



SPARK OF LOVE RETURNS



Fullerton Fire Department is being taken over by Santa's Elves!

The Spark of Love Toy Drive runs from Monday, November 27, to Friday, December 22, 2023. The Fire Elf has partnered with Fullerton-based non-profits to ensure toys collected in Fullerton benefit Fullerton Youth. Each year, the Fire Elf conducts a needs assessment of each agency and messages the community. As toys arrive at Fire Station 1, they are sorted and distributed to local agencies.

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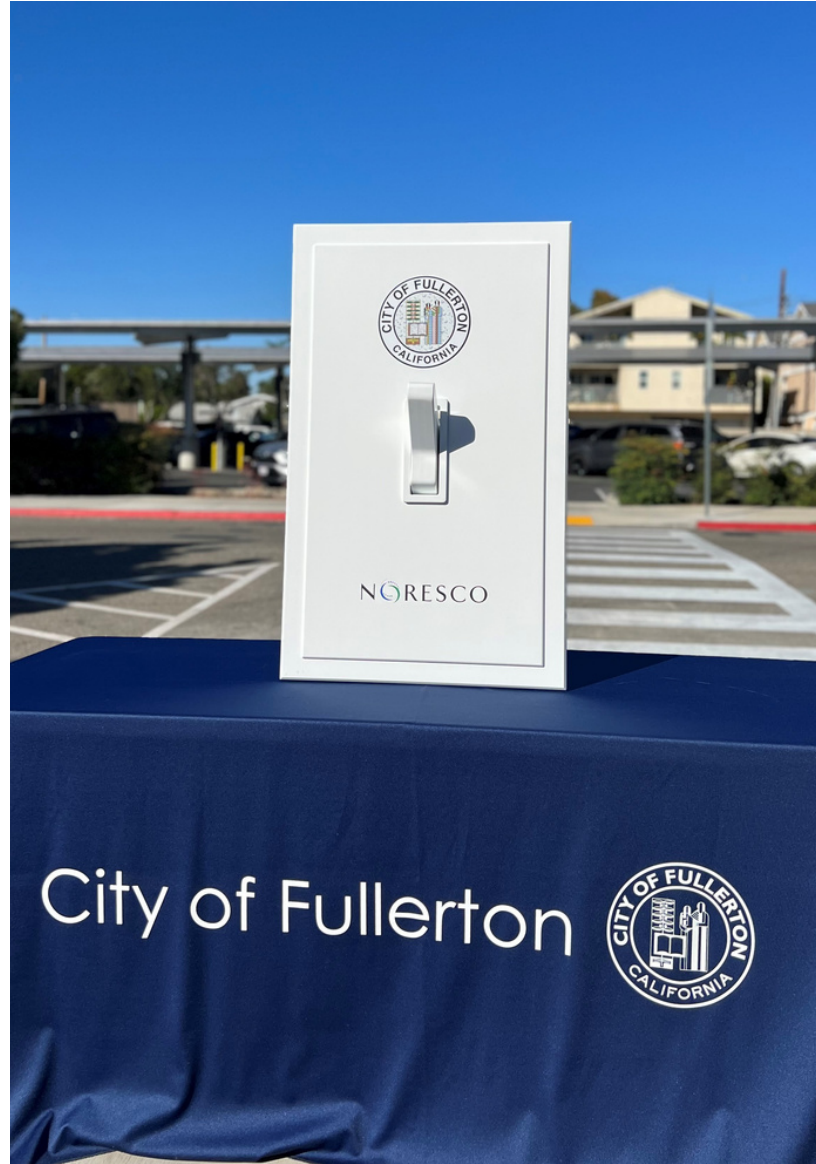
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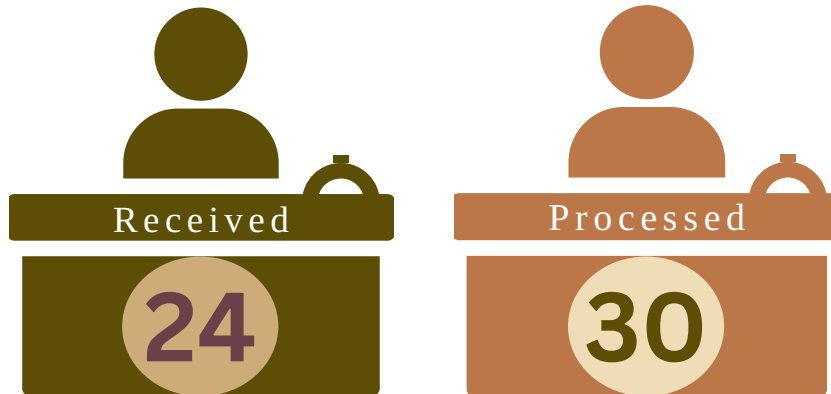
On November 9th the City hosted a Flip-the-Switch ceremony in partnership with NORESKO to celebrate our recent solar project.

The project has upgraded critical building and energy system infrastructure while delivering economic and environmental benefits to the City of Fullerton. The project includes vehicle chargers at City Hall for public use, the Police Department for fleet use, and when the solar arrays are energized they will make our facilities more efficient and power buildings with renewable energy.

The event concluded with a ceremonial flipping of a switch to symbolize how the project helps the City progress toward its climate and sustainability goals.

CITY CLERK UPDATES

The City Clerk's Office received 24 public records requests and processed 30 public records requests, between November 3rd and November 15th, as required under the **California Public Records Act**.



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

New A/V System in the Council Chambers

We are happy to report that the audio/video system in the Council Chambers and broadcast room has been upgraded! This project included the installation of a new 13,000-lumen projector, which displays a much sharper and brighter image than the previous system. In addition, new 4K cameras and wireless microphones were installed. The new equipment is controlled by an updated touch panel with two room modes that can be selected based on the complexity of the meeting. Media from five sources can be displayed on the projector screen and dais monitors, creating a more flexible system to support various meeting configurations. Equipment upgrades in the broadcast room will result in simpler operation. Thanks to all who supported this exciting project!





ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

NEW BUSINESS REGISTRATIONS

AUTO RESALE INC

Used Automobile Dealership

HUANG AND LOK DDS

Dental Office

GMPM CONTRACTING INC

Contractor General

HERMAN GUOHUA HUANG

State Certified Massage Tech @ Anluis
Massage

K.L.S. TWO LLC

Residential Rentals - 4 Units

KATHY TRAN

Nail Technician @ Nails 4 U & Spa

LAURALYN ESCHNER

Sales of art (scarves/wearable art) &
notecards

OC HORIZON INC

Contractor- General

ROLLER SHADES & BLINDS

E-Commerce of Window Coverings

SMT ACUPUNCTURE INC

State Licensed Acupuncturist

SO FULLERTON LLC

Afterschool Tutoring/STEM Learning

UZIMA COACHING LLC

Personal Trainer

VINOBE LLC

Wholesale/Distribution- Wine



COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Sidewalk Vendor Enforcement Update:

Pending inclement weather, the City and Orange County Health Sidewalk Vendor Task Force's efforts will continue with periodic inspections this week and will run until the end of 2023. These collaborative efforts with Code Enforcement, Public Works, PD Staff, and Orange County Health have significantly reduced unpermitted vendor activity and have resulted in fewer complaints submitted to both city and county agencies.

CACEO:

The Code Enforcement team attended the California Association of Code Enforcement Officers (CACEO) Annual Training Conference the week of November 6, 2023. CACEO is the State's designated agency tasked with certifying and providing consistent statutory training and legal updates to Code Enforcement Officers in California.

Our staff attended courses that provided up-to-date legal enforcement topics and recent law changes that will affect enforcement. They also had an opportunity to share ideas with other municipalities in the state regarding issues and challenges experienced in the enforcement field which can be implemented in Fullerton to improve the City's enforcement processes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT STATS

July 1, 2023 - November 15, 2023

482

Complaints Received

540

Cases Resolved

642

Inspections Conducted

**YTD STATS
JULY 2023 - PRESENT**



PERMITS ISSUED



PLAN CHECKS



INSPECTIONS



PROJECT VALUATION

PLANNING

Recruitment:

The Planning Department recently closed recruitment for three planners: Senior Planner, Associate Planner, and Assistant Planner. The Senior Planner is a new position while the other two are replacements for individuals who left earlier in the year. The department has been partially filling the staffing shortfalls with consultants from CSG, however, this has only been a short term solution. To date, over 88 applications were submitted and the department plans to conduct interview panels in December.

Housing Element Update:

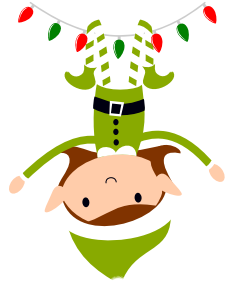
Planning staff in conjunction with consultants Dudek and Rincon continue to make progress on the Housing Element Update (HEU). Staff has been posting documents to the City's web page with updated information. One interesting item in particular was the creation of an introductory video of the proposed Housing Incentive Overlay Zone (HIOZ) which provides a brief description of this proposal. An email was sent to over 400 individuals who requested HEU updates, making them aware of the new materials.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

SPARK OF LOVE

Each year, the Fire Elf conducts a needs assessment of each agency and messages the community. As toys arrive at Fire Station 1, they are sorted and distributed to local agencies.



Elf Pro Hint: The most significant need is for items for teens and tweens.

On December 8, 2023, Fullerton Fire Crews will participate in the annual “Stuff-a-Bus” campaign, where OCTA buses are stuffed, and toys are distributed to participating agencies. The Fire Captain Elves and Fire Prevention Elves work with the community, and if a specific need arises due to loss during an accident or fire, FFD works to fulfill the need.

Although the Fire Elves are busy at the stations, it is an excellent opportunity for FFD to engage with community groups who are incredibly generous with their time and talents to Fullerton residents of all ages. Spark of Love brings opportunities, maintains communication, and builds rapport with community groups and local non-profits, enabling the department to continue to engage and bring proactive programs to various areas of the community based on need.

This year’s toy recipients are:

- Pathways of Hope
- Solidarity
- St. Vincent Di Paul
- We Believe in Giving
- Fullerton Boys and Girls Club
- OC United
- Need 4 Bridges





HUMAN RESOURCES

RECRUITMENT SUMMARY

An **eligibility list** was established for the following positions:

- Police Officer Trainee
- Maintenance Worker/Sr Maintenance Worker

The following **recruitments are open** and **accepting applications**:

- Air Conditioning Mechanic - Continuous until filled
- Assistant and Associate Planner - Filing period closed October 15
- Assistant Director of Public Works - Maintenance - Filing period closed October 27
- Associate Plan Check Engineer - Open until November 19
- Business Registration Supervisor - Filing period closes on November 26
- Chief of Police - open until November 20
- City Engineer/Assistant Director of Public Works - Filing period closed October 27
- Electrician - Continuous until filled
- Human Resources/Risk Management Analyst I/II - Filing period closed October 22
- Maintenance Worker/Senior Maintenance Worker - filing period closed October 16
- Parks and Recreation Manager- Filing period closed October 29
- Police Officer Trainee - Continuous until filled
- Purchasing Supervisor - Open until November 12
- Revenue Operations Manager - Filing period closes on November 26

Applications **accepted on a continuous basis** for non-regular positions:

- Community Services Leader Series
- Community Services Specialist Series
- Fire Department Utility Worker I/II
- Library Page
- Police Cadet
- Police Officer Lateral/Academy Trained
- Senior Parks and Recreation Specialist Series

8 NEW HIRES

ASD- 1 Hire

PD- 2 Hires

Fire- 1 Hire

PW- 4 Hires

Upcoming recruitments include:

- Administrative Assistant - Confidential
- Deputy Director of Administrative Services
- Homeless Outreach Case Manager (Non-Regular)
- Library Services Supervisor
- Senior Customer Service Representative

Negotiations between the City and the Police Management Association were completed and the MOA is pending City Council approval on November 21.



HUMAN RESOURCES

EVENTS AND TRAININGS



The Mission Square **“Lunch and Learn”** was held on November 15. 40 employees registered for this event



TB testing will be offered in early December.



For those who were not able to attend our first round of **Harassment Prevention Training**, additional sessions will be offered on December 14 and 15. More information to come.

LIBRARY

Yule Ball: Join the Fullerton Public Library for a Magical Celebration!

Your letter has arrived! On Saturday, December 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., YOU are invited to join us for a magical celebration! Families and people of all ages, you are invited to wonder at several enchanting crafts, captivating games, whimsical face painting, delectable treats, a charming photo booth, and much more! Come dressed in your favorite family-friendly magical attire and capture the moment at our photo booth! Visit our website for more information at fullertonlibrary.org/yuleball.



Fullerton Public Library Celebrates Foundation Giving Day

The Fullerton Public Library Foundation is hosting its first Annual Giving Day - Foundation Friday. Your support on this day (or any day) will enable the foundation to bring an array of community resources and programs to our library, connecting our city in ways that reach beyond the library walls. Visit our website at fullertonlibraryfoundation.com for more information, or stop by the library to make your donation and receive a recognition gift.

Don't Miss Out! Sign Up for the New Fullerton Public Library Newsletter!

Stay in the loop with the latest happenings at the library! From engaging programming to special events and exciting announcements, don't miss out on the fun—opt-in now to receive all the information about the fun and enriching experiences we have in store for you! Special thanks to the Fullerton Public Library Foundation for sponsoring our new email messaging platform. Sign up for the newsletter at fullertonlibrary.org/newsletter.



PARKS AND RECREATION

SECRET PALS FUNDRAISER



Scholarships are available for eligible Fullerton children under the age of 18 and provide assistance of up to \$75 per child. Secret Pals was created to help to assist families facing financial challenges to provide positive experiences and create a long-lasting impact in their lives through recreation classes.

We are pleased to announce that we will continue to partner with Raising Cane's for additional fundraising events on the following dates:

- November 28, 2023, Raising Cane's: 11 AM - 9 PM
- December 19, 2023, Raising Cane's: 11 AM - 9 PM

To contribute to these fundraisers, please present the provided flyer at the cash register or mention that you are there to support the fundraiser, or you can donate directly to fullertonEconnect.com. Your participation helps make a difference in the lives of local children.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

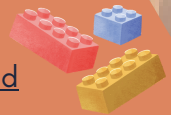
Winter Camp Hillcrest

Registration is now open for Winter Camp Hillcrest! Campers ages 6 through 12 will enjoy arts crafts, outdoor play, and music at beautiful Hillcrest Park along with fun weekly excursions. For registration and questions visit fullertonEconnect.com or call (714) 738-6575.

- Date:
 - Week 1: December 26 - 29
 - Week 2: January 2 - 5
- Time:
 - Regular Day: 10 AM - 4 PM, \$120
 - Extended Day: 7 AM - 6PM, \$170

CONTRACT CLASSES

- STEM FUNdamentals using Lego
Date: November 20th - November 22nd
Time: 9 AM - 12 PM



- Cowboy Holiday Camp
Date: December 28th - December 29th
Time: 9 AM - 12 PM

- Genetics Camp
Come and join this fun hands-on biology workshop for kids! Learn about DNA and how fruit flies play critical roles in genetics.

Date: January 8th
Time: 9 AM - 12 PM



YOUTH PROGRAMS CONTINUED

My Little and Me Art: Outer Space Art

Hands-on art experiences for toddlers, preschoolers, and their grownups continue in December with "Outer Space Art" on Tuesday, December 12, and Saturday, December 16. \$12 per adult/child duo includes all materials.

Holiday Craft Camp

Come get crafty at the Fullerton Community Center! Young crafters ages 6 through 12 will be making creative projects for decoration, holiday, gifting, and fun!

- Dates: November 20 - 23
- Time: 9 AM - 12 PM

\$75, includes all materials

SPECIAL EVENTS



Fullerton Wedding Show

The 2024 Fullerton Wedding Show will be on Sunday, February 25, 2024. We are now accepting vendor applications, find more information and the application online at www.cityoffullerton.com/cityevents.

Winter Movie Night - How the Grinch Stole Christmas

The Parks and Recreation Department invites you to this year's Winter Movie Night, December 1st from 5 PM to 9 PM at the Fullerton Community Center. This festive event includes a photo opportunity with Santa, letter-writing to Santa, arts and crafts, followed by a screening of How the Grinch Stole Christmas starting at 7 PM. Feel free to pack a picnic, and we strongly recommend bringing blankets and/or lawn chairs, as the movie will be shown on the courtyard lawn. Don't forget to bundle up for a cozy evening! The entry fee is \$5 per person for ages three and older. Anyone under three years old is free. You will receive five activity/snack tickets along with your entry fee. Additional tickets will be for sale.



First Night

Parks & Recreation would like to extend a special invitation to Downtown Fullerton's highly anticipated **New Year's Eve** celebration on December 31st, from 7 pm to Midnight. Join us as we welcome 2024 with live music, delectable food, & refreshing drinks. This event, making its return after the success of 2019, serves as a beacon of unity for our community. It's an opportunity for us to come together and celebrate the spirit of the new year. The event will consist of a kid's lane, 4 stages, and spectacular fireworks show at midnight. More detailed information will come as the event becomes closer to help build anticipation. We look forward to welcoming you to the heart of our city for a night of festivities, camaraderie, and the joyous spirit of the New Year.

<https://www.cityoffullerton.com/government/departments/parks-recreation/city-events/first-night-in-fullerton>

SENIOR PROGRAMS & EDUCATION

- **Medicare Q&A (Korean):** Presented by Optum - December 4th from 11 AM - 12 PM
- **Medicare Q&A (Spanish):** Presented by Optum - November 8th from 11 AM - 12 PM and December 6th from 11 AM - 12 PM
- **Medicare Q&A (English):** Presented by Optum - November 8th from 10 AM - 11 AM and December 4th from 11 AM - 12 PM
- **Korean Drumming** - Every Tuesday of the Month for Korean Drumming from 11:30 PM - 1:00 PM
- **Healthier Living with Diabetes (6-week series)** - Thursdays, October 12th - November 16th from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM
- **Social Cookbook: The Stories Behind Our Recipes** - Wednesday, November 15th from 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
- **Chair Volleyball** - Every third Tuesday of the month from 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Cultural Excursions for Seniors: Eighteen seniors enjoyed a guided tour of the historic Mission San Juan Capistrano on November 8th. We will continue "Museums and More" excursions in January.



Discover Fullerton on Foot continues in December with a walk through the Brea Dam Recreational Area on Saturday, December 16 from 8:30 am to 10:00. Learn about habitat and flood control while getting your steps in! All tours are free and designed with seniors in mind.



YOUTH SPORTS

- **Fullerton Pop Warner** and **Fullerton Rangers** has concluded their Fall Season.
- Our field closures for our sports fields will begin on November 20th. Fields will be re-seed and will remain closed for a duration of 8 weeks.



Fullerton Community Center Recap

October
25
Private rentals

\$46.9K
Total revenue generated in
October

November
24
Private rentals

\$39K
Total revenue thus far in
November

Park Buildings and Pavilions Recap

| October | November | |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 23 | ≈ 14 | \$6.3 K |
| Private rentals | Private rentals | Total revenue generated in October |

For more information about renting Lemon Park, Adlena Park, and Hillcrest Park terrace, buildings, or pavilions, visit www.cityoffullerton.com/parkrentals

The office of Supervisor Doug Chaffee will be hosting a **Food Drive** at Independence Park on November 18th from 9:00AM - 12:00PM.

This event will be first come first serve until supplies last. If you have any questions about this event call (714) 834-3440



PARK CAPITAL PROJECTS (CIP)

• Acacia Park playground

- Playground was closed in May due to a variety of issues: exposed concrete footings, surface in bad condition, missing playground equipment and the playground itself no longer being up to code. The Parks and Recreation Department met with many playground professionals and unfortunately, reopening the current playground was not possible.
- Playground is currently being installed
- Expected Completion Date: **December 2023**

• Union Pacific Park

- Scope of project includes construction of a new park and demolition of current amenities
- Staff is currently looking for funding sources
- Concept design was approved by Parks and Rec Commission in the November meeting

• Independence Park

- Current playground was deemed unsafe; demolition of current playground is complete
- Park is currently in design phase
- Concept design was reviewed by Parks and Rec Commission
- Next step will be to gather community input



POLICE DEPARTMENT



CITIZENS' ACADEMY GRADUATION

On September 6th, twenty members of our community began the Fullerton Police Department Citizens' Academy. The Citizens' Academy is a 10-week program designed to expose participants to the many facets of Law Enforcement. Participants heard from experts in several different Law Enforcement fields such as SWAT, K-9, CSI, Communications, Investigations, Community Services, Internal Affairs, Special Investigations Unit (SIU), Personnel & Training, and Waymakers. They even heard a firsthand account from an FPD Officer who was shot in the line of duty.

During this time, they all gained an overall knowledge of the Fullerton Police Department, how it's organized, and how it serves the community, as well as learning about what it is like to be a police officer from the men and women behind the badge. At the conclusion of the 10-week Citizens' Academy, all of the participants were awarded certificates of completion by Interim Chief Jon Radus, Mayor Fred Jung, and City Manager Eric Levitt.

NEW HIRES


FPD welcomes two new Police Dispatchers, Leandra Aguilar and Arely Luna as well as two new Police Officer Trainees, Jacob Reid and Thomas Von Kaenel.



You are invited to attend the Zone 2 Area Commander meeting with Lt Gharah will be held on Thursday, December 21st, from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM, in the Fullerton PD - Mural Room (237 W. Commonwealth Ave.)

Lt. Craft will be hosting an Investigations Bureau Commander meeting on Tuesday, December 5th, from 5PM to 6:30PM, at Lagos Mexican Restaurant (139 W. Santa Fe Ave).


Both Lieutenants and Officers working the areas will be on hand to answer your questions related to Zone 2 and Investigations.



ZONE 2
AREA COMMANDER MEETING

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12.21.23
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
at FPD- Mural Room
(237 W. Commonwealth Ave.)



LIEUTENANT
PEDRAM GHARAH



FULLERTON
POLICE DEPARTMENT

**WE ARE
HIRING**
JOIN OUR TEAM

OPEN POSITIONS:

- Police Officer Trainee
 - Starting \$79,446
- Lateral/Academy Trained
 - \$79,993-\$119,493

APPLY NOW

Recruitment Officer
2meiendez@fullertonpd.org



HIRING

Fullerton PD is currently hiring for the positions of Lateral and/or Academy Trained Police Officer and Police Officer Trainee.



PUBLIC WORKS



APWA AWARD

The City of Fullerton is the recipient of the **2023 APWA B.E.S.T. Award** for two capital improvement projects – the **Hunt Library Revitalization Project** for the Building Category and the **Energy Infrastructure Modernization Project** for the Facilities Category. On Tuesday, October 31st, the American Public Works Association (APWA) announced the award recognition to the City for its pioneering approach to promote community engagement and empowerment, safety, fiscal responsibility, and environmental sustainability by greatly improving essential community services and infrastructures. This honor highlights the important work and ongoing dedication of our Public Works Department to bring innovative public infrastructure to the City of Fullerton. These improvements are dedicated to the residents of the City by providing safe, innovative, and effective infrastructures.

The Hunt Library Revitalization Project, funded by two grants from California State Library, totaling \$5.25M, is unique and very different from most renovation projects because it combines the preservation and restoration of a National Register building with Adaptive Reuse elements to accommodate new programming including special events such as podcasts, lectures, public meetings, special classes, art shows, and large outside music and theatrical events. The Hunt Revitalization upgrades all the building utilities, including energy efficiency lighting, HVAC systems, low-flow plumbing, and insulated foam roofing. These features decrease greenhouse gas emissions, mitigating climate change and improving air quality, which directly impacts health and enables the City to save on energy cost.



PUBLIC WORKS

APWA AWARD CONTINUED

The Energy Infrastructure Modernization Project with a project cost of approximately \$8.5M is composed of key facility upgrades such as Renewable Energy Photovoltaic, EV chargers and Citywide Lighting, HVAC, Plumbing, Irrigation Upgrades that are anticipated to generate tremendous energy savings through reduction in energy consumption which the City will use to offset the capital costs. Additional benefits include reduced material costs, and carbon footprint, and increased safety and security. This project deserves the recognition and award for its innovative approach to the design-build project delivery method, modernizing outdated facilities, its dedication to environmental sustainability and safety, and its financial acumen through energy savings; all of which are this is considered a step forward contributes to a better and sustainable future.

APWA is the professional association of Public Works leaders throughout the United States and Canada, and its Southern California Chapters cover LA, OC, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. The B.E.S.T. (Building Excellence in Safety, Transportation and Infrastructure) Award recognizes exceptional projects that demonstrate excellence in construction, management, and administration.



PUBLIC WORKS



WATER SERVICE LEAKS AND REPAIRS

Main Leaks/Breaks

Water Service Leaks

Other Leaks

145 Shadow Ln
6" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-01-2023
Status: Repaired

147 E Kimberley
12" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-02-2023
Status: Repaired

694 State College
6" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-02-2023
Status: Repaired

711 W Valencia Mesa
8" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-04-2023
Status: Repaired

2056 Foothill Dr
8" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-03-2023
Status: Repaired

1515 Wavertree Ln
6" Water Main Break

Date reported: 11-03-2023
Status: Repaired

4266 W Hill Ave
3/4" Service Leak

Date reported: 11-07-2023
Status: Replaced

1012 S Mead Ave
1" Service Leak

Date reported: 11-03-2023
Status: Replaced

542 N Stanford Ave
1" Service Leak

Date reported: 11-14-2023
Status: TBD

1321 Brea Blvd
2" Service leak

Date reported: 11-02-2023
Status: TBD

201 W Orangethorpe Ave
Hit Hydrant

Date reported: 11-04-2023
Status: Replaced

2859 Gingerwood Cir
Hydrant Leak - Small

Date reported: 11-09-2023
Status: Repaired

1000 S Harbor
Hydrant Leak - Small

Date reported: 11-13-2023
Status: Repaired

1923 W Malvern Ave
Hydrant Leak -Small

Date reported: 11-14-2023
Status: Replaced

CITY HALL DIRECTORY

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|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|
| ADMIN SERVICES | 714-738-6549 | FIRE DEPARTMENT | 714-738-6500 |
| AIRPORT | 714-738-6323 | HOUSING | 714-738-6544 |
| BUSINESS REGISTRATION | 714-738-6531 | HUMAN RESOURCES | 714-738-6361 |
| CITY ATTORNEY | 714-446-1400 | LIBRARY | 714-738-6388 |
| CITY CLERK | 714-738-6350 | MUSEUM | 714-738-3338 |
| CITY COUNCIL | 714-738-6311 | PARKS AND REC | 714-738-6575 |
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