



CITY OF MONTCLAIR

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## E-NEWSLETTER

October 2024

Welcome to the October edition of the City of Montclair's Economic Development E-Newsletter!

As the leaves change and the air grows crisp, Montclair is alive with the spirit of autumn. This month, we're excited to highlight the vibrant business community that makes our city so special.

Montclair Economic Development Team

## Calling all Montclair Businesses!

Looking for ways to promote your business? Montclair's Economic Development Team wants to hear from you!

Be featured in an upcoming edition of our *Montclair Economic Development E-Newsletter* and on our social media platforms. It is your opportunity to share more about your business story, achievements, and new products and services.

To get on our business spotlight interest list, contact us at: [econdev@cityofmontclair.org](mailto:econdev@cityofmontclair.org)



SHOP LOCAL MONTCLAIR



**SHOP LOCAL, WIN LOCAL!**

**SCAN** FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A **\$250 GIFT CARD!**

Send a photo of your receipt with your name and phone # to enter the Raffle



 **Information** (909) 985-5104 | @MontclairChamber | Events@montclairchamber.com

**#ShopLocalMontclair #MyMontclair #SupportLocalBusinesses**

We're excited to announce an increase in the Shop Local campaign incentive! As we approach the holiday season, we want to encourage you to support your favorite local businesses even more.

For every purchase you make at a local Montclair business, snap a photo of the receipt, submit it for a chance to win a gift card to your favorite local business.

Each valid receipt is an entry into our quarterly raffle, where you could score a \$250 gift card to a local Montclair business.

[Click here for more information](#)

## MONTCLAIR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

### Montclair Chamber of Commerce

#### Networking Breakfast:

**October 10, 2024**

Network with local entrepreneurs, business professionals, and community stakeholders from various industries representing the Montclair community.

- Showcase your business
- Meet new prospects
- Build relationships
- Connect with the community & City representatives

To receive information about the next Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast, contact the Montclair Chamber of Commerce at (909) 985-5104 or through email at [info@montclairchamber.com](mailto:info@montclairchamber.com).



Join Today

## 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



## City of Montclair Small Business Center

### 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.

[\(909\) 985-5104](tel:9099855104)  
[exec@MontclairChamber.com](mailto:exec@MontclairChamber.com)

### Montclair Chamber Staff



**Tenice Johnson**  
**Executive Director**

Promotional events and activities,  
Networking, City of Montclair Liaison  
Monday - Thursday 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

Visit our Website

## 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!

[\(800\) 616-7232](tel:(800)616-7232)  
[ociesmallbusiness.org](https://ociesmallbusiness.org)

[Visit our Website](#)

## 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.

## CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

### Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Since 2004, the President of the United States and Congress have declared the month of October to be Cybersecurity Awareness Month, a dedicated month for the public and private sectors, and tribal communities to work together to raise awareness about the importance of cybersecurity.

2024 marks the 21st annual Cybersecurity Awareness Month. The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) provides 4 simple steps every American can take to stay safe online.

[Click here for more information](#)

## MONTE VISTA WATER DISTRICT TIPS



## OPTIMIZE YOUR IRRIGATION FOR FALL!

Fall is an ideal time for businesses and commercial property owners to check their irrigation systems for leaks and update their watering schedules. With shorter days ahead, adjusting irrigation controllers is crucial for efficient water use and adequate moisture for plants. It's also advisable to adjust watering times for seasonal weather. Property owners should contact their landscape contractors to ensure their irrigation systems function properly and comply with local regulations. A thorough inspection can reveal leaks or inefficiencies, preventing water waste and rising costs.

By taking these proactive measures, property owners can protect their investments and promote sustainable water practices. For more information on irrigation best practices, programs, and incentives, visit us at [www.mvwd.org](http://www.mvwd.org).

RECOMMENDED FALL WATERING SCHEDULE (OCTOBER - DECEMBER)		
Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday
5 AM	5 AM	5 AM
6 minutes	6 minutes	6 minutes
Times shown are for spray heads; double times for rotor heads. Adjust watering time based on weather and plant needs. If it's raining, turn it off.		

## TRAININGS & WEBINARS

### SBA Online Learning Center

U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) online learning programs are designed to empower and educate small business owners.

Whether you're looking to start a small business or expand your current one, SBA's digital learning platform has everything you need to educate yourself on entrepreneurial best practices and available financing options.



## SBA Learning Platform Courses:

- **Plan:** Research, plan, and document your ideas.
- **Launch:** Turn your business plan into a reality.
- **Manage:** Master day-to-day operations to run your business.
- **Market:** Understand your competition and strategies to win customers.
- **Grow:** Expand by finding new funding, customers, and locations.

[Visit SBA's Learning Center](#)



ORANGE COUNTY  
Small Business Development Center



U.S. Small Business  
Administration

## AVAILABLE COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

In cooperation with area brokers, Montclair's Economic Development Team can assist businesses interested in locating commercial, industrial, office, and vacant sites with online custom site searches within the City. Additionally, the City provides monthly reports, generated by CoStar Group, containing contact information for properties currently available for lease and purchase.

Customized property reports are available to businesses interested in relocating or expanding within the City.

[Request a Customized Property Report](#)

## CITY OF MONTCLAIR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Our team is ready to assist with your business needs.



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