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## City Invites Community to Shape the Future of Barnes Park Pool

Residents are encouraged to attend November workshops and share ideas for a new Barnes Park Aquatic Center  
By Recreation and Community Services staff

The City of Monterey Park is excited to invite residents to help design a new vision for the Barnes Park Aquatic Center. In partnership with design consultants the DAHLIN Group, the city is developing a conceptual plan for the Barnes Park pool, and we want your ideas to guide it. Funding for the project has not been secured and the City continues to apply for grants and explore funding opportunities. Developing a design is the next step in the process of a future project.

Community input is essential. Whether you'd love to see lap lanes, splash pads, shaded seating, water aerobics or swim lessons, now is the time to let your voice be heard.

Join us at one of two upcoming community outreach events to share your vision:

- Thursday, November 6, 2025, 7-8:30 p.m. at Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave.
- Monday, November 17, 2025, 6-7:30 p.m. at Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library, 318 S. Ramona Ave.

The Monterey Park City Council recently adopted the Parks System Master Plan following extensive community engagement that included surveys, focus groups and public workshops. Based on community input, the redevelopment of Barnes Park pool was identified as a priority for reinvestment.

We are excited to hear your ideas for the future of Barnes Park. For more information, please scan the QR code or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/barnespool](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/barnespool).



## Monterey Park Police Department Launches New Public Safety Data Portal

By Police Department staff

The Monterey Park Police Department is excited to announce the launch of its new Citizen Records Information Management System (RIMS) public safety portal, a modern, interactive website designed to keep residents informed and engaged while providing greater transparency and access to essential police services.

The Citizen RIMS portal serves as a central hub for public safety information, giving the community the tools they need to stay connected and play an active role in keeping Monterey Park safe.

### Key Features

- **Calls for service and crime activity:** Color-coded incident markers and filter options enable users to easily view activity by location, date or incident type.
- **Monthly crime statistics:** Residents can see how crime trends change over time, giving them a better understanding of patterns in their neighborhoods. Before being published, the data is reviewed and verified by department staff to maintain reliability and to protect privacy by removing sensitive information.
- **Missing persons and recent arrestees:** The website provides up-to-date information about missing persons and recent arrestees reported within the last 30 days.
- **Online service requests:**
  - o Vacation home checks: Residents can notify the department when they will be away, allowing officers to periodically check their property as resources allow.
  - o Extra patrol requests: Community members can request increased patrol presence in areas of concern, helping address neighborhood issues proactively.
- **Security camera registration:** The portal also offers a voluntary security camera registration program. This program does not give officers direct access to private camera systems. Instead, it allows officers to reach out to camera owners for potential footage, which may assist with investigations and the resolution of crimes.

### Building Trust Through Transparency

Monterey Park Police Chief Scott Wiese emphasized the department's commitment to transparency and community collaboration. "Our goal is to give residents clear, accurate, and timely information about public safety in our city," said Chief Wiese. "This portal represents a major step forward in building trust and working hand-in-hand with the community we serve."

### How to Access the Portal

The Monterey Park PD Public Safety Portal is now live and accessible to all residents by visiting <https://montereypark.citizenrims.com/> or by scanning the QR code. A direct link to the portal can also be found on the department's webpage at [www.montereypark.ca.gov/police](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/police) under the "Crime Statistics" section.



MPPD invites you to visit the new portal to explore its features, request services, and learn how you can play an active role in keeping Monterey Park safe.

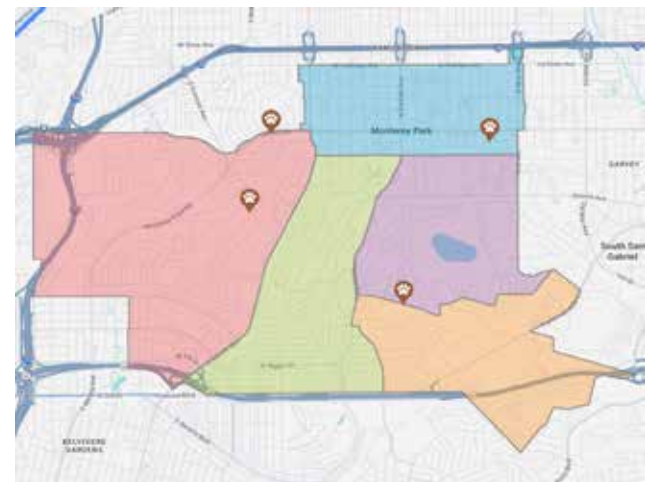


Image of the Citizen RIMS portal showing a selection of animal control activity.

## Public Invited to Review Proposed Garvey Avenue Design Concepts

Join November community meetings to preview design concepts improving traffic flow, pedestrian safety, and bike access

By Public Works staff

Garvey Avenue serves as a vital east-west corridor connecting Monterey Park's downtown, City Hall, and residential neighborhoods to the greater Los Angeles region. The City is moving forward with the Garvey Avenue Improvement Project to enhance traffic flow, improve safety, and strengthen pedestrian and bicycle mobility along this key corridor.

Since the project was first introduced, the City has hosted multiple community events and conducted an online survey that received more than 400 responses from residents and local businesses. The City's consultant, Mark Thomas, also conducted door-to-door outreach to hear firsthand from business owners and residents about their experiences and priorities for Garvey Avenue.

The valuable feedback received so far has helped shape the design concepts that will be presented to the community this November. **Two community meetings will be held at Langley Senior Center on November 10 and November 13, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.** Mark Thomas will share proposed concepts for the project, and attendees will have the opportunity to review, ask questions, and share input before a final concept is presented to the City Council.

Your participation is vital in helping shape the future of Garvey Avenue. Please join us to learn more about the project, speak directly with the design team, and share your thoughts. Langley Senior Center is located at 400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

For more information and project updates, please scan the QR code or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/garveyave](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/garveyave).



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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)



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## 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)

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626-307-2585  
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購物車熱線  
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Centro de Derechos de Vivienda  
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Salud Ambiental del Condado de L.A.  
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L.A. County Info. & Referral Services. (24/7)  
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# Monterey Park to Upgrade Every Water Meter — Smarter Water Service for Your Home

By Shawn Igoe, Public Works Director

Starting fall 2025, the City of Monterey Park will begin replacing all 13,500 water meters with Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) technology. This \$9 million project (CIP 99045), funded by the water bond, is a major step forward in modernizing our water system and improving service citywide.

### Why Upgrade?

Our current system uses older AMR technology that only reads intermittently. AMI offers:

- Real-time, two-way communication between your meter and the City.
- Faster leak and usage alerts to reduce waste and surprise bills.
- Customer portal access to track water use by hour, day, or month.
- Operational efficiencies that lower long-term costs and improve planning.

Simply put: better service, more transparency and stronger water infrastructure.

### What's Being Installed

The City is installing Neptune Mach 10 ultrasonic meters—highly accurate “smart” meters with no moving parts, ensuring long-term reliability and precise billing.

### Project Timeline & Scope

- Construction: Fall 2025–fall 2026 (12 months).
- Contractor: Ferguson Waterworks.
- Scope: Replace all meters and transmitters, build communication network, and launch the customer portal

### What to Expect as a Customer

- Advance notice with door-to-door notifications before crews work in your area.
- Minimal water disruption—installation usually takes only minutes.
- Special coordination for hard-to-access meters.
- Smooth transition with overlap between old and new systems to avoid billing issues.

We'll share updates through the City website, newsletters and community outreach.

### Stay Connected

This is one of the most transformative utility upgrades in decades—bringing smarter technology, better conservation, and improved customer service to Monterey Park. Thank you for your cooperation as we make this investment in our city's future.

For more information about this or other capital improvement projects, visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip) or scan the QR code to access the AMI Project page with:

- Latest construction schedule.
- Neighborhood notifications.
- Customer portal information.
- FAQs and contact info.



# Code Compliance Promotes Safety and Cleanliness This November

By Code Compliance staff

As we welcome cooler weather and prepare for the holiday season, November serves as an important time for the Monterey Park community to come together and focus on safety and compliance. The Code Enforcement Division is committed to ensuring that our neighborhoods remain safe, clean and compliant with local ordinances throughout the colder months. Winter can bring a range of unique challenges, from increased outdoor clutter to potential safety hazards in residential and commercial properties.

### November Focus Areas:

- **Property maintenance and cleanliness:** As leaves begin to fall, it's essential to keep properties clear of debris that can clog storm drains or become hazards on sidewalks. Code enforcement officers will be working closely with residents and business owners to ensure that properties are properly maintained, preventing any issues with stormwater runoff or fire risks.
- **Waste management and recycling:** November is the perfect time to refresh our waste management habits, particularly with holiday festivities generating more waste. Properly disposing of trash, green waste and recyclables helps keep our city clean and environmentally friendly. Code enforcement is working closely with waste management services to promote proper disposal practices and ensure that businesses and residences comply with local waste and recycling regulations. Residents are encouraged to review collection schedules and avoid illegal dumping.

- **Safe and accessible pathways:** We remind the community that keeping sidewalks and pathways clear of obstructions such as overgrown vegetation or improperly placed items is especially important as the weather changes. Ensuring safe, accessible walkways aligns with the municipal code and promotes community well-being, particularly for those with mobility challenges.

- **Collaboration and reporting:** Code enforcement is here to help. We encourage all residents and business owners to reach out with any concerns about safety or compliance, whether it's a minor concern or a potential violation. Working together, we can identify issues before they become larger problems.

By focusing on these key areas in November, we can work together to ensure a safer, more enjoyable environment for all. Whether you're preparing your home for guests or managing a business, our team is here to support you in maintaining a safe and compliant community. We thank you for your continued cooperation and engagement, and we look forward to a productive November.

For additional information, please contact the Code Compliance Division at 626-307-1415, [codecompliance@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:codecompliance@montereypark.ca.gov), visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov), or access our free mobile app, GoMPK.



# Clear Sightlines, Safer Streets: California's Daylighting Law

Drivers must avoid parking within 20 feet of crosswalks—even without red curbs—to reduce collisions and improve visibility

By Public Works staff

Effective January 1, 2025, California's Daylighting Law (AB 413) enhances road safety by prohibiting vehicle parking, stopping or standing within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any crosswalk, whether marked or unmarked. This statewide measure is designed to improve visibility for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians, helping to reduce collisions and save lives.

### What is Daylighting?

Daylighting refers to clearing obstructions near intersections and crosswalks to improve visibility for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians. Removing parked vehicles and other barriers near intersections provides a clearer line of sight, reducing collisions and improving overall safety.

### Key Provisions of AB 413

- 20-foot no-parking zones: Vehicles are prohibited from parking, stopping, or idling within 20 feet of the vehicle approach side of any crosswalk, whether marked or unmarked.
- No need for red curbs: Under AB 413, red curbs are not necessary for the parking prohibition to be enforceable. Drivers must comply with the 20-foot rule, even in the absence of signage or painted curbs.

### Why It Matters

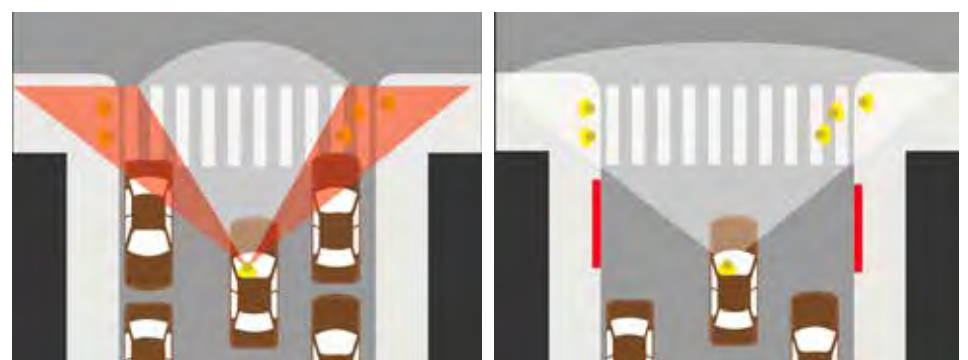
Daylighting is intended to reduce preventable traffic collisions and save lives:

- For drivers: Better sightlines allow for improved reactions to crossing pedestrians, cyclists, and other vehicles.
- For pedestrians and cyclists: Enhanced visibility reduces risks, particularly in areas with high foot traffic.

Studies show that areas with daylighting policies experience fewer pedestrian and vehicle collisions, especially in urban settings.

### Local Flexibility

While the law establishes a standard, it allows local governments to adapt enforcement and signage based on community needs. For example, certain exceptions may apply where the 20-foot rule isn't feasible due to existing infrastructure, such as a bus stop.



Before daylighting: cars cannot see pedestrians in the crosswalk due to parked cars blocking the sightlines. Image courtesy of SFMTA.

After daylighting: cars have a clear view to pedestrians before they step off the curb into the crosswalk. Image courtesy of SFMTA.

### What Drivers Need to Know

- Always observe the 20-foot parking restriction, regardless of whether curbs are painted red or signage is visible.
- Enforcement will focus on vehicles stopping in or too near intersections or crosswalks in ways that could jeopardize pedestrian safety.
- Parking violations will be subject to fines or penalties, even if curb colors have not been updated.

### Benefits to Communities

- Improved visibility: Increases sight lines for drivers and pedestrians crossing the street.
- Encouragement of walking and cycling: Enhanced safety makes streets more inviting for non-motorized transportation.
- Support for Vision Zero: AB 413 is a critical step in California's initiative to eliminate traffic-related deaths and severe injuries.

For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at 626-307-1320.

# Keep Monterey Park Beautiful: A Resident's Guide to Graffiti Abatement

Help the City with graffiti abatement by reporting public vandalism and graffiti sightings on public spaces and private property

By Public Works staff

Graffiti is illegal and a clear act of vandalism on our public and private spaces. The Public Works department removes graffiti from public spaces. Graffiti on private property is the responsibility of homeowners and businesses. The following is a practical guide to addressing graffiti in the community. By acting quickly, we can maintain our city's clean appearance and discourage further vandalism.

## Graffiti on Public Spaces

Public spaces include areas such as sidewalks, curbs, street signs, equipment in the parks, public buildings, utility poles, alleys, utility poles, etc. To report graffiti on public spaces, please use the GoMPK online service request system available through the city's website or as a mobile app, to submit your request for removal. Alternatively, you can report graffiti by contacting the Public Works Department at 626-307-1320 during regular business hours. When reporting, please provide the exact address, cross streets, or a clear description of the location. A description of the graffiti, such as the type of marking, is also helpful.

## Graffiti on Private Property

Graffiti on private property is the responsibility of property owners. Therefore, homeowners and businesses shall take necessary measures to safely remove graffiti. Some items to consider include:

- **Time is of the essence:** Homeowners and businesses should act quickly. Timely removal is the most effective deterrent.
- **Identify the affected surface and use proper method:** The method for removal

depends on the material type such as brick, metal, wood, or glass. Always test a small area first to make sure your method won't cause additional damage.

- **Documenting graffiti:** The City encourages property owners to photograph the graffiti for police records, which can help track vandalism patterns.

By working together and reporting all graffiti sightings, residents can help keep our city clean and safe. Please note that the City is transitioning from its dedicated telephone Graffiti Hotline and email to the GoMPK service request system. The hotline will be officially phased out December 31, 2025. After this date, we will no longer be accepting reports via the old hotline number.

Reporting issues through the City's Go MPK app allows residents to submit precise location data and photos for each request. Residents will also be able to track the status of service requests in real-time, from submission to completion. Please scan the QR code or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/gompk](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/gompk) for a link to our Go MPK customer service app or download the Go MPK app from your device's app store.

To report someone actively defacing property, please contact Monterey Park Police Department immediately at 626-573-1311 and provide a description of the individual and any vehicle involved. The community's quick action is the first line of defense against the spread of graffiti. For more information, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or contact Public Works at 626-307-1320.



# City Offers Convenient Transit Options for Every Resident

From the Spirit Bus to MPK Transit Express and Dial-A-Ride, Monterey Park makes it easy to get around town affordably

By Public Works staff

The City of Monterey Park is proud to provide a variety of convenient and affordable transportation services for residents. Whether you need a quick ride across town, a flexible on-demand option, or specialized service for seniors and disabled residents, our programs are here to help you get where you need to go.

## Spirit Bus

The Spirit Bus operates four fixed-routes throughout the City on weekdays from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Routes 1, 2 and 3 are just \$0.25 per ride, while Route 5 is \$0.50 per ride. Spirit Bus accepts cash, TAP cards and Access Service ID. Riders can easily track buses in real time by downloading the Passio GO! app.

## MPK Transit Express

MPK Transit Express offers an on-demand service that runs weekdays from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Rides are \$2 each and can be paid with a credit/debit card on file or vouchers. Vouchers are available for purchase at Langley Senior Center. To book a ride, download the MPK Transit Express app or call 626-606-2679.

## Dial-A-Ride

Dial-A-Ride provides door-to-door service for seniors (55+) and residents with disabilities. Service operates Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. After a one-time \$5 application fee, all rides are free. Applications require proof of residency and photo identification.

## How to Get Started

- Spirit Bus: Find the nearest bus stop and pay when you board.
- MPK Transit Express: Book a ride through the app or by phone, then confirm your pickup and drop-off locations.
- Dial-A-Ride: Complete the membership application to begin riding at no cost after approval.

For more information, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov) or call the Public Works Department at 626-307-1320.

# Stay Warm, Stay Safe: Prevent Heating Fires This Winter

By Fire Prevention staff

There is something comforting about the winter months and curling up with a good book by the fireplace. But did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? Monterey Park Fire Department Fire Prevention staff want to share a few tips to keep in mind during the fall and winter seasons. With a few simple safety tips and precautions, you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

Follow these heating tips to help prevent winter fires and to stay safe this winter season:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet from all heat sources including fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, space heaters or candles.
- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.

- Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Turn space heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Plug the heater directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord.
- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected each year by a professional.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms at least once a month.

For more information on home heating tips, please contact the Fire Prevention Division at 626-307-1308 or email [fireprevention@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:fireprevention@montereypark.ca.gov).

# Fire Department Shares Thanksgiving Turkey Frying Safety Tips

By Fire Department staff

In a few weeks, many families will be preparing their traditional Thanksgiving turkey feasts. If you plan to use a deep fryer this year, it's crucial to follow safety precautions to prevent fires, burns or other injuries.

## Dangers of Frying a Turkey:

- Even a small amount of oil contacting the burner can cause a large fire.
- Overfilling the pot or using a partially frozen turkey can cause oil to spill.
- Pot sides, lid, and handles get extremely hot and can cause severe burns.
- Fryers can easily tip over, spilling hot oil over a wide area.
- Fryers without thermostat controls can overheat the oil to the point of combustion.

## Turkey Frying Safety Tips:

- Do not overfill the fryer.
- Use fryers outdoors, on a solid, level surface, away from buildings and flammable materials.

- Keep an all-purpose fire extinguisher nearby.
- Ensure the turkey is completely thawed before frying.
- Never leave the fryer unattended.
- Keep children and pets away; oil remains hot for hours.
- Avoid using fryers on wooden decks, under patio covers, garages, or enclosed spaces.
- Wear long sleeves, safety goggles, and use well-insulated potholders or oven mitts to protect against splatter.

While deep frying can create a delicious turkey, it carries significant risks. When in doubt, the oven is the safer choice. Stay safe and enjoy your holidays!

For more information, please contact the Monterey Park Fire Department at 626-307-1262 or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/fire](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/fire).

# City of Monterey Park BUSINESS CONNECT

By Economic Development Division staff



## In The Game MPK: Connecting Local Businesses to Olympic Opportunities

The City of Monterey Park and the Monterey Park Business Alliance are launching **In The Game MPK**, a new initiative helping local businesses compete for contracts tied to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics. The program offers guidance on procurement opportunities, certification support, and hands-on training to strengthen bidding competitiveness.



For more details about the program and to stay informed about upcoming In The Game MPK events, interested business owners are encouraged to visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/inthegamempk](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/inthegamempk).

## 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, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/1695/Monterey-Park-Business-Concierge](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/1695/Monterey-Park-Business-Concierge).

## Taste of Downtown MPK



The popular "Taste of Downtown MPK" program is going strong! This holiday season, don't forget to visit our downtown restaurants and enjoy a 15% reward on dining purchases 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).

## Build Your Business the Right Way

Monterey Park Business Alliance, in partnership with Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE), is offering the "Build Your Business the Right Way" workshop series that will run every Saturday from November 1 through December 20, 2025 (except November 29) at El Encanto in Monterey Park. Aspiring entrepreneurs will learn how to choose the right business structure, obtain permits, build a solid business plan, market effectively, and find legitimate funding—while avoiding common startup challenges. RSVP today at [www.tinyurl.com/5x9hw7y9](http://www.tinyurl.com/5x9hw7y9).



## Entrepreneur Training Program: Launch Your Business in 2026

Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE) is conducting the Entrepreneur Training Program (ETP), a series of workshops from January 10 to February 7, 2026, for aspiring business owners. Participants will learn how to create a solid business plan, manage finances, market effectively, and navigate legal and tax requirements – all with guidance from industry experts and access to free one-on-one consulting. RSVP today at [www.tinyurl.com/53nmpk84](http://www.tinyurl.com/53nmpk84).



## 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!



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 to promote your business to the community!

## Business Spotlight: Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park

*New hotel offers comfort and convenience right off the 10 freeway*

Located at 400 N. Atlantic Blvd., Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park is a new addition to the local hospitality scene, offering 136 modern guestrooms, including 38 spacious suites designed for both business and leisure travelers. Conveniently located right off the 10 Freeway and within walking distance to neighboring shopping centers, the hotel sits in a vibrant, walkable area just minutes from downtown Los Angeles. Guests enjoy amenities such as the fitness center, outdoor pool, and on-site dining at Toast to Toast. With flexible event spaces, including a 1,680 sq. ft. ballroom and VIP Lounge with outdoor seating, it's a practical spot for meetings, gatherings, and group stays.

What sets this hotel apart is its personalized approach to service and wide appeal. Whether hosting airline crews, business travelers, or families exploring LA, the hotel offers a space that balances functionality and comfort. Guests can grab a quick bite at the marketplace, enjoy a relaxed meal, or unwind in well-designed common areas. Their team is committed to connecting guests with the local community.



A fun fact: the hotel has already been featured in several films and TV shoots. With its sleek, modern look and prime location, the VIP Lounge and other areas have quickly become a go-to spot for filmmakers. It's a small but exciting way Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park is becoming part of the local and creative fabric of the area. Go check them out! <https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/monterey-park/burmp/hoteldetail>.

## 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).



## Don't Wait for the Rains, Prepare for Storms Now

By Public Works staff

A little preparation goes a long way to take care of your home and community during heavy rains. Residents with hillside properties are reminded to take precautionary steps such as maintaining their slopes and drainage swales before the rain falls. Don't wait until the rain starts, as it might be too late. All drainage swales must be kept free of debris, to prevent erosion, subsidence or surface water drainage problems that may impact their property, their neighbor's property or public property.

During months of dry weather, various pollutants accumulate in the gutters or on the streets. Among them are cigarette butts, dog waste, food wrappers and oil stains from leaky cars. Once the first rain hits the ground, all the pollutants get washed away to nearby gutters and eventually to rivers, creeks, and the ocean. Not only do they pollute our waterways, they also close local beaches and harms marine lives and people's health. Below is a list of recommended measures to follow to ensure a safer and cleaner rainy season:

- Slopes: Hillside culverts should be cleared of dirt, vegetation, weeds, downed trees and debris so as not to interfere with the flow and disposal of storm water in culverts and storm drains. Regular inspections of culverts and drains should be established to ensure proper flow. Appropriate and adequate vegetation should be maintained to prevent erosion, soil movement or slope failure.
- Clean out leaves from roof and gutters so they don't clog the drain. Please make sure you clean the outdoor area with a broom, not a hose.

- Check your sprinkler system and fix broken ones as necessary. Turn the sprinkler off when it rains or install a rain sensor that will shut off your sprinkler system automatically.
- Do not apply pesticides or any chemical to lawns and gardens before watering or predicted rainstorms.
- Recycle unwanted or old hazardous products, such as used motor oil, filters, paint, paint thinner, pesticides, pool chemicals, used needles and unwanted or expired prescriptions at a Household Hazardous Waste Roundup Event hosted by Los Angeles County. For more information on upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Roundup events near you or to visit one of the free permanent collection centers call 1 888 CLEAN LA or visit [www.888cleanla.com](http://www.888cleanla.com).
- Keep your vehicles in good condition and prevent leaks. Fluids dripped or spilled onto streets will be washed into the storm drain system, which in turn, drains to the ocean.

Do your part to ensure that culverts, swales, and other manmade drainage features comply with federal, state, and local restrictions. The maintenance and cleaning of hillside drainage features will ensure that the city's stormwater system functions properly without causing adverse effects on residents and to protect public and private property from damage. For questions or to get more information on storm preparation, please visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/stormprep](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/stormprep) or call the Public Works Department at 626-307-1320.

## Monterey Park Takes Bold Step Toward Safer Streets with Vision Zero Action Plan

By Public Works staff

The City of Monterey Park is excited to begin work on a Vision Zero Action Plan, a citywide effort to make our streets safer for everyone. Vision Zero is based on a simple but powerful idea: no loss of life on our roads is acceptable. By working together, we can design safer streets, improve crossings, and create neighborhoods where walking, biking, and driving are safe and comfortable for all ages.

This plan will bring together several important efforts under one vision:

- Strengthen **Safe Routes to School**, making it easier and safer for children to walk or bike to class.
- Includes an **Active Transportation Plan**, expanding options for walking and cycling and connecting neighborhoods with safe, inviting pathways.
- Follows **Complete Streets Guidelines**, which ensure that our roads are designed for everyone—drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, seniors and people with disabilities alike.

Community engagement will be at the heart of this effort, with outreach conducted in multiple languages to ensure every voice is heard. By uniting these elements into one comprehensive Vision Zero plan, Monterey Park will have a clear roadmap to reduce serious crashes, improve mobility, and build a healthier, more connected community for all. For more information, please scan the QR code or visit [www.montereypark.ca.gov/visionzero](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/visionzero).



## Monterey Park Students Represent City in Japan Sister City Exchange

Two high school students visit Nachikatsuura, Japan, strengthening a 57-year sister city friendship

By David Ikeda, Monterey Park-Nachikatsuura Sister City Association

In 1968, Monterey Park community members including Terry and Ryoko Suzuki helped establish the Monterey Park-Nachikatsuura Sister City Association. This was the first Sister City Association in Monterey Park. Since then high school students from the City of Monterey Park or Nachikatsuura Town have been selected as Student Ambassadors to represent their sister cities on alternating years. The student exchange program helps to strengthen the goodwill between sister cities and provides youth the opportunity to learn and understand the customs and cultures of other countries. Former President Eisenhower established what he referred to as the "People-to-People" program in 1956. Today there are more than 2,100 sister city affiliations in 121 countries around the world.

This year commemorated the 57th Anniversary of the Monterey Park-Nachikatsuura sister city relationship. This year, the Association selected Mark Keppel High School students Riley Beightler and Hannah Ng. Both Hannah and Riley are Girl Scouts and candidates for the Gold Award. Riley is a member of CSF, NHS, K-POP club, Japanese club and a captain of the MKHS Swim Team. Hannah is president of her church youth group. She enjoys working with the youth at their summer camp and Girl Scout troop. She is also the captain of the MKHS Girls Golf team.

The students began their 11-day trip by attending the World Expo in Osaka where the theme of "Celebration of Innovation and Culture" rang true throughout their stay. Not only did they discover more about many countries at the expo, but they also learned about how these countries are building the smart cities of tomorrow. The expo featured 158 countries and various other global organizations. The students were able to broaden their horizons at the expo and experienced worlds of the past, present and future.



Next, the students got a "taste" of everyday Nachikatsuura life, culture, local food and customs during their home stays with former Japanese student ambassadors and their families. They attended the annual "Fire Festival" which took place at Nachi Falls, a UNESCO World Heritage site. The students also participated in many other activities such as a traditional tea ceremony, calligraphy writing, a Zen meditation session, and a day exploring a zoo called Adventure World. Rounding out their trip, the students spent a day at Shingu High School where they interacted with students and experienced life as typical Japanese high schoolers.

"We are so grateful for this opportunity," said Riley. "Hannah and I couldn't ever have imagined traveling halfway around the world, eating such delicious food and learning about the Japanese culture and lifestyle. It really gave us a different perspective on life and we are so fortunate to have experienced the trip."

For more information regarding the Monterey Park-Nachikatsuura Sister City Association, please contact David Ikeda at [dkikeda@aol.com](mailto:dkikeda@aol.com).



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**

Tuesday  
**November 18, 2025**  
5:00 p.m.  
**VCA Engineers, Inc.**  
631 S Atlantic Blvd,  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

Tuesday  
**December 16, 2025**  
5:00 p.m.  
**Shinano Restaurant**  
1106 S Atlantic Blvd,  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

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**與市長會面**

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Se invita a los miembros de la comunidad a conversaciones informales y a conocer más sobre la ciudad con el alcalde de Monterey Park.

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**NEGOCIOS DESTACADOS**

Martes  
**November 18, 2025**  
5:00 p.m.  
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Monterey Park, CA 91754

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**MANTENGA EL AMOR: ¡COMPRA Y CENE LOCALMENTE!**  
El "Encuentro con el alcalde" se trata de unirse como comunidad, compartir ideas y mostrar amor por Monterey Park apoyando a las empresas locales. Apoyar a estas empresas fortalece nuestra comunidad y economía a través de las compras y los restaurantes locales. ¡Redescubre lugares locales y comparte tus experiencias con #LOVEMPK!  
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Proporcionado por el Centro de Servicios de Chinatown en colaboración con la Ciudad de Monterey Park.



# 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日 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
- Spanish and Chinese interpretation provided | Interpretación en Español y Chino sera provefda | 提供西班牙語及中文翻譯

**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:

[www.housingrightscenter.org/workshops](http://www.housingrightscenter.org/workshops)

QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS EVENT? PREGUNTAS SOBRE ESTE EVENTO? 有關此活動其他疑問?

OUTREACH@HOUSINGRIGHTSCENTER.ORG



# 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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**COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS**

**Wednesday, November 12, 2025**

6-7 p.m.  
Ynez Elementary School Auditorium  
120 S. Ynez Ave.,  
Monterey Park, CA 91754



The Monterey Park City Council invites the community to join for discussion, dialogue, education and engagement on subjects like development, safety, parks and more.

Come meet your neighbors, chat with your local elected representatives, and learn about what's happening in the Monterey Park community.

[www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov)



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**NOV 8**

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**GRAND PRIZE : \$500  
COST : \$40 PER PERSON**

**Begins 8:30 AM**

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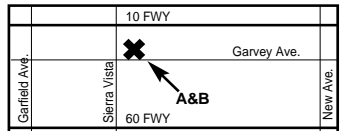
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## What's in the Sky for November

From Leonids to Venus, discover what's lighting up the autumn night sky  
By David Nakamoto, Los Angeles Astronomical Society

**Daylight saving time** ends on Sunday, November 2, at 2:00 a.m. All clocks must be set back one hour, according to the saying, "spring forward, fall back."

The **Leonids meteor shower** peaks from the evening of November 16 through to the morning of 17th. The shower is named after the constellation of Leo the Lion, where the meteors appear to originate. The Leonids usually produce ten meteors per hour with many bright meteors. The Moon rises in the early morning sky, 10-percent illuminated, and will not interfere with observation this year.

The **Northern Taurids meteor shower** peaks from the evening of November 8 to the morning of the 9th. The shower is named after the constellation of Taurus the Bull, where the meteors appear to originate. The Moon rises in the late evening sky, 83-percent waning gibbous, and will interfere with observations. The Northern Taurids might produce ten to 20 meteors per hour, with occasional fireballs.

The **Southern Taurids meteor shower** peaks from the evening of November 4 through to the morning of the 5th. The shower is named after the constellation of Taurus the Bull, where the meteors appear to originate. The Moon is a 96-percent waning gibbous and will interfere with observations. The Southern Taurids rarely produce more than five meteors per hour, but many are bright fireballs.


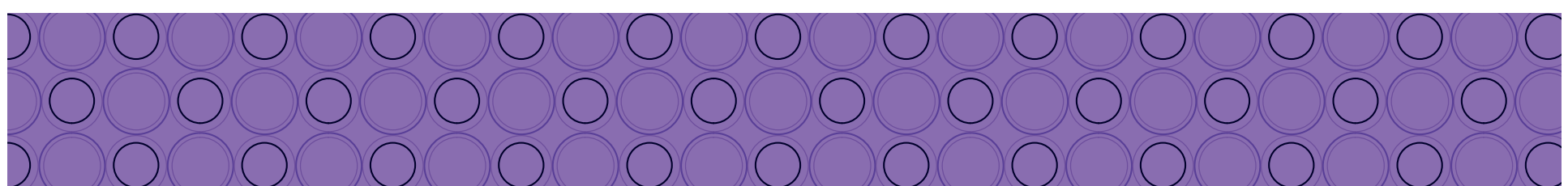
**Planets and the Moon**

The **Moon** is full on November 5, last quarter on the 11th, new on the 19th, and at first quarter on the 27th.

**November 1:** The **Sun** rises at 7:13 a.m. and sets at 6:00 p.m. **Mars** sets in the west-southwest at 6:56 p.m. and is close to the Sun and is not safe to observe. **Mercury** sets in the west-southwest at 7:04 p.m. and is close to the Sun and is not safe to observe. **Uranus** rises in the east-northeast at 7:00 p.m. at Right Ascension 3h 50m 17s and declination +19° 53' 12". **Jupiter** rises in the east-northeast at 10:50 p.m. **Saturn** sets in the west at 3:50 a.m. **Neptune** sets in the west at 4:10 a.m. **Venus** rises in the east at 5:56 a.m.

**On November 30:** The **Sun** rises at 6:40 a.m. and sets at 4:44 p.m. **Uranus** rises at 4:01 p.m. **Jupiter** rises at 7:54 p.m. **Saturn** sets at 12:53 p.m. **Neptune** sets at 1:14 a.m. **Mercury** rises in the east-southeast at 5:11 a.m. **Venus** rises in the east-southeast at 5:57 a.m. **Mars** is too close to the Sun and is not visible.

**Garvey Ranch Park Observatory** is located on the east end of Garvey Ranch Park. Parking is available on the west side of South 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.



# 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

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**Monday, November 3**

**5:00 pm - 6:15 pm**

**Friends Room**

**TEEN PROGRAM**

**CARDS FOR VETERANS**

Saturday, November 8, 3 - 5 p.m.  
Friends Room

**DINOVENBER PARTY**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

3:30 PM

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**Hours of Operation**

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

## Adult Events



### Poetry Reading and Workshop

Monday, November 10 from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Friends Room

Join poets from A Women's Poetry Collective - Consuelo G. Flores, Andrea Goyan and Monterey Park resident Elizabeth Wong - for a poetry workshop and reading of *An Illegal Feast*. The workshop will recreate the unique collaborative method developed by collective founder Elizabeth Eve King. All writing skill levels welcomed.

### Boba Generations

Saturday, November 15 at 1 p.m. in the Friends Room

Join us to discuss what boba is, how it has transformed over time and what it means to our community! This program is open to all ages, with families particularly encouraged to attend.

## Teen Events



### Cards for Veterans

Saturday, November 8 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Friends Room

In honor of the upcoming Veteran's Day holiday, teens will create handmade cards to give to those who served in the armed forces. Materials donated by the Monterey Park Friends of the Library.

### Junior Friends Friendsgiving

Saturday, November 22 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Friends Room

Teens will roll up their sleeves and put their networking and culinary prowess to the test with a friendly game of *Library Nailed It! Cupcake Edition*.

## Children's Events



### Science Squad

Saturday, November 1 at 3 p.m. in the Storytime Room

Children aged 7-12 are invited to experience science with hands-on experiments! This month, we will learn about fossils! Registration is required as space is limited. For more information and to register, please visit or call Children's Services.

### Sensory Storytime

Wednesday, November 5 at 4:30 p.m. in the Friends Room

Sensory Storytime is an inclusive storytime experience specifically for children ages 3 and older with autism or other sensory processing challenges. Children and their families will hear stories, sing songs, and enjoy free play time. Registration is required as space is limited. For more information and to register, please visit or call Children's Services.

### Coloring Club

Monday, November 10 at 4 p.m. in the Storytime Room

Relax, unwind, and have fun! Kids of all ages are welcomed to drop in for a calming hour of coloring. This month we will be coloring picture frames for photos of people/things we are thankful for.

### Quest for the Lost Stories: A Dungeons and Dragons Adventure for Kids

Tuesday, November 18 at 3:30 p.m. in the Storytime Room

Adventure awaits new and experienced young adventurers as they travel a story book world, saving one story at a time! Registration is required as space is limited. For more information and to register, please visit or call Children's Services.

## 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).

### Citizenship Preparation Classes

Get ready for the Citizenship Test and Interview! To register, all students must have a library card and green card and must complete an English assessment. Scan the LAMP QR code for more information.

# 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.



**Mon/Wed/Fri**      **6:30-7:45 p.m.**      **\$35/month – Child**  
**\$37/month – Adult**

**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.



**Sat**      **(Introductory)**      **9-10 a.m.**      **\$89**  
**Sat**      **(Intermediate)**      **10-11 a.m.**      **\$89**

**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.

**Tue**      **(4-7 yrs)**      **5-5:55 p.m.**      **\$34**  
**Tue**      **(8+ yrs)**      **6-6:55 p.m.**      **\$34**

**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 Park Community Room.



**Sunday**      **9:30-11 a.m.**      **\$128**

**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 Park Community Room.

**Sunday**      **9-9:30 a.m.**      **\$99**

**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.



**Mon**      **12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m.**      **\$40**

**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.

**Sat**      **8:00-9:30 a.m.**      **\$40**

**Pickleball 101 (Monthly – First 4 Wednesdays)**

Come learn the basics of Pickleball! This class will teach all beginners how to hold paddles, how to strike & top-spin the balls, how to count scores, all basic play rules & etiquette at courts, and basic strategies to win. Students must bring their own paddle. Peter Lin, Barnes Park Gym.



**Wednesdays**      **9-10:30 a.m.**      **\$50**

**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!

Barnes Park Gym  
**Wed**      **4-5 p.m.**      **\$80**

**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.

**Barnes Park Gym**  
**Wed**      **(K-5th) 5-6 p.m.**      **\$80**  
**Barnes Park Gym**  
**Wed**      **(6th-8th) 6-7 p.m.**      **\$80**



**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. 6:30-9:30 p.m



**Oct 7-Dec 16 (No Class 10/14 & 11/11)**  
**Tue**      **6:30-9:30 p.m**      **\$80**  
**Jan 6-Mar 31**  
**Tue**      **6:30-9:30 p.m**      **\$104**

**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.

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



**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.



**6 weeks: TBD**  
**Wed**      **6-7 p.m.**      **\$120**

**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.



**8 weeks: TBD**  
**Mon**      **5-6 p.m.**      **\$120**

**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.

**8 weeks: Oct 21 – Dec 9**  
**Tue**      **6-7:30 p.m.**      **\$160**

**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.



**Monthly: 4 Weeks**  
**Wed**      **9-10 a.m.**      **\$32**

## In-Person Outdoor Classes

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

30-Minute Private Instruction. 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. 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 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

**Youth Sports League**

Registration available at [rec.montereypark.ca.gov](http://rec.montereypark.ca.gov).

**Breakthrough Sports Basketball League**

Youth basketball league available for boys and girls K-8th grade level. Evaluations, 8 practices, 8 games, end-of-season tournament, custom uniforms (shorts & jersey), trophies, all-star game, paid coaches – no volunteers, high-level curriculum, league website with stats, standings, schedule and more. Evaluations on Thursday, December 18, 2025. Practices on Thursday evenings starting January 8, 2026. Games on Sunday mornings starting January 11, 2026.

George Elder Park Gym	Thursdays & Saturdays
(K-2nd) 4:30-5:30 p.m.	\$225
(3rd-5th) 5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$225
(6th-8th) 6:30-7:30 p.m.	\$225

**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.

**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.



<b>Call for Exact Date (Wed)</b>	<b>8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>\$1</b>
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**Friendship Chorus**

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

<b>Oct 1 – Dec 17</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>10 a.m.-12 p.m.</b>	<b>\$75</b>
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**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.



<b>Intermediate – Chen Tai Chi &amp; Tai Chi Sword</b>			
<b>Sep 27 – Dec 27 (No Class 11/29 &amp; 12/6)</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>9-10 a.m.</b>	<b>\$150</b>
<b>Beginner – Yang Tai Chi &amp; Health Qigong</b>			
<b>Sep 27 – Dec 27 (No Class 11/29 &amp; 12/6)</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>10-11 a.m.</b>	<b>\$150</b>

**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.

<b>Oct 3 – Dec 26</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.</b>	<b>\$30</b>
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**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: Oct 21 – Dec 9	Tue		
<b>Genki Taiko 1 (Moderate)</b>	<b>9-10 a.m.</b>	<b>\$120</b>	
<b>Genki Taiko 2 (Int &amp; Adv)</b>	<b>10-11 a.m.</b>	<b>\$120</b>	
<b>Beginner</b>	<b>11 a.m.-12 p.m.</b>	<b>\$120</b>	

**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.



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Thursday Night Practice  
 K-2 - 4:30-5:30pm  
 3-5 - 5:30-6:30pm  
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Sunday Morning Games

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CITY OF MONTEREY PARK PRESENTS

# SANTA'S JOLLY JOURNEY

**Sunday, December 14, 2025  
6:00 PM**

Santa will be escorted by the Monterey Park Police & Fire Departments to wave and spread holiday cheer throughout the city. Santa will begin his journey at 6pm from City Hall and travel along a designated route through each of the five districts in Monterey Park. Be sure to follow @MontereyParkRec on Social Media and visit [www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/SantasJollyJourney](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/SantasJollyJourney) for Santa's Jolly Journey Route and Santa tracker.

Scan here to see the route!

# 2026 Monterey Park Lunar New Year Festival

## Year of the Horse

January 31 (Sat, 10am-9pm) & February 1 (Sun, 10am-7pm)  
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## AUSD Teacher Honored as One of L.A. County's "Sweet 16" Teachers of the Year

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra Unified School District's Christina Kwon Loose has been named one of Los Angeles County's 2025 "Sweet 16" Teachers of the Year, a distinction that places her among the most exceptional educators in the region. The announcement was made Friday, September 19th, at the Los Angeles County Office of Education's 44th Annual Teacher of the Year Awards Banquet in Universal City. Loose, who teaches seventh-grade English Language Arts and Social Studies at Baldwin School, was previously recognized as AUSD's 2025 Teacher of the Year.

L.A. County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Debra Duardo praised this year's honorees for their dedication and impact in the classroom. "Each Teacher of the Year represents the very best of our profession, leaders who go above and beyond to ensure every student feels seen, supported, and empowered," she said. "Their dedication and impact and dedication are nothing short of remarkable."

The 16 County honorees were chosen from a competitive pool of teachers representing school districts throughout Los Angeles County. The intensive process included writing a series of essays, describing detailed lesson plans/activities, and filming an introductory video. Semi-finalists also participated in interviews with panels of education experts and past Teachers of the Year.

Known for her dynamic and inclusive teaching style, Loose strives to create a classroom where every student feels valued, respected, and empowered to learn. A second-generation Korean-American and daughter of immigrants, she often draws from her own experiences to foster empathy and equity in her classroom.

"Teaching is about so much more than academics," Loose said. "It's about creating a safe space where students know they are valued, where their voices matter, and where they can discover their own strengths. To be recognized alongside so many inspiring colleagues is truly humbling."

At Baldwin, Loose is also known for her leadership beyond the classroom. She serves as advisor for the school's Nutrition Advisory Council, guiding students in projects that promote healthy living, gardening, and community engagement. As a certified trainer for Project GLAD (Guided Language Acquisition Design), she has also played a key role in supporting multilingual learners across the district.



Christina Kwon Loose was surrounded by family, friends, and colleagues at the 2025 LA County Teacher of the Year Luncheon on September 16th, where she was celebrated as a Los Angeles County Teacher of the Year.

"Christina embodies everything we hope for in a teacher...compassion, innovation, and a deep belief in every child's potential," said Baldwin Principal Chris Takeshita. "Her classroom is a place where students feel safe, seen, and excited to learn. This recognition could not be more well-deserved."

Alhambra Unified Superintendent Dr. Denise Jaramillo echoed that pride, noting that Loose's award continues the district's strong tradition of teaching excellence. "We are incredibly proud of Christina and of all the remarkable educators who make Alhambra Unified such a special place," Dr. Jaramillo said. "Her recognition follows County Teacher of the Year honors for MKHS teacher Page Phillips last year, and County and State Teacher of the Year honors for SGHS Virginia Vasquez four years ago. This pattern of accolades speaks to the exceptional quality and heart of the teachers in our district."



# AUSD Sixth Graders Explore Science in the Great Outdoors at Camp Pollock

By Alhambra Unified School District



Brightwood sixth graders explore science while climbing, hiking, and conducting experiments in the great outdoors.



Repetto students enjoyed hands-on science learning at Camp Pollock, while discovering nature and teamwork along the way.

Sixth graders at all 13 elementary schools in Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) recently enjoyed an exciting three-day adventure at Camp Pollock, combining hands-on science learning with the beauty of the outdoors. Throughout October, students participated in activities such as rock climbing, hiking, and interactive science experiments, giving them a chance to explore the natural world while applying lessons learned in the classroom.

This annual science camp adventure is made possible in large part through the generosity of the Alhambra Educational Foundation (AEF), whose organizational connections and fundraising support allowed this districtwide tradition to launch three years ago, and to continue for the foreseeable future. Science camp is designed to spark students' curiosity, teamwork, and a love of discovery. "It's incredible to see so many young learners engage with science outside the

classroom," said Steve Perry, AEF president. "Experiences like this inspire creativity and help students connect what they learn in school to the world around them."

AEF provides much of the monetary support for camp, but each year, AUSD relies on the additional generosity and fundraising efforts of students, staff, and community members across the district. By taking learning into the outdoors, students gain a deeper understanding of scientific concepts while developing teamwork, problem-solving skills, and an appreciation for nature.

This districtwide program highlights AUSD's and AEF's commitment to providing hands-on, experiential learning opportunities that help every student grow, discover, and thrive. Community members who would like to support this ongoing endeavor can make a donation to AEF through their website [www.aef4kids.com](http://www.aef4kids.com).

# AUSD Senior Keiko Rakin Named to 2026 Tournament of Roses Royal Court

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) Student Board Member and Alhambra High School senior Keiko Rakin has been selected as one of seven members of the 2026 Tournament of Roses Royal Court, earning one of the nation's most prestigious student honors. Her selection is especially meaningful, as this is only the second year of the expansion of the geographic eligibility for the Royal Court.

A large group of family members, friends, and district supporters joined Keiko at the announcement ceremony on September 29th at the Tournament House in Pasadena, where her name was called to thunderous applause and cheers. The Royal Court, chosen from hundreds of applicants, represents the Tournament of Roses at more than 80 community and media events leading up to the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game on January 1, 2026.

For Keiko, the moment carries special significance. During her sophomore year, she wrote a heartfelt letter to the Tournament of Roses president, encouraging the expansion of the geographic area eligibility. That change became a reality the following year, making her selection feel both personal and historic.

"I am truly honored and grateful to be part of the 2026 Royal Court," Keiko said. "It's amazing to see how much has come full circle since writing that letter two years ago. I'm so proud to represent AHS, AUSD, and my entire community. This experience has already been incredible, and I loved meeting and spending time with all the other amazing girls on the Court, as well as the supportive and hardworking people associated with the Tournament and Queen and Court Committee."

Keiko also expressed pride that in the two years of eligibility, two AUSD students have reached the finalist stage, highlighting the exceptional talent within the community. "It's exciting to see AUSD represented again," she said. "And I know



On January 1st, Keiko Rakin (third from the left) will be riding down Colorado Boulevard as a member of the Royal Court of the 137th Tournament of Roses Parade. The theme for 2026 is "The Magic Teamwork," and Laker legend Magic Johnson will serve as the Grand Marshall. (Photo Credit: Ricardo Padillo, AUSD Communications Intern)

there will continue to be an amazing legacy of students who will take the opportunity to try out for the Court."

Since being named to the Royal Court, Keiko has embraced her role as an ambassador for the Tournament of Roses, attending events and enjoying the unique opportunity to be a representative for young people in her community. She will continue to juggle her other responsibilities as a student and as AUSD's student board member, with student board member alternate Angelina Yip (Mark Keppel High School junior) occasionally filling in for Keiko when a scheduling conflict occurs.

# "Sanctum" Brought Post-Apocalyptic Thrills and Chills to the SGV

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra High's annual Haunted House captivated audiences once again as the school's auditorium transformed into a chilling post-apocalyptic world for the one-night-only event on October 10th. From 3:00 to 9:00 pm, San Gabriel Valley students, families, and community members explored the dystopian landscape of "Sanctum," which was filled with suspense, danger, and the remnants of humanity.

Drama teacher and Haunted House director Rachel Snow-Fornari praised her students for their dedication. "Our students worked tirelessly to bring 'Sanctum' to life," she said. "From designing the sets to hand distressing every costume to performing live in character, they created a fully immersive experience. Seeing guests react to their work is always the highlight of the event."

Principal Diana Diaz-Ferguson echoed the sentiment, emphasizing the educational and community value of the event. "The Haunted House is a unique way to showcase the incredible talent of our students," she said. "They're not just acting. They're also designing, collaborating, and problem-solving. Events like this highlight the strength of our performing arts program and give our community a chance to come together."

AHS's Haunted House has become a celebrated tradition, and this year's "Sanctum" did not disappoint. It offered a night of thrills, immersive storytelling, and community fun that guests won't soon forget.



AHS' "Sanctum" Haunted House was not for the faint of heart. There were thrills and chills around every corner of the auditorium. (Photo Credit: Justin Lim, AUSD Communications Intern)

# AUSD College Fair Draws Record-Breaking Crowd

By Alhambra Unified School District



AUSD's College & Career Preparation Team hosted the 18th Annual District College Fair at San Gabriel High School, drawing more than 900 students and family members. Representatives from over 50 colleges and universities met with attendees to share information about admissions, academic programs, and campus life. The event continues to grow each year, reflecting the community's strong commitment to supporting students in their post-secondary planning. (Photo Credit: Karlie Yonemoto, AUSD Communications Intern)

The 18th Annual Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) College Fair, held at San Gabriel High School on September 17th, welcomed a record-breaking crowd of students and families eager to explore higher education opportunities. With over 900 attendees, this year's event marked the largest turnout in the fair's 18-year history and highlighted the community's strong commitment to preparing students for success after high school.

Representatives from more than 50 colleges, universities, and specialized programs participated in the fair, engaging with students and families to share information about admissions, financial aid, academic programs, and campus life. Attendees from Alhambra, Mark Keppel, and San Gabriel High Schools had the chance to meet directly with college representatives, ask questions, and begin mapping out their post-secondary pathways.

"This event continues to grow every year, which shows how much our students and families value college and career readiness," said Dr. Leann Huang, AUSD Coordinator of College & Career Preparation. "Our goal is to make the process feel more accessible and less intimidating, so that every student, no matter their

background or future plans, feels supported and informed as they prepare for life after high school."

In addition to college and university booths, the event also featured AUSD's Early College program, highlighting pathways offered through partnership with East Los Angeles College. Career Technical Education (CTE) Advisors and staff were available to answer questions and provide resources for students at every stage of their planning process.

Now in its 18th year, the District College Fair has become one of AUSD's most anticipated fall traditions. It brings students, families, educators, and college partners together in a shared mission to expand educational access and opportunity.

"The energy throughout the event was inspiring," Dr. Huang added. "Seeing so many students engaged in conversations about their futures reminds us why these events matter so much to our team. It's about helping them see the possibilities and giving them the tools to make their goals a reality."

# Repetto School Kicks Off Hispanic Heritage Month with Folklorico Performance

By Alhambra Unified School District



Repetto School kicked off Hispanic Heritage Month with a colorful and lively Folklorico performance, bringing culture and celebration to campus. The student-led Ballet Folklorico group from Ramona Convent School dazzled students and staff with traditional dances, music, and vibrant costumes. Principal Jennifer Wright shared, "It's wonderful to see our students experience and celebrate the rich traditions of Hispanic culture. Events like this help our school community come together and learn in such a joyful way." The Repetto PTA helped make the event possible, coordinating the performance and giving students a chance to engage with the arts in a meaningful way.

# Monterey Highlands Celebrates Walk to School Day with MPPD and MPFD Support

By Alhambra Unified School District



Walk to School Day is now an annual tradition for Monterey Highlands School. It emphasizes the school's focus on safety, while also bringing the community together for a fun teambuilding event.

Monterey Highlands Elementary School students and families joined in the nationwide celebration of National Walk to School Day on October 8th, emphasizing the importance of safe routes to school. The event, attended by more than 100 participants (including students, parents, staff, and even Bowie the Dog) highlighted the community's commitment to safety and active lifestyles.

With assistance from the Monterey Park Police Department and Monterey Park Fire Department, students practiced crossing streets safely and navigating intersections and crosswalks leading to the school grounds. The hands-on support from these local agencies made the event both educational and fun.

"Walk to School Day is a great opportunity for students to practice safe walking habits while enjoying time with their peers and families," said Monterey Highlands

Principal Abel Bourbois. "Every step we take together reinforces the importance of getting to school safely."

Principal Bourbois also expressed his appreciation for the collaboration with local first responders: "We are grateful to the Monterey Park Police and Fire Departments for partnering with our schools to ensure our students have safe routes to school. Community support like this makes a real difference for our students and families."

The event also encouraged community engagement, with many parents volunteering and helping ensure students followed safety protocols along the route. Monterey Highlands Elementary School looks forward to continuing this annual tradition and fostering strong partnerships with city officials.

# AHS Theater Brings Roaring Twenties to Life with The Drowsy Chaperone

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra High School Theater invites the community to step back into the glitz and glamour of the 1920s with its fall musical production of The Drowsy Chaperone, opening this month in the school's auditorium. Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Book and Best Original Score, the musical comedy is a joyful and loving send-up of the Golden Age of Broadway.

The story follows a devoted musical theater fan who plays his favorite record (an old cast album from the 1928 musical The Drowsy Chaperone), when the show magically springs to life in his living room. What unfolds is a fast-paced, laugh-out-loud spectacle filled with showgirls, mistaken identities, tap dancing, and of course, a delightfully tipsy chaperone.

Directed by theater teacher Rachel Snow, the production features a cast of 28 talented student performers. The show highlights the creativity of AHS' Technical Theater students, who designed and built the show's intricate sets, lighting, and costumes. Together, they have transformed the stage into a dazzling tribute to the Roaring Twenties.

"Our students have poured their hearts into this show," said Snow. "The Drowsy Chaperone is a celebration of everything that makes live theater magical... humor, heart, and the excitement of storytelling. We can't wait to share that energy with our community."

Audiences for this show can look forward to an evening of laughter, lively tap numbers, and jazz-infused tunes that will leave them humming long after the curtain falls. Performances will take place on November 14th, 15th, 18th, 21st, and 22nd. Tickets are available online at [www.ahstheater.com](http://www.ahstheater.com) and will also be sold at the door.

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Performance dates and times are listed on this graphic, along with the QR code to order your tickets. Come join us for "The Drowsy Chaperone," a show that will bring the 1920s back to life, one jazz hand at a time.

# AUSD Expands Anti-Bias Project to Build Empathy and Inclusion

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra Unified School District (AUSD) continues to deepen its commitment to creating safe, respectful, and inclusive learning environments with the expansion of its Anti-Bias Project, an initiative designed to help students develop empathy, celebrate diversity, and stand up against bias on campus.

At the October 7th Board of Education meeting, members of AUSD’s Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Summer Coalition presented an update on the Anti-Bias Project’s progress and shared plans for its next phase of implementation. The presentation included an overview of the program’s conceptual framework, new grade-level lessons, and strategies that empower both students and educators to interrupt harmful behaviors and transform incidents of bias into meaningful teaching moments.

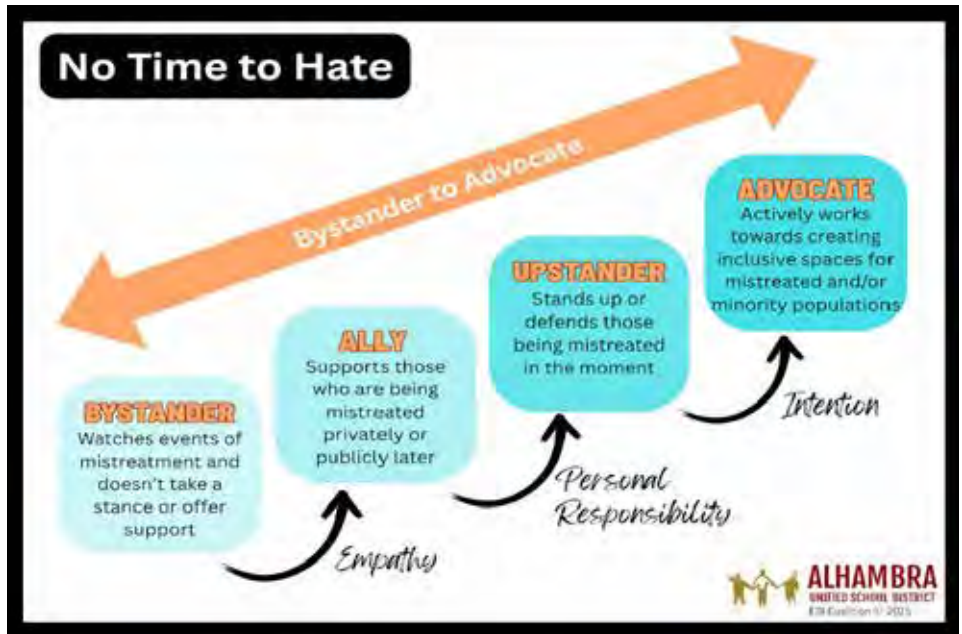
Superintendent Dr. Denise R. Jaramillo emphasized the district’s goal of ensuring every student feels safe and valued at school. “Our Anti-Bias Project is about more than just lessons. It’s about equipping our students and staff with the tools and understanding they need to respond with empathy and integrity when hurtful language or actions occur,” Dr. Jaramillo said. “We want every child to feel a sense of belonging and to know that their school community stands up for respect and inclusion.”

Launched in 2024 with middle school students, the Anti-Bias Project introduced a series of lessons addressing issues such as stereotypes, microaggressions, respect, and becoming an ally/advocate. Based on positive feedback and growing demand, the program is now expanding to include new units for students in grades 3-5, ensuring a developmental approach that builds students’ understanding and skills over time.

For younger students, lessons focus on developing kindness, empathy, and understanding others’ perspectives. By upper elementary, topics expand to explore identity, diversity, and community, helping students recognize how respecting individuality strengthens learning environments. Middle school units guide students in examining stereotypes and bias, practicing inclusion and integrity, and engaging in advocacy and equity-focused discussions.

According to Dr. Lily Jarvis, AUSD’s Director of Educational Equity and Accountability, the project was designed to grow alongside students as they mature. “The curriculum is intentionally scaffolded,” Dr. Jarvis explained. “Each grade level builds upon the previous year’s learning. The lessons guide students from understanding empathy and respect in the early grades to becoming active advocates for inclusion and justice by middle school. It’s about preparing young people to navigate an increasingly diverse world with awareness and compassion.”

In addition to classroom instruction, AUSD has developed an educator toolkit that provides teachers with ready-to-use language, conversation prompts, and strategies to help address bias when it arises. The toolkit encourages educators



One goal of the Anti-Bias Project Expansion is to help students move from being a “bystander” to becoming an “advocate” and to work to create safe spaces for those who are mistreated. To see the rest of the slidedeck from the recent Board Meeting presentation, please visit: <https://tinyurl.com/AntiBiasExpansion>.

to “interrupt harm” in the moment by calling attention to words or behaviors that may cause pain, and to use those instances as “teachable moments” for reflection and growth.

The district is also preparing parent workshops, which will be launched later this school year, to help families engage in thoughtful conversations about race, identity, and inclusion at home. “We know that meaningful change happens when schools and families work together,” Dr. Jarvis explained. “These workshops will give parents the opportunity to learn strategies for discussing these complex topics in supportive and age-appropriate ways.”

The Board presentation also highlighted the broader goal of the Anti-Bias Project: to ensure that every AUSD school fosters a climate where students feel empowered to speak up, show empathy, and take responsibility for maintaining a positive and inclusive culture.

“We are proud of how far we’ve come, but we also recognize that this work must continually evolve,” Dr. Jaramillo said. “Our hope is that through this project, every student in AUSD will learn not only to appreciate diversity but also to lead with kindness and courage. Families are encouraged to review the presentation slides (which were included in the October 10th district newsletter) to learn more about the project and its next steps.

# Eagle Scouts Launch Ynez Green Space Initiative

By Alhambra Unified School District

Ynez Elementary School’s campus has a new look thanks to the efforts of two future Eagle Scouts (and current Mark Keppel High School students), Corwin Ho and Shaie Minohara. These young men kicked off the school’s new Green Space Initiative with their respective Eagle Scout projects.

Shaie and his troop constructed six wooden benches, which were delivered to Ynez in July. The following month, Corwin and his troop completed four custom planters to house olive and Palo Verde trees donated by the non-profit organization Catalyst SGV. Together, their projects transformed an area of the Ynez’s campus into a welcoming outdoor space where students can sit, talk, and enjoy nature.

“The Ynez Green Space Initiative is a wonderful example of what can happen when students, families, and the community come together to enhance our school,” said Principal Dr. Janice Phan. “We are so grateful for Corwin, Shaie, and their troops for their leadership and collaboration in assisting Ynez’s vision of building spaces that encourage connection and care for the environment.”

Students have already begun enjoying the area, which has become a favorite gathering spot, and the new trees have even started attracting pollinators. Recently, students even spotted a praying mantis among the branches. Members of Ynez’s ASB also added another coat of Ynez blue paint to the benches, adding a final touch of school pride to the space.

Future plans for the Ynez Green Space Initiative are already underway, continuing the school’s efforts to create sustainable, student-friendly outdoor environments. Ynez Elementary extended its thanks to Corwin and Boy Scout Troop 286, Shaie and Boy Scout Troop 301, and Catalyst SGV for their contributions to this meaningful campus improvement project.



Corwin Ho (grade 12) and Shaie Minohara (grade 11) are one step closer to becoming Eagle Scouts with the successful completion of their projects at Ynez School. Both students are former Brightwood students and currently attend MKHS.

# Early Enrollment Opens for AUSD Dual Language Immersion Programs

By Alhambra Unified School District

Alhambra Unified School District will open early enrollment for both Dual Language Immersion Programs (DLIP) for the 2026-2027 school year. Starting Friday, November 7th, families interested in giving their children the gift of bilingualism can apply to the Spanish and Mandarin DLIPs.

The Spanish DLIP is housed at Fremont School, and the Mandarin DLIP is at William Northrup School. Both programs are open to any local student, with priority given to siblings of students already enrolled in the program and AUSD students.

AUSD's Dual Language Immersion Programs offer students the opportunity to develop high levels of proficiency in both English and the target language while achieving academic success and fostering cross-cultural understanding. Students learn to read, write, and communicate fluently in two languages through a rigorous, engaging curriculum that promotes both linguistic and cultural competence. Students who successfully complete AUSD's DLIP program and who continue with advanced language classes in high school will be eligible to receive the State Seal of Biliteracy, which will appear as a gold seal on their diploma and will be indicated on their transcript.

"Being biliterate and bicultural gives our students a tremendous advantage in today's global society," explains Dr. Lily Jarvis, Director of Educational Equity and Accountability. "Dual language students develop strong problem-solving and communication skills, and they gain a deeper appreciation for other cultures while strengthening their own sense of identity."

Families are encouraged to learn more about the programs, application process, and participating schools by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/AUSD-DLIP>. Enrollment opens November 7th. Space is limited, so early applications are recommended for all students, including siblings of students already enrolled in the program.

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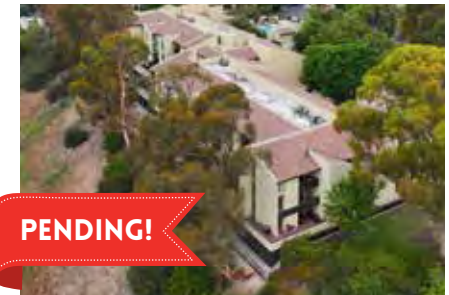
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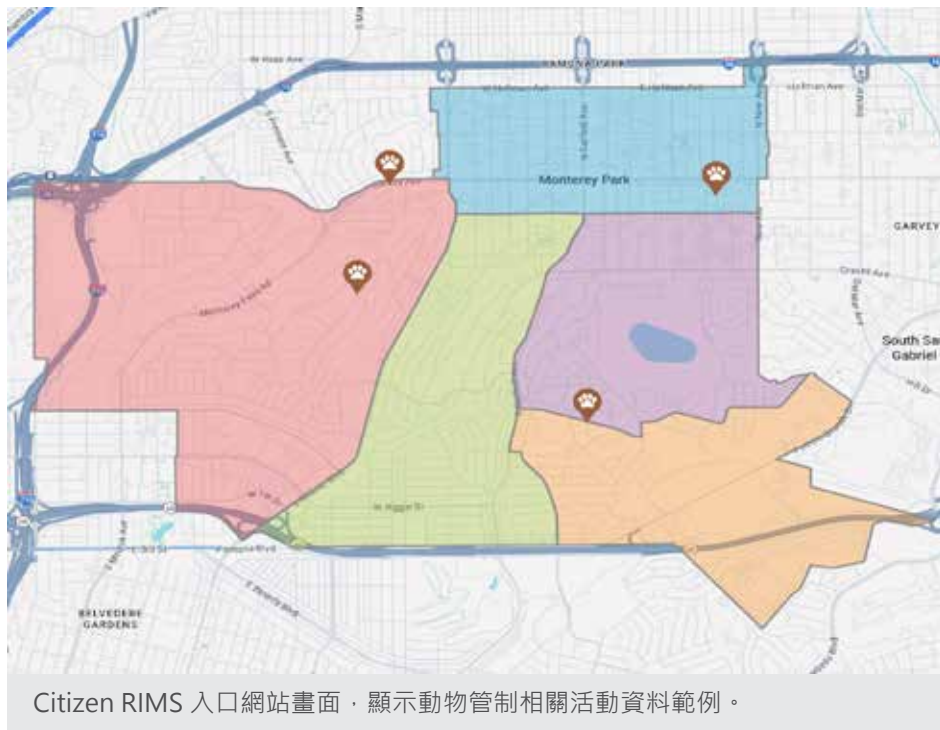
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嘉偉大道 (Garvey Avenue) 是連接蒙特利公園市市中心、市政廳與周邊住宅社區至洛杉磯大都會區的重要東西向交通要道。市府目前正推動「嘉偉大道改善計畫」，以提升交通流暢度、改善道路安全，並加強行人與自行車的通行便利性。

自計畫啟動以來，市府已舉辦多場社區活動，並透過線上問卷已收到超過 400 份來自居民與蒙市商家的意見。同時，市府顧問公司的 Mark Thomas 也進行逐戶拜訪，直接聆聽業者與居民對嘉偉大道現況與改善重點的意見與建議。

目前所收集的寶貴概念，已協助團隊擬定多項設計構想，將於今年十一月向社區公開展示。兩場社區說明會將於 11 月 10 日與 11 月 13 日晚上 6 點至 7 點半於蘭利老人耆英中心舉行。屆時，Mark Thomas 將分享改善計畫的設計構想，可與居民現場討論設計方案、提出問題並提供意見。最終構想將於日後提交市議會審議。

您的參與對於塑造嘉偉大道的未來至關重要。誠摯邀請您前來了解計畫內容，與設計團隊面對面交流並分享您的想法。蘭利老人耆英中心地址：400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754

更多資訊與計畫最新進展，請瀏覽：  
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嘉偉大道改善計畫地圖

## 蒙特利公園市將全面更換城市水錶 - 為您的家庭提供更智慧的供水服務

由公共工程部主任 Shawn Igoe 提供由公共工程部門提供

自 2025 年秋季起，蒙特利公園市將展開全市 13,500 城市水錶的更換工程，全面導入「先進水錶基礎設施技術 (AMI, Advanced Metering Infrastructure)」，這項金額達 900 萬美元的重大計畫 (CIP 99045)，由水務債券資金支應，象徵本市在供水系統現代化及全面提升用戶服務上的一大進步。

### 為什麼要升級？

目前本市使用的 AMR (自動抄錶系統) 技術屬舊型系統，僅能間歇性讀取水錶數據。AMI 技術則具備以下優勢：

- 即時雙向通訊：您的水錶可與市府進行即時資料傳輸。
  - 快速漏水與用量警示：即時通知異常，減少水資源浪費與意外高額帳單。
  - 顧客專屬線上平台：可依小時、天或月份自行查詢用水量。
  - 提升營運效率：長期降低維護成本並強化市政規劃能力。
- 簡單而言，這項升級能提供 更優質的服務、更高透明度與更堅實的水務基礎建設。

### 安裝內容

市府將採用 Neptune Mach 10 超音波智慧水錶——此款水錶以高精度、無機械零件為特點，能確保長期穩定與準確的計費。

### 工程時程與範圍

- 施工期間：2025 年秋季至 2026 年秋季 (為期約 12 個月)
- 承包商：Ferguson Waterworks
- 施工範圍：更換全市水錶與傳輸裝置、建置通訊網路、並啟動顧客用水資訊平台

### 市民客戶可期待事項

- 工程團隊進入您所在區域工作前，居民將會收到通知與公告。
- 施工影響極小——安裝作業通常僅需數分鐘，停水時間短暫。
- 對於難以進入的水錶位置，將有專人協調施工安排。
- 為避免帳務錯誤，舊新系統將有一段交疊過渡期。

市府將透過官網、社區報紙與社區說明會持續更新工程進度。

### 保持關注

這是蒙特利公園市數十年來最具有變革性的公共服務升級之一，將為市民帶來更智慧的科技、更有效的節約用水，以及更優質的用戶體驗。感謝您在蒙特利公園市未來投資中的支持與配合。

欲想了解此項或其他基礎建設計畫的更多資訊，請參訪：  
[www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip) 或掃描 QR Code 前往 AMI 計畫專頁，查閱：

- 最新施工時程
- 社區通告
- 顧客服務平台資訊
- 常見問答與聯系方式



## Featured Stories in Spanish

# El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park Lanza un Nuevo Portal de Datos de Seguridad Pública

Presentado por el personal del Departamento de Policía

El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park se complace en anunciar el lanzamiento de su nuevo portal de seguridad pública del Sistema de Gestión de Información de Registros Ciudadanos (RIMS) — un sitio web moderno e interactivo diseñado para mantener a los residentes informados y comprometidos, al tiempo que ofrece mayor transparencia y acceso a los servicios esenciales de la policía.

El portal Citizen RIMS sirve como un centro principal de información sobre seguridad pública, brindando a la comunidad las herramientas necesarias para mantenerse conectado y desempeñar un papel activo en mantener a Monterey Park seguro.

### Funciones Principales

- **Llamadas de servicio y actividad delictiva:** Marcadores codificados por color y opciones de filtro permiten a los usuarios visualizar fácilmente la actividad por ubicación, fecha o tipo de incidente.
- **Estadísticas mensuales de delitos:** Los residentes pueden observar cómo cambian las tendencias delictivas a lo largo del tiempo, obteniendo una mejor comprensión de los patrones en sus vecindarios. Antes de su publicación, los datos son revisados y verificados por el personal del departamento para garantizar su fiabilidad y proteger la privacidad mediante la eliminación de información confidencial.
- **Personas desaparecidas y arrestos recientes:** El sitio web proporciona información actualizada sobre personas desaparecidas y arrestos recientes reportados en los últimos 30 días.
- **Solicitudes de servicios en línea:**
  - Inspección de viviendas vacacionales: Los residentes pueden notificar al departamento cuando estarán fuera de casa, lo que permite a los oficiales revisar periódicamente la propiedad según la disponibilidad de recursos.

- Solicitudes de patrullaje adicional: Los miembros de la comunidad pueden solicitar una mayor presencia policial en áreas de preocupación, ayudando a abordar de manera proactiva los problemas del vecindario.

### Registro de cámaras de seguridad:

El portal también ofrece un programa voluntario de registro de cámaras de seguridad. Este programa no otorga acceso directo a los sistemas de cámaras privadas, sino que permite que los oficiales se comuniquen con los propietarios para solicitar posibles grabaciones que puedan ayudar en investigaciones o en la resolución de delitos.

### Construyendo Confianza a Través de la Transparencia

El jefe de policía de Monterey Park, Scott Wiese, destacó el compromiso del departamento con la transparencia y la colaboración comunitaria. “Nuestro objetivo es proporcionar a los residentes información clara, precisa y oportuna sobre la seguridad pública en nuestra ciudad”, dijo el jefe Wiese. “Este portal representa un gran paso hacia adelante en la construcción de confianza y en el trabajo conjunto con la comunidad a la que servimos.”

### Cómo Acceder al Portal

El Portal de Seguridad Pública del Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park ya está disponible para todos los residentes visitando <https://montereypark.citizenrims.com/> o escaneando el código QR. También se puede acceder al portal desde la página web del departamento en [www.montereypark.ca.gov/police](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/police), en la sección “Crime Statistics” (Estadísticas de Delitos).

El Departamento de Policía de Monterey Park invita a todos los residentes a visitar el nuevo portal para explorar sus funciones, solicitar servicios y conocer cómo pueden participar activamente en mantener la seguridad de nuestra comunidad.



# Contribuye a Construir el Futuro de la Avenida Garvey

Participe en las reuniones comunitarias de noviembre para conocer los conceptos de diseño que mejorarán el flujo de tráfico, la seguridad peatonal y el acceso para bicicletas  
Presentado por el personal del Departamento de Obras Públicas

La Avenida Garvey es un importante corredor vial de este a oeste que conecta el centro de Monterey Park, el Ayuntamiento y los vecindarios residenciales con la región metropolitana de Los Ángeles. La Ciudad está avanzando con el Proyecto de Mejoras de la Avenida Garvey, cuyo objetivo es optimizar el flujo vehicular, aumentar la seguridad y fortalecer la movilidad peatonal y ciclista a lo largo de este corredor clave.

Desde la introducción del proyecto, la Ciudad ha organizado múltiples eventos comunitarios y realizó una encuesta en línea que recibió más de 400 respuestas de residentes y negocios locales. Además, el consultor de la Ciudad, Mark Thomas, llevó a cabo visitas de puerta a puerta para escuchar directamente a los propietarios de negocios y residentes sobre sus experiencias y prioridades relacionadas con la Avenida Garvey.

Los valiosos comentarios recibidos hasta ahora han ayudado a definir los conceptos

de diseño que se presentarán a la comunidad este mes de noviembre. **Se llevarán a cabo dos reuniones comunitarias en el Centro para Personas Mayores Langley los días 10 y 13 de noviembre, de 6:00 a 7:30 p.m..** Durante las reuniones, Mark Thomas compartirá los conceptos propuestos para el proyecto, y los asistentes tendrán la oportunidad de revisar los diseños, hacer preguntas y brindar sus opiniones antes de que el concepto final sea presentado al Concejo Municipal.

Su participación es fundamental para ayudar a moldear el futuro de la Avenida Garvey. Le invitamos a asistir, conocer más sobre el proyecto, conversar directamente con el equipo de diseño y compartir sus ideas. Centro para Personas Mayores Langley 400 W. Emerson Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

Para obtener más información y actualizaciones del proyecto, visite: [www.montereypark.ca.gov/garveyave](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/garveyave)



# Monterey Park Actualizará Todos los Medidores de Agua - Un Servicio de Agua Más Inteligente para su Hogar

Presentado por Shawn Igoe, Director del Departamento de Obras Públicas

A partir del otoño de 2025, la Ciudad de Monterey Park comenzará a reemplazar los 13,500 medidores de agua existentes por tecnología de Infraestructura de Medición Avanzada (AMI, por sus siglas en inglés). Este proyecto de 9 millones de dólares (CIP 99045), financiado por el bono de agua, representa un paso importante hacia la modernización del sistema de agua y la mejora del servicio en toda la ciudad.

### ¿Por qué realizar la actualización?

El sistema actual utiliza tecnología AMR antigua, que solo registra lecturas de forma intermitente. En cambio, la tecnología AMI ofrece:

- Comunicación bidireccional en tiempo real entre su medidor y la Ciudad.
- Alertas más rápidas sobre fugas o consumo inusual, ayudando a reducir desperdicios y facturas inesperadas.
- Acceso a un portal en línea para monitorear su consumo de agua por hora, día o mes.
- Eficiencia operativa mejorada, que reduce costos a largo plazo y optimiza la planificación.

En pocas palabras: mejor servicio, mayor transparencia y una infraestructura de agua más sólida.

### ¿Qué se va a instalar?

La Ciudad instalará medidores ultrasónicos Neptune Mach 10, medidores “inteligentes” de alta precisión que no tienen piezas móviles, garantizando una lectura confiable y una facturación exacta a largo plazo.

### Cronograma y Alcance del Proyecto

- Construcción: Desde el otoño de 2025 hasta el otoño de 2026 (duración aproximada de 12 meses).
- Contratista: Ferguson Waterworks.
- Alcance: Reemplazo de todos los medidores y transmisores, construcción de la red de comunicación y lanzamiento del portal para clientes.

### Qué Puede Esperar como Cliente

- Avisos anticipados y notificaciones de puerta a puerta antes de que las cuadrillas trabajen en su área.
- Interrupciones mínimas en el suministro de agua — la instalación suele completarse en pocos minutos.
- Coordinación especial para medidores de difícil acceso.
- Transición sin inconvenientes, con superposición entre los sistemas antiguo y nuevo para evitar problemas de facturación.

La Ciudad compartirá actualizaciones a través del sitio web oficial, boletines informativos y actividades comunitarias.

### Manténgase Conectado

Este es uno de los proyectos de modernización de servicios públicos más transformadores en décadas, que traerá tecnología más inteligente, mejor conservación del agua y un servicio al cliente mejorado a Monterey Park. Agradecemos su cooperación mientras invertimos en el futuro de nuestra ciudad.

Para obtener más información sobre este u otros proyectos de mejora de infraestructura, visite: [www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov/activecip) o escanee el código QR para acceder a la página del Proyecto AMI, donde encontrará:

- El cronograma de construcción más reciente.
- Notificaciones para su vecindario.
- Información sobre el portal para clientes.
- Preguntas frecuentes y datos de contacto.

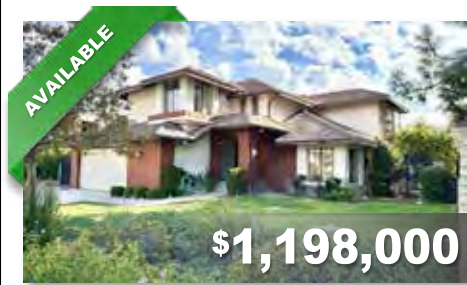




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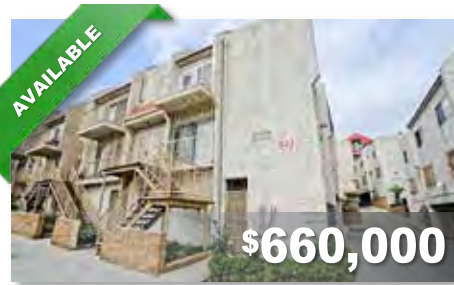


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Alhambra	Single Family House	\$1,087,944	\$1,277,988	-14.87%
	Condo/Townhome	\$766,515	\$778,417	-1.53%



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