

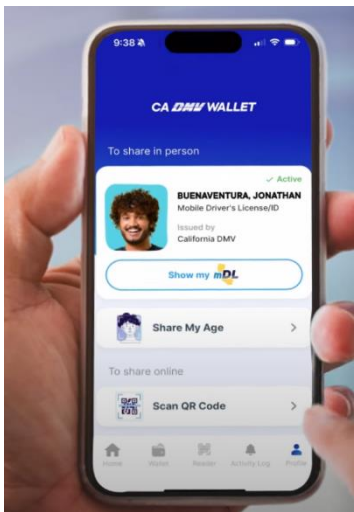


DATE: August 29, 2024
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Edward C. Starr, City Manager

CITY MANAGER’S MONTHLY REPORT AUGUST 2024

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

- **California Driver’s Licenses to go Digital**



The California Department of Motor Vehicles’ (DMV) is currently pilot testing, and will soon offer for general use, the addition of Google Wallet and Apple Wallet, as well as the DMV Wallet as options to securely and conveniently hold digital driver’s licenses and identification cards.

California is one of five states to offer a digital driver’s license in Google Wallet and Apple Wallet. These options are part of the [DMV’s broader mobile Driver’s License \(mDL\) pilot¹](#), which launched in 2023 as part of the statewide [Digital Identity Framework²](#). To date, more than 500,000 Californians have added the mDL to their smartphones. The state’s mDL pilot program is ongoing and currently limited to 1.5 million participants so there remains plenty of opportunity to add an mDL to Google Wallet, DMV Wallet or Apple Wallet apps.

Presenting an mDL in Google Wallet, Apple Wallet or the California DMV Wallet app is currently accepted as a valid form of identification at select retail locations and TSA airports. The DMV continues to work with public and private partners to encourage broader acceptance of the mDL, and will be [hosting two “hackathons” in the fall³](#) for innovators interested in adding this secure digital identity into their customer experience.

Research has shown that having a way to save an ID as an mDL is critical in order for people to feel like they have a complete digital wallet.

¹ <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/ca-dmv-wallet/>

² <https://digitalidstrategy.cdt.ca.gov/>

³ <https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/news-and-media/dmv-to-host-community-hackathons-to-facilitate-additional-uses-for-mobile-drivers-license/>

In the future, the mDL will work in partnership with California’s Digital ID Framework that securely and conveniently allows the state to verify people’s identity.

The pilot mDL program does not replace the requirement to carry a physical driver’s license while driving, but does give Californians another convenient option for identity verification and more control over how they share their information – offering the choice to display name and age information only when presenting for ID checks.

More information about California IDs in Google Wallet and Apple Wallet, as well as other California-issued mDLs, is available at dmv.ca.gov/mDL.

• Summer of the Mosquito

Over 1 million people die annually from mosquito-borne diseases. Female mosquitoes can lay up to 300 eggs at a time, and can do so up to three times until they die. In California, there are an estimated 50 species of mosquitoes (approximately 200 species throughout the United States), but only a very few represent a health threat.

Mosquitoes need water to survive and produce. Without a stagnant or fresh water source, most mosquitoes cannot lay their eggs; and for those mosquitoes that lay eggs in damp soil, the soil needs to be flooded by water in order to hatch into larva. Mosquito eggs will not hatch without a water source.

Summer is the prime season for mosquitos. The [West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District \(WVMVCD\) of San Bernardino County](https://www.wvmvcd.org/)⁴ reports that high summer temperatures, coupled with increased humidity, create perfect conditions for mosquitoes, including the troublesome newcomer, *Aedes aegypti* (ankle biters), which typically appears later in the summer (late August and September).



Aedes Genus Mosquito

To keep the mosquito population under control, WVMVCD recommends exercising “yard hygiene” by implementing the following steps:

- **Drain Standing Water.** Do not allow water to sit for more than 48 hours. Especially in the summer, water that sits for longer than 48 hours can have enough algae and bacteria to support mosquito larvae development and become an attractive place for female mosquitoes to lay their eggs. Even a miniscule amount of standing water can breed hundreds of mosquitoes.

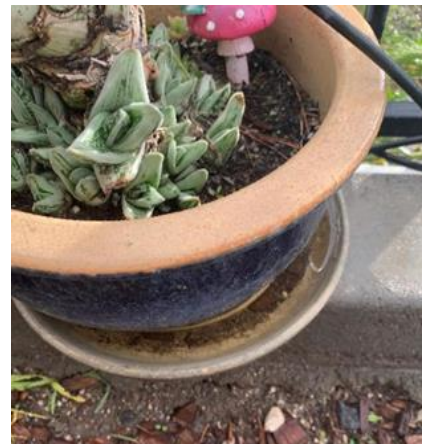
Items like trash cans and planter pots can accumulate water and turn foul quickly and should be drained as quickly as possible.

⁴ <https://www.wvmvcd.org/>

Birdbaths and pet watering dishes left outside should be monitored daily, checked for the presence of algae and organic matter that can foul the water, and cleaned weekly at minimum.

Ponds and water gardens should have the surface of the water agitated using a sprinkler or other pumping device, and if possible, mosquitofish (available at the WVMVCD) can be added to remove larvae.

- **Scrub Containers:** *Aedes aegypti* lay their eggs on the sides of containers, usually just above the waterline. Scrubbing and rinsing containers can dislodge eggs, reducing the mosquito threat.
- **Create Barriers:** *Aedes* like to hide in dark areas, out of direct sunlight. Garages, porches, and heavy vegetation can provide hiding spots for mosquitoes. Keep garages closed, make sure door and window screens are tight-fitting, and be alert when going in and out of the home—mosquitoes can and will follow you inside.
- **Use Repellents:** An EPA registered repellent is often a vital necessity for outdoors enjoyment. Buy products with the active ingredients DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus, and IR3535—these products have been extensively tested and are shown to be the longest lasting and most effective.



Even a small amount of water in the saucer of a flower pot can serve as a breeding ground for mosquito larvae.

WVMVCD states that other means of mosquito control, including use of citronella plants, citronella candles, sonic devices, and electronic zappers have little to no effectiveness against mosquitoes—zappers tend to kill more beneficial insects than mosquitoes. Emerging technologies, however, do offer some promise. Spatial repellents, for example, produce an aerosol released in the air to repel mosquitoes. The two leading ingredients for spatial repellents are the volatile pyrethroids metofluthrin and transfluthrin and some botanical compounds (terpenoids). While spatial repellants are showing some promise, there is still more research to be done; in addition, wind and backyard fans disperse the product making it less effective. Spatial repellent devices are currently cost prohibitive for most families, with estimated costs above \$700 for only 100 hours of repellency. WVMVCD recommends that, instead, residents spend their earning on EPA registered and CDC recommended repellents worn on the skin or clothing.

Aedes have a limited flight range and do not travel far from their breeding site—up to 250 feet. Therefore, when a backyard infestation occurs, search for and drain standing water, and ask neighbors to do the same.

This year, to help control the *Aedes* population, WVMVCD released sterile male *Aedes aegypti* as a regular part of its Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategy, which has resulted in a significant decrease in the region's *Aedes* populations compared to prior years. The positive results also allow for reduced use of chemical pesticides.



Sterile *Aedes aegypti* males being released from WVMVCD containment boxes.

Sterile males are created by first collecting local wild mosquitoes and rearing them in a laboratory environment. Eggs are hatched and males are separated and packaged to be irradiated to disrupt their ability to create viable sperm. Sterile males are then released into areas of high activity to mate with wild female mosquitos. A successful coupling between a fertile female and sterile male will result in non-viable eggs. This control strategy uses the mosquito's own behaviors against them: **male mosquitoes do not bite, and once a female mates, she typically does not mate again and will lay unfertilized eggs for the balance of her life cycle.**

Mosquitoes have a relatively short lifespan, with most species living no more than two to three weeks. However, this can vary depending on environmental conditions and the availability of food sources. Female mosquitoes, which are responsible for biting humans, can survive for up to one month in ideal conditions. Males typically live for less than one week, focusing mainly on mating.

Residents experiencing mosquito issues are encouraged to call the WVMVCD to schedule an inspection at 909-635-0307.

- **San Bernardino County Receives Fair Share**

At their August 20, 2024, meeting, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors received a report on Measure EE, a November 8, 2022, General Election ballot measure that asked County residents to vote on the following question: *“Do the people of San Bernardino County want San Bernardino County elected representatives to study and advocate for all options to obtain the County’s fair share of state funding, up to and including secession from the State of California?”* Voters barely approved Measure EE with 50.62. Following passage of Measure EE, Supervisors engaged a consultant, [Blue Sky Consulting Group](https://www.blueskyconsultinggroup.com/)⁵ (Blue Sky), to study the fair share and secession matters.

⁵ <https://www.blueskyconsultinggroup.com/>

- Fair Share. The [analysis](#)⁶, as presented by Blue Sky, agrees with the findings of [an internal analysis by San Bernardino County](#)⁷ conducted in fall 2022, concluding that San Bernardino County has, for the most part, received its fair share of state and federal resources. The examination further determined that, “*on average over the past three years, San Bernardino County received \$66 (or 9 percent) more per person in state funding than the statewide average—\$829 versus \$763.*” This latter observation makes it clear that, as it relates to state funding, San Bernardino County is a recipient county (it receives more revenue than it pays out in taxes), not a donor county (a county that pays out more in taxes than what it receives in funding from the state).

A sample of revenue areas in which San Bernardino County did better than the statewide average includes the following:

- [Prison realignment](#)⁸ funding. Funding is used to defray costs related to shifting California prisoners to local jails in response to overcrowding. San Bernardino County received \$431 per county resident in fiscal year 2021-22, versus the statewide average of \$406.
- [Proposition 172](#)⁹ funding. Between fiscal year 2019-20 and 2021-22, San Bernardino County received an average of \$106 per person in Proposition 172 funding—higher than the statewide average of \$99 per person. Proposition 172 is a statewide half-cent sales tax that funds law enforcement.
- School District funding. Over the past two decades, public school districts in San Bernardino County received more money for facilities than the statewide average. During the review period, the County had 6.6% of California’s total public-school students, but received 7.3% of state funding for facilities.

There are also revenue sources where the County received “*less than expected revenue;*” including for mental health services, affordable housing and housing assistance programs.

- Mental Health Services Act Funds. The county received an average of \$64 per person in Mental Health Services Act funding for fiscal years 2020-21 through 2022-23, compared to a statewide average of \$68 per person in that same period.
- Homelessness. San Bernardino County has an estimated 2.1% of the state’s [homeless population](#)¹⁰, but received 1.1% of state funding from California’s Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention program (H-HAP). It also received less of the state’s Encampment Resolution Funds (1.4%) in comparison to the County’s homeless population.
- Affordable Housing. San Bernardino County ranks 49th out of 58 counties in the number of affordable housing units receiving federal tax credits over the past 20 years.

⁶ <https://www.scribd.com/document/760448059/San-Bernardino-County-Fair-Share-Analysis>

⁷ <https://www.scribd.com/document/598623837/California-county-revenue-per-capita-comparison>

⁸ <https://www.sbsun.com/2012/09/30/prison-realignment-one-year-later/>

⁹ [https://ballotpedia.org/California_Proposition_172_Public_Safety_Funding_Amendment_\(1993\)](https://ballotpedia.org/California_Proposition_172_Public_Safety_Funding_Amendment_(1993))

¹⁰ <https://www.sbsun.com/tag/homelessness/>

- At-risk Water Systems. San Bernardino County received \$401 per user for [water systems that the state classified as “at risk,”](#)¹¹ compared to an average of \$485 per user statewide.
- Community Colleges. With an estimated 4% of the state’s community college students, San Bernardino County’s community colleges received 3.1% of the state’s capital outlay funding over the past 10 years.

In relation to mental health services, homelessness and affordable housing programs, which function as core parts of a Continuum of Care program, it is noted that until recently San Bernardino County’s interest in, and solicitation of funds for these programs has lagged behind neighboring counties. San Bernardino County has also had to return funds for failure to expend them on homeless-related programs—in 2022, San Bernardino County reportedly [sat on homeless dollars before returning \\$4.4 million in unspent funds](#)¹². The County had received approximately \$8.5 million in emergency grant funding during the Coronavirus Pandemic to be used to house homeless residents. The \$4.4 million had to be returned because it was not spent before an established federal deadline.

Further, San Bernardino County only recently approved a resolution to adopt programs related to Laura’s Law, and has been slow on implementing the mandate to participate in the state’s CARE Court Program.

- What is Laura’s Law? [Assembly Bill 1421](#)¹³ established the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Demonstration Project Act of 2002, known as Laura’s Law, which provides court-ordered community treatment for individuals with a history of repeated hospitalization or incarceration, or a history of violent behavior to self or others. The law was named after Laura Wilcox, a 19-year-old college student who, in January 2001, was one of three people killed by a person suffering from mental illness who was not following his prescribed mental health treatment, and resisted efforts to have him hospitalized after he had become increasingly delusional and paranoid. Laura Wilcox’ parents advocated for the advancement of AOT for persons considered to have mental illnesses.
- What is CARE Court? [Senate Bill 1338 \(2022\)](#)¹⁴ enacted CARE Court, a state-sponsored program to facilitate long-term care of individuals suffering from schizophrenic spectrum disorders. Care Court placement is typically involuntary, but necessary to ensure that individuals in need of this level of mental health care can receive the necessary services. Deployment of the Care Court tool provides a new element to the Continuum of Care program that affects those in most need of protective healthcare oversight, it also establishes an effective enforcement tool in extreme cases where court involvement is necessary to allow a person to recover from conditions that are contrary to their wellbeing, and the person is otherwise not capable of determining a course of action that will provide a means for some-level of recovery from chronic homelessness.

¹¹ <https://www.sbsun.com/2017/04/20/milestone-reached-in-cleanup-of-polluted-hinkley-water-made-famous-in-erin-brockovich/>

¹² <https://www.sbsun.com/2023/05/10/san-bernardino-county-sat-on-homeless-funds-before-returning-4-4m-nonprofits-say/>

¹³ https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=200120020AB1421

¹⁴ https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB1338

In relation to affordable housing, the San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCOG) is early in the process of creating a Housing Trust Fund—other populated counties in the state have operated Housing Trust Funds for a number of years.

The consultant's analysis does note that San Bernardino County has more unfilled (30) judicial vacancies than any other county in the state. According to the analysis, there are 98 unfilled judgeships statewide—San Bernardino County represents approximately one-third of those vacancies.

Blue Sky submitted recommendations that provide a pathway for securing funding in those areas where San Bernardino County does not meet the state average.

- **Secession.** Measure EE's secession question moved forward when a developer from the region argued the County was not receiving its "fair share" of resources and should, therefore, secede and form a new state called Empire, or ask to join Arizona or Nevada.

However, Blue Sky's [analysis on the "secession" question](#)¹⁵ concluded that "Secession would trigger a wide variety of negative economic impacts countywide" including adverse fiscal impacts on the county government, local municipal governments, school districts and other special districts. The analysis states that more than half of the County's revenue comes from outside the County, primarily from California's income tax revenues. Clearly, if the gist of the Board of Director's concern is revenue, San Bernardino County would receive demonstratively less revenue as either a separate state or by annexing to Nevada or Arizona. While it can be argued that, as a new state, leaders could implement their own tax programs, the analysis demonstrates that, given the income-economics of San Bernardino County related to both residents and businesses, an adopted tax system similar to California's would produce a much smaller revenue stream for the new state.

The [California State Library](#)¹⁶ reports that since granted statehood in 1850, California has seen no less than 220 attempts to divide the state into smaller jurisdictions—efforts that have gone nowhere because of requirements for approval by the California Legislature and U.S. Congress. Joining another state would also require that state's approval for annexation. The last time a state partitioned through secession was in 1861 when West Virginia broke away from Virginia at the onset of the Civil War.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

• **New Employees**

Welcome to the following new employees:

- **Tania Amezcua**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Yessenia Becerril**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Amaris Flores**, Police Cadet, Police Department
- **Molly Salmeron**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Nicholas Torres**, Police Cadet, Police Department

¹⁵ <https://www.scribd.com/document/760448058/San-Bernardino-County-Secession-Memo>

¹⁶ <https://www.library.ca.gov/collections/online-exhibits/splitting-ca/>

- **Internal Appointments / Promotions**

Congratulations to the following current employees who have been internally promoted or appointed to new positions:

- **Ryan Rabino**, Recreation Leader, Human Services
- **Samantha Julien-Rohman**, Senior Police Dispatcher, Police Department
- **Douglas Waugh**, Senior Recreation Leader, Human Services

- **Employees Whose Service to the City Has Ended**

The City would like to thank the following individuals who have concluded their service with the City of Montclair:

- **Isabella De La Rosa**, Senior Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Ulises Heredia**, Park Leader, Human Services
- **Katrina Herrera Solorio**, Police Dispatcher, Police Department
- **Gemma Hornilla**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Alex Macias**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Alexis Mancinas**, Senior Recreation Leader, Human Services
- **Emily Marin**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Diego Martinez**, Senior Learning Leader, Human Services
- **April Mendoza**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Matilde Moreno**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Leo Santana**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Lillian Tigerino Ordonez**, Learning Leader, Human Services
- **Jason Ycedo**, Senior Recreation Leader, Human Services
- **Daniel Venadero**, Maintenance Worker, Public Works

- **Montclair Job Opportunities**

The City is hiring qualified individuals to fill the following positions:

Current Recruitments

- Building Official – Community Development

Applications are continuously accepted and reviewed for the following positions:

- **Maintenance Worker** – Public Works
- **Firefighter (Paramedic) (Entry-Level/Lateral)** – Fire Department
- **Senior Police Dispatcher (Lateral)** – Police Department
- **Police Dispatcher (Entry-Level)** – Police Department
- **Police Officer (Entry-Level/Lateral)** – Police Department
- **Reserve Police Officer Level II and I (Part-Time)** – Police Department
- **Police Cadet (Part-Time)** – Police Department
- **Senior Recreation Leader (Part-Time)** – Human Services

- **Recreation Leader (Part-Time)** – Human Services
- **Senior Learning Leader (Part-Time)** – Human Services
- **Learning Leader (Part-Time)** – Human Services
- **Substitute Learning Leader (Part-Time)**– Human Services

For an up-to-date listing of all job opportunities available at the City of Montclair or to apply for a job, please visit the Employment Opportunities page on the City’s website at <https://www.cityofmontclair.org/employment-opportunities/>.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- **Shop Local Montclair**

Looking for a great way to support local businesses? Want to be entered into a raffle to win a \$75 gift card to your favorite Montclair spot? Join “Shop Local Montclair,” a campaign aimed at supporting our small and local businesses while thanking those who choose to shop local!

Submit your entries for the next raffle to win a \$75 gift card to your favorite Montclair business! Each valid receipt is an entry into a quarterly raffle. Shop Local, Win Local! When you shop local, you’re not just making a purchase – you’re investing in your neighbors, friends, and local entrepreneurs. In addition, every time you shop local, you ensure that your sales tax dollars are being reinvested in your community. Together, let’s keep Montclair strong by shopping local. For more information about Shop Local Montclair, visit the Montclair Chamber of Commerce at <https://montclairchamber.com/>.



- **Economic Development Monthly Business Newsletter**



The Economic Development Department is pleased to share its monthly business newsletter promoting current and future Montclair businesses and entrepreneurs with resources for growth and expansion.

From its strategic location, Montclair is at the core of Southern California’s economic revival and boasts diverse business sectors, quality housing, and ample recreational amenities that offer residents and businesses alike a high quality of life.

The E-Newsletter shares business resources and free training offered through our resource partners. Go to <https://www.cityofmontclair.org/newsletter/> to sign up for the newsletter or to view past editions.

- **Mega Mix Expo**



Marketing and Promotions Coordinator Christine Thomas and Director of Economic Development Agency Mikey Fuentes

On Thursday, August 8, 2024, staff members from the Economic Development Agency (EDA) and the Montclair Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) attended the Mega Mix Inland Empire Expo held at the Ontario Convention Center in Ontario, CA.

The Mega Mix Inland Empire Expo provided an excellent opportunity for EDA and Chamber staff to connect with a diverse range of businesses and industry professionals. The Mega Mix Inland Empire Expo was the first Mega Mix Expo to be held in San Bernardino County.

Staff from the EDA and Chamber actively promoted Montclair as a desirable location for businesses to invest and grow. Staff members highlighted the city's competitive advantages, including its strategic location, skilled workforce, affordable cost of living, and business-friendly environment.

The event provided a valuable opportunity to network, promote Montclair as a business-friendly destination, explore collaboration possibilities, and engage with the community. By actively participating in these types of events, the EDA and Chamber attract new businesses to the area and retain existing ones.

- **Montclair Small Business Center**

CITY OF Montclair SMALL BUSINESS CENTER

A Powerful Partnership
The City of Montclair's Economic Development Agency is thrilled to announce the development and creation of the Montclair Small Business Center (MSBC).
The MSBC houses both the Montclair Chamber of Commerce (MCC) and the Inland Empire Small Business Development Center (SBDC). This exciting collaboration brings valuable resources and support directly to Montclair's business community.
The Montclair Chamber of Commerce serves as a central hub for businesses in the community. The Montclair Chamber of Commerce's focus is on creating a thriving commercial environment that benefits both businesses and residents alike.
The Inland Empire SBDC offers a comprehensive suite of no-cost services to help entrepreneurs and existing businesses thrive.
The City of Montclair's Economic Development Agency recognizes the importance of small businesses to our local economy. By partnering with the Montclair Chamber of Commerce and the Inland Empire SBDC, we are committed to fostering a supportive environment where small businesses can grow and flourish.

Resources & Services

Expert Business Consulting
Receive confidential guidance from experienced advisors on topics like business planning, marketing, finance, and more.

Training Workshops
Gain valuable knowledge and skills through workshops designed to address the specific needs of small businesses.

Access to Capital
Explore funding options and connect with lenders to secure the capital needed to grow your business.

Networking Opportunities
Connect with other local entrepreneurs and business leaders through networking events and programs.

Convenient Location
9916 Central Avenue, Montclair, California 91763

Montclair Chamber
The Montclair Chamber of Commerce (MCC) is an active partner, advocating for its members through effective programming, events, activities, and advocacy.
The mission of the MCC is to provide leadership, organization, and resources to support the Montclair business community. The MCC offers members a wide range of services, including networking opportunities, training, free marketing, promotion, and exclusive advertising perks.

Montclair Chamber Staff
Tenice Johnson
Executive Director
Promotional events and activities, Networking, City of Montclair Liaison
Monday - Thursday 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

SBDC
The Inland Empire Small Business Development Center (SBDC) helps small business owners succeed with business advice from experienced entrepreneurs and industry experts, coaching, and one-on-one consulting and advising at no cost (and no catch). In-person, zoom, or phone call appointments are available, including on weekends. Book your free one-on-one today!

IESBDC Consultants
Edgar Mejia
Business Consultant
Marketing, SEO, Business Planning, Social Media, and Sales
Monday 9 A.M. - 6 P.M.
Rachel Jimenez
Business Consultant
Startups, Business Planning, Marketing, E-commerce (Etsy), Public Relations, Event Management, Leadership
Wednesday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.
Robert Usher
Business Consultant
Finance, Business Planning, Franchising, Startups, Financial Literacy
Thursday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

- **American Public Works Association Southern California Chapter**

On August 22, 2024, Public Works Director Monica Heredia and Community Development Director Michael Diaz participated in the inaugural 2024 Career Fair and Scholarship Award Night hosted by the American Public Works Association Southern California (APWA SoCal) Chapter, in collaboration with the Scholarship Committee and Young Professionals Committee.

Both committees collaborated on this event to provide students and young professionals across Southern California:

- A more in-depth understanding of public works,
- Opportunities to achieve their educational goals,
- Opportunities and resources to enhance their personal and professional development, and
- A celebration of scholarship recipients.



Public Works Director Heredia and Community Development Director Diaz displaying the City's capital projects and development projects.

City staff supported the APWA SoCal Chapter Scholarship Committee and Young Professionals Committee mission by attending the event, promoting the field of Public Works, and sharing their experiences with students and young professionals.

A total of \$28,500 was awarded to high school and undergraduate students from different universities including California State Polytechnic University Pomona.

- **Civic Center Generator Upgrade**



New automatic transfer switch

Staff is preparing to install an emergency generator adjacent to the Recreation Center. The generator will be connected to the main switchgear, providing power to all buildings within the Civic Center through an automatic transfer switch.

The automatic transfer switch must be installed before the generator can be connected. The automatic transfer switch is located directly outside of the fire riser room in the Community Center near the main electrical room. The conduits connecting the automatic transfer switch to the main switch gear will pass through the fire riser room exactly where the fire riser is currently located.

Additionally, the fire riser must be relocated within the fire riser room to make room for the automatic transfer switch conduits and pull boxes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- **Incident on July 28, 2024**

On July 28, 2024, at approximately 4:00 p.m., Montclair Fire Department resources responded to a small vegetation fire near the railroad tracks at Benson Avenue. Medic Engine 152, Medic Truck 151, and Battalion Chief 1715 responded. Our neighbors to the East, the Ontario Fire Department, were simultaneously dispatched to a commercial fire for a rail car on fire. On-scene, resources from both agencies worked to mitigate the fire with a knockdown of both the grass and rail car fires. Montclair Police Department also assisted in the response.

A hazardous materials team from the Ontario Fire Department determined there were no hazardous chemicals involved. Along with the assistance of Union Pacific Railroad, the affected car was relocated to the rail yard in Ontario where the fire was overhauled and the incident was turned over to Union Pacific Railroad law enforcement, who are investigating it as a possible arson fire. There were no injuries to firefighters or the public.

- **Commercial Structure Fire August 7, 2024**

At approximately 7:30 p.m. Medic Engine 152 (ME 152) was dispatched to a reported commercial water flow alarm at 10660 Silicon Avenue. ME 152 arrived on scene and reported the fire sprinkler system was activated, and smoke was showing from a single-story commercial building, and the incident was upgraded to a first alarm commercial response. Assistance was provided from AMR ambulance, Chino Valley Fire District, Ontario Fire Department, and LA County Fire. Crews made an aggressive attack on the fire, achieving knockdown within minutes. The fire was confined to the room of origin with no other fire damage reported. No civilian or firefighter injuries were reported. Local utility companies were dispatched to the scene to ensure the building was deemed safe. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- **Save the Date for the Following Upcoming Events!**

Health Fair

The City of Montclair's Health Fair will be held on Thursday, October 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Montclair Community Center.

This event is designed to provide the community with the latest information on health-related resources and services around the Montclair area. The Health Fair exhibits a wide range of local and countywide organizations and their services that include health, wellness, and special needs.

Services will include free blood pressure, glucose and body/structural health screenings. More than 30 vendors will be in attendance including; health care and social services agencies, health insurance companies, law enforcement and fire safety. Free Flu/COVID vaccine's may be available to participants. Vaccines to be confirmed two weeks prior to the event. Please visit <https://www.cityofmontclair.org/health-fair/> for more details.

For more information call (909) 625-9479.

Halloween Spooktacular

Come and enjoy a fun evening with family and friends at the City of Montclair's Halloween Spooktacular! The event will take place on Saturday, October 26, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Montclair Place (5060 N. Montclair Plaza Lane). This fun-filled event will include a costume contest, Halloween maze, carnival-style games, live DJ, selfie stations, trick or treating at participating tenants, and crafts and candy (while supplies last). Wear your favorite costume to enter the costume contest categories including: scariest, most unique, cutest, and family group (for two or more family members dressed in a theme).

The event is sponsored by the City of Montclair, Montclair Place, Burrtec Waste Industries, the Women's Club of Montclair, and West Coast Arborists.

Hope to spook you there! For more information call (909) 625-9479.

An event flyer is shared on page 18.

- **Summer Concert and Movie Series**

The 63rd Annual Summer Concert and Movie Series concluded with National Night Out on August 6, 2024. Our Movie Series kicked off with a screening of *Troll Band Together* on June 18, *Migration* on July 9, and *Top Gun Maverick* on August 6 during National Night Out. The Concert Series was composed of musical acts including Chico Band (Latin) on June 25, Queen of Hearts (Country) on July 2, Miriam Neblina (Latin) on July 16, Cold Duck (Old School) on July 23, and Mariachi Coachella (Mariachi) on July 30.

Mayor John Dutrey, Mayor Pro Tem Tenice Johnson, Council Members Corysa Martinez and Bill Ruh, Congresswoman Norma Torres' field representative Sophia Siqueiros, along with a large community attendance enjoyed the events. The series also included free arts and crafts for the children and delicious treats from Kona Ice-Rancho Cucamonga, Birrieria Los Zarapes, Cruising Cones, Tacos ChicanX, and La Torta Madre, a Craft Vendor Fair (July 16) and blood drive (August 6).

Photos from the 2024 Concert and Movie Series events are shared on page 19.

- **2024 Montclair Employee Summer Barbeque**

On Thursday, August 22, over 130 City employees attended the City Manager's and City Council's Annual All Employees Summer Bar-B-Que in the Community Center. This annual event is held in appreciation of every employee's service to the City.

Lunch was provided by Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que and included a serving of either brisket with grilled chicken or vegetarian pasta, with sides of BBQ baked beans, corn on the cob, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, garden salad, and a biscuit with apple butter. The country themed luncheon also provided a peach cobbler and fresh fruit for dessert. Staff enjoyed a variety of picnic games, a photo opportunity area, and some even dressed in theme.

Photos are shared on page 20.

- **Montclair Youth Center**

The Montclair Youth Center (MYC) has reopened and its hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday from 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., and Tuesday from 12:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for youths in grades 7 to 12 who live in Montclair or attend a Montclair School (Proof required).

A Youth Center registration form is required to be a Youth Center participant, and you can stop by the Youth Center to pick up an application. Free Ice Cream is served Monday through Friday for the entire month of August.

On August 9, the Youth Center hosted a Summer Olympics 5 vs. 5 Basketball Tournament. Winners went home with a gold medal. During Wednesdays in August, the MYC Cooking Club has been learning how to make pastas, such as fettuccine, ravioli, and lasagna, from scratch.

Photos are shared on page 21.

- **Youth and Adult Sports Leagues**

Adult Volleyball League – Summer 2024

On Tuesday, July 9, six teams began their quest to be crowned queen of the courts in our Summer Adult Volleyball League! If you would like to see great hits, sets and spikes, please join us and cheer on these teams Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. For more information on the winter season, contact (909) 625-9479.

Adult Basketball League – Summer 2024

The Men’s Basketball League began on Thursday, July 11 with eight teams striving to become the Summer Champions and claim themselves, Kings of the Court! If you would like to see thrilling and exciting plays, please join us Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. For more information on the winter season, contact (909) 625-9479.

Youth Volleyball League – Fall 2024

Bump, set, spike! Have you heard? The City of Montclair’s Youth Volleyball League is back! Skills assessments were held on Wednesday, August 7 and over 70 players showcased their skills to be placed on teams. If you would like to cheer on these teams, join us Saturday, September 14 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. as we introduce the teams and cheer them on as they strive to compete, play hard and have lots of fun throughout the season! For more information, contact (909) 625-9479.

Youth Basketball League – Winter 2024

Don’t miss out on all the fun as registration is coming soon! Take advantage of the new online registration as well!

Registration for Sports Leagues: Begins Monday, September 9 at 7:30 a.m. through Friday, October 4, or until the league is full.

NEW! Online Registration Available: webtrac.cityofmontclair.org

In-Person Registration: Visit the Recreation Center (5111 Benito St., Montclair 91763). Open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

FEES/ DIVISIONS:

| Division A: \$65 | Division B: \$65 | Division C: \$65 | Division D: \$45 |
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| Boys & Girls Born 2011-2012 | Boys & Girls Born 2013-2014 | Boys & Girls Born 2015- 016 | Boys & Girls Born 2017-2018 |

For more information, contact (909) 625-9479.

- **Senior Center Activities**

Montclair Senior Excursions are back!

Join Montclair Senior Center staff on day trips to your favorite local destinations!

- Thursday, September 12: The Getty Center & 3rd Street Promenade
 - Fee: \$45 (lunch not included)
 - Registration begins August 1 and the last day to register is September 5, or when capacity is reached
- Thursday, October 10: Fantasy Springs Casino
 - Fee: \$40 (lunch not included)
 - Registration begins September 3, and the last day to register is October 7, or when capacity is reached

Space is limited, registration and payment is taken at the Montclair Senior Center. For more information visit the Montclair Senior Center or call (909) 625-9483.

Senior Birthday Celebrations

On Wednesday, July 31, the Senior Center celebrated July birthdays in the Community Center with over 130 attendees. The “Day at the Beach!” themed birthday party featured a DJ and a hula hoop activity as well as several photo opportunities. Senior Birthday Honorees received certificates of recognition or cards from Congresswoman Norma Torres, Senator Susan Rubio, Assembly Member Freddie Rodriguez and Supervisor Curt Hagman.

Photos are shared on page 22.

Ice Cream Social

On Tuesday, August 6 and August 13, the Senior Center hosted its annual Ice Cream Social. Senior participants were invited to the Senior Center to cool down while enjoying delicious ice cream and socializing. Each Ice Cream Social entertained over 30 attendees with ice cream, karaoke, and trivia.

Paint and Fun with Memo’s Canvas

On Thursday, August 20, the Senior Center hosted a *Paint and Fun* event, a free painting class instructed by Memo’s Canvas. Twenty seniors were guided step-by-step in creating their own canvas painting while also enjoying light refreshments.

Other Upcoming Special Events at the Senior Center:

- August 28: Senior Center Birthday Party; Themed Carnival Days (RSVP Required).
- September 5: Intergenerational Dance; Themed 70s attire (RSVP Required).

For a complete list of upcoming senior activities and more information, please see the Senior Newsletter at www.cityofmontclair.org/senior-newsletter or call (909) 625-9483. To RSVP for upcoming events please call or visit the Montclair Senior Center.

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| SEPTEMBER 2024 | | |
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| <i>Day</i> | <i>Event & Location</i> | <i>Time</i> |
| Mon. 2 | Labor Day — City Hall Closed | |
| Tue. 3 | City Council Meeting City Council Chambers | 7:00 p.m |
| Wed. 4 | Community Activities Commission Meeting City Council Chambers | 7:00 p.m |
| Mon. 9 | Planning Commission Meeting City Council Chambers | 7:00 p.m |
| Mon. 16 | Real Estate Committee Meeting — Cancelled | |
| | City Council Workshop — Capital Improvement Program City Council Chambers | 5:45 p.m. |
| | Code Enforcement/Public Safety Committee Meeting — Cancelled | |
| | City Council Meeting City Council Chambers | 7:00 p.m |
| Thurs. 19 | Monthly Food Distribution Event Community Center | 9:30 a.m. — 10:30 a.m |
| | Public Works Committee Meeting City Hall Conference Room | 4:00 p.m |
| Mon. 23 | Planning Commission Meeting City Council Chambers | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wed. 25 | Senior Mobile Pantry by Feeding America Recreation Center | 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m |
| Sat. & Sun. 28 29 | Free E-Waste Event Alma Hofman Park Parking Lot | 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m |

Agendas for meetings include instructions for all participation options and can be viewed on the City’s website at least 72 hours before each (regular) meeting at: www.cityofmontclair.org/agendas/.

More event details can be found on the City’s website at: <http://www.cityofmontclair.org/events> .../community-programs/, and .../news/.

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OCTOBER 26



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MONTCLAIR PLACE

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July 30



August 6





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SUMMER OLYMPICS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: AUGUST 9TH



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