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Monterey Park Offering Business License Amnesty Through October 31

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Monterey Park, Calif. – September 30, 2014 – The [City of Monterey Park](http://www.MontereyPark.ca.gov) is offering an [amnesty period](#) to allow individuals and businesses to get an active business license and have any associated penalty fees waived.

To qualify for amnesty, the following requirements must be met between September 1, 2014 and October 31, 2014:

- Businesses that have been previously licensed, but whose license has expired, simply pay for the principal business license fees without penalty
- If previously unlicensed, an agency approval process must be completed to comply with the city's requirements to start a new business.

Interested parties are encouraged to visit the city planning counter to begin this process. After completing the agency approval form, all principal fees for the business license must be paid. Please note, any penalties that have been paid prior to September 1, 2014 cannot be considered for inclusion in the program and will not be eligible for a refund.

On November 1, 2014 the city will resume charging any associated penalties on business license transactions. The city will also begin actively canvassing to locate unlicensed businesses and all principal and penalty fees will be charged.

Business License Tax revenue goes into the city's general fund which is the primary funding source of the police, fire, building, zoning, public works, park maintenance, recreation and library services for the city. The [amnesty program](#) is designed to provide a business friendly way to encourage individuals and businesses to be in compliance with business tax rules while helping the city fund its essential services.

For more information on this program, please visit the Business License Division at city hall, or contact the division by telephone at 626-307-1338.

City hall is open Monday–Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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