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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Edward C. Starr, City Manager

CITY MANAGER’S MONTHLY REPORT
AUGUST 2022

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

- California Unemployment Declines to Lowest Level

California’s Employment Development Department (EDD) announced in late August that the state’s unemployment rate in July 2022 came in at 3.9%—the lowest since record-keeping began in 1976. In addition, the number of Californians employed in July was 18,586,200—an increase of 23,500 from June and an increase of 958,600 from the employment total in July 2021. California was also the number one state for job growth in July.

The largest employment gains were in professional and business services. A full 10 out of the 11 sectors saw gains, with only financial services experiencing a decrease in jobs.
San Mateo County had the lowest unemployment rate (1.9%), followed by the counties of Marin, San Francisco, and Santa Clara (2.1%). The highest unemployment rate was in the county of Imperial (14.2%), followed by Colusa (7.9%) and Tulare (7.6%.

San Bernardino County’s unemployment rate was 3.9%; Riverside posted 4.0%; Los Angeles County’s unemployment rate was 5%; Orange County posted 2.8%; San Diego County’s was 3.1%; Imperial County came in at 14.2%; Santa Barbara County reported 2.8%; and Ventura County posted a 3.2% unemployment rate.

The state has regained 97.3% (2,685,100) of the 2,758,900 nonfarm jobs lost between March and April of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As of July 2022, California’s private sector (non-government) has fully recovered from pandemic losses.

July 2022 marked the 10th consecutive month of non-farm job gains and the 13th consecutive month of losses in unemployment. Seventeen of the past 18 months showed month-over-month non-farm job gains totaling 1.6 million jobs over that period.
• Water Cuts from Colorado

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation announced in August that Arizona and Nevada will face steeper cuts to Colorado River water in 2023 as drought continues to deepen. Still, California will be spared for the near future. Reductions are triggered by “megadrought” conditions in western states and the first-ever Level 2a shortage condition for Lake Mead, the inter-state reservoir in Arizona and Nevada that supplies water to an estimated 25 million people. The Level 2a designation triggers curtailments for Arizona, Nevada, and Mexico, while California, which holds more senior rights, is unaffected.

In a related matter, no deal has been reached between the Colorado River basin states to further cut their water use by 2-to-4-million-acre-feet in 2023.¹ In mid-June, the Bureau of Reclamation gave the seven member states (California, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming) a 60-day deadline to introduce a plan or face federally-mandated cuts instead. However, the August 15, 2022, deadline has come and gone with no plan proposed and no immediate consequences from the Bureau of Reclamation. Furthermore, the seven states still appear to be far apart in reaching a deal, stymied primarily by disagreement over who should bear the brunt of proposed water reductions and how much farmers and other users should be paid for agreeing to go along with a concrete plan.

The Colorado River and its tributaries² cut through seven U.S. states and Mexico, from the river’s headwaters in Colorado and Wyoming to where it flows toward the Gulf of California.

The Federal Department of Interior could step in and make the hard choices, and the Bureau of Reclamation threatened to do just that in June 2022³ if the states couldn’t agree. For now, the Department of Interior is granting states more time to work⁴ on a solution and moving only to institute much smaller water delivery cuts to Arizona, Nevada, and Mexico that were already agreed to under a 2019 deal.

Development of the Colorado River Plan is of great concern to Southern California—the Colorado River provides up to one third⁵ of the region’s water supply. In addition, seven Southern California counties rely on the river for water and hydroelectric power, and 600,000 acres of farmland draw on it⁶ for irrigation.

The implications related to planning development are enormous: Cities from Phoenix to Los Angeles could see a linchpin water source cut off; large swaths of highly productive farmland could go dry; electricity rates would skyrocket, and western states could face rolling blackouts.

¹ https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R45546
² https://www.watereducation.org/aquapedia/colorado-river
⁶ http://crb.ca.gov/about-us/
Climate change, drought, and over-allocation\(^7\) have threatened the Colorado River’s supply for decades, even as the amount consumed and lost through reservoir evaporation regularly outpaces its natural flow.\(^1\)

With Lake Mead and Lake Powell now at historically low levels, it is apparent that a seven-state plan must be put in place. Without action, the Bureau of Reclamation cannot protect the Colorado River system and the millions of Americans who rely on the River’s water.

A century of deals, acts, and legal decisions\(^8\) have carved up 15 million acre-feet between Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and New Mexico in the Upper Basin and California, Arizona, and Nevada in the Lower Basin. Native American tribes also hold rights to this water,\(^9\) and a 1944 treaty set aside another 1.5 million-acre-feet for Mexico.

The biggest draw from the Colorado River System, by far, is California’s.\(^10\) The state is entitled to 4.4 million acres,\(^1\) or more than a third of the river’s natural flow. It’s enough water to supply more than 13 million Southern California households for a year. In the Lower Basin, Arizona comes in next with about 2.8 million acre-feet.

Most of California’s Colorado River water is used for irrigation. The Imperial Irrigation District gets as much as 3.1 million acre-feet a year, mainly supplied to nearly 475,000 acres of farmland\(^12\) and a handful of communities in the southeastern corner of California. Another primary recipient is the Metropolitan Water District, which diverted roughly 1.1 million acres of water from the Colorado River system last year.

In 2019, the Upper and Lower Basin states struck agreements laying out who gets cut in the event of water shortages. In addition, the Lower Basin’s Drought Contingency Plan,\(^1\) in place through 2026, allowed for cuts to California’s deliveries for the first time.

Arizona and Nevada, with more junior rights than California, start seeing cutbacks when water levels in Lake Mead drop to 1,090 feet; California’s cutbacks start when water levels hit between 1,040 and 1,045 feet. Lake Mead, the largest reservoir in the United States, is projected to drop to less than 1,040 feet by the close of 2022.\(^13\)

California is in a relatively good position on paper because of the legal structures. However, with reservoirs at a historic low, California is facing restrictions.

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\(^7\) https://tinyurl.com/49axd7rz
\(^8\) https://www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g1000/lawofrvr.html
\(^10\) https://www.mwdh2o.com/colorado-river-aqueduct-map
\(^11\) https://www.watereducation.org/western-water/water-stressed-california-and-southwest-acre-foot-water-goes-lot-further-it-used
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Drought has been parching the Colorado River basin for more than two decades. Even in years with close to normal precipitation levels, less runoff is reaching the river—the result of increasing temperatures and drier soils drinking up the flows as climate change continues.

Last summer, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation called the first level-one shortage for the Lower Basin states, prompting cuts to Arizona, Nevada, and Mexico—but not California.

At the end of July, levels in Lake Mead, according to NASA, stand at their lowest since April 1937, when the reservoir was still being filled for the first time.

Entrenched drought conditions and chronic overuse have driven Colorado River water levels so low that federal forecasters now see a very real chance that Glen Canyon Dam, sitting just above the Grand Canyon, will lose the ability to produce hydropower next year. This scenario would also threaten water deliveries to Arizona, Nevada, and California.

For the Imperial Irrigation District (IID), the Colorado River is the District’s only water source. The IID is now considering two strategies for conservation: The first is farms conserving more with efficient strategies such as drip irrigation. The second is following fields by paying farmers to leave fields dry.

Southern California’s other sources of imported water from the state’s northern half are also low after several years of drought.

According to a recent district board presentation, every type of water user could be affected in the region served by the Metropolitan Water District (MWD), including urban and agricultural users.

The MWD has already implemented unprecedented watering restrictions for the 6 million Southern Californians who rely on the parched State Water Project, which funnels water from Northern California south and this year reduced deliveries to just 5% of requested supplies.

The MWD has warned customers that receive Colorado River water that they could face restrictions as soon as next year.

California saw federal cuts about 20 years ago after water users failed to agree to cut back by 800,000 acre-feet and stay within its 4.4 million acre-feet allocation from the Colorado River. However, California absorbed the reductions with only modest impact, according to a report on the Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute (MPDI) website—MPDI is a publisher of open access scientific journals.
The Bureau of Reclamation believes the region may be in a condition of prolonged-term water shortage. However, for California, it is no longer a question of “if” but how much of a reduction in available water the area will have to endure.

**California Air Resources Board (CARB) Passes New Regulation for Zero Emission Vehicles**

In late August, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) announced sweeping new regulations requiring 35% of new cars sold in the state to be electric vehicles by 2026 — and 100% by 2035. Right now, [EVs make up 15 percent of the state’s sales](https://www.cncda.org/wp-content/uploads/California-Covering-2Q-22_FINAL.pdf). That’s a big gap to close before the first deadline.

The regulations, the first of their kind anywhere, would ultimately end the sale of new gasoline or diesel cars in California in just 13 years. The ruling would not prevent motorists already owning gas- or diesel-powered vehicles from continuing to drive them. But motorists who still want to buy a new gas-powered or diesel vehicle would have to go to another state as early as 2026 if California dealers run out of their allotment of gasoline/diesel-powered cars.

CARB’s adoption of the rule comes as Governor Gavin Newsom and his administration talk with legislators and environmental advocates over climate policy—including how to transition the state’s electrical grid away from gas-powered plants without compromising reliability.

California is the only state that can regulate vehicle emissions, thanks to a provision of the federal Clean Air Act that offers a special waiver. Other states can follow California’s rules, and some, including Washington state, New York, and Massachusetts, [are already poised to do so](https://www.businessinsider.com/states-soon-ban-gasoline-powered-cars-trucks-california-2022-8). CARB’s approval of the new regulations put more power behind the governor’s order, allowing CARB to inflict civil penalties for cars sold violating the policy.

CARB’s decision comes nearly two years after a 2020 [Executive Order](https://www.politico.com/news/2020/10/02/newsom-bans-gas-fight-trump-424997) by Governor Newsom requiring 100% of new car sales to be zero-emission vehicles by 2035. CARB’s Plan, part of California’s efforts to ramp up air quality, increases the number of new cars that must be electric to 51% of all new car sales in 2028 and 68% in 2030 until 100% is reached in 2035. As a result, zero-emissions vehicles will make up roughly half the cars on the road in California by 2035 with the new rule.

Transportation is the primary source of greenhouse gas emissions in the United States—the second-top carbon dioxide emitter on the planet behind China, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). More than a dozen states are expected to follow California’s lead in adopting zero-emission vehicle mandates. If they do, it will account for nearly a third of the nation’s entire automobile market.

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When Governor Newsom announced the Executive Order two years ago, it was clear he was hoping to use California’s massive economy, the fifth-largest in the world, to force car manufacturers to transition away from fossil fuel vehicles. Since then, carmakers have been mostly supportive and investing in zero-emission vehicles. Shortly after CARB’s announcement, Toyota released a statement indicating the company intended to expand its investment in electric vehicle manufacturing. Many other automakers have also introduced EV deployment goals that reflect CARB’s regulations. General Motors Co. plans to sell only zero-emissions vehicles by 2035, while Volvo cars will be entirely electric by 2030. The European Union will implement a similar ban on new gas-powered cars by 2035.

Automakers are also already scrambling to long waiting lists for zero-emission vehicles. Manufacturers also worry that the EV tax credit in the newly signed federal climate law could be difficult for consumers to claim because of requirements that materials used by car manufacturers be sourced from the U.S. or a nation with a U.S. free trade agreement. Last year, a state subsidy program to provide a minimum of $4,500 in grants for electric car purchasers ran out of money around mid-year. An approximate doubling of state funds to around $1 billion this year should help motorists who had to abandon their electric car purchases last year.

Zero-emission vehicles are also expensive—the average cost is $66,000. There is also a shortage of charging stations to power vehicles, particularly tenants in rental complexes. Environmental advocates have urged that state building codes require every parking space in rental complexes have chargers connected to it. But current state rules set only minimal requirements. Tenants in residential complexes with their own dedicated parking space can force their landlord to provide a charger, but the tenant would have to pay the cost. Chargers can run several thousand dollars. According to state officials, updates to the state building code are in the works that would require more chargers in rental complexes.

A state report found that 1.2 million chargers will be needed for California’s 8 million zero-emission vehicles by 2030. An estimated 70,000 public charges are currently in operation in California.

The sale of electric vehicles has been increasing in California, even without the new electric car sales mandates, driven, at least in part, by soaring gas prices. The California New Car Dealers Association said in an August report that electric vehicle sales in 2022 reached the highest numbers reported in the last five years, 15.1%—a sharp increase from the previous year’s 9.5% total.

Environmental groups are optimistic that expected investments, spurred by the state rule and federal climate law, can develop the charging infrastructure and power sources needed to meet the coming EV demand.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

• Welcome to New Employees!

The City is excited to announce the hiring of the following employees:

- Jena Anastasia, Learning Leader, Human Services (7/18/2022)
- Kyle Taylor, Police Officer, Police Department (7/25/2022)
- Lisa Razo, Learning Leader, Human Services (8/2/2022)
- Carlos Orozco, Assistant to the City Manager and Economic Development Agency Director (8/8/2022)
- Angel Pelaez-Canales, Learning Leader, Human Services (8/8/2022)

• Current Job Opportunities

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

- Associate Engineer – application period closes 09/08/2022
- Fire Engineer – application period is continuous
- Firefighter (Paramedic) (Entry-Level) – application period is continuous
- Learning Leader – application period is continuous
- Police Cadet – application period is continuous
- Police Dispatcher (Entry-Level) – application period is continuous
- Police Dispatcher (Lateral) – application period is continuous
- Police Officer (Entry-Level) – application period is continuous
- Police Officer (Lateral) – application period is continuous
- Project Manager – upcoming
- Reserve Police Officer Level III and II – application period is continuous
- Recreation Coordinator – Community – application period closes 09/08/2022
- Recreation Coordinator – Sports – application period closes 09/12/2022
- Recreation Leader – application period is continuous
- Senior Learning Leader – application period is continuous
- Senior Recreation Leader – application period is continuous
- Substitute Learning Leader – application period is continuous

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: https://www.cityofmontclair.org/employment-opportunities/.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- Montclair Station Project

On Monday, August 15, the City Council approved the Montclair Station apartment development last week. The 302-unit community will be constructed by Trammell Crow Residential (TCR) on the vacant 9.96-acre former Vulcan Materials site. Access to the site will require the construction of a new bridge linking the development over the San Antonio Creek Channel to Monte Vista Avenue. The development is well-planned and highly amenitized with well-thought out placement of open spaces for resident engagement. The units include three- and four-story apartment buildings, plus 46 townhomes. Apartment units range from studio/1-bath to 2-bed/2.5-bath units, and townhomes with three bedrooms and three bathrooms.

The development includes the dedication of an approximate half-acre public park on the eastern edge of the development. The park site is ideal for serving as the trailhead location for the existing Pacific Electric Trail and the proposed San Antonio Creek Trail.

The architecture and overall design for Montclair Station is a Modern Farmhouse aesthetic that combines the sleek, clean lines of contemporary design with traditional materials of the farmhouse to create a uniquely fresh take on the country living-inspired style. The color palette is more monochromatic in nature in shades of white, gray, and black. Wood tone accents add warmth to the design. The landscape plans for the project include a varied selection and distribution of drought-tolerant plant materials that are intended to complement the architecture of the buildings. The landscape theme is customized further around each amenity building within the central Paseo open space area.
TRC has worked with City staff to deliver award-winning residential projects for Montclair since 2011. The team for the Montclair Station project is the same team that constructed two North Montclair Downtown Specific Plan (NMDSP) residential projects: The Paseos at Montclair and the Alexan-Kendry. In 2021, TCR received the Golden Nugget Multi-Family Community of the Year award (presented to top innovators in design, planning, and development) for its Alexan-Kendry development on Monte Vista Avenue.
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

- California Association for Local Economic Development Conference

This week, Economic Promotion Coordinator Amber Cruz completed the 2022 Advanced Institute for Economic Development conference hosted by the California Association for Local Economic Development (CALED) and the Craig School of Business at California State University, Fresno. The week-long conference took place via Zoom through a live virtual platform.

CALED was established in 1980 with a mission to be the premier statewide professional economic development organization dedicated to advancing its members’ ability to achieve excellence in delivering economic development services to their communities and business clients. Led by professors and industry leaders, the annual conference attracts economic development professionals and professionals in related fields to discuss complex economic development challenges. Topics discussed included Economic Development Strategy Planning, Business Retention and Expansion, Real Estate Development and Reuse, Navigating the Regulatory Environment and Entitlement Process in California, and Economic Development Finance. Lastly, attendees were given the opportunity to engage in group discussions and small-group activities during each topic session.

Economic Development staff participation at CALED conferences enhances the City's ongoing efforts to improve economic opportunities for current and prospective businesses.

- Welcoming New Business in Montclair – Wax with D

This past month, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Ruh, Council Member Tenice Johnson, other local elected officials, and Chamber of Commerce representatives were honored to welcome a new business to our community, Wax with D, located at 5050 Palo Verde, Montclair. Wax with D offers a wide variety of certified esthetician services such as facials and body waxing.
• **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. 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 a high quality of life.

The E-Newsletter shares business resources and free training offered through our resource partners.

To sign up for the newsletter, go to [https://www.cityofmontclair.org/newsletter/](https://www.cityofmontclair.org/newsletter/), and view past editions at [https://www.cityofmontclair.org/economicdevelopmentnewsletter/](https://www.cityofmontclair.org/economicdevelopmentnewsletter/)

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

• **National Night Out**

On Tuesday, August 2nd, the Police Department hosted National Night Out (NNO) at Alma Hofman Park. NNO is an annual event designed to promote public safety-community partnerships and to increase awareness of local programs, services, and other anti-crime efforts. Personnel from Montclair Fire Department and Montclair Police Department were on hand to speak to the public and allow kids the opportunity to see and handle some of the tools of the trade. In addition, community members had the chance to mingle with the City’s public safety employees, department heads, members of the City Council, and local government and non-profit organization representatives. Representatives of Congresswoman Norma Torres and Assembly Member Freddie Rodriguez presented certificates to the City and its Public Safety.

American Red Cross conducted a blood drive at the Montclair Community Center Gym and collected 20 units of blood from donors. Thank you to the City employees and members of the public who donated.

Special thanks go out to all of our City personnel that helped make the event a success, including the Fire Department, Public Works, Information Technology, Human Services Department, and Police Department. Photos from the event are shared on Page 20.

• **Congratulations Officer of the Year Amanda Riedell!**

On August 10, Command Staff and the Detective Bureau attended the Annual Blue Ribbon Breakfast to honor 2021 Officer of the Year, Amanda Riedell. This annual event was initially started by the International Footprint Association Chapter 67. Since then, the Inland Empire Blue Belles have continued the tradition of recognizing outstanding law enforcement and raising funds to support those who serve and protect the Inland Empire. Congratulations, Amanda, and thank you for providing excellent service to the residents of Montclair!!
FIRE DEPARTMENT

• Fire Station Tours Are Back!

July 21, 2022, the Montclair Fire Department welcomed back our first station tour at station one! Anthesis stopped by for a visit with the crew and a look at our station and fire engines! Our visitors were able to learn more about some of the day-to-day tasks working with the fire department and could even watch the crew jump into action as they received a call mid-visit!

We look forward to welcoming more tours and visitors to our stations soon!

Anthesis visitors with Firefighter/Paramedic Jacquez
• **Reach Out’s Career and Resource Fair at Montclair High School**

The Montclair Fire Department was invited to attend Reach Out’s Career and Resource Fair at Montclair High School on August 4, 2022. The fair was offered to Montclair High School students and high school students in surrounding cities to offer insight into various possible career paths. With help from Firefighter/Paramedic Chapman, Engineer Vidal, and Captain Brambila, attendees stopped by our booth to better understand what is required when starting a career in the fire service.

![AMR Emergency Medical Services Technicians at the far left and right; MFD staff from left to right: Firefighter/Paramedic Chapman, Engineer Vidal, and Captain Brambila](image)

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

• **Safe Routes to School – Vernon Middle School**

Earlier this year, the City Yard sign crew started the installation of various regulatory and school zone signs around Vernon Middle School. First, staff consulted with a traffic engineer for the placement and required signage for Vernon Middle School as recommended in the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Plan. The first signs of being installed were five (5) STOP signs with LED flashing lights at the intersection of San Bernardino Street and Vernon Avenue. Another four (4) STOP signs with LED flashing lights were installed at Vernon Avenue and Benito Street intersection.

The crew also installed NO U-TURN signs along San Bernardino Street on the back of the newly installed and upgraded STOP flashing signs. Per the request of the Ontario-Montclair
School District, crews painted an existing yellow curb with a RED curb along the south side of San Bernardino Street east of Vernon Avenue, as shown below:

The sign crew has installed twenty (20) new signs around Vernon Middle School, including the nine (9) STOP signs mentioned above. Three more signs will be installed soon to complete this project. The school district, residents, parents, and Safe Routes to School representatives are thankful and supportive of these improvements, especially the flashing STOP signs. Additionally, due to their efficiency and staff’s commitment to the adopted SRTS program, a Flashing Stop Sign Replacement Program was approved as part of the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget. Staff will provide more information regarding this program soon.
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- Parks and Recreation Master Plan

The City of Montclair is excited to continue preparation for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. This comprehensive park planning effort will provide the community with a modern vision for the parks and recreation system throughout the City.

Learn about the Montclair Parks and Recreation Master Plan and share how we can best meet your park needs by taking our survey! If you have any questions, please contact the Human Services Department at (909) 625-9479.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MontclairParksMasterPlan

- Senior Center Activities

On Wednesday, July 27, the Montclair Senior Center held its monthly senior birthday party during the senior nutrition program, and the theme was Travel. Representatives for Congresswoman Norma Torres and Assemblymember Freddie Rodriguez presented certificates of recognition to birthday honorees. Birthday honorees also received a gift of luggage tags and a travel photo clip from the Senior Center. In addition, staff had decorated the dining room with a world map, handmade ship life preservers, boat centerpieces, and planes with moving propellers toting the Montcl-Air Lines name.

On August 10, senior nutrition program participants were invited to participate in a special event called “Getting to Know You.” This event put Senior Citizens Supervisor Celeste Dunlap in the “hot seat.” Participants were asked icebreaker questions pulled from a Sherlock Holmes themed container. The dining room was decorated with mystery books, Deer hunter hats, pipe
centerpieces, coffee/tea cups, and a backdrop with an evidence map. Photos of the Senior Birthday Party “Travel” and Getting to Know You activities are shared on page 21.

The Senior Center hosts lunch daily from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. to socialize with complimentary coffee and tea. In addition, special events are held on select Wednesdays of the month during the senior nutrition program.

Other special lunch events scheduled for August include an Ice Cream Social on August 24 and the monthly birthday party in Luau theme on August 31. Funding for the Senior Center Activities, Golden Express, and Senior Nutrition Program has been provided by the San Bernardino County Department of Aging and Adult Services through a grant award from the California Department of Aging.

The Senior Center also hosts the Regional Council on Aging, Legal Services, Department of Aging and Adult Services representatives, biweekly wellness presentations by West End Family Counseling staff, and a Feeding America Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) every month. The CSFP by Feeding America provides monthly food boxes to people 60 years and older. The CSFP distributions occur on the fourth Thursday of the month from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in parking lot B (behind the library). The date of the next CSFP distribution is, Thursday, September 22, 2022.

All participants must bring their form of identification, application, and grocery push cart for quick loading. For questions, contact (951) 359-4757. For more information about the Montclair Senior Center, please call (909) 625-9483 or visit https://www.cityofmontclair.org/senior-center/

- **Summer Concerts and Movies Series**

  The 61st Annual Summer Concert and Movie Series at Alma Hofman Park concluded with National Night Out on August 2. The final two nights included live Mariachi music from Mariachi Alma Latina on July 26 and a movie screening of Luca (PG) on August 2. Photos for the July 19 screening of Spider-Man: No Way Home (PG-13) and July 26 concert by Mariachi Alma Latina are shared on Page 22.

  Mayor John Dutrey, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Ruh, Council Members Tenice Johnson and Corysa Martinez, and a large community attendance enjoyed the summer concert and movie series. In addition to the concerts and movies, the series included a variety of other activities like the Splash Pad, free arts and crafts for children, delicious treats from Monkey’s Munchies, the Groovy Ice Shack, Sweet ‘N Snowie, Churros El Sabroso, and East Los Tacos food trucks, a craft vendor fair (July 12) and blood drive.

  The Splash Pad will continue to be open daily until September 5, from noon to 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Human Services Department at (909) 625-9479 or visit https://www.cityofmontclair.org.
• **Annual All Employees Summer BBQ**

On Thursday, August 11, 118 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 SMOK’N BLUES BBQ and included a choice of tri-tip steak with grilled chicken or vegetarian pasta, with sides of potato salad, bacon macaroni and cheese, BBQ baked beans, and a dinner roll. The picnic-themed luncheon also provided desserts from Nothing Bundt Cakes, watermelon, and key lime pie. Photos are shared on page 23.

• **Youth Basketball League Returns!**

The Youth Basketball League is back this winter! The first registration day will be on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at the Montclair Youth Center from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or until each Division is filled. Thereafter, registrations will be taken at the Montclair Recreation Center, Monday-Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. A flyer is included on Page 24.

The league is open to boys and girls born in 2009–2016 or 1st–8th grades.

- Division A – Children born 2009–2010
- Division B – Children born 2011–2012
- Division C – Children born 2013–2014
- Division D – Children born 2015–2016

The league fee is $45 for Division D and $65 for Division A, B, and C, including a jersey, trophy, and pictures. A birth certificate is required to register. Register as soon as possible, and space is limited!

Games will be played at the Montclair Community Center Gymnasium starting Saturday, January 7, 2023. Volunteer coaches are needed for all Divisions. For more information, please call (909) 625-9496.

• **Save the Date: Montclair After-School Program Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month**

The Montclair After-School Program (MAP) will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by participating in and showcasing a Folklorico dance performance at the Montclair Place Center Court on October 8th, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. MAP will also be hosting a Mexican tissue paper flower craft project. Other activities sponsored by Montclair Place include a Mariachi band and face painting.

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Senior Center Activities
July-August 2022

Senior Birthday Party:
“Travel”
July 27, 2022

Getting to Know You
August 10, 2022
SPIDER-MAN: NO WAY HOME
JULY 19, 2022

MARIACHI ALMA LATINA
JULY 26, 2022
2023 CITY OF MONTCLAIR
YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Registration will be accepted
Saturday, Sept. 10 thru Oct. 6, 2022
from 8am - 12pm or
until each Division is filled.

The league is open to boys and girls born
2009 – 2016 or in 1st – 8th grades.

Division A – Children born 2009 – 2010
Division B – Children born 2011 – 2012
Division C – Children born 2013 – 2014
Division D – Children born 2015 – 2016

Games will be played at the Montclair Community
Center Gymnasium starting Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023.

The league fee is $45 for Div. D and
$65 for Div. A, B and C which includes
a jersey, trophy and pictures.

First day of registration will be taken at the Youth Center.
Thereafter it will be taken at the Recreation Center,
Monday - Thursday from 9am - 6pm at
511 Benito Street, Montclair 91763
A birth certificate is required to register.

Volunteer coaches are needed for all Divisions!

For more information call (909) 625-9496.