Community Room.



<b>8 weeks: TBD</b>		
<b>Mon</b>	<b>5-6 p.m.</b>	<b>\$120</b>

**Taiko Drumming**

Taiko drumming will increase your strength, flexibility, stamina, and coordination in a fun and healthy way. This class does not require previous experience and will enhance your sense of rhythm and appreciation of music. Michael Naishtut, Sierra Vista Park Community Room.



<b>8 weeks: Aug 26 – Oct 14</b>		
<b>Tue</b>	<b>6-7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>\$160</b>

**Tai Chi**

Experience the healing power of Chi Gong with a master teacher who has studied Tai Chi and Chi Gong for over 50 years. Strengthen your body, calm your mind, and uplift your spirit through the art of this exercise. Peter Chen, Sierra Vista Park Community Room.



<b>Monthly: 4 Weeks</b>		
<b>Wed</b>	<b>9-10 a.m.</b>	<b>\$32</b>

### In-Person Outdoor Classes

#### Hitting Fundamentals for Beginning to Advanced Baseball / Fast-pitch Softball

Designed to teach boys/girls fundamentals of hitting. Students will get repetition by utilizing the latest tee drills, flip drills and front toss drills. Need your own bat and batting helmet. (30-Minute Private Instruction). Contact instructor for times and days available. Jay Simper 626-664-4583, La Loma Field.

Private Lessons 4 lessons total. Fees: \$134.00



8yrs to 18yr

#### Johnny Allen Tennis Classes

Johnny Allen Tennis Classes available for people of all ages. More information on each specific class can be found at online registration. For more information and rainy-day makeup policy, please visit [www.johnnyallentennis.com](http://www.johnnyallentennis.com) or call 1-844-9TENNIS (1-844-983-6647).

Session 2: Oct 7-Oct 23

Session 3: Oct 28-Nov 13 (No class 11/11)

Session 4: Nov 18-Dec 11 (No class 11/25 & 11/27)

Johnny Allen Tennis – Tiny Aces Tennis Class (3-5 yrs)

Highlands Park Tue & Thu 4:15-5 p.m. \$108

Johnny Allen Tennis – Little Aces Tennis Class (6-8 yrs)

Highlands Park Tue & Thu 5-6 p.m. \$128

Johnny Allen Tennis – Junior Aces Tennis Class (9-12 yrs)

Highlands Park Tue & Thu 6-7 p.m. \$128

Johnny Allen Tennis – High School Aces Tennis Class (13-17 yrs)

Highlands Park Tue & Thu 7-8 p.m. \$128

Johnny Allen Tennis – Adult Cardio Tennis Class (18+ yrs)

Highlands Park Tue & Thu 8-9 p.m. \$128



### Aquatics Classes

Four classes are offered per week. Each 50 min session is considered one class. One class per week allows a student to participate in any single session offered in a given week. Two classes per week allows a student to participate in any combination of two sessions offered in a given week. Unlimited classes allows a student to participate in any/all classes offered in a given week. Pricing: One class per week: \$85, Two classes per week: \$125, Unlimited classes (up to 4) per week: \$145.

#### Shallow Water Aerobics

Shallow Water Aerobics is an effective low impact class that provides cardiovascular benefits as well as flexibility and muscular toning. Students are required to provide their own water noodle & weights. Margaret Nalbandian, George Elder Park Pool.

Sep 23-Nov 13 Tue & Thu 4:15-5:05 p.m.



#### Deep Water Aerobics

Deep Water Aerobics is a great way to strengthen and tone muscles while building cardiovascular fitness. Students wear a buoyancy belt during class to provide flotation, alignment, and freedom of movement. Students should feel comfortable in deep water and must provide their own floatation belt. Margaret Nalbandian, George Elder Park Pool.

Sep 23-Nov 13 Tue & Thu 5:15-6:05 p.m.

### Off-Site Recreational Classes

#### BLee's Kung Fu & Tai Chi (Monthly)

Self-Defense awareness course and novice kung fu skills. Classes cover learning blocking, striking, kicking, evading, and footwork. Develop skills that are with you wherever you go. Understand street smarts, personal boundaries, avoiding grabs, and precision strikes. Expert instructor with over 40+ years of experience. Ages 16+. Location: 5423 Rosemead Blvd, San Gabriel, CA 91776.

3 Classes per week

\$109 Monthly

Mon/Wed

7:15-8:30 p.m.

Tue/Thu

6-7:15 p.m.

#### The Arte Flamenco Dance Theatre & The Center of Worldance

This class introduces students to the fundamentals of this exciting dance form. While learning a basic flamenco dance, which includes body positions, arm, hand movements along with heel work, students will develop confidence, posture and a sense of empowerment. Contact Arte Flamenco for dress code. Location: 216 E. Main Street, Alhambra, CA 91801.



\$140

10 Weeks: Aug 6 – Oct 8

Wed (Ages 6-12)

6-7 p.m.

10 Weeks: Aug 6 – Oct 8

Sat (Teens & Adults)

11 a.m.-12 p.m.

### In-Person Senior Classes at Langley Center

#### Mature Driving Class (Monthly)

Mature driver improvement course is designed for drivers 55 and older and provide instruction on defensive driving, California motor vehicle laws, updates on rules of the road and the effects that medication, fatigue, alcohol, visual, or auditory limitations have on a person's driving ability. Course completion certificate will be issued following class. Monterey Park Police Department, Langley Center AB Room.



Call for Exact Date (Wed)

8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

\$1

#### Friendship Chorus

Sing in a Chinese Choir group with experienced instructors for over 30 years. Ages 50+. Jia Fang Su, Langley Center Friendship Room.

Oct 1 – Dec 17

Wed

10 a.m.-12 p.m.

\$75

#### May's Tai Chi Class

Learn and train in the fundamental skills of Tai Chi to improve coordination, strength, flexibility, and mental agility. You will learn a variety of styles, such as Yang and Chen styles Tai Chi Chuan, Tai Chi Fan, Tai Chi Sword, and Health Qigong. Ages 50+. Sing May Chen, Langley Center Friendship Room.



Intermediate – Chen Tai Chi & Tai Chi Sword

Sep 27 – Dec 27 (No Class 11/29 & 12/6)

Sat

9-10 a.m.

\$150

Beginner – Yang Tai Chi & Health Qigong

Sep 27 – Dec 27 (No Class 11/29 & 12/6)

Sat

10-11 a.m.

\$150

#### International Folk Dance

Explore folk dances from different countries around the world. Have fun learning about new cultures and while engaging in a rhythm activity for all. Ages 50+. Cindy Fang, Langley Center Friendship Room.

Oct 3 – Dec 26

Fri

9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

\$30

#### Taiko Drumming

Taiko drumming will increase your strength, flexibility, stamina, and coordination in a fun and healthy way. This class does not require previous experience and will enhance your sense of rhythm and appreciation of music. Ages 50+. Michael Naishtut, Langley Center Friendship Room.



8 weeks: Aug 26 – Oct 14

Tue

Genki Taiko 1

(Moderate)

9-10 a.m.

\$120

Genki Taiko 2

(Int & Adv)

10-11 a.m.

\$120

Beginner

11 a.m.-12 p.m.

\$120

### Free Drop-In Daily Activities and Programs at Langley Senior Center

#### A&P Karaoke

Tue 1-5 p.m.

#### Billiards, Ping-Pong & Fitness Room

Mon, Wed, Fri 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Tue & Thu 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

#### Bridge Play

Tue 12-4 p.m. and Thu 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### Bunka-Japanese Embroidery

Sat 9-11 a.m.

#### Craft Lab

Tue 9-11 a.m.

#### Crochet and Knitting

Tue 9-11 a.m.

#### Jewelry Making Support Group hosted by Dept of Mental Health

1st and 3rd Wed 1:30-3 p.m.

#### Joyful Karaoke

Thu 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

#### Karaoke & Dancing

Mon 12-4:30 p.m.

#### Kimekomi Doll Making

2nd & 4th Wed 12-2:30 p.m.

#### Jennie's Line Dance

Mon, Thu, Fri 9-10 a.m.

#### Line Dance

Wed & Fri 10-11 a.m. and Tue & Thu 9-10 a.m.

#### Lovey Karaoke

1st & 2nd Sun 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

#### Mah Jong

Mon, Wed & Fri 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

#### Tai Chi

Mon 9-10 a.m.

#### World Cultural Dance

Sat 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

#### Yuen Chi Dance

Mon-Thu 8-10 a.m.

Sat 8-10 a.m.



# What's in the Sky for October

By David Nakamoto

All times are in Pacific Daylight Saving Time or PDT.

The **Orionid meteor shower** is active from October 2 to November 7. The Orionids produce 10 to 20 shower members at maximum. The radiant is in the constellation of Orion the Hunter. The parent object is the famous comet 1P/Halley. The peak is on the night of October 20 to 21. The new moon will not interfere with observations.

In the **major lunar standstill of 2024–25**, the October northernmost Moon rises in waning gibbous phase on the 11th at 9:59 p.m. and sets on the 12th at 1:27 p.m. The October southernmost Moon rises as a waxing crescent at 12:03 p.m., on the 26th and sets at 9:31 p.m. For details on the major lunar standstill, please visit <https://griffithobservatory.org/extreme-moon-the-major-lunar-standstills-of-2024-2025/>.

The **Moon** is full on October 6, last quarter on the 13th, new on the 21st, and first quarter on the 29th.

On **October 1**, the **Sun** rises at 6:48 a.m. and sets at 6:37 p.m. **Saturn** rises in the east at 6:11 p.m. Neptune rises in the east at 6:14 p.m. On the 15th, **Neptune** is at Right Ascension 0h 2m 51s and declination -1° 11' 17". **Mercury** sets in the west-southwest at 7:11 p.m., with a disk 93-percent illuminated and 4.9 arcseconds wide. **Mars** sets in the west-southwest at 7:51 a.m. **Uranus** rises east-northeast at 9:05 p.m. On the 15th, **Uranus** is at Right Ascension 3h 55m 3s and declination +20° 7' 26". **Jupiter** rises in the east-northeast at 12:44 a.m., with a disk 40 arcseconds wide. **Venus** rises in the east at 4:55 a.m., with a disk 91-percent illuminated and 11 arcseconds wide. On **October 31**, the **Sun** rises at 7:12 a.m. and sets at 6:01 p.m. **Mars** sets at 6:58 p.m., with a disk 99-percent illuminated and 4.0 arcseconds wide and is too small to reveal details on its disk. **Uranus** rises at 7:04 p.m. **Mercury** sets in the west-southwest at 7:05 p.m., with a disk 61-percent illuminated and 6.8 arcseconds wide. A magnification of 150x is needed to see its disk.



Do not observe any planet when it comes close to the Sun, for the danger to the eyes is great. **Jupiter** rises at 10:54 p.m. **Saturn** sets due west at 3:54 a.m. **Neptune** sets due west at 4:14 a.m. **Venus** rises in the east at 5:54 a.m., with a disk 96-percent illuminated and ten arcseconds wide.

**Garvey Ranch Park Observatory** is located on the east end of Garvey Ranch Park. Parking is available on the west side of S. Orange Ave., south of Graves Ave. The observatory is open every Wednesday night from 7:30–10 p.m. and staffed by volunteers from the Los Angeles Astronomical Society. Admission and viewing through the telescope are free. For more info, please visit [www.laas.org](http://www.laas.org); [www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety](https://www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety); or call 213-673-7355. Garvey Ranch Park is located at 781 S. Orange Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91755.

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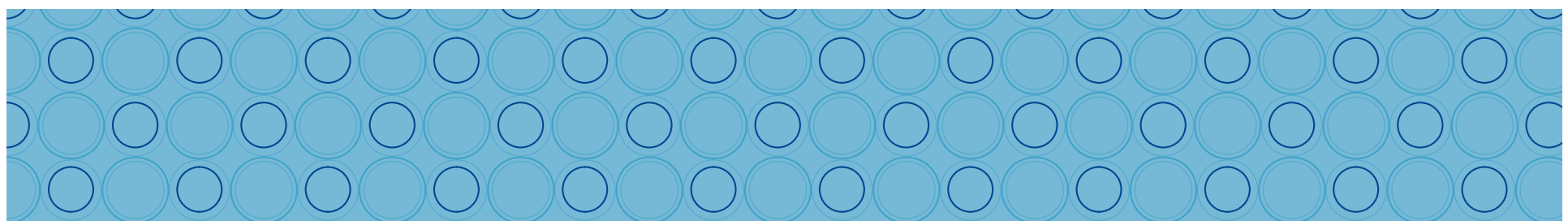
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# HOUSING RIGHTS WORKSHOP

TENANTS | INQUILINOS | 房客

**DATE | FECHA | 日期:**

Tuesday, November 18, 2025 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Martes 18 de noviembre de 2025 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
星期二, 2025年11月18 晚上6:30-8:30  
Thursday, January 22, 2026 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Jueves, 22 de enero de 2026 6:00 pm - 8:00 PM  
星期四, 2026年1月22日 晚上6:00-8:00



**TOPICS | TEMAS | 主題:**

- Fair housing laws and protections for families with children, disability accommodations, and more | Derechos de vivienda justa para familias, inmigrantes, adaptaciones para personas con discapacidades y mas | 公平住房法與針對有孩子的家庭之保護 · 殘疾人住宿等等
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**LOCATION | LUGAR | 地點:**

Monterey Park City Hall – Community Room 102  
320 W. Newmark Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754



Registration is encouraged at | Se recomienda registrarse | 建議登記於:

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# FAIR HOUSING WORKSHOP

LANDLORDS | PROPIETARIOS | 房東

**DATE | FECHA | 日期:**

Thursday, November 20, 2025 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Jueves, 20 de noviembre de 2025 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
星期四, 2025年11月20日 晚上6-8點  
Thursday, February 12, 2026 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Jueves, 12 de febrero de 2026 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
星期四, 2026年2月12日 晚上6-8點



**TOPICS | TEMAS | 主題:**

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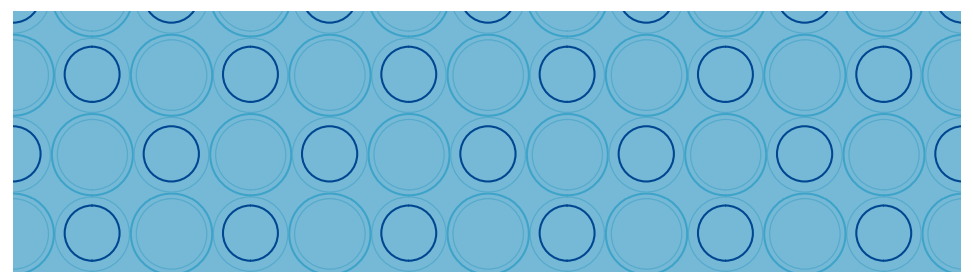


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We encourage our community to support Monterey Park businesses and shop local.

Community members are invited for casual conversations and to learn more about the City with the Mayor of Monterey Park.

**FEATURED BUSINESS**

Wednesday  
**October 29, 2025**  
4:00 p.m.  
**Litz Restaurant**  
201 E Garvey Ave  
Monterey Park, CA 91755



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**與市長會面**

**今期商家**

星期三  
**2025年10月29日**  
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**Litz Restaurant**  
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# Rising Eighth Grade Scientists Share Camp Experiences

By Jackie Fisher, American Association of University Women Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch

Eighth grade girls from Monterey Park and surrounding school districts shared highlights of their valuable experiences from virtual and Whittier College residential camps at American Association of University Women Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch’s annual Membership Luncheon held on Saturday, September 20.

Working with the girls to help them prepare for their presentations were Barbara Shannon, Tech Trek North Member and Jane Krause, Tech Trek South Coordinator. Barbara coached the girls in public speaking skills. They became familiar with the microphone and practiced articulating and speaking with clear voices. The young scientists presented highlights of activities and experiments in the fields of Anatomy, Chemistry, Forensics, Neuroscience and Robotics.

Thank you letters to AAUW Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch show how meaningful the girls' learnings were. As Jane Krause, Tech Trek coordinator, said, “They are a delight to read. After you take the time to read them, you will know why we spend all this time working on TT.” Here are a few examples:

“My emotions were on a roller coaster ride with the fetus pig dissection. It was like having a deep, gut fear of something, yet still being able to power through and push yourself to become a better version of who you are.” –Cici L., Ynez Elementary.

“We also dissected a cow eye and a sheep brain. I felt like I learned so much since I won the Jeopardy of Science.” –Priscilla M., Monterey Highlands Elementary.

“I got to learn chemistry, live in the dorms, make new friends, and have an overall amazing experience.” –Isabella C., Repetto Elementary.

“I loved going to the cadaver lab, attending lectures with the other campers, to be able to meet astronomers or women with their own architectural business and getting a chance to present my own ideas with my dorm group.” –Daniella P., Macy Intermediate.

Virtual camper, Renee T. from Brightwood Elementary studied online at home and said, “I was able to build connections, advance my development in STEM, and most importantly, had a lot of fun!!”

Selection of the 2025 Tech Trek campers began with teacher recommendations from Alhambra, Monterey Park and Montebello schools based on students who exhibited talent and curiosity in STEM subjects and who earned a B average in



Top Row: Mengxi (Cici) L., Ynez; Vianca G., Montebello Int.; Isabella P., Ramona. Second Row: Daniella P., Macy Int.; Isabella C., Repetto; Priscilla M., Monterey Highlands. Front Row: Alisa S., Northrup; Mikayla G., La Merced Int. Not Present: Julie O., Granada; Suingsa N., Park; Madelyn O. and Renee T., Brightwood; Ruth S., Bell Gardens Int.; Leilani M., Rosewood Park; Margaret M., Eastmont Int.

math and science classes. The girls completed applications and essays about how science can help our world. Finally, a team of Tech Trek committee members interviewed the girls individually. The chosen campers had many more forms to complete before entering camp and were guided by their Tech Trek Coordinators, Jane Krause and Rozanne Child.

Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch Tech Trek Committees raised funds to cover fourteen residential camper scholarships of \$1,200 each and one virtual camper scholarship of \$500. In addition to the many generous, individual donors, the following community groups contributed to the Tech Trek Camper scholarships: Alhambra Day Nursery, Monterey Park Women’s Club, East Side Optimist Club of Monterey Park, and Friends of Montebello Unified School District Foundation.

We welcome volunteers to help us continue this valuable mission. For more information, visit <https://alhsangab-ca.aauw.net>.

# Brightwood Teacher Featured in National “Storyline Online” Project

By Jackie Fisher, American Association of University Women Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch

Brightwood School second grade teacher Melody Hou was recently featured in a national literacy project with the SAG-AFTRA Foundation’s Storyline Online, a free program that brings children’s books to life through readings by celebrated actors paired with music and animation.

Hou’s involvement began when she reconnected with a college friend, Christy Kamimura, who works at the SAG-AFTRA Foundation and with Storyline Online. During their conversation, Hou enthusiastically shared how she had been using the resource for several years in her classroom. A few months later, Caroline O’Conner, SAG-AFTRA Foundation Director of Communications and Storyline Online Producer reached out to Hou and invited her to participate in a segment highlighting the program’s impact on students and teachers.

Filming took place in May both in Hou’s Brightwood classroom and in a studio, capturing students engaged with Storyline Online and interacting with their teacher. Hou was also interviewed about her experience using the program to support literacy.

The footage was produced as a seven-minute mini-documentary, which will air on PBS stations nationwide as part of All Access with Andy Garcia “interstitial” programming, which will be broadcast between larger pieces of content or during natural breaks in programming. This piece is also available on the Storyline Online YouTube channel. A shorter 30-second promotional spot aired more than 400 times in September on CNBC and local markets across the country.

Caroline O’Conner explained the significance of the project: “Storyline Online is a grassroots program without a marketing budget, so this is an opportunity for us to spread the word about this free literacy resource and tool to more parents, teachers, and families around the nation.”

For Hou, the experience was a meaningful way to highlight the joy of reading. “I’ve always loved using Storyline Online with my students,” she shared. “It brings books to life in a way that excites them and helps them connect with stories.”



Brightwood Second-grade teacher Melody Hou is featured in videos for Storyline Online, a free program from the SAG-AFTRA Foundation that brings children’s books to life. Her classroom and studio footage, along with her interview, will air on PBS stations across the country for the next year.

O’Conner had nothing but high praise for Hou’s involvement, saying she was “fantastic,” the “star of the show,” and the “best of the best.” These were impressive compliments, especially considering the video featured appearances by acclaimed actors including several Oscar winners. But the best praise has come from her own students, who upon discovering clips of their teacher on Storyline Online excitedly declared, “That’s Mrs. Hou! You’re on Storyline! You’re famous!”

Parents are encouraged to explore the free Storyline Online videos at [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net), featuring many familiar faces from film and television. Each book featured on Storyline has lesson plans in various disciplines aligned with state standards for both teachers and parents to access. Keep an eye out for Mrs. Hou on PBS and CNBC, and stay tuned for additional videos with clips of her second-grade students from last year’s class.

# Mark Keppel High Breaks Ground on New Automotive Technology Building

By Alhambra Unified School District

Mark Keppel High School celebrated a major milestone on August 19, with the groundbreaking ceremony for its brand-new Automotive Technology Building. The high-tech facility promises to expand hands-on learning opportunities for students while preparing them for careers in the rapidly evolving automotive industry.

At the ceremony, site and district administrators, construction leaders, and industry partners donned hard hats. They then took part in the symbolic first shovels of dirt, officially marking the start of construction. Dr. Leann Huang, Coordinator of Career Technical Education, and Auto Tech teacher Jim Horton joined the group in celebrating the milestone, sharing their enthusiasm for the project alongside community members and students.

“This new building represents more than just a structure,” said Huang. “It’s a space where students will be able to explore modern automotive technology in a safe, state-of-the-art environment. I’m proud to be part of a team that works behind the scenes to make projects like this happen...From teachers and staff to administrators, and especially Keith Matsuo, our Director of Construction, whose oversight of such a massive project has been invaluable.”

For Horton, the new facility is a game-changer for the school’s automotive program. “We work hard every year to provide a quality program for our students, but this new building takes things to the next level,” he said. “I can’t wait until it’s completed. It’s going to help our students get ready for 21st-century careers in Auto Tech. From modern diagnostic equipment to hands-on labs, this building will give our students the tools they need to succeed in a field that’s always evolving.” The project reflects the District’s commitment to career technical education, offering students pathways into in-demand careers while giving them practical experience in a modern learning environment. Once completed, the Automotive Technology Building will feature upgraded labs, classrooms, and workspaces designed to support both learning and innovation, including opportunities to work on electric vehicles in the future.

Community members and district officials praised the collaboration that is bringing the project to fruition. “It’s inspiring to see so many people come together to create opportunities for our students,” Huang added. “Every detail,



Marking a Milestone: Site and district administrators, construction leaders, industry partners, and Mark Keppel High staff don hard hats and wield golden shovels during the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Automotive Technology Building, officially kicking off construction of the state-of-the-art facility. (Photo Credit: Karlie Yonemoto, AUSD Communications Intern)

from design to construction, has been carefully considered to ensure that students have the resources they need to thrive.”

Construction is expected to progress throughout this school year and next year, with completion anticipated sometime during the 2026-2027 school year. Once open, the new Automotive Technology Building will serve as a hub for students interested in automotive careers, providing hands-on experience that blends technical skills with problem-solving, teamwork, and innovation.

“It’s an exciting time,” Horton concluded. “We’re literally laying the foundation for a future where students are better prepared to enter the workforce with the skills, knowledge, and confidence to succeed in the automotive industry and beyond.”

# Mark Keppel High School Theater Reimagines Romeo and Juliet for Modern Audiences

By Alhambra Unified School District

The Mark Keppel High School Theatre Company will present a bold new production of William Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet October 15-17 in the school auditorium. Under the direction of Page Phillips (MKHS Visual and Performing Arts Department Chair), this staging breaks from traditional interpretations to highlight the play’s enduring relevance across time and culture.

Phillips describes the vision for the show as “timeless.” Instead of setting the play in a specific historical moment, the production blends contemporary cultural elements (from hip hop and rap to K-pop) into Shakespeare’s classic verse. “This Romeo and Juliet does not belong to the past; it belongs to every time,” Phillips explained. “By weaving familiar cultural forms without diluting the language of Shakespeare’s words, we hope the production will speak to younger audiences.”

The set, designed with moveable structures that transform into balconies, streets, ballrooms, and tombs, underscores the idea that time and space are fluid. Costumes are similarly loose and adaptable, chosen to allow dancers and actors freedom of movement for combat, choreography, and intimate moments.

Music will play a central role in reimagining the world of Verona. At the masquerade ball, for example, the scene is transformed into a high-energy, K-pop inspired sequence that celebrates the joy and abandon of youth. Throughout the performance, modern rhythms highlight Shakespeare’s poetic verse, reminding audiences that his words were built on the same sense of beat and flow that drive today’s music.

With its mix of tradition and innovation, the production aims to show that themes of love, rivalry, and tragedy repeat in every generation. “We have stripped away walls, eras, and labels, leaving behind the pure energy of love, conflict, and loss,” Phillips said. “The story lives again: timeless, boundless, and deeply human.”

Performances will take place on October 15 through 17 in the MKHS Auditorium, located at 501 East Hellman Avenue in Alhambra. Tickets are available now at [mkhstheatrecompany.com](http://mkhstheatrecompany.com).



Mark Keppel High School Theatre Company presents a “timeless” vision of Romeo and Juliet, directed by Page Phillips. Performances are scheduled for 4:00pm on October 15, and 7:00pm on October 16 and 17.



# Four AUSD Students Recognized as National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalists

By Alhambra Unified School District

Four high school seniors from the Alhambra Unified School District have been named National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalists, placing them among the top academically talented students in the nation. From Alhambra High School, seniors Brendon Wu and Alvin Zhang earned the honor. Representing Mark Keppel High School are seniors Keira Chang and Kalina Li.

The National Merit Scholarship Program is a prestigious academic competition that began in 1955. Each year, approximately 16,000 students nationwide are named Semi-Finalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors. Students are chosen based on their outstanding performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

As Semi-Finalists, Brendon, Alvin, Keira, and Kalina now have the opportunity to continue in the competition for more than 7,000 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$28 million that will be awarded in the spring. To advance to the Finalist stage, students must maintain an excellent academic record, receive an endorsement from their school, submit a detailed scholarship application, and earn strong SAT or ACT scores that confirm their earlier PSAT performance.

AUSD Director of Secondary Educaiton Dr. Marisa Palacios praised the students for their achievement. "We are tremendously proud of these scholars, who represent the very best of academic excellence, determination, and hard work," she said. "Their accomplishments are a reflection not only of their individual talent and dedication, but also of the support of their families, teachers, and school communities."



The recognition brings distinction not only to the students, but also to Alhambra Unified as a district that fosters high levels of academic achievement. Finalists for the National Merit Scholarship will be announced in February, with winners revealed beginning in April.

# Musical Comedy The Drowsy Chaperone Arrives at Alhambra High School This Fall

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra High School Theater is breaking from tradition this year by presenting its musical production in the fall rather than the spring. Audiences are invited to step into the glamour of the Roaring Twenties this November with the school's lively staging of the Tony Award-winning musical comedy, The Drowsy Chaperone.

Performances will take place in November with 14, 15, 18, 21, and 22. All shows will be held at the Alhambra High School Auditorium, located at 101 South Second Street in Alhambra.

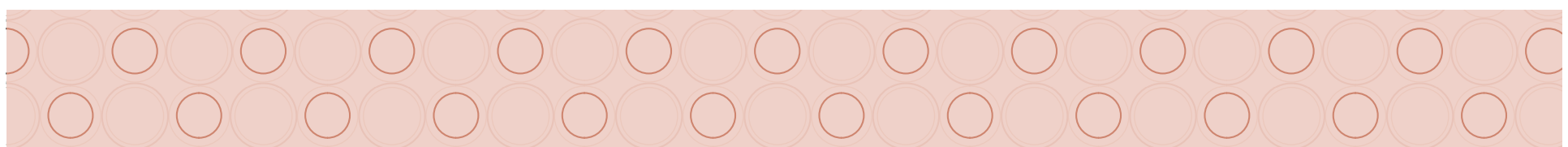
Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Book and Best Original Score, The Drowsy Chaperone is a clever parody of 1920s musical theater. The story follows a musical theater devotee who plays a favorite record from 1928...only to have the characters and story spring to life in his living room. Audiences are treated to mistaken identities, comic mishaps, glamorous showgirls, a tap-dancing groom, and, of course, the unpredictable antics of a tipsy chaperone.

The production features a cast of 30 student performers who have spent months rehearsing to bring the fast-paced comedy and high-energy musical numbers to the stage. Expect tap-dancing showstoppers, jazz-infused songs, and plenty of laugh-out-loud moments.

Behind the curtain, Alhambra High School's Technical Theater students have designed and built the sets, costumes, and lighting to recreate the sparkle of the Jazz Age. Their work adds a professional polish to the production while giving audiences a glimpse of the creative and technical skills developing in the school's theater program.

Tickets are on sale now at [www.ahstheater.com](http://www.ahstheater.com) and will also be available at the door.

Alhambra High School Theater breaks tradition by presenting its fall musical, The Drowsy Chaperone, running November 14–22 in the AHS Auditorium.



# AUSD Schools Earn Statewide PBIS Recognition

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra Unified School District is celebrating the announcement of the 2025 California PBIS Recognition awards, with ten AUSD schools honored for their dedication to fostering positive and supportive school environments. Seven AUSD schools (Brightwood, Emery Park, Granada, Monterey Highlands, Repetto, Northrup, and Ynez) achieved Platinum Recognition Status, the highest level awarded. Additionally, Garfield, Ramona, and San Gabriel were honored with Gold Recognition Status..

PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) is a statewide initiative that helps schools improve student outcomes by building positive school climates where every child can thrive. This year, 2,517 schools across California were recognized for their leadership and commitment to PBIS. Dr. Wendy Molina-Solis, AUSD Director of Multi-Tiered System of Supports, praised the honorees for their dedication: "Your tireless efforts in implementing PBIS at your respective sites is noticed and impressive! You and your staff are doing great things for our kids!"

The recognition reflects the consistent work of teachers, staff, and administrators to ensure that all students feel supported academically, socially, and emotionally. By modeling respect, responsibility, and resilience, AUSD's PBIS schools are making a measurable difference in student success and school culture. The District congratulates the recognized schools and thanks them for their ongoing leadership in PBIS. Their success highlights AUSD's commitment to student well-being and to building welcoming, inclusive school communities.



AUSD schools were honored for their PBIS achievements. Platinum Recognition went to Brightwood, Emery Park, Granada, Monterey Highlands, Repetto, Northrup, and Ynez, with Garfield, Ramona, and San Gabriel earning Gold Recognition.

# Annual Haunted House to Transform Alhambra High into Post-Apocalyptic World

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra High School's Theater Department is preparing to welcome the community back for its annual Haunted House, a much-anticipated tradition that combines creativity, performance, and thrills. This year's production, titled "Sanctum," will be held for one night only on Friday, October 10, from 3:00-9:00 p.m. at 101 South Second Street in Alhambra.

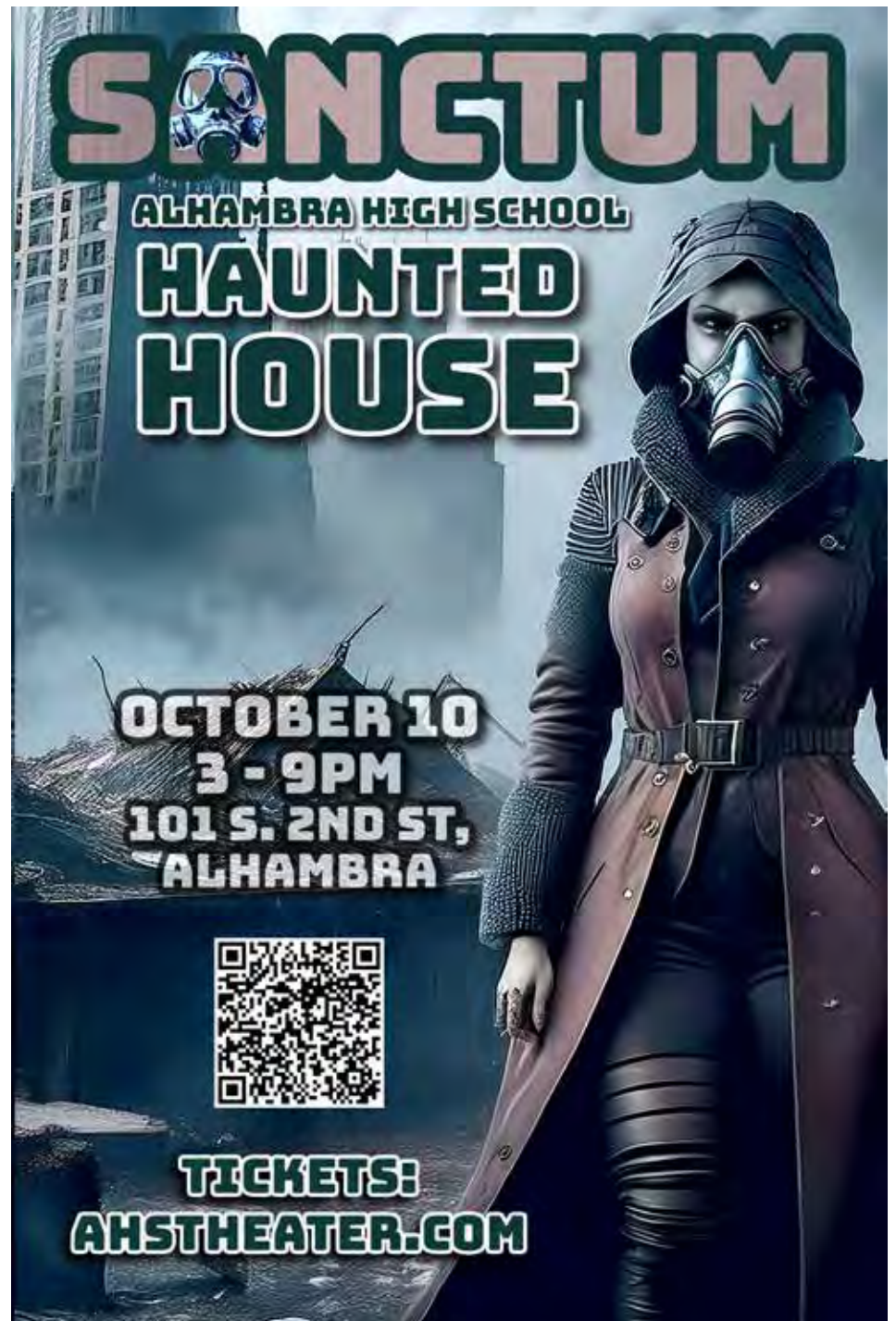
Visitors will enter a post-apocalyptic world where danger lurks in every shadow and survival is never guaranteed. They can expect an immersive experience that blends theatrical storytelling with the suspense and surprises of a haunted maze. "Sanctum" is not simply a walk-through attraction, but a fully realized theatrical event designed to transport audiences into its chilling dystopian setting.

What makes the AHS Haunted House unique is that it is entirely designed and constructed by the school's Technical Theater students. From set design and lighting to sound effects and live acting, students are responsible for every aspect of production. Their work has earned glowing reviews in past years, with Haunts of LA calling the event "intense" and "very impressive."

The Haunted House has become a seasonal highlight for many in the community, offering a safe but exciting way to celebrate the Halloween spirit. While the event is family-friendly, organizers note that its intensity may not be appropriate for very young children, and is recommended for ages 10 and older.

Tickets are priced at \$10 for adults and \$8 for students, and can be purchased in advance at [www.ahstheater.com](http://www.ahstheater.com) or at the door on the day of the event. Concessions will also be available, with payment options including cash, credit, and tap-to-pay.

Whether you are a thrill-seeker, a fan of immersive storytelling, or simply looking for a fun way to kick off the Halloween season, "Sanctum" promises to be a night of unforgettable chills and excitement.



Don't miss Alhambra High School's one-night-only Haunted House, Sanctum, on Friday, October 10, from 3:00-9:00 PM at 101 South Second Street in Alhambra. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students, available at [www.ahstheater.com](http://www.ahstheater.com) or at the door.

# Mark Keppel's Ryan Orozco Honored with Outstanding Educator Award

By Alhambra Unified School District



Mark Keppel High School teacher Ryan Orozco was celebrated at the Garvey Community Center as one of Assemblymember Mike Fong's 2025 Outstanding Educator Award recipients.

Mark Keppel High School Physical Education teacher Ryan Orozco was recognized by Assemblymember Mike Fong (D-49) as one of 14 recipients of the 2025 Outstanding Educator Award. The recognition ceremony took place on Saturday, September 13, at the Garvey Community Center in Rosemead.

Orozco, who has taught at Mark Keppel for seven years, is known not only for his dedication in the classroom and on the wrestling mat, but also for his support of students beyond athletics. He served as head wrestling coach for more than five years, leading multiple league champions, Masters qualifiers, and even a national champion. Today, he continues to guide students as faculty advisor for two student-led initiatives: the Backpack Club, which provides supplies for unhoused students, and the Scholarship Club, which helps peers prepare for higher education.

Assemblymember Fong shared that Orozco's nomination came from a parent who had never even met him personally but felt compelled to acknowledge the lasting impact he had on their daughter. As a freshman returning to school after COVID, the student was introverted, with few friends and multiple rejections from school teams. Orozco offered her a role supporting the wrestling team, giving her the chance to learn new skills, make friends, and build confidence.

The student went on to start two new clubs at Mark Keppel and asked Orozco to serve as their advisor. He willingly accepted the invitation, even with his busy schedule as a new father. The parent credited Orozco's kindness and encouragement as life-changing, writing: "Mr. Orozco's kindness contributed to my daughter's confidence and leadership skills... kindness matters, and we are very appreciative of him."

Orozco said he was humbled by the recognition: "I've always believed that teaching goes beyond the classroom. Sometimes, it's the little acts of kindness that make the biggest difference for a student. To know that I've had that kind of impact means more than any award."

Mark Keppel Principal Alejandra Perez praised Orozco's dedication to students' personal and academic growth. "Ryan embodies what it means to be an educator. He meets students where they are, encourages them to discover their strengths, and helps them see that they belong. We are so proud to see his efforts recognized at the state level."

In presenting the award, Assemblymember Fong praised Orozco for "propelling students forward and helping them look forward to coming to school."

For Orozco, the honor reflects his belief in the power of connection: "At the end of the day, I just want students to know that someone believes in them. That's what keeps me motivated."

# Student Leaders Begin New Year of Service and Advocacy

By Alhambra Unified School District



The 2025-26 Student Advisory Council posed with Superintendent Dr. Denise Jaramillo in the AUSD Board Room following their first meeting on September 4th.

AUSD's Student Advisory Council (SAC) launched its new year on September 4 with a successful first meeting at the District Office. SAC provides students with an in-person platform to share their perspectives on district programs, initiatives, and other issues that affect their school communities. The group will continue to meet monthly at the District Office throughout the school year.

Each school in the district is represented by four SAC members (one for each grade level). Students are encouraged to connect with their site representatives, share ideas, and voice questions or concerns so they can be brought forward to district leadership. SAC already has plans to tackle important issues this year, including making schools more inclusive and welcoming for special education students, improving student attendance, and addressing racism and bias in the school community.

Superintendent Denise Jaramillo commended the group for their energy and enthusiasm, saying, "SAC plays a vital role in ensuring student voices are heard in district decision-making. I can already tell this is a strong, dynamic group, and I look forward to seeing what they will accomplish this year."

This year, returning Student Board Member Keiko Rakin will continue to serve as SAC Chair, while Student Board Member Alternate Angelina Yip will serve as Vice Chair, providing leadership and guidance for the council.

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# Dream Centers and Food Pantry Showcase Community Impact During NEA/CTA Visit

By Alhambra Unified School District



NEA President Becky Pringle listens intently to a MKHS student share about what the Dream Center means to her. (Photo Credit: Ricardo Padillo, AUSD Communications Intern)



MKHS students share the many important services and support the Dream Center provides to the Mark Keppel Community. (Photo Credit: Ricardo Padillo, AUSD Communications Intern)



CTA President David Goldberg had the opportunity to chat with students in each of the AUSD Dream Centers, including the one at Mark Keppel High School (Photo Credit: Ricardo Padillo, AUSD Communications Intern)



Following a visit to the AUSD/ATA Food Pantry, NEA President Becky Pringle and CTA President David Goldberg boarded a school bus with other AUSD leaders to tour the three high school Dream Centers.

National Education Association (NEA) President Becky Pringle visited the Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) on September 3, 2025. She toured the District’s three Dream Centers and the AUSD/ATA Food Pantry, making a surprise donation of \$25,000 to support the pantry’s ongoing work.

California Teachers Association (CTA) President David Goldberg also joined the District tour, which began with a welcome event at the AUSD/ATA Food Pantry. ATA shared the story of the pantry’s origins during the pandemic and how partnerships with the district and community donors have expanded its reach. The pantry now provides large-scale food distributions throughout the year to families and staff experiencing food insecurity.

In a heartfelt moment during the tour, Pringle announced a generous \$25,000 donation. “We hope that this small token of appreciation on behalf of the three-million members of the National Education Association goes a long way towards meeting the food insecurity needs of the students, families and educators of the Alhambra community,” said Pringle. “We are educators. We don’t quit. We will continue to go above and beyond to meet all the needs of our deserving students.”

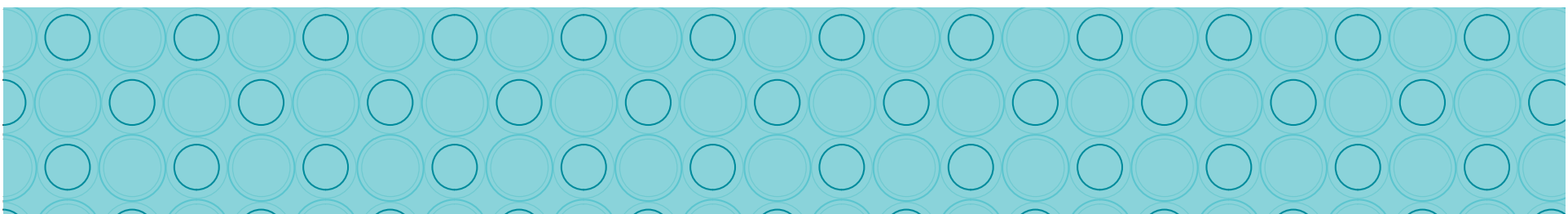
Following the Food Pantry tour, the group visited AUSD’s Dream Centers at Alhambra High School, San Gabriel High School, and Mark Keppel High School. There, students, staff, and community partners showcased programs focused on wellness, equity, and family support, including student-led discussions, restorative justice initiatives, and creative arts programs.

“These programs represent the heart of our commitment to equity, wellness, and student success,” said AUSD Superintendent Dr. Denise Jaramillo. “It was an honor to host national and state educational leaders and to share how our Dream Centers and Food Pantry provide safe spaces and vital resources for our students and families.”

ATA President Ralph Hernandez echoed the sentiment. “Visiting the Food Pantry and Dream Centers has been an incredible experience, and connecting with students and hearing their stories is why we are all here,” Hernandez said. “The needs of our students are incredibly important, and I am especially proud of our unit members for stepping up to meet kids where they are. We are more powerful when we work together to build unity and move programs that foster the overall well-being of our community.”

CTA President David Goldberg added, “Today’s visit to our beautiful Dream Centers and Food Pantry are a powerful testament to the work union educators do day in and day out with our students. Many of these programs and services, which are held in Community Schools, exist to meet the needs of the whole student. These places restore hope, dignity, and the belief that a better future is possible. Every meal and every program is a step towards building unity and empowerment.”

The donation from NEA will help ensure the AUSD/ATA Food Pantry can continue the important work of serving the community and reinforcing the District’s commitment to student and family support.



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May Kunka helped me sell my duplex in Rosemead and successfully secured a non-contingent offer \$100,000 over list price! I first connected with May a few years ago through a friend who recommended her to help lease part of my duplex. She did a fantastic job finding a great tenant, so when it came time to sell, I knew exactly who to call. This time, the situation was more complicated—there were five existing tenants on the property, and I wanted to deliver it vacant. May took the lead in coordinating with each tenant, handling timelines, and communication with care and professionalism. Managing all of that while keeping the deal moving forward was no small task, and it did result in a longer escrow, but she stayed committed and got it done. From our first conversation to the final closing, May made the entire experience feel manageable, straightforward and easy. She stayed on top of everything, kept me in the loop, and was always quick to respond whenever I had questions. Her advice along the way made a big difference, and the sale ended up going over the asking price with no issues during escrow. She's someone you can count on to get the job done while also making the process feel personal and thoughtful. I wouldn't hesitate to work with her again or recommend her to others.



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MY WEBSITE!



I am a Realtor in the San Gabriel Valley with over 18 years of experience. I am committed to ensuring a smooth and stress-free experience for both buyers and sellers. Living locally, I possess an in-depth understanding of the market, and provide my clients with invaluable insights and guidance.

As a certified Probate and Trust Specialist, I bring additional expertise to those dealing with complex property matters.

Whether you're buying your first home, seeking that dream retirement residence, or looking for a lucrative investment property, I am here to guide you through the process with ease and expertise. Let's work together to turn your real estate goals into reality!

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## Featured Stories in Chinese

### 電動自行車安全，從你我做起

簡單規則就能避免意外，守護兒童的道路安全

由蒙特利公園市警察局人員提供

近年來，電動自行車在社區中日漸普及，尤其受到學齡孩童的喜愛。隨著越來越多年輕人使用這種新型交通工具，每個人都有責任了解相關法律、正確裝備及安全操作方式。蒙特利公園市警察局積極在校園周邊執行交通法規，而您在開車與騎乘時的專注與良好習慣，不僅能避免拿到罰單，更能防止發生憾事。

以下是一些行車與裝備提醒：

- 必須配備電動自行車的頭燈與反光器。
- 行經路口或道路時，務必禮讓行人。
- 行進間禁止使用手機。
- 耳機僅可配戴單耳。
- 必須順著車流方向行駛。
- 禁止在人行道上騎乘。
- 每個座位僅限一人乘坐。
- 18歲以下騎士必須配戴頭盔。
- 在100碼之內必須使用手勢示意。
- 必須遵守所有交通標誌與號誌，包括停車標誌及紅燈。

蒙特利公園市警察局與您有著相同的心願與目標：讓我們的孩子與社區能保持安全、健康與快樂。感謝您閱讀並遵守這些安全守則。



欲想了解更多資訊，請聯繫蒙特利公園市警察局交通組，網站：[www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) 或電話：626-307-1240。

### 10月16日大家一起參加大地震演練！

與鄰居、學校及商家一同在上午10點16分練習「趴下、掩護、穩住」

由蒙特利公園市消防局人員提供

加州擁有超過三千七百萬人口，一場大地震可能對我們的社區、商家及基礎建設造成嚴重破壞。我們現在蒙特利公園市所做的準備，將決定地震後復原的速度與成效。因此，蒙特利公園市消防局提醒大家：「要有準備，不要害怕！」

參加「加州大地震排練」(Great California Shake Out) 就是最佳的準備方式之一。今年的排練將於2025年10月16日(星期四)上午10點16分舉行。全州數百萬居民、學校與商家都會參加這項免費演練，練習這個能救命的重要動作：「趴下、掩護、穩住」。去年已有一千六十萬加州人參與，今年已有數百萬人報名。

排練只需花5分鐘，卻可能救您一命。參加方式很簡單，只要上網至 [www.ShakeOut.org/register](http://www.ShakeOut.org/register) 完成報名即可。報名完全免費，參加者可獲得規劃演練、與他人討論防災準備，以及在地震前、中、後保持安全的相關資源。

至少，我們也鼓勵大家於10月16日上午10點16分報名並一同練習「趴下、掩護、穩住」。



同時，這也是透過 Everbridge 註冊蒙特利公園市的緊急警報的好時機。請至 [www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge) 獲取即時本地緊急資訊。

若需要更多防災資訊，或想了解「社區緊急應變小組」(CERT)，請參訪 [www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep) 或致電 626-307-1263。

### MPK Transit Express 擴大服務，新增票價選項

新路線直達加州州立大學洛杉磯分校、Rosemead Walmart、Mark Keppel 高中、Metro 等地，只要 2 美元即可搭乘，還有加值券選擇

由公共工程部門人員提供

今年秋天對蒙特利公園市的乘客來說是一個重要的里程碑，因為 MPK Transit Express 不僅擴展服務範圍，新增多個目的地，同時也提供更多便利的付款方式。

自 2025年9月10日起，MPK Transit Express 每趟車資為 2 美元。居民可透過免費的 Via 行動手機應用程式預訂車程，或撥打客服專線 626-606-2679 預約搭乘。

付款方式簡單便利：乘客可在 Via (Via's TransiTech Platform) 系統中綁定支付卡以完成無縫搭乘；同時也可於 蘭利老人耆英中心 (地址：400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, 91754) 購買乘車券。乘車券有 2 美元、12 美元及 20 美元三種面額，方便習慣使用現金或想提前購買乘車點數的居民使用。

MPK Transit Express 服務時間 為週一至週五，上午 6:30 至晚上 7:30，全天提供可靠的接送服務。車輛配備有輪椅上車的設施，並為符合資格的乘客提供「門到門」的服務。

更進一步，MPK Transit Express 更能帶您抵達多個重要地點，包括：

- 加州州立大學洛杉磯分校 (Cal State LA)
- Rosemead Walmart
- Mark Keppel 高中周邊擴大服務區
- Metro E Line 站點



這些改善展現了市府對提升公共交通的便利性、使用性及連結性的承諾，讓所有在蒙特利公園市的居民在日常生活、工作及就學都能更輕鬆及方便的出行。我們誠摯邀請市民善加利用擴大的服務，親身體驗 MPK Transit Express 如何幫助社區保持順暢運轉。

欲想了解更多蒙特利公園市其他公共交通方式的更多資訊，請參訪 [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov)。

## Featured Stories in Spanish

### La Seguridad en Bicicletas Eléctricas Comienza con Nosotros

Reglas simples pueden ayudar a prevenir accidentes y mantener seguros a los niños en la vía pública

Presentado por el personal del Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park

En los últimos años, hemos visto el creciente uso de bicicletas eléctricas (e-bikes) en la comunidad, especialmente entre niños en edad escolar. Con este nuevo medio de transporte cada vez más común entre los jóvenes, es responsabilidad de todos familiarizarse con las leyes vigentes, el equipo adecuado y las prácticas de operación seguras. El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park aplica proactivamente las leyes de tránsito en las áreas cercanas a las escuelas. Su atención cuidadosa a los hábitos de conducción y ciclismo puede ayudarle a evitar una multa o, más importante aún, una tragedia.

Algunos recordatorios sobre conducción y equipo:

- Se requieren luces y reflectores.
- Siempre ceda el paso a los peatones en la vía.
- No use el teléfono celular mientras conduce.
- Use audífono solo en un oído.
- Desplácese en la misma dirección del tráfico en la vía.
- No circule por la acera.
- Solo un pasajero por asiento.
- El uso de casco es obligatorio para menores de 18 años.
- Señales manuales requeridas dentro de 100 yardas (91 metros).
- Respete todas las señales y semáforos, incluyendo las señales de alto y las luces rojas.



El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park comparte los mismos deseos y objetivos: mantener a nuestros niños y a nuestra comunidad seguros, saludables y felices. Gracias por tomarse el tiempo de leer y cumplir con estas pautas de seguridad.

Para más información, por favor comuníquese con la División de Tránsito del Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park en [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) o al 626-307-1240.

### ¡Participemos Juntos en el Shake Out el 16 de Octubre!

Únase a sus vecinos, escuelas y negocios a las 10:16 a.m. para practicar "Agáchese, Cúbrase y Sujétese"

Presentado por el personal del Departamento de Bomberos

California es hogar a más de 37 millones de personas, y un gran terremoto podría causar daños generalizados a nuestras comunidades, negocios e infraestructura. Lo que hagamos ahora en Monterey Park determinará cómo nos recuperamos después de un gran sismo. Por eso, el Departamento de Bomberos de Monterey Park alienta a todos a "¡Estar Preparados, No Asustados!"

Una de las mejores maneras de prepararse es participando en el Gran Shake Out de California, el jueves 16 de octubre de 2025, a las 10:16 a.m. Millones de personas en todo el estado —incluyendo residentes, escuelas y negocios— participarán en este simulacro gratuito para practicar la acción que salva vidas: "Agáchese, Cúbrase y Sujétese." El año pasado participaron 10.6 millones de californianos; este año, millones ya se han registrado.

Solo toma cinco minutos practicar, pero podría salvarle la vida. Para unirse, visite [www.ShakeOut.org/register](http://www.ShakeOut.org/register) y comprométase a participar. El registro es gratuito, y los participantes reciben recursos para ayudar a planificar simulacros, hablar con otros sobre preparación y aprender cómo mantenerse seguros antes, durante y después de un terremoto.

Como mínimo, se invita a todos a registrarse y practicar "Agáchese, Cúbrase y Sujétese" a las 10:16 a.m. del 16 de octubre.

Este también es un buen momento para inscribirse en las alertas de emergencia de la Ciudad de Monterey Park a través de Everbridge. Manténgase informado sobre emergencias locales visitando [www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/everbridge).

Para más información sobre preparación o para aprender acerca del Equipo Comunitario de Respuesta a Emergencias (CERT), visite [www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/disasterprep) o llame al 626-307-1263.



### MPK Transit Express Amplía su Servicio y Agrega Nuevas Opciones de Tarifa

Nuevas rutas a Cal State LA, Walmart de Rosemead, la Preparatoria Mark Keppel, Metro y más, ahora con tarifas sencillas de \$2 y opciones de vales

Presentado por el personal del Departamento de Obras Públicas

Este otoño marca un hito emocionante para los pasajeros de Monterey Park, ya que MPK Transit Express se expande para llegar a más destinos y al mismo tiempo ofrece nuevas formas de pago.

Desde el 10 de septiembre de 2025, los viajes en MPK Transit Express cuestan ahora \$2 por trayecto. Los residentes pueden reservar sus viajes a través de la aplicación móvil gratuita Vía o llamando al servicio de atención al cliente al 626-606-2679.

El pago es sencillo: mantenga una tarjeta de pago registrada en Vía para realizar viajes sin interrupciones, o compre vales en el Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, 91754. Los vales están disponibles en incrementos de \$2, \$12 y \$20. Estos ofrecen una alternativa a las transacciones con tarjeta, ideales para los pasajeros que prefieren pagar en efectivo o que desean planificar con anticipación y comprar créditos de viaje.

MPK Transit Express opera de lunes a viernes, de 6:30 a.m. a 7:30 p.m., brindando cobertura confiable durante todo el día. El servicio cuenta con vehículos accesibles para sillas de ruedas y ofrece transporte de "puerta a puerta" para los pasajeros que reúnan los requisitos.

Además, MPK Transit Express ahora llega más lejos. Los pasajeros pueden conectar con Cal State LA, hacer sus compras en Walmart de Rosemead, o llegar



a destinos comunitarios importantes como la línea E de Metro y las áreas de servicio ampliadas cerca de la Preparatoria Mark Keppel.

Estas mejoras reflejan el compromiso de la Ciudad de facilitar el transporte, hacerlo más accesible y mejor conectado para todos los que viven, trabajan y estudian en Monterey Park. Invitamos a los residentes a aprovechar este servicio ampliado y ver de primera mano cómo MPK Transit Express está ayudando a que nuestra comunidad se mantenga en movimiento.

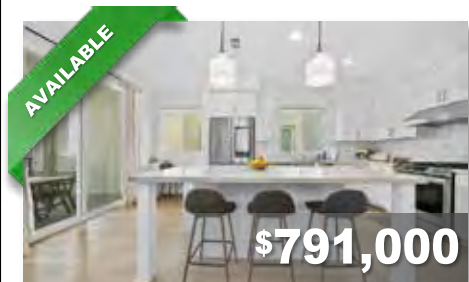
Para más información sobre otras opciones y métodos de transporte público en la Ciudad de Monterey Park, visite [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).



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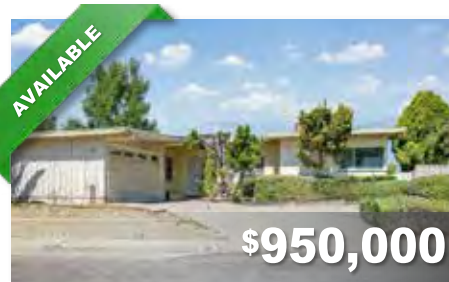
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2 Bed | 3 Bath | Townhome | 1,276 ft<sup>2</sup>



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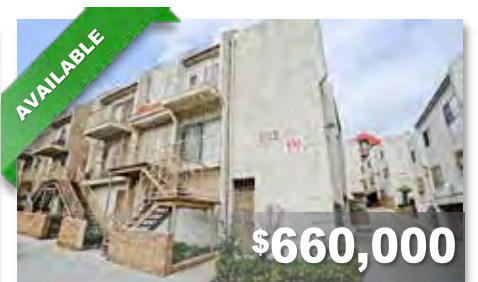
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Monterey Park	Single Family House	\$1,082,263	\$1,143,222	-5.33%
	Condo/Townhome	\$672,792	\$679,491	-0.99%
Alhambra	Single Family House	\$1,017,274	\$1,141,628	-10.89%
	Condo/Townhome	\$729,228	\$745,813	-2.22%

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*Client Testimonial*

"Philip Chang has represented us in two transactions on the sell and buy side. He masterfully guided us through the sale of a home in 2020 during the worst of the uncertainty of the market during the first months of Covid. Then he helped us navigate the low inventory real estate market that has existed over the last two years in LA. We have been looking since 2021 with a tight budget. Philip always kept his head and advised against jumping into the feeding frenzy bidding wars. His sound advice paid off big when we found the perfect home for the right price. He really knows the market, he is the consummate professional, savvy about how, when, and how much to bid. We found him to be super responsive and personable. We cannot recommend him more highly. We would trust him implicitly to represent us in any future transaction."

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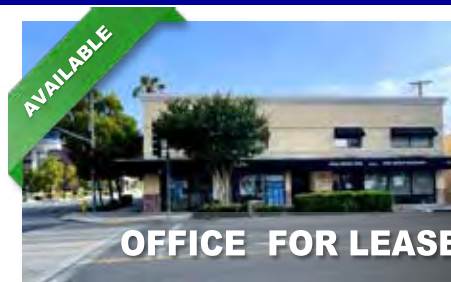
**Alhambra**  
Retail | Mod. Gross | 2,603-3,263 ft<sup>2</sup>



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**San Gabriel**  
Retail | NNN | 750 ft<sup>2</sup>



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