

CITY OF SANTA ANA

A Community Connection Guide

CULTURA

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Tết Festival Performance

*Families enjoy Storytime at the Newhope Library.
See more library programming for all ages on pg. 12*





WELCOME ¡BIENVENIDOS!



Welcome to the Seventh Edition of CULTURA: A Community Connection Guide!

As the weather cools down and we embrace a new season, the City of Santa Ana's Library, Parks & Recreation, and Zoo are excited to present the latest edition of CULTURA. This season, we invite you to immerse yourself in the vibrant spirit of fall and the holidays. From the lively Fiestas Patrias in mid-September to the Tét (Lunar New Year) Festival at the end of January, this season is packed with exciting programs and events for residents to **LIVE, LEARN, and EXPLORE** right here in Santa Ana.

This edition is a heartfelt tribute to the community members who make Santa Ana truly special. Our city thrives on culture, diversity, and the dynamic energy of its residents. We celebrate the stories of those whose passion, creativity, and participation infuse life into the programs and events throughout our city.

We take pride in highlighting the services that foster community connections and create a strong sense of belonging in Santa Ana. Our commitment to inclusivity and community engagement ensures that all residents have opportunities to participate and thrive.

Join us in celebrating the beauty of Santa Ana during this special time of year. Whether you're looking to enjoy a festive outing at the zoo, expand your knowledge through library services, or discover a new recreation class, CULTURA is your guide to connecting and making the most of the season.

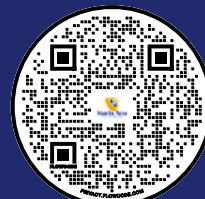
Make sure to follow our social media accounts for the most up to date information on events, contests, and activities:

@CityofSantaAna
@SantaAnaLibrary

@SantaAnaParks
@TheSantaAnaZoo

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*"Spirit" the Bald Eagle
at the Santa Ana Zoo*

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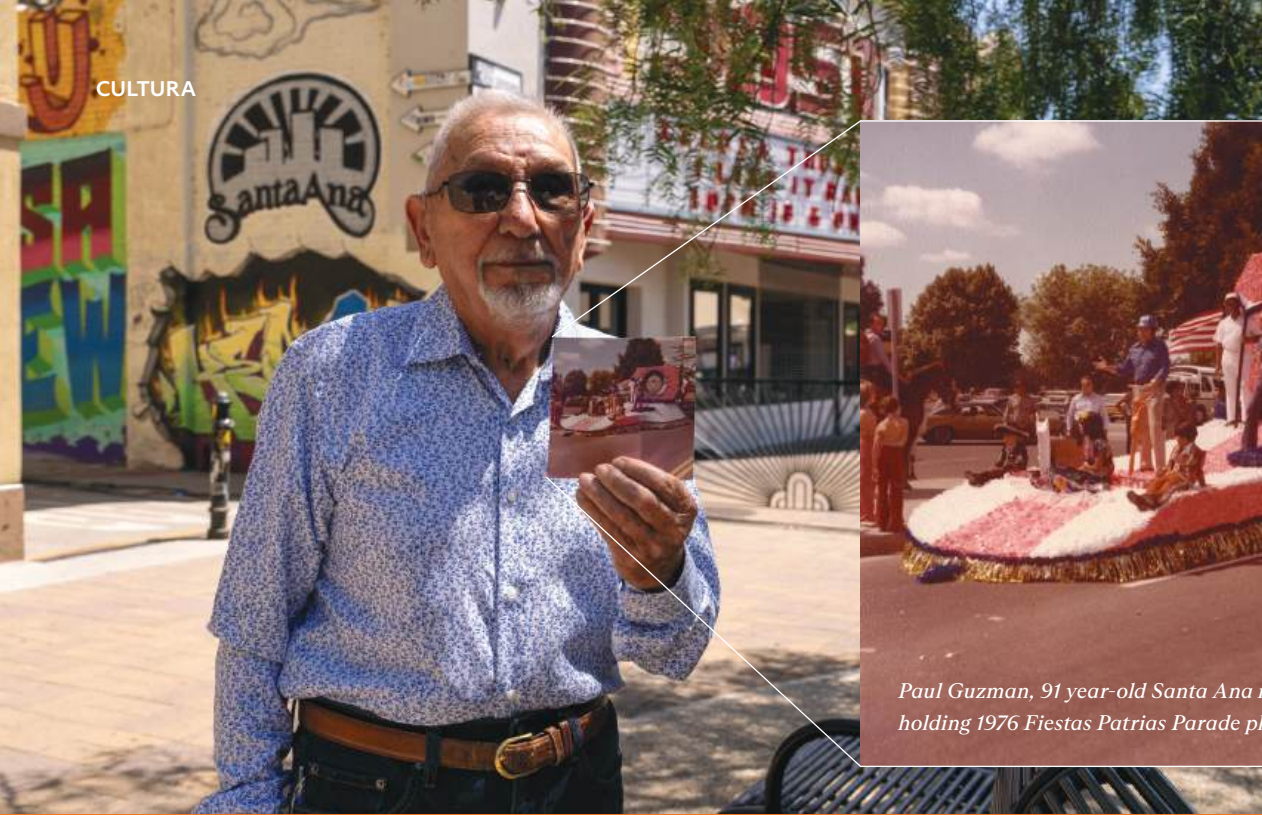
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Paul Guzman, 91 year-old Santa Ana resident holding 1976 Fiestas Patrias Parade photo.

CELEBRATING FIESTAS PATRIAS: A PARADE THROUGH TIME

Imagine this: It's mid-September and Santa Ana is painted in green, white, and red as the city gets ready to celebrate Fiestas Patrias. The streets of Downtown Santa Ana give way to a sea of people as the community gathers to embrace the cultural tradition that is...the Fiestas Patrias Parade. Family and friends come together from near and far to enjoy the wonderment of music, art, and more as it all floats down Main Street.

The City of Santa Ana is excited to celebrate this year's Fiestas Patrias event Saturday, September 14 and Sunday, September 15 as it returns to the Downtown Santa Ana Historic District on 4th Street. While the festivities may have evolved throughout the years, this long-standing event continues to be one of significant impact.

Long time Santa Ana resident, Paul Guzman, has taken part in the community's parade since 1976. In reflecting back on one of the event's initial celebrations, Mr. Guzman noted that during that time there was little opportunity and support for Hispanic and Latino communities to publicly celebrate their culture. With events like the Fiestas Patrias festival and parade, he mentioned these types of events were more than meaningful, but considered monumental. When asked his perspective on the parade's evolution from the '70s until now, Mr. Guzman said he has seen parade participation expand drastically as the event has developed into an inclusive experience having other cultures come together as a unified community to celebrate the history of Mexican independence. "Everybody that lives here, anyone who wants to participate, it is open to them, and it is special" stated Mr. Guzman.

Founded in 1869, the City of Santa Ana is proud to be home to a diverse community full of rich cultural history. Dating back to the late 1840s, significant events including the Gold Rush, railroad expansion, and emergence of agribusiness attracted a multitude of immigrants to the great state of California. As stated in "Latinos in Twentieth Century California: National Register of Historic Places Context Statement" by the California Office of Historic Preservation (2015), "In California and in the U.S. as a whole, the vast majority of Latino immigrants in the early twentieth century were of Mexican origin (p. 4)." By the 1970s, booming economics invited even more Mexican immigrants as "they were also drawn to newly Latino suburban communities, such as Anaheim and Santa Ana in Orange County (California Office of Historic Preservation, 2015, p. 11)."

While migrations to new lands opened doors to new experiences and opportunities, the need to honor historical heritage events remained important. For over 40 years, the City of Santa Ana has been a proud pioneer for Hispanic and Latino representation. In celebration of Mexico's Independence Day, in the early 1970's, Santa Ana introduced Fiestas Patrias: a traditional celebration of Mexican pride, independence, and culture. Through the years, the Fiestas Patrias festival and parade have grown into one of the city's most popular events. Today, with over 60 unique parade entries, the community continues to thrive in the face of diversity and will continue to pave the way for representation and inclusivity.



2023 Fiestas Patrias Parade



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WANT TO DIVE MORE INTO SANTA ANA'S HISTORY?

Visit the Santa Ana History Room online collection:
www.santa-ana.org/santa-ana-history-room/
 For access to a wide variety of online resources,
 make sure to register for a Santa Ana Public Library
 eLibrary card at www.santa-ana.org/library-card/.

Mexican Independence Parade Ready To March On Saturday

SANTA ANA — The Fiestas Patrias Committee at Orange County will present the Santa Ana Mexican Independence Day Parade here Saturday.

This year's parade will begin at 10 a.m. and will be followed by a "Fiestas Patrias" (Festive Patriotic)

show will be \$1 for adults and \$1 for children to the stadium program.

The parade will feature a variety of floats, bands, and equestrian groups. The parade will start at 10 a.m. on Santa Ana Boulevard and north on Flower Street, ending at Eddie West Field/Santa Ana Bowl.



Edward James Olmos

Celebrations at 10 p.m. in Eddie West Field/Santa Ana Bowl.

The post-parade festivities will include games to the United States and Mexican flags, family variety show, free fall "Lasso Skydivers" Adm-



Carlos Palomino

comparing equestrian groups, Ray Avila, Kenna Sapia, Pope Avila, Alberta Suman, Lisa Sapia and Jose Olivar. Drivers from Ciudad Cuernavaca (Cuban Association) will also participate in this 1978 observance of Mexico's Independence Day.

Highlighting the day's festivities will be the championship finals of the Golden Soccer League's Santa Ana Cup match with the 100-mile Soccer Team squaring off with the Anaheim Soccer Team at 7:30 p.m. for the Trophy Award to be presented by Minionas.

The Register, Fiestas Patrias article, 1977

C6 The REGISTER Wednesday, September 10, 1975

SA Fiestas Patrias To Kick Off Friday

SANTA ANA—The second annual "Fiestas Patrias," a three-day celebration marking Mexican Independence Day, will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

More than 50,000 persons are expected to attend the event sponsored by the Assistance League of Mexican Americans, a businessmen's group.

The event includes a dance, carnival, flag-raising ceremony and parade through downtown Santa Ana.

The queen coronation and dance, which will begin at 5 p.m., Friday, will be held at

Laborer's Hall, 1532 E. Chestnut.

A carnival will be held at the hall from 10 a.m. to midnight Saturday. A flag-raising ceremony will be held at the Plaza of the Flags in the Civic Center at 9 a.m. Sunday.

The parade, which includes floats, bands, car clubs and Mexican cowboys, is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Santa Ana Bowl.

The 80-entrant parade will proceed east on Civic Center Drive to Broadway, south on Broadway to Santa Ana Boulevard and north on Flower Street to return to the bowl.

The Register, Fiestas Patrias article, 1975

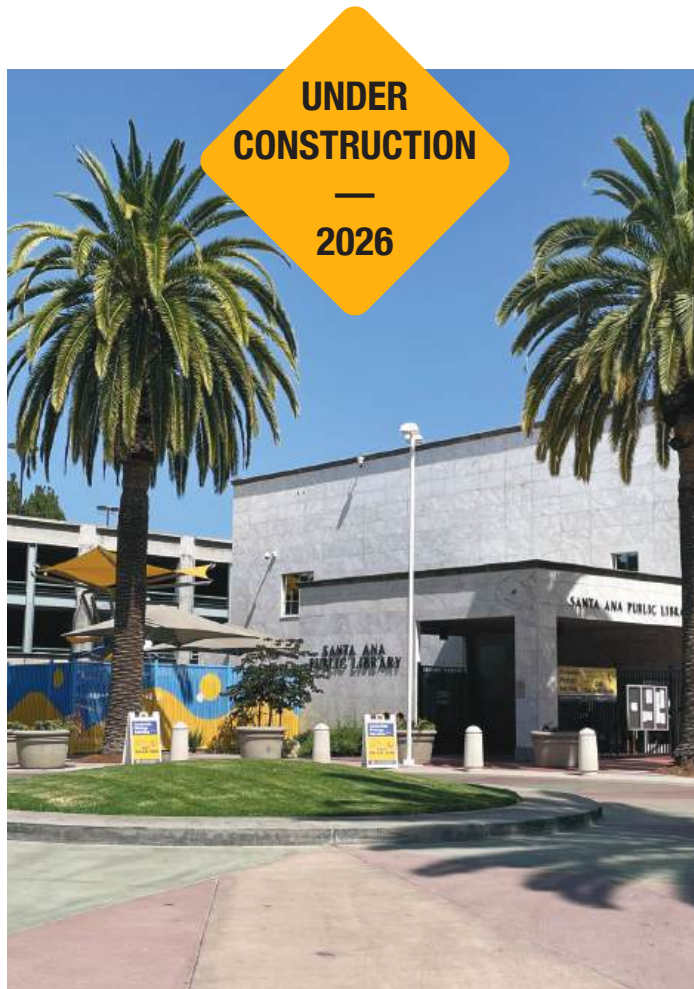
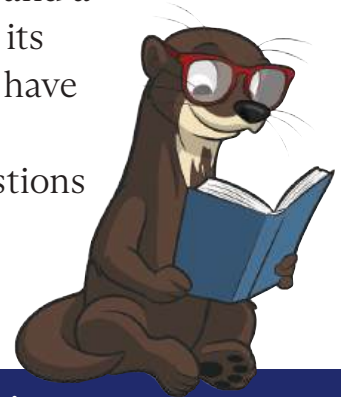


Guzman Family: Orange County, 1910

*CITED SOURCE: California Office of Historic Preservation. (2015). Latinos in Twentieth Century California: National Register of Historic Places Context Statement. https://ohp.parks.ca.gov/pages/1054/files/latinosmpdf_illustrated.pdf

Main Library Closure FAQs

The Santa Ana Public Library's Main Library branch has recently closed its doors to the public to undergo a significant and much-anticipated renovation. This transformative project aims to enhance our beloved library with new features, including an interactive children's learning area, a state-of-the-art Maker Lab, and a restored Italian marble façade, all while returning the building to its original design and layout. During this period of change, patrons have many questions about the closure, the timeline, and the available library services. Here are some of the most frequently asked questions to help you navigate this transition and continue to enjoy all that our library system has to offer.



How long will the Main Library be closed?

The Main Library is expected to reopen to the public in the Spring of 2026. Once construction begins, the community will be invited to a groundbreaking ceremony, followed by a grand opening celebration after the renovation is completed. Visit our website for updates on this project.

Are there alternative locations where I can access library services?

Newhope Branch Library has added eight additional hours per week. Library Services and programs are available at various community centers throughout Santa Ana including Jerome, Roosevelt-Walker, Garfield, and El Salvador Community Centers. In addition, the Knowledge Mobile will be making various stops throughout the community offering books, resources, programs, and services. A new library branch inside the Delhi Community Center is also expected to open in early 2025 and an innovative Outdoor Public Library in Jerome Park is anticipated for the Spring of 2025.

Can I still return library materials and pick up holds during the closure?

The Main Library stopped accepting returns on August 1. The Newhope Library will continue to provide holds, receive book returns and offer a full array of programs and services to the community. Patrons can also return library materials and pick up holds at various community centers throughout Santa Ana including Jerome, Roosevelt-Walker, Garfield, and El Salvador Community Centers. Knowledge Mobile staff can also place holds for patrons, but due to space limitations, holds cannot be picked up at bookmobile stops.

READ ALL THE LATEST UPDATES

www.santa-ana.org/sapl-reimagined/





Where can I go to access public computers and printing?

In addition to the Newhope Library, public computers and printing services are available at various community centers, including Jerome, Roosevelt-Walker, and Garfield Community Centers.

Will I still incur fines for late returns during the closure?

No. The Santa Ana Public Library has been fine-free since 2021. Patrons are still responsible for returning all items they borrow to avoid charges for lost items and materials.

Can I access online resources and e-books while the Main Library is closed?

Yes. The eLibrary will continue to offer eResources, including eBooks, audiobooks, and videos.

Will the Library offer programs and events during the closure?

Yes. In-person and virtual programs will be available at no cost to the community. In-person programming will be held at the Newhope Library and other locations, including Jerome Park, El Salvador, Garfield, Roosevelt-Walker Community Centers, and Knowledge Mobile stops. Once they are open to the public, the Outdoor Library at Jerome Park and Delhi Library will also offer programs and events. Check our calendars online to view any upcoming programs.

Will the closure affect my ability to access historical research materials?

Library patrons will continue to have access to online databases and research materials. The Santa Ana History room will remain closed during the renovation, but special programming will be conducted periodically. Please email SAHR@santa-ana.org for additional information.

Can I still apply for a library card or renew my existing card during the closure?

Yes. You can sign up for a library card at the Newhope Library or any Knowledge Mobile's stop, along with Garfield, Jerome, and Roosevelt-Walker Community Centers. See our website for library locations and service hours. A library card is free for all California residents. You can also request a temporary online card through our online borrower registration page.

How will the Main Library Renovation impact access to books and materials?

During the Main Library's closure and renovation, access to Library collections will be limited. Please visit Newhope Library, the Knowledge Mobile, or the eLibrary online to access Library collections, including books, eResources, and all other materials.

How can I contact library staff for assistance or inquiries during the closure?

Please call the Newhope Library at 714-647-6992.

A New Chapter: Santa Ana Jail Book Club

In partnership with the City of Santa Ana Jail, the Santa Ana Public Library offers incarcerated individuals a unique opportunity to engage with literature and knowledgeable library staff. Participants embark on a journey of knowledge, empathy, and personal growth through our Jail Book Club. Each month, a carefully curated book, guided questions, and a journal are provided to all participants.

This Book Club has enabled staff and inmates at Santa Ana Jail to engage in conversations that activate critical thinking, enhance confidence, and allow inmates to express themselves in thought-provoking and insightful ways.

As staff continues to host more sessions, participants are gradually coming out of their shells and sharing their thoughts on what they've read. One participant mentioned that the book club has "sparked my interest in learning more challenging vocabulary, encouraged me to write more, and has increased my overall desire to read."

Participants have shown growing enthusiasm for reading and engaging in discussions, often expressing their surprise at how much they enjoyed the monthly book selection.



Testimonials from participants:

"I love the book club. My daughter read the book, too, and we discussed it over the phone."

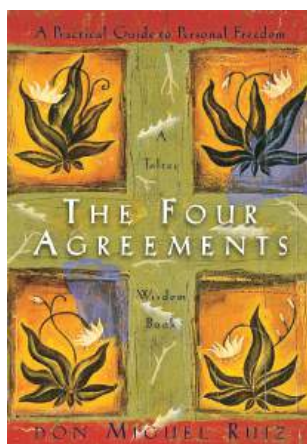
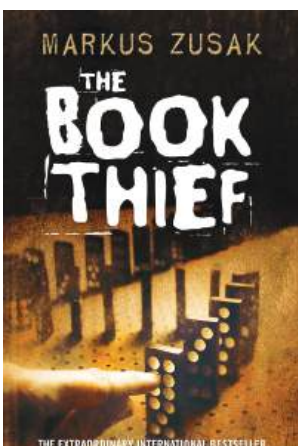
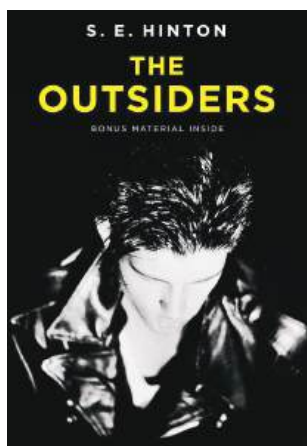
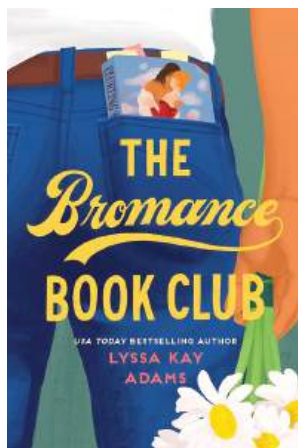
"I look forward to the book club. It helps me forget my stress from my court case."

"The book club opened my mind to new genres I have never read."



A New Chapter Book Club will be reading the following titles for Summer/Fall 2024 session:

July	<i>The Bromance Book Club</i> by Lyssa Kay Adams (Romance)
August	<i>The Outsiders</i> by S.E. Hinton (Coming of Age)
September	<i>The Book Thief</i> by Markus Zusak (Light Fantasy)
October	<i>The Four Agreements</i> by Don Miguel Ruiz (Spirituality/Self-Help)
November	<i>Let's Pretend this Never Happened</i> by Jenny Lawson (Comedy)



Discover a Rewarding Career in the City of Santa Ana

A Unique Opportunity Awaits

The City of Santa Ana has a number of unique and exciting career opportunities in different agencies and locations all throughout the city. Many of those opportunities are at the Santa Ana Jail, where it isn't just another job – it's a gateway to a meaningful and impactful career. For those passionate about community service, personal growth, and professional development, this facility offers a work environment like no other. Here, you will find a commitment to treating people with dignity and respect, creating a supportive and ethical atmosphere that stands as a model for correctional institutions everywhere.

In today's world, the ability to de-escalate tense situations is more critical than ever. At Santa Ana Jail, employees receive training in law enforcement de-escalation techniques. These skills, which include communication, negotiation, and conflict resolution, are essential for managing potentially volatile situations calmly and effectively. This training not only ensures personal safety but also fosters a respectful and safer environment for everyone.

If you're looking for a career that offers flexibility, professional growth, and the chance to make a positive impact, the Santa Ana Jail is the place for you. With its commitment to respect, dignity, and community engagement, it offers a fulfilling and dynamic work environment. Are you a student seeking hands-on experience? The Santa Ana Jail offers flexible part-time positions that can fit your lifestyle.

Take the first step towards a rewarding career in law enforcement and join a team dedicated to making a difference. Discover the benefits of working at the Santa Ana Jail today!



To learn more about the Santa Ana Jail and other career opportunities, visit www.santa-ana.org/careers/

EL SALVADOR COMMUNITY CENTER

Monday – Friday
2:00pm – 6:00pm

TEENTOBER

Participate in a variety of Halloween-themed activities.

10/15/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Ghouls, Ghosts, and Gameshows
10/17/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Pumpkin Zombie Painting
10/24/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Franken-Stuffies
10/31/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Monster Mash

THE ANATOMY OF A HORROR FILM

Learn about everything that goes into the creation of a horror film. Popcorn is included.

10/7/24 & 10/21/24 3:00pm – 5:30pm

CREATIVE JOURNALING

Express your creativity and build your artistic skills through our creative journaling program. Supplies will be provided.

11/4/24, 11/18/24, 12/2/24, 12/16/24,
1/6/25, 1/20/25 3:00pm – 5:30pm

TEENTIME FRIENDSGIVING

Celebrate Thanksgiving early with TeenTime staff and fellow teens as we enjoy delicious food, snacks, and drinks.

11/27/24 4:00pm – 5:30pm

ELF SALVADOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join the holiday festivities at Elf Salvador where food will be provided, gifts will be exchanged, and memories will be made.

12/16/24 4:00pm – 5:30pm

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Ring in the new year with your friends and TeenTime staff members with great food and fun activities!

1/6/25 4:00pm – 5:30pm



TEEN LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Share your unique stories and community observations to help us enhance the programs and services of TeenTime!

Tuesdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm

STEAM TEENS

Learn robotics, practice photography, and create arts and crafts projects!

Thursdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Explore faraway lands and defeat mythical beasts with us as we play Dungeons and Dragons together!

Fridays 3:30pm – 5:30pm

GARFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER

Monday – Friday
3:00pm – 6:00pm

TEENTOBER

Learn how to navigate the world of information and develop business plans for our gamified small business challenge.

10/1/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Starry Night Craft
10/8/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Costume Accessories
10/11/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Astronomy Day
10/22/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Pumpkin Painting
10/25/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Night at the Museum
10/29/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Trick or Treat Totes & Pails

CAFÉ HOURS

Stop by TeenTime to do homework, hang out with friends, and relax from the day. Noise-cancelling headphones available.

Monday – Friday 3:00pm – 6:00pm



Discover a space designed just for you! Whether you're hitting the books, mastering a new craft, enjoying snacks, gaming, or catching up on movies, this is your spot to unwind and connect with friends. TeenTime is an inclusive space designated for 6th-12th graders. All programming is free.

Garfield Center Teen Time: (714) 571-4283
El Salvador Center Teen Time: (714) 647-6534



TEENTIME MONTHLY CALENDARS

www.santa-ana.org/teentime/



TEEN LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Meet weekly with other teens to build leadership skills. Plan & host monthly celebrations!

Thursdays	4:00pm – 5:30pm
10/31/24	Halloween Party
11/21/24	Friendsgiving
12/19/24	Holiday Open House
1/30/25	Lunar New Year

ARTY PARTY

Join us for a fun evening creating your very own masterpiece to take home.

11/24/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Needle Coasters
12/3/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Turnip Ornament
1/7/25	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Paper Quilling
1/28/25	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Bug Art

CreativiTEENS

Learn how to use creative technologies. Create a project to take home.

11/12/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	DIY Game Pieces
12/10/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Ornaments
01/14/25	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Photography Lab

CULTURE CONNECT

Island hop and learn about a different culture/country. Each session provides a sampling of snacks, activities, and a language using Mango Languages.

10/15/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Japan
11/19/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Madagascar
12/17/24	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Hawaii & Puerto Rico
1/21/25	4:00pm – 5:30pm	Australia

GAME NIGHT

Games, snacks, and friends. What else could you need?

Select Fridays, 4:00pm – 5:30pm

11/8/24 ,11/22/24 ,12/6/24, 12/20/24, 1/10/25, 1/24/25



Be on the lookout for the KnowMo. We're bringing fun and exciting programs to you. Listen to stories, read books, and play games.

STORYTIME IN THE PARK

Bring the family for 10:30am storytime at a park near you. Check the bookmobile calendar for dates and locations.

SBOOKY QUEST

Embark on a literary adventure with scavenger hunts, spooky book-themed challenges, and Halloween craft quests.

STEAM ON WHEELS

Unleash your inner scientist, artist, and engineer! Perfect for all ages, our activities blend science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics into a whirlwind of discovery.

AWESOME AUTUMN ADVENTURES

Explore fall magic at our cozy bookmobile in the park! Discover captivating books, enjoy crafts, and savor seasonal treats.

SNOW-MO WINTER LAND

Transform the Knowledge Mobile into a cozy winter wonderland. Enjoy snow-themed activities and prizes, snacks, and winter book discussions.

SATURDAYS @ THE MAIN LIBRARY LOT

Join KnowMo on Saturdays in the parking lot across the street from the Main Library. Check out books, attend family story time, and enjoy fun activities.



YOUTH PROGRAMS

FALL READING PROGRAM

Earn a free In-N-Out hamburger certificate for every 5 books you read or are read to you. Register starting Saturday, October 5, at Newhope Library, El Salvador and Garfield Community Centers, or the KnowMo. Register online [HTTPS://SANTAANA.BEANSTACK.COM/READER365](https://santaana.beanstack.com/reader365). Last day to register and claim certificates: Saturday, November 16.

PUMPKIN PAINTING PALOOZA

Drop in for a spook-tacular event that's fun for the whole family!

Newhope Library

10/17/2024 6:00pm – 7:30 pm

DINOvember

Embark on a thrilling dinosaur scavenger hunt, dino crafts, and and don't miss out on the dino-mite games!

Newhope Library

11/14/2024 6:30pm – 7:30 pm

X-STREAM LAB

The X-STREAM Lab invites children ages 5+ and their families to create and explore Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art and Math. Learn, experiment, create and get messy with us!

Register here: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/X-STREMLAB](https://tinyurl.com/x-streamlab)

Newhope Library

10/24/24 6:00pm – 7:30pm Snap Circuits

11/21/24 6:00pm – 7:30pm Cricut Key Chains

READ TO A DOG

Improve reading skills and build confidence in a non-judgmental and supportive environment with our amazing canine team.

Newhope Library

10/3/24, 11/7/24, & 12/5/24 4:00pm – 5:00 pm

VIETNAMESE STORYTIME

Read, sing, and learn Vietnamese with us – an awesome and fun bilingual experience for the whole community.

Newhope Library

10/05/24 10:30am – 11:00am

11/02/24 10:30am – 11:00am

12/07/24 10:30am – 11:00am

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Newhope Library

Tuesdays 10:30am – 11:30am Preschoolers

TINY TOTS STORYTIME

Newhope Library

Thursdays 10:30am – 11:15am Babies and Toddlers



MEET MOXIE! ROBOTIC COMPANION LENDING PROGRAM

Parents can register their child (ages 5-10) to participate in this exciting robotic companion lending program that focuses on building youth's social and emotional skills through interactions with a robot pal.

ONLINE TUTORING

Students grades K-12 can register to receive one-on-one assistance with a qualified tutor on Zoom. Register now:

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/SAPLONLINE TUTORING](https://tinyurl.com/saplonline tutoring)

Monday – Thursday 2:30pm – 6:30pm

TEEN PROGRAMS

TEENTOBER

Participate in a variety of Halloween-themed activities.

Newhope Library

10/7/24 4:00pm – 5:30pm Pumpkin Zombie Carving

10/21/24 4:00pm – 5:30pm Franken-Stuffies

10/28/24 6:00pm – 7:45pm “Scare”-reoke

TEEN MAKERS

Illuminate your creativity and craft a unique project to take home.

Newhope Library

10/7/24, 10/21/24, 11/4/24, 11/18/24, 12/2/24, 12/16/24,

1/6/25, 1/20/25 4:00pm – 5:30pm

ROBO-FUNTIME

Learn concepts in robotics, AI, mechanics, electrical circuits, and coding through hands-on activities.

Newhope Library

Tuesdays 4:00pm – 5:00pm

ASTOUND ROBOTS

Meet QT, our ASD Robot. Sign up as a volunteer “Big Buddy” to help ASD “Little Buddies” (Pre-K through 3rd grade) discover and interact with robots as they practice reading and learn social/life skills.

Newhope Library

10/12/24, 11/9/24, 12/14/24 12:00pm – 1:00pm



TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

DIGITAL PATHWAY SERIES

(Vietnamese and English)

Join our computer classes and learn about a wide range of topics, from computer basics and email to Microsoft Office software such as Word and Excel.

Newhope Library

9/9/24, 9/23/24, 10/14/24, 10/28/24, 11/11/24, 11/25/24

6:30pm - 7:30 pm

TECH DESK

Drop by and receive free one-on-one help with your computers, tablets, mobile devices and more!

Roosevelt-Walker Center Community Lab

Thursdays & Fridays 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Jerome Center

Monday – Friday 2:00pm – 6:00pm

COMPUTER WORKSHOP

Learn computer basics, navigate the internet, and master Microsoft Office software such as Word, Excel, and more.

Roosevelt-Walker Center Computer Lab

Thursday & Friday 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Jerome Center

Wednesday 6:00pm – 7:30pm



ADULT PROGRAMS

CONQUER THE CANVAS

Join us at the library for a fun and inspiring canvas painting program, designed to help you explore and develop your artistic talents. Perfect for all skill levels!

Newhope Library

9/7/24, 10/5/24, 11/2/24, 12/7/24, 1/4/25 2:00pm – 3:30pm

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT BOOK CLUB

A monthly gathering of passionate readers who come together to explore the rich tapestry of literature, one theme at a time.

Newhope Library

9/21/24	1:00pm – 2:00pm	Biography/Memoir
10/19/24	1:00pm – 2:00pm	Thrillers
11/16/24	1:00pm – 2:00pm	Fantasy

AUTHOR HOUR

Join us for thought-provoking discussions, insights into the writing process, and a chance to connect with other book lovers. Check the Library calendar to find out who our next guest author will be.

SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

Tiempo de C.R.E.A.R: Taller Literario: Autobiografía y Memorias
Convierte tus recuerdos en memorias: una serie de talleres de escritura con el editor Miguel Alberto Ochoa.

Newhope Library

9/14/24, 10/12/24, 11/9/24, 12/14/24, 1/11/25 2:00pm – 3:30pm

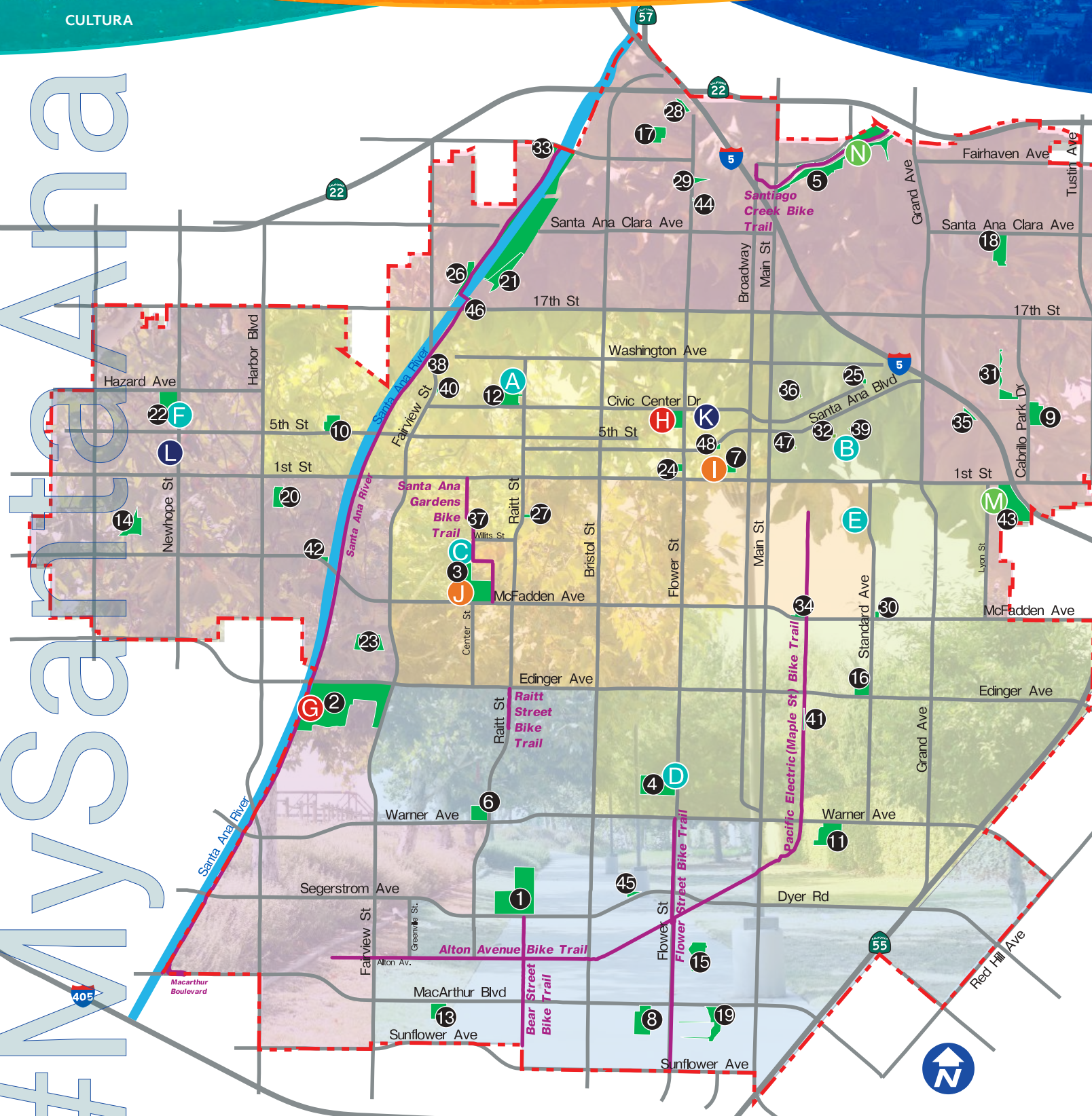
***All programming is free**



LIBRARY EVENTS & MONTHLY
CALENDAR

www.santa-ana.org/library-events/

San Juan Capistrano



Recreation Community Centers

Athletic Complex

Senior Centers

Library

Zoo

A EL SALVADOR CENTER
1825 W Civic Center Drive
(714) 647-6558

B GARFIELD CENTER
501 N. Lacy Street
(714) 571-4288

C JEROME CENTER
726 S. Center Street
(714) 647-6559

D MEMORIAL CENTER
2102 S. Flower Street
(714) 571-4242

E ROOSEVELT-WALKER CENTER
816 E. Chestnut Avenue
(714) 647-5220

F SALGADO CENTER
706 N. Newhope Street
(714) 571-4267

G DAN YOUNG SOCCER COMPLEX
3000 W. Edinger Avenue
(714) 571-4225

H SANTA ANA STADIUM
602 N. Flower Street
(714) 571-4225

I SANTA ANA SENIOR CENTER
424 W. 3rd Street
(714) 647-6540

J SOUTHWEST SENIOR CENTER
2201 W. McFadden Avenue
(714) 647-5306

K MAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
26 Civic Center Plaza
(714) 647-5250

L NEWHOPE LIBRARY
122 N. Newhope Street
(714) 647-6992

M SANTA ANA ZOO AT PRENTICE PARK
1801 E. Chestnut Avenue
(714) 647-6575

N SANTIAGO CREEK ECO CENTER
600 E. Memory Lane
(714) 647-6902

1-6 City Parks

Community Parks

7-23

Neighborhood Parks

- 1 Carl Thornton Park
- 2 Centennial Park
- 3 Jerome Park
- 4 Memorial Park
- 5 Santiago Park
- 6 Adams Park

- 7 Birch Park
- 8 Bomo Koral Park
- 9 Cabrillo Park
- 10 Cesar Chavez Campesino Park
- 11 Delhi Park
- 12 El Salvador Park
- 13 Griset Park
- 14 Heritage Park
- 15 Lillie King Park
- 16 Madison Park
- 17 Morrison Park
- 18 Portola Park
- 19 Sandpointe Park
- 20 Santa Anita Park
- 21 Riverview Park
- 22 Rosita Park
- 23 Windsor Park

- 24 Angels Park
- 25 Chepa's Park
- 26 Edna Park
- 27 Ed Caruthers Park

24-35 Neighborhood Parks

Pocket Parks

36-45

46-47 Urban Plazas

- 28 Eldridge Park
- 29 Fisher Park
- 30 Gerardo Mouet Park
- 31 Mabury Park
- 32 Mariposa Park
- 33 Memory Lane Park
- 34 Pacific Electric Park
- 35 Saddleback View Park

- 36 French Park
- 37 Friendship Park
- 38 Fairview Triangle
- 39 Garfield Exercise
- 40 King Street Park (New)
- 41 Maple & Occidental Park
- 42 Mcfadden Triangle
- 43 Prentice Park
- 44 Sarah May Downie Garden
- 45 Segerstrom Triangle
- 46 17th Street Triangle
- 47 Plaza Calle Cuatro
- 48 Sasscer Park

SENIOR CRUISERS TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

“Navigating Through The Golden Years”

Santa Ana’s Senior Transportation Program is excited to reveal its fresh new look! Keep an eye out for the new Senior Cruisers transportation vehicles as they cruise through the city with their beautiful new rebrand featuring imagery of historic buildings and iconic Santa Ana landmarks.

With the intent to expand transportation services and support our seniors as they navigate through their golden years, this program plays a vital role in enhancing the lives, comfort, and well-being of Santa Ana’s senior community. Senior Cruisers offers free transportation to the Santa Ana and Southwest senior centers and provides a link to services, socialization opportunities and activities for seniors who have limited or no access to their own transportation. The program is made possible, in part with the generous support of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and its Measure M2 funds.

The program has a fleet of three vehicles with a transportation capacity of 48 passengers for seniors to-and-from their place of residence to our senior centers. Once there, participants are able to engage with their friends and peers, enjoy a hot meal, and benefit from the various programs and activities offered onsite. Additionally, the program provides weekly shopping trips to grocery and retail stores, as well as monthly excursions to local attractions.

Older adults who participate in the Senior Cruisers program have experienced improvement in their overall well-being. The transportation program allows the opportunity for participants to stay socially and physically active, participate in recreation programming, and remain connected to and engaged in their community. Testament to the program benefits include “Looking forward to spending the day with my friends and going on the monthly excursions” (Ana Rizo) and “I no longer feel depressed or alone, the senior center is my second home” (Esther Berber).

The program is managed by a team of three full-time drivers, a full-time recreation coordinator, and two part-time administrative staff, who work together to provide this efficient and essential transportation service to Santa Ana’s seniors. This curb-to-curb service operates Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and provides transportation between home and the Santa Ana senior centers.

To qualify for the program, participants must be residents of Santa Ana and at least 60 years old. Registration is required in person at one of our two senior centers. For more information, contact the transportation office at (714) 571-4285, or reach out directly to the **Santa Ana Senior Center** at (714) 647-6540, located at 424 w. 3rd St., or the **Southwest Senior Center** at (714) 647-5306, located at 2201 W. McFadden Ave.

Join the Senior Cruisers Transportation Program and enjoy Navigating through the Golden Years!



SANTA ANA SENIOR Cruisers

NAVIGATING THROUGH THE GOLDEN YEARS



CITY EVENTS



Scan the QR Code
for more information
on upcoming events.

SANTA ANA
Fiestas Patrias
2024

LARRY HERNANDEZ

EZEQUIEL PEÑA

Downtown Santa Ana

Saturday, September 14 ★ 12 - 11 p.m.

Sunday, September 15 ★ 12 - 10 p.m. ★ Parade 10 a.m.

Free Event

Live Music ★ Food ★ Cultural Exhibitors ★ Carnival Rides

santa-ana.org/fiestas-patrias

Mid-Autumn Festival 10.5.24



International Older Adults
Celebration 9.27.24



Boo at the Zoo
October 19, 20, 26 and 27



Plaza Navideña
11.23.24



Tết (Lunar New Year) Festival 1.25.25



ATHLETICS

SANTA ANA MOVES

\$15/MONTH OR \$40/REST OF 2024 18YRS+

Open fitness program for self-led workouts. Gain access to the stadium stairs and field.

Santa Ana Stadium

Monday – Friday 11:00am – 1:30pm

DROP-IN SPORTS AND OPEN PLAY

Jerome Center and Salgado Center

Monthly memberships include both centers. All equipment provided. Registration and payment available online only.

**Dates and times are subject to change*

DROP-IN: Youth and Seniors - \$3.00 or Adults - \$5.00

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIPS:

Residents - \$35/month or Non-Residents - \$45/month

ADULT SPORTS

BADMINTON

Salgado Center

Friday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Saturday 9:00am - 1:00pm
Sunday 1:00pm - 4:00pm

BASKETBALL

Jerome Center

Monday 8:00am - 3:30pm
Tuesday 8:00am - 5:00pm
Thursday 12:00pm - 9:00pm

Salgado Center

Tuesday 8:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 8:00am - 9:00pm
Thursday 12:00pm - 5:00pm
Friday 8:00am - 1:00pm

INDOOR SOCCER

Jerome Center

Tuesday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Thursday 8:00am - 12:00pm

PICKLEBALL

Salgado Center

Thursday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Saturday 1:00pm - 4:00pm
Sunday 9:00am - 1:00pm

VOLLEYBALL

Jerome Center

Monday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Wednesday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Friday 5:00pm - 9:00pm

Salgado Center

Tuesday 5:00pm - 9:00pm
Thursday 8:00am - 12:00pm
Friday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

OPEN GYM

Jerome Center

Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm

Salgado Center

Monday 8:00am - 9:00pm



ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL

EIGHT-GAME SEASON, PLUS PLAYOFFS

Santa Ana Stadium

\$40 per player with a team of 15 players (team fee \$600.00)

CO-ED DIVISION: Monday nights at 6:00pm

MEN'S DIVISION: Tuesday nights at 6:00pm

ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES: Aug 12 – Sep 13

SEASON: Sept. – Dec.

ADULT 5V5 SOCCER

EIGHT-GAME SEASON, PLUS PLAYOFFS

Cesar Chavez Campesino Lay's RePlay Mini-Pitch

\$60 per player with a team of 10 players (team fee \$600.00)

MEN'S DIVISION: Tuesday nights at 6:00pm

ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES: Nov 12 – Dec 13

SEASON DATES: Jan. – Mar.

ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL

EIGHT-GAME SEASON, PLUS PLAYOFFS

Thornton Park and Jerome Park

\$40 per player with a team of 15 players (team fee \$600.00)

Games played Thursday nights at 6:00pm

ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES: Nov 12 – Dec 13

SEASON DATES: Jan. – Mar.

ADULT CO-ED KICKBALL TURKEY BOWL TOURNAMENT

4 GAME GUARANTEE (3 GAME POOL PLAY + SINGLE ELIMINATION BRACKET)

Thornton Park

\$20.00 per player with a team of 15 (team fee \$300.00)

GAMES PLAYED:

Saturday 8:00am – 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am – 3:00pm

ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES: Oct 12 – Nov 16

TOURNAMENT DATE: Nov 23 and 24

YOUTH SPORTS

BOYS BASKETBALL

GRADES PRE-K TO 8TH

Jerome Center, Salgado Center, & Godinez H.S.

\$41 per child (includes a team shirt, participation award, and 10-weeks of practices/games)

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION AT JEROME CENTER

Nov. 4, 6, 13 & 18 5:30pm - 8:30pm

Nov. 9 & 16 10:00am - 2:00pm

SEASON: Dec. – Mar.

**SPOOKTACULAR
Open House**

Jerome Center

October 19, 2024 · 2:00pm - 5:00pm

SPORTS PROGRAM INFORMATION

www.santa-ana.org/sports/



HEALTH & WELLNESS

***All programs are FREE and for all ages**

COMMUNITY GARDENS

Five community gardens available for residents to gather, learn, relax, connect with nature, and participate in specialty workshops.

El Salvador Park, Jerome Park, Madison Park, Pacific Electric Park, Roosevelt-Walker Community Center.



SANTA ANA URBAN GARDENER

Earn a badge every step of the way to become an official Santa Ana Urban Gardener. Come to any of the five community gardens during open hours to get started!

HARVEST FESTIVAL

El Salvador Park Garden

10/25/24 4:00pm – 6:00pm

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS: MAGIC OF THE ALTERS

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

11/01/24 5:00pm – 7:30pm



WELLNESS PROGRAMS

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

**Programs are all ages unless specified.*

KICKING WITH THE NEIGHBOR'S SOCCER FUN!

11YRS+

Get active and come play soccer with us!

9/16/24 - 1/30/25 Monday & Thursday 4:00pm - 5:30pm

HOOP OUT AND SHOOT OUT!

Basketball pickup games with the community!

9/18/24 - 1/29/25 Wednesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm

FITNESS AND WELLNESS AT ROOSEVELT!

Move your body and train with Parks and Rec Staff. Circuit and weight training at our outdoor fitness gym!

9/19/24 - 1/30/25	Thursday	6:30pm - 7:30pm
	Saturday	10:00am - 11:00am

GAME NIGHT!

Enjoy Friday game nights with the community!

9/20/24 - 1/31/25	Friday	6:30pm - 8:30pm
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BADMINTON!

Play a friendly game with the community!

9/20/24 - 1/31/25	Friday	4:30pm - 5:30pm
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GOLDEN CITY HOUR

Santiago Park

Two-mile guided walk. Learn about Santiago Creek Watershed and surrounding nature. Meet at the Santiago Park Oak Grove Picnic Area.

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month	4:30pm to 6:00pm
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9/11/24, 9/25/24, 10/9/24, 10/23/24

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month	3:30pm to 5:00pm
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11/13/24, 12/11/24, 1/8/25, 1/22/25

WILDERNESS CLUB

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

Explore local habitats and wilderness parks with staff.

Transportation to excursion provided.

SANTIAGO OAKS REGIONAL PARK CLASS AND GOLDEN HOUR HIKE - W/OC HABITATS

PART 1: Pre-trip in-person class discussing the Coastal Sage Scrub habitat we will be visiting!

9/24/24	4:30pm – 5:45pm	7YRS+
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PART 2: Santiago Oaks Regional Park Guided Golden Hour Hike

9/28/24	4:00pm – 6:30pm	7YRS+
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BOLSA CHICA CONSERVANCY GUIDED HIKE

10/12/24	8:30am – 12:30pm	7YRS+
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LIMESTONE CANYON GUIDED HIKE W/IRVINE RANCH CONSERVANCY

11/16/24	9:00am – 12:00pm	7YRS+
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TUCKER WILDLIFE SANCTUARY NATURALIST LED WALK AND ACTIVITY

01/25/25	10:00am – 12:30pm	5YRS+
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YOUTH & TEENS

YOUTH

KID'S NIGHT OUT

\$10/FEE - \$5/PER ADDITIONAL CHILD 6 – 12YRS

Come out for an evening of fun festive crafts, games, entertainment, refreshments and more! Pre-registration required.

Salgado Community Center

9/20/24 5:00pm - 8:00pm International Night Out

Garfield Community Center

10/18/24 5:00pm - 8:00pm Scarecrow Craze

El Salvador Community Center

11/15/24 5:00pm - 8:00pm Turkey Trot

Roosevelt Walker Community Center

12/20/24 5:00pm - 8:00pm Polar Express Christmas

Jerome Community Center

1/17/25 5:00pm - 8:00pm Career Night

LITTLE PICASSOS

\$5/FEE 2 – 5YRS

Grab your paint brushes and join us with your little ones to let out some creativity. Adult participation is required.

El Salvador Community Center

1st & 3rd Mondays Monthly 10:00am - 11:00am

MARIPOSA PARK POP-UP

FREE/MONTH 6 – 12YRS

Program introducing exciting themed activities and games outdoors.

Mariposa Park

Tuesday & Thursday 2:00pm - 3:00pm

TECHNO NIÑOS

\$5/MONTH 6 – 12YRS

STEM and technology program introducing kids to coding languages, basic technology skills, and a world of fun, hands-on tech activities.

Garfield Community Center

Tuesday & Thursday 3:30pm - 4:30pm

CITY CAMPS

FALL BREAK KID'S CAMP

\$69 RESIDENT / \$89 NON-RESIDENT 6 – 12YRS

El Salvador Community Center

11/25/24 - 11/27/24 Monday - Wednesday 7:30am - 5:30pm

TEENS

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVE (Y.E.I.)

NEW

FREE 13 – 17YRS

Get involved with your community as an emerging teen leader! This youth council involves volunteer opportunities, skill development workshops, and participation in planning City teen events!

Y.E.I. IMPRESIONES

Teens can become a Peer Pal with a senior citizen through monthly drop-in workshops, writing letters, and exchanging care packages!

Garfield Community Center

8/16/24, 9/20/24, 10/18/24, 11/15/24, 1/17/25

Friday 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Y.E.I. TEEN COUNCIL

Join our Teen Council, have a voice in City Teen Programs, and develop life skills along the way!

Garfield Community Center

September 9/6/24 4:00pm – 6:00pm

October 10/4/24 4:00pm – 6:00pm

November 11/4/24 4:00pm – 6:00pm

December 12/6/24 4:00pm – 6:00pm

January 1/10/25 4:00pm – 6:00pm

VOLUNTEEN PROGRAM

FREE 13 – 17YRS

Teens and organizations interested in City events and programming can get involved! For more info on becoming a VolunTEEN, call **Garfield Community Center** at (714) 571-4288.

TEEN EXCURSION PROGRAM

FREE 13 – 17YRS

Monthly excursions for Santa Ana teens! Limited spots available per excursion, register early.

Garfield Community Center

9/21/24 Knott's Berry Farm

10/11/24 – 10/13/24 Camp Commerce (Lake Arrowhead)

11/16/24 Frida Theater (Downtown Santa Ana)

12/7/24 Disneyland

1/18/25 Pantages Theater "Wicked" (Los Angeles)



GARFIELD'S BOO BASH

FREE 5 – 17YRS

Celebrate our autumn holidays as a family with themed crafts, activities, and treats!

Garfield Center

10/31/24 Thursday 2:30pm – 4:30pm



**YOUTH & TEENS PROGRAM
INFORMATION**

www.santa-ana.org/youth-and-teens/



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

ADULT PAINTING

Step-by-step painting classes designed for beginners. All materials included.

Southwest Senior Center

Wednesday 6:30pm – 8:30pm \$80/month 18yrs+

AEROBICS

Designed for beginning and intermediate fitness skills.

Salgado Center

Monday & Wednesday 6:00pm – 7:00pm or 7:00pm – 8:00pm

\$25/month *Fee subject to change in 2025 18yrs+

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am – 11:00am or 6:00pm – 7:00pm

\$25/month *Fee subject to change in 2025 18yrs+

BACKHAUS DANCE NEW CLASSES

BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE LEVEL 1

Level 1 dance classes introducing the basics of ballet technique for toddler dancers. No prior dance experience needed.

Jerome Center

Saturday 9:00am – 9:50am \$35/month 3 - 5yrs

BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE LEVEL 1.5

Introducing the basics of ballet technique for young dancers.

PREREQUISITE: BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE LEVEL 1

Jerome Center

Saturday 10:00am - 10:50am \$35/month 5 - 6yrs

BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE LEVEL 2

Dive further into the basics of ballet technique.

PREREQUISITE: BALLET AND CREATIVE DANCE LEVEL 1.5

Jerome Center

Saturday 11:00am – 11:50am \$35/month 7 - 12yrs

HIP HOP

Introduction to movement in a fun and upbeat environment with popular music. No prior dance experience needed.

El Salvador Community Center

Wednesday 4:45pm – 5:35pm \$35/month 7 - 12yrs

Wednesday 5:45pm – 6:35pm \$35/month 13 - 16yrs

BASIC GUITAR

Have fun learning basic chords, songs, and guitar patterns.

Students must provide their own guitars.

El Salvador Community Center

Tuesday 6:00pm – 7:00pm \$45/month 9yrs+

B.E.S.T. SPORTS NEW LOCATION

MULTI-SPORT

Program brings you multiple weeks of 3 fantastic sports: Soccer, Baseball/Softball, & Track.

Morrison Park

Saturday 8:10am – 8:55am \$110/session 2 - 4yrs

Saturday 10:50am – 11:35am \$110/session 5 - 8yrs

SOCCER

Learn soccer skills that include dribbling, kicking, throw-ins, goalie skills, and more!

Morrison Park

Saturday 9:00am – 9:45am \$110/month 16m - 2yrs

Saturday 9:50am – 10:35am \$110/month 3 - 6yrs

Saturday 11:40am – 12:25am \$110/month 7 - 10yrs

DANZA FOLKLORICO

Fundamental steps, choreography and stylistic nuances unique to various Mexican regions. Additional costs for skirts and shoes.

El Salvador Center

BEGINNING

Monday & Wednesday 5:30pm - 6:30pm \$55/month 4-18yrs

INTERMEDIATE

Monday & Wednesday 6:30pm - 7:30pm \$55/month 6-15yrs

ADVANCED

Friday 5:30pm - 7:30pm \$55/month 12yrs+

ADAPTIVE DANCE

For students of all ages and abilities.

Saturday 11:00am - 12:00pm \$45/month 12yrs+

DOSIS PIANO

Learn how to read notes, position your hands, and play basic songs.

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

Monday 7:00pm - 8:00pm \$40/month 5yrs+

FUN WITH SOUNDS NEW LOCATION

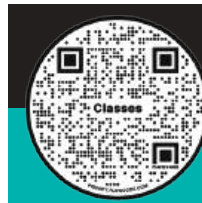
Parent & Me music and dance class exploring interactive nursery rhymes and festive music from around the world.

Lawn Bowling Center

Tuesday 10:00am - 10:45am \$39/month 1 - 4yrs

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

Tuesday 11:15am - 12:00pm \$39/month 1 - 4yrs



CLASSES AND REGISTRATION
INFORMATION

secure.rec1.com/CA/santa-ana-ca/catalog

LEARNING TO SEW

LEVEL 1

Learn basic sewing skills, terms, and how to use a sewing machine. \$10 material fee collected on the first day of class.

LEVEL 2

Learn enhanced skills like ruffles, decorative stitches, and changing fabric needles.

Jerome Center

Saturday	9:40am - 10:50am	\$45/month	11yrs+
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ROYALTY HILLS INC.

BEGINNING PICKLEBALL

Introduction to pickleball. Bring an unopened can of balls to the first day of class, rackets provided upon request.

Neal Machander Tennis Court

Sunday	11:30am - 12:30pm	\$95/month	18yrs+
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BEGINNING TENNIS

Introduction to basic drills and techniques. Please bring an unopened can of balls to the first day of class, rackets provided upon request.

Neal Machander Tennis Court

Saturday	10:30am - 11:30am	\$95/month	4 - 5yrs
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Saturday	11:30am - 12:30pm	\$95/month	6 - 8yrs
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SOCA ARTS NEW CLASSES

BALLET, JAZZ, & TAP COMBO

Dance class will improve fine motor skills, coordination, rhythm, and flexibility. Leotard, tights, ballet and tap shoes required.

Roosevelt-Walker Center

Wednesday	5:25pm - 6:10pm	\$39/4 weeks	6 - 11yrs
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HIP HOP

Learn beginning hip hop and basic tumbling skills. Athletic attire and sneakers required.

Roosevelt-Walker Center

Wednesday	7:15pm - 8:00pm	\$39/4 weeks	6 - 11yrs
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PRINCESS BALLET

Learn the basics of ballet with an element of fun and fantasy in this princess-themed class.

Leotard, tights, and ballet shoes required. \$5 craft fee due first day of class.

Roosevelt-Walker Center

Wednesday	4:30pm - 5:15pm	\$39/4 weeks	3 - 5yrs
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TOT HIP HOP

Learn beginning hip hop and basic tumbling skills. Athletic attire and sneakers required.

Roosevelt-Walker Center

Wednesday	6:20pm - 7:05pm	\$39/4 weeks	3 - 6yrs
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TUMBLE-N-KIDS, INC. GYMNASTICS

ADDITIONAL COST: \$2 material fee on the first day of classes.

TUMBLE BUGS offers auditory and social skills through basic obstacle courses.

Jerome Center

Saturday	9:30am - 10:15am	\$55/5 weeks	1 - 3yrs
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El Salvador Center

Tuesday	2:15pm - 3:00pm	\$44/4 weeks	1 - 3yrs
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JUNIOR OLYMPIANS introduces gymnastic skills and coordination.

Jerome Center

Saturday	10:20am - 11:05am	\$55/5 weeks	3 - 5yrs
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JAMMIN' GYMNASTICS explores the disciplines of gymnastics.

Jerome Center

Saturday	11:15am - 12:15pm	\$65/5 weeks	6 - 12yrs
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El Salvador Center

Tuesday	4:05pm - 5:05pm	\$52/4 weeks	6 - 12yrs
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KARTWHEEL-N-KIDS explores the disciplines of gymnastics.

El Salvador Center

Tuesday	3:05pm - 4:05pm	\$52/4 weeks	4 - 6yrs
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CHEERNASTICS explores the disciplines of cheer and gymnastics.

El Salvador Center

Tuesday	5:05pm - 6:05pm	\$52/4 weeks	6 - 12yrs
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ADVANCED FLOOR TUMBLING builds strength and conditioning while developing increased skills.

Jerome Center

Saturday	12:15pm - 1:15pm	\$65/5 weeks	6 - 12yrs
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WIN WIN PICKLEBALL **NEW CLASSES**

INTRO TO PICKLEBALL

This intro to pickleball class provides new players a great way to get started with this fast-growing sport.

Sandpointe Park

Monday	4:00pm – 5:00pm	\$40/day	18 - 60yrs
Wednesday	4:00pm – 5:00pm	\$40/day	18 - 60yrs
Sunday	11:00am – 12:00pm	\$40/day	18 - 60yrs

PICKLEBALL BEGINNER

For beginner students. Focus on the fundamentals and first 4 shots in pickleball: dinks, serve, return of serve, third shot drop.

PREREQUISITE: Intro to Pickleball.

Sandpointe Park

10/1/24 - 10/22/24	Tuesday	10:00am – 11:00am
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
11/5/24 - 11/26/24	Tuesday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
12/2/24 - 12/23/24	Monday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
1/7/25 - 1/28/25	Tuesday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	

PICKLEBALL INTERMEDIATE

Intermediate students focus on solidifying fundamentals, adding offensive shots, and being strategic with every shot.

PREREQUISITE: Pickleball Beginner and DUPR 3.0 rating or higher playing ability.

Sandpointe Park

10/3/24 - 10/24/24	Thursday	10:00am – 11:00am
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
11/7/24 - 11/28/24	Thursday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
12/5/24 - 12/26/24	Thursday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	
1/2/25 - 1/23/25	Thursday	4:00pm – 5:00pm
\$140/month	18 - 60yrs	

PICKLEFIT

Class focusing on footwork drills, mobility, and strength training. Designed to get you faster and stronger to play better pickleball.

Sandpointe Park

Saturday	11:00am – 12:00pm	\$30/day	18 - 60yrs
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YOGA - TAI CHI

Body and brain yoga, meditation, Tai Chi, and belly button healing.

Roosevelt-Walker Community Center

Wednesday	7:00pm – 8:30pm	\$45/month	18yrs+
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Lawn Bowling Center

Wednesday	10:00am – 11:30am	\$45/month	18yrs+
Wednesday	6:30pm – 8:00pm	\$45/month	18yrs+

YOUNG REMBRANDTS **NEW CLASSES**

PRESCHOOL DRAWING FUNDAMENTALS

Transform simple shapes into captivating art. Build visual vocabulary, and fine motor skills.

Garfield Center

10/2/24 - 10/23/24	Wednesday	3:30pm – 4:30pm
\$45/session	3.5 - 5yrs	
10/30/24 - 11/20/24	Wednesday	3:30pm – 4:30pm
\$45/session	3.5 - 5yrs	
12/4/24 - 12/18/24	Wednesday	3:30pm – 4:30pm
\$33.75/session	3.5 - 5yrs	
1/8/25 - 1/29/25	Wednesday	3:30pm – 4:30pm
\$45/session	3.5 - 5yrs	

DRAWING FUNDAMENTALS

Transform simple shapes into captivating art. Build visual vocabulary, and fine motor skills.

Garfield Center

10/2/24 - 10/23/24	Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:30pm
\$45/session	5 - 12yrs+	
10/30/24 - 11/20/24	Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:30pm
\$45/session	5 - 12yrs+	
12/4/24 - 12/18/24	Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:30pm
\$33.75/session	5 - 12yrs+	
1/8/25 - 1/29/25	Wednesday	4:30pm – 5:30pm
\$45/session	5 - 12yrs+	

ZUMBA FITNESS

An energizing dance fitness class, while experiencing music and rhythms of the world.

Salgado Center

Monday & Wednesday	7:00pm – 8:00pm	
\$25/month *Fee subject to change in 2025.		18yrs+



SENIOR SERVICES

Senior Services offer a variety of recreational activities at no cost to seniors ages 55+. Register in person to participate in the classes and activities listed below at one of the senior centers.

CONGREGATE LUNCH PROGRAM

Offers healthy nutrition and social connections for older adults. Seniors are welcome to eat and socialize with their peers Monday through Friday at Santa Ana and Southwest Senior Centers.

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Roundtrip transportation services for seniors ages 60+ available from place of residence to either Senior Center in Santa Ana. Seniors must be Santa Ana residents. Additional transportation program activities may also be provided.

MONTHLY SPECIAL EVENTS

Enjoy monthly themed celebrations at the Santa Ana and Southwest Senior Centers. Participation is free and open to registered and active participants at the senior center of their choice.

SPOOKTACULAR CELEBRATION

Santa Ana and Southwest Senior Centers

10/31/24 10:00am - 1:00pm

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Santa Ana and Southwest Senior Centers

11/13/24 10:00am - 1:00pm

WINTER FEST

Santa Ana and Southwest Senior Centers

12/11/24 10:00am - 1:00pm

NEW YEAR'S BASH

Southwest Senior Center

1/8/25 10:00am - 1:00pm

LUNAR NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Santa Ana Senior Center

1/29/25 10:00am - 1:00pm



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ARTS & CRAFTS

Southwest Senior Center

Wednesday 12:00pm - 1:30pm

BILLIARDS OPEN PLAY

Santa Ana Senior Center

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm

Southwest Senior Center

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm

BODYWORK FITNESS

Low-impact fitness with a Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu perspective.

Santa Ana Senior Center

Monday & Wednesday 8:30am - 10:00am

Southwest Senior Center

Thursday 8:30am - 10:00am

CHAIR YOGA

Southwest Senior Center

Monday 10:00am - 11:30am

Wednesday 8:30am - 10:30am

CHOIR

Southwest Senior Center

Monday 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Tuesday 1:00pm - 3:00pm



SENIOR SERVICES INFORMATION



www.santa-ana.org/senior-services/

GUITAR & OTHER INSTRUMENTS*Southwest Senior Center*

Wednesday 1:00pm - 3:00pm

CITIES OF MEXICO & SOUTH AMERICA*Southwest Senior Center*

Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm

FABRIC ARTS*Santa Ana Senior Center*

Monday 10:00am - 12:00pm

FITNESS FUSION*Southwest Senior Center*

Friday 1:15pm - 2:45pm

KARAOKE*Santa Ana Senior Center*

Monday & Wednesday 10:00am - 11:00am

Southwest Senior Center

Wednesday 10:30pm - 11:30am & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

LOW IMPACT RESISTANCE TRAINING*Santa Ana Senior Center*

Wednesday 10:30am - 12:00pm

Southwest Senior Center

Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am

SELF DEFENSE FOR SENIORS

Focuses on building strength, balance, coordination, and reflexes for older adults to feel comfortable self-defense situations.

Santa Ana Senior Center

Friday 1:30pm - 3:30pm

TABLE TENNIS FOR BEGINNERS*Santa Ana Senior Center*

Thursday 2:30pm - 3:30pm

TAI CHI

Concentration on breathing, deliberate movements and meditation.

Birch Park Fitness Zone

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30am - 10:30am

TECHNOLOGY CLASS

Learn how to use the internet, Facebook, send emails and send texts.

Southwest Senior Center

Monday & Friday 10:00am - 11:00am

TRADITIONAL GAMES

Stimulate the mind, interact with others, and enhance your cognition with traditional games.

Santa Ana Senior Center

Friday 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Southwest Senior Center

Monday - Friday 3:00pm - 5:00pm

**Jerome Park**

Friday, September 27

9:00am - 1:00pm

POP-UP ACTIVITIES**STANDING CARDIO POP UP***Southwest Senior Center*

10/2/24 12:00pm - 1:00pm

1/6/25 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Santa Ana Senior Center

10/11/24 8:30am - 9:30am

1/10/24 8:30am - 9:30am

TONE & STRENGTH POP UP*Southwest Senior Center*

11/4/24 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Santa Ana Senior Center

11/8/24 8:30am - 9:30am

YOGA POP UP*Southwest Senior Center*

9/6/24 12:00pm - 1:00pm

12/6/24 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Santa Ana Senior Center

9/13/24 8:30am - 9:30am

12/13/24 8:30am - 9:30am

The second annual Brew at the Zoo on June 8, 2024 was an un-beer-lievable night!

The event sold out with over 600 party animals in attendance and helped raise over \$30,000 to benefit the Santa Ana Zoo. Guests sampled beer from 15 different breweries set up throughout the zoo and nibbled on fried chicken, sushi hand rolls, and various bites from different food trucks in attendance.

A big thank you to Gus's Fried Chicken for generously supporting our event two years in a row, and to Hamamouri Sushi for donating masterfully crafted sushi hand rolls.

Make sure to keep your eyes peeled for a 2025 save the date announcement soon and get your tickets early because the third annual event is sure to sell out early.



We're grateful to all the breweries who donated their time and brew-tiful creations!

There Does Not Exist
Third Window
Seek, Horus
Far Field
Station Craft

Docent
Honey Pot
Pfeiffer
The Bruery
Radiant

Green Cheek
Gunwhale
Santa Ana River
Everywhere
Cerveza Cito



DID YOU KNOW?

The Santa Ana Zoo donates all unclaimed items from its Lost and Found collection to City Net. City Net - in association with SMART - assists with housing navigation, shelters, and street outreach to individuals experiencing homelessness in Orange County. The zoo is proud to contribute to this cause by repurposing usable items guests leave behind and do not claim.

To donate, volunteer, or learn more please call or visit: (714) 202-7741 www.citynet.org

BOO AT THE ZOO 2024

October 19, 20, 26, and 27
5:30pm - 7:30pm



- **FREE for Santa Ana residents** (with RSVP). Limited availability.
- **Non-resident tickets also available.**
- **Purchase/reserve:**
[TINYURL.COM/BOOATTHEZOO24](https://tinyurl.com/booatthetoo24)

Join us for a "merry not scary" good time at Boo at the Zoo! This special event series features nocturnal animal presentations, themed photo spots, and special goodies for children.

Follow our @TheSantaAnaZoo social media for updates on ticket sales and registration dates.



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS: THE ZOO & YOU

Enjoy a story at the Zoo and ECO Center! Take a break with us for a story and an animal meet & greet! Introduce your child, or your inner child, to cultural tales, animal information, or a tale of adventure! Following each story is a meet & greet with one of our ambassador animals.

Santa Ana Zoo Conservation Education Theater

SUPER SUNDAY STORY TIME:

Sunday 11:30am 3 – 8YRS

LEER LUNES (IN SPANISH):

Monday 11:30am 3 – 8YRS

WILD WEDNESDAYS:

Wednesday 11:30am 3 – 8YRS

SANTIAGO CREEK ECO CENTER PROGRAMS

Join us in connecting with nature at the ECO Center!
Located at 600 E. Memory Lane.

ARTIMALS

Draw, paint and learn with nature as our inspiration! All ages and levels welcome.

Santiago Creek ECO Center

2nd & 4th Saturday of the month 10:00am

CREEKSIDE STORYTIME

Mini hike, craft or animal meet-and-greet

Santiago Creek ECO Center

1st and 3rd Monday of the month 10:30am

NATURE JOURNALING CLUB

Start or grow your Nature Journal as we explore the natural world around us. All ages.

Santiago Creek ECO Center

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month 11:00am

ZOO PARK POP-UP PROGRAMS

The Zoo “pops-up” at a new City park throughout the season! Join us for free nature-based activities and an animal friend at each location. All ages and walk-ups are welcome. Programs are subject to inclement weather.

Fisher Park

8/23/24 and 8/30/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Windsor Park

9/13/24 and 9/20/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

French Park

9/27/24 and 10/4/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Adams Park

10/11/24 and 10/18/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Friendship Park

10/25/24 and 11/1/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

Ed Caruthers Park

11/8/24 and 11/15/24

Friday 2:00pm – 3:30pm

NATURE IN ACTION

Discover nature around you through free activities, animal meet and greets, and talks with Santa Ana Zoo staff.

El Salvador Center

09/4/24, 9/11/24, 9/18/24

7 – 12YRS

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Garfield Community Center

10/02/24, 10/9/24, 10/16/24

6 – 12YRS

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Salgado Community Center

11/6/24, 11/13/24, 11/20/24

6 – 12YRS

3:00pm - 4:00pm

EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

Teachers can bring their classes to visit the zoo for a fun, educational exploration! Self-guided visits and education programs led by Zoo staff are available to book:

Santa Ana Zoo

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Thursday

Self-guided visits

Zoo Explorer education programs





ANIMAL WELLBEING

The Santa Ana Zoo is happy to welcome Judy - a Red-Rumped Agouti (*Dasyprocta Leporine*) - to the zoo!

You can find Judy living with the Saki monkeys at the north end of the zoo. She is a little shy, but you can often see her toward the center of the habitat, sitting on her hind end while holding up large chunks of food with her front legs to eat. Some of her favorite foods include corn, yams, and carrots. In addition to eating, Judy enjoys digging in her mulch and burying food to save for later. She is quite intelligent and often figures out her puzzle enrichment quickly.

Red-rumped agoutis get their name from the reddish fur that covers their hind ends. They are found in a wide range of forests in northern South America. Agoutis are terrestrial animals and are important for seed dispersal in their native habitats. In fact, they are the only mammal in their native range that can crack open Brazil nuts. Agoutis are herbivores; their diet includes fruits, vegetables, nuts, seeds, leaves, and shoots. Their scientific name *Dasyprocta* means “fuzzy butt.”

MUSEUMS FOR ALL

Through Museums for All, we are partnering with museums across the country to make sure everyone can experience the best museums have to offer. You can receive a SNAP/EBT discount on zoo tickets with your SNAP/EBT card and ID.

- SNAP/EBT cardholders may purchase up to four (4) reduced cost tickets per day, per visit, for \$3 each.
- SNAP/EBT cardholder must present a valid SNAP/EBT card and valid photo ID, and must be one of the ticketed guests.
- P-EBT cards, SUN Bucks cards, and WIC are not accepted for Museums for All tickets.

During the month of July over 500 families received Zoo admission through Museums for All! For more information about Museums for All and to find other participating museums throughout the US visit museumsforall.org.



The Santa Ana Zoo is free for residents on the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Proof of residence (an ID or - if ID is does not have current address, an ID and a utility bill) is required per each adult.

Hot Tip!





WATER TREATMENT, PARKING CHANGES, AND PLANT RELOCATIONS

In partnership with the Orange County Water District and City of Santa Ana Public Works Water Resources division, several new PFAS groundwater treatment towers will be added to the east end of the Santa Ana Zoo's overflow parking lot. While these new facilities are being installed, you may notice some changes, including construction fencing, and a new access road through the overflow lot. While the Zoo and its partners are working diligently to reduce impacts to Zoo members and visitors, please keep in mind that during this project, there may be less parking available. Please plan accordingly for busy Zoo days.

To make room for the water treatment facilities, the Zoo has relocated many special species of plants, including a large specimen of ocotillo that reaches to over twenty feet tall. This desert-flowering plant's appearance changes based on its available water, shedding its small green leaves during drought conditions. When it flowers it attracts pollinators like hummingbirds. If it attracts you, be careful: thorny spines hide in its leaves. The Zoo is committed to protecting water and plants as well as animals.



Animal Spotlight MONKEY MANNERS

Have you ever wished you could talk to the monkeys at the zoo? Surprise! You already do. Primates - including monkeys and humans - use facial expressions and body movements to communicate to those around them. However, the same movement can have two completely different meanings to different species... like similar words having different meanings in spoken languages.

Here are some comparisons:

EXPRESSION	HUMAN	MONKEY
Smile with teeth	Friendly	Threatening/Fear
Eye contact	Interest	Threatening
Lips closed in "o" shape	Kiss	Curious
Eyebrows raised	Question	Interest, Unsure
Mouth closed, lips in flat line	Serious	Relaxed/Resting, Neutra
Yelling/loud noise	Many Meanings	Danger! / Threat!



TIPS FOR SEEING MORE MONKEYS:

- **Speak Softly:** you will hear more of the monkeys' sounds and won't scare them.
- **Look Up:** many monkeys spend more time in the trees than on the ground.
- **Obey Fences:** staying on the people-side of the fence keeps our animals safe; please do not lean or reach hands or any items over the fence.
- **Take Photos Only:** removal of plant material from the zoo is not permitted. Our animals are given a variety of plants as part of their special diets. Not all plants are edible.



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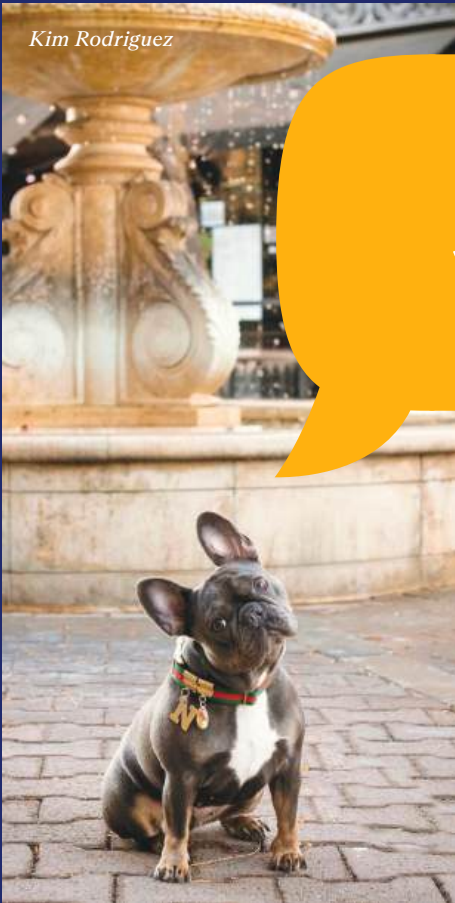
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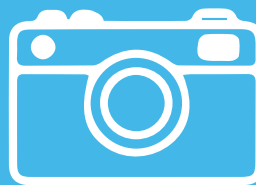


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Employment with the City of Santa Ana

(714) 647-5340

Orange County Fire Authority

(714) 573-6000

Water Bill – Finance

(714) 647-3320

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Newhope Library

(714) 647-6992

RECREATION INFORMATION

Parks & Recreation – General Info

(714) 571-4200

Garfield Center

(714) 571-4288

El Salvador Center

(714) 647-6558

Jerome Center

(714) 647-6559

Memorial Center

(714) 571-4242

Roosevelt Walker Center

(714) 647-5220

Mudline

(Updated following inclement weather)

(714) 571-4201

Reservations Office at Centennial

(714) 571-4225

Salgado Center

(714) 571-4267

Santa Ana Senior Center

(714) 647-6540

Southwest Senior Center

(714) 647-5306

ZOO INFORMATION

Zoo – Recorded Info

(714) 836-4000

General Information Line

(714) 647-6575

Friends of the Zoo (FOSAZ)

(714) 953-8555



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