

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
July 29, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Maria Stipe, Assistant City Manager
Members

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This memorandum provides updates on recent Office of Economic Development activities targeted towards supporting local businesses through COVID-19 recovery.

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Maria Stipe
Assistant City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Scott Stiles
Dept: City Manager
Subject: OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES FOR Q2

From: Lisa L. Kim
Dept: Community and Economic Development
Date: July 29, 2021

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this memorandum is to update recent Office of Economic Development activities targeted towards supporting local businesses through COVID recovery.

BACKGROUND

The month of June 2021 marks nearly 15 months since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic and efforts to support businesses through economic recovery remains a high priority of the Office of Economic Development (OED). As nearly 600 small businesses were aided from the successful implementation of the D1 Business and Micro Business Relief Grants, and the JOBS 1st Program, OED initiated business outreach efforts through the new Foods of Garden Grove campaign to recognize the food and beverage industry in the midst of recovery, while further exploring future partnership with the SBDC under the Community Navigator Pilot Program. More updates are provided below in areas of Economic Development strategic planning and business development activities.

DISCUSSION

A roadmap to recovery has necessitated a comprehensive review of the City's 2018 Economic Development Strategic Plan to ensure priorities are focused toward sustainability and local economic recovery. To that end, an updated 2021 Economic Development Strategic Plan (2021 ESDP) will be presented at the upcoming August 24th meeting of which a few notable highlights are shared below:

1. JOBS 1st Grant and Loan Programs (Financing Tools)

2021 ESDP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creation and retention through Economic Development Programs.

2021 ESDP Goal #2: Leverage Creative Funding & Financing Tools

Task 2: Explore emerging funding opportunities and financing tools.

The Jobs 1st Program provides financial resources to support Garden Grove businesses looking to create and/or retain employees. During COVID-19, the job

retention grant has been integral in preserving local jobs and small business operations impacted due to decreased revenues and operational changes.

Fiscal Year	Program	Approved	Funding to Date	Jobs Created/Retained	Pending Applications	Pending Approvals
FY 20-21	Jobs 1 st	32 (9 loans, 23 grants)	\$716,000	147		
FY 21-22	Jobs 1 st	7 approved (1 loan, 6 grants)	\$70,000	24	22	4
FY 20-21	Jobs 1 st To-Go	31 Grants	\$44,000	31	9	

2. Foods of Garden Grove (Business Outreach and Marketing)

2021 EDSP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 2: Provide local support services for business recruitment.

Task 3: Enhance City's ability to brand the community.

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creations and retention through Economic Development programs

OED actively and strategically utilized resources to expand social media presence, promote local services for new and existing businesses, and provide local support for workforce training remain key priorities. During COVID-19, local restaurants experienced extreme financial hardship and employee retention. The City's commitment to support small business and protect local jobs led to the creation of Foods of Garden Grove, an interactive website and virtual food tour "foodie map" at ggcity.org/foodsofgardengrove. Phase 1 provided direct business outreach support for 75 local small businesses. Implementation of Phase 2 adds an additional 75 restaurants by December 2021.

3. Proposed Community Navigator Pilot Program (Local Partnerships)

2021 EDSP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creations and retention through Economic Development programs

2021 EDSP Goal #3: Expand and Preserve Locally-Generated Tax Revenue

Task 2: Engage and work with various active groups in the City that enhances and improves the business and tourism community.

SBA recently unveiled the 2021 Community Navigator Pilot Program with the purpose of strengthening outreach to underserved small businesses by partnering with local community organizations with established relationships. The OED contributed a partner application in collaboration with the Orange County/Inland Empire Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Network. If awarded, OED will focus activities toward supporting Garden Grove culturally, diverse businesses.

4. SBDC and SCORE Workshops (Business Development)

2021 EDSP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creations and retention through Economic Development programs

2021 EDSP Goal #3: Expand and Preserve Locally-Generated Tax Revenue

Task 1: Provide service and support to local businesses.

Task 2: Engage and work with various active groups in the City that enhances and improves the business community.

The OED continues to engage with the local SBDC and SCORE partners to resume in-person workshops. During COVID-19, the Garden Grove business community have had access to no-cost virtual business workshops via interactive webinars. The SBDC webinars are offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and SCORE offers webinars five to six times a week on various topics such as website success, Google analytics, marketing trends, marketing plans, etc. The workshop links are placed on the OED's Business Portal and readily accessible to the City's residents and business community.

5. Office of Economic Development Website (Business Development)

2021 EDSP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creations and retention through Economic Development programs

2021 EDSP Goal #2: Leverage Creative Funding & Financing Tools

Task 2: Explore emerging funding opportunities and financing tools.

2021 EDSP Goal #3: Expand and Preserve Locally-Generated Tax Revenue

Task 1: Provide service and support to local businesses.

A comprehensive update of the OED website is slated in Fall 2021. Enhancement of business resources include: the addition of a data dashboard, Phase 2 of the Foods of Garden Grove program, project highlights and expanded inventory of available commercial properties in the City. The commercial properties inventory will detail vacancy spaces, vacancy rate, market rent, and inventory square feet.

6. Workforce Development (Business Development)

2021 EDSP Goal #1: Community-Based Development

Task 5: Incentivize low-income job creations and retention through Economic Development programs

2021 EDSP Goal #3: Expand and Preserve Locally-Generated Tax Revenue

Task 1: Provide service and support to local businesses.

OED's Workforce Activation and Readiness Program (WARP) has entered its next phase of program implementation. The program is funded with CARES Act funds directed to provide services to the homeless and those at-risk of homelessness. These services include employment services to Garden Grove residents to help individuals secure and maintain gainful employment.

In closing, the updated 2021 Economic Development Strategic Plan (2021 ESDP) will be presented at the upcoming August 24th meeting.

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Assistant City Manager
Community and Economic Development Director

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Sr. Economic Development Specialist
Office of Economic Development



PRESS RELEASE

OC Health Care Agency Officials Encourage Residents to Stay Safe to Keep County Open

(Santa Ana, CA) — As Orange County continues to experience increasing COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, the Orange County Board of Supervisors and the OC Health Care Agency (HCA) leadership are encouraging residents to stay vigilant with COVID-19 prevention measures, testing and vaccinations in order to keep our residents safe and businesses open.

“Our County has been doing a tremendous job in getting the vaccines out into our community,” said **Chairman Andrew Do**, First District. “It’s safe, effective, free, and the surest way to help bring us out of this pandemic. We need our residents to continue with the preventative steps that allow us to draw closer together as a community.”

Current data in Orange County shows that unvaccinated individuals are over six times more likely to become infected with COVID-19 than those who are fully vaccinated.

“Getting vaccinated doesn’t just mean we are protecting ourselves – we are also protecting our family members, friends and coworkers,” said **Vice Chairman Doug Chaffee**, Fourth District. “We are all part of the same community. We’re asking residents to encourage loved ones to get vaccinated.”

Between July 15 and July 21, the county experienced an increase in the seven-day average case rate, from 2.95 to 6.1 per 100,000 people, with the average number of daily COVID-19 cases increasing from 121 to 209. The positivity rate also increased from 2.2 percent to 4 percent, and hospitalizations jumped from 119 to 149 per day.

“We are still seeing an uptick in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations, especially among those who are not yet fully vaccinated,” said **Dr. Regina Chinsio-Kwong**, Deputy County Health Officer. “We expected to see an increase when mask requirements were lifted and physical distancing was reduced, but we want to take every opportunity we can to reduce the spread of infection. This means staying focused on preventive measures to protect those who are unable to be vaccinated.”

Prevention continues to be a critical piece of the Agency's message for county residents.

"We are strongly encouraging everyone to avoid large crowds, where it is easy for the virus to pass from person to person," said **Dr. Clayton Chau**, HCA Director and County Health Officer. "Regardless of your vaccination status, wear a mask if you're around someone at risk, with people whose vaccination status is unknown especially indoors, or have unvaccinated children or other loved ones at home. If you are not fully vaccinated, you must wear a mask indoors in accordance with guidelines from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH)."

The agency also reminds those who experience COVID-19 symptoms to get tested, regardless of their vaccination status. Self-collection, at-home COVID-19 test kits can be ordered at no cost by visiting www.ochealthinfo.com/covidtest.

Individuals seeking information about the COVID-19 vaccines, are encouraged to follow credible sources to learn more about their benefits, safety and effectiveness. The World Health Organization, for example, recently updated a list of questions and answers (Q&A) to address COVID-19 vaccine safety. Other sources include the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the CDPH, the Food and Drug Administration, and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Orange County COVID-19 case counts, and testing figures are updated daily, Monday through Friday, at <https://occcovid19.ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc>. Individuals interested in receiving a COVID-19 vaccine can schedule an appointment by visiting www.Othena.com or calling the OC COVID-19 Hotline at (714) 834-2000.

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Funcionarios de la Agencia del Cuidado de la Salud del Condado de Orange alientan a los residentes a protegerse para mantener el Condado abierto

(Santa Ana, CA) - A medida que el Condado de Orange continúa experimentando un aumento en los casos de COVID-19 y en las hospitalizaciones, la Junta de Supervisores del Condado de Orange y los líderes de la Agencia del Cuidado de la Salud del Condado de Orange (HCA, siglas en inglés) están alentando a los residentes a permanecer atentos a las medidas de prevención de COVID-19, a las pruebas y a las vacunas para mantener a nuestros residentes seguros y a los negocios abiertos.

"Nuestro Condado ha estado haciendo un tremendo trabajo proporcionando las vacunas en nuestra comunidad", dijo **Andrew Do**, **Supervisor del Primer Distrito y presidente de la Junta de Supervisores de OC**. "Es seguro, eficaz, gratuito y la forma más segura de ayudar a salir de esta pandemia. Necesitamos que nuestros residentes continúen con las medidas preventivas que nos permiten acercarnos como comunidad."

Los datos actuales en el Condado de Orange muestran que las personas no vacunadas tienen más de seis veces más probabilidades de infectarse con COVID-19 que las que están totalmente vacunadas.

"Vacunarse no sólo significa que nos estamos protegiendo a nosotros mismos - también estamos protegiendo a los miembros de nuestra familia, amigos y compañeros de trabajo", dijo el **Vicepresidente de la Junta de Supervisores de OC, Doug Chaffee, Supervisor del Cuarto Distrito**. "Todos formamos parte de la misma comunidad. Pedimos a los residentes que animen a sus seres queridos a vacunarse".

Entre el 15 y el 21 de julio, el condado experimentó un aumento de la tasa promedio de casos en 7 días, de 2.95 a 6.1 por cada 100,000 personas, y el número promedio de casos diarios de COVID-19 aumentó de 121 a 209. La tasa de positividad también aumentó del 2.2% al 4%, y las hospitalizaciones pasaron de 119 a 149 por día.

"Seguimos observando un aumento de los casos de COVID-19 y de las hospitalizaciones, especialmente entre los que aún no están totalmente vacunados", dijo la **Dra. Regina Chinsio-Kwong, subdirectora de Salud del Condado**. "Esperábamos ver un aumento cuando se levantaron los requisitos de la mascarilla y se redujo el distanciamiento físico, pero queremos aprovechar todas las oportunidades que podamos para reducir la propagación de la infección. Esto significa seguir centrados en las medidas preventivas para proteger a los que no pueden vacunarse."

La prevención sigue siendo una pieza fundamental del mensaje de la Agencia para los residentes del condado.

"Estamos alentando encarecidamente a todos a evitar las grandes multitudes, donde es fácil que el virus pase de persona a persona", dijo el **Dr. Clayton Chau, Director de HCA y Funcionario de Salud del Condado**.

"Independientemente de su estado de vacunación, use una mascarilla si está cerca de alguien de riesgo, con personas cuyo estado de vacunación se desconoce, especialmente en interiores, o tiene niños no vacunados u otros seres queridos en casa. Si no está totalmente vacunado, debe usar una mascarilla en interiores de acuerdo con las normas del Departamento de Salud Pública de California (CDPH, por sus siglas e inglés)".

La agencia también recuerda a quienes experimentan síntomas de COVID-19 que deben hacerse la prueba, independientemente de su estado de vacunación. Los kits de prueba de COVID-19 para la auto-recolección en casa se pueden pedir sin costo alguno visitando www.ochealthinfo.com/covidtest.

Se recomienda a las personas que busquen información sobre las vacunas contra la COVID-19 a que sigan fuentes creíbles para saber más sobre sus beneficios, seguridad y eficacia. La Organización Mundial de la Salud, por ejemplo, ha actualizado recientemente una lista de preguntas y respuestas (Q&A) para tratar el tema sobre la seguridad de la vacuna COVID-19. Otras fuentes incluyen los Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades, el CDPH, la Administración de Alimentos y Medicamentos y la Academia Americana de Pediatría.

Los recuentos de casos de COVID-19 del Condado de Orange y las cifras de las pruebas se actualizan diariamente, de lunes a viernes, en

<https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/coronavirus-in-oc>. Las personas interesadas en recibir la vacuna COVID-19 pueden programar una cita visitando www.Othena.com o llamando a la línea directa de COVID-19 del Condado de Orange al (714) 834-2000.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
July 28, 2021

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Treasurer@ttc.ocgov.com

Unsecured Property Tax Bills for FY 2021-22 Mailed and Available Online *Due Date is August 31st*

Santa Ana, Calif. – Orange County Treasurer Shari Freidenrich announced that 54,478 unsecured property tax bills totaling over \$320 million have been mailed to the names of the property owners on the most recent tax roll. These unsecured property tax bills are now available online at ocgov.com/octaxbill.

These unsecured property taxes are related to business property, leased equipment, boats and aircraft for fiscal year 2021-22 and are due on August 31. Treasurer Shari L. Freidenrich recommends that taxpayers skip the line and pay online at ocgov.com/octaxbill. There is no service fee to pay online by eCheck (bank account), and taxpayers can pay online up to midnight on August 31 and receive same-day credit and a receipt that can be printed or emailed.

In person payments are due by 5 p.m. at the County Service Center or can be dropped off in the Payment Depository Box located on Ross Street with adjacent parking on August 31 by midnight. Unsecured property tax bills not paid by the due date will be charged a 10 percent penalty plus a \$75 collection fee. Taxpayers who pay by mail must have a U.S. Postal Service date stamp for August 31 or earlier. Taxpayers mailing the payment close to the due date should have payment envelopes hand cancelled and can go to ocgov.com/postmarks for more information to ensure that all mailed payments are timely received.

“The last year has been devastating for many property owners. I understand and sympathize with the financial impacts that COVID-19 has caused Orange County taxpayers and businesses,” said Treasurer Freidenrich. “Current State law requires that the owner of record as of January 1, 2021 be responsible for paying the FY 2021-22 unsecured property tax bill even if the unsecured property has been sold or otherwise disposed of after January 1, 2021. Unlike secured property taxes, unsecured property taxes are not prorated by time of ownership.” The new owner of the unsecured property is not responsible for paying the property taxes on the personal property purchased until the new lien date of January 1, 2022. Treasurer Freidenrich encourages taxpayers to sign up for text or email unsecured property tax information at ocgov.com/ocunsecuredreminder.

Taxpayers can view prior tax bills online and also view an online statement to see if any current or delinquent unsecured property taxes are owed. This information is available by going to ocgov.com/octaxbill and scroll to the Unsecured Property Tax Bill section in the middle of the page. You can search by business name, the tax collector reference number (TC Ref), the CF Number, the N Number or the tax year and assessment number.

Of the 54,478 unsecured property tax bills that were generated, assessments were sent to 43,002 businesses, 16,760 boat and aircraft owners and 15,070 leased equipment owners. The unsecured property low value exemption for business equipment, boats and aircraft was increased for FY 2021-22 from \$3,000 to \$7,500 by the Board after a request from the Treasurer and Assessor. There are 39,331 fewer assessments in 2021 than 2020 including a decrease of 21,877 business assessments, lowering tax burdens on small businesses.

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Contact: CEO Communications
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County of Orange Announces 2021 Redistricting Public Workshops

Santa Ana, Calif. (July 28, 2021) – The County of Orange will hold five redistricting workshops across Orange County in August.

Each workshop will include a brief presentation on the County's 2021 redistricting process and an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on redistricting, including providing input on communities of interest. Free parking is available at all workshop locations. Information on virtual participation will be available on www.ocgov.com/redistricting.

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

6 – 8 p.m.

Public Workshop and Meeting: Mission Viejo City Council Chambers
200 Civic Center, Mission Viejo, CA 92691

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

6 – 8 p.m.

Public Workshop and Meeting: Freedom Hall, Mile Square Park
16801 Euclid St, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Thursday, August 5, 2021

6 – 8 p.m.

Public Workshop and Meeting: City of Orange Council Chambers
300 E Chapman Ave, Orange, CA 92866

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

6 – 8 p.m.

Public Workshop and Meeting: Fullerton Community Center Grand Hall
340 W Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832

Thursday, August 12, 2021

6 – 8 p.m.

Public Workshop and Meeting: Coast Community College District Office
1370 Adams Ave, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Flyers have been created in the County's threshold languages and are available for download on our website at www.ocgov.com/redistricting.

Redistricting is the regular process of adjusting the lines of voting districts in accordance with population shifts. The redistricting process is done every 10 years for local, state and federal governmental bodies by using updated Census data. The 2021 County of Orange redistricting process will use data from the 2020 Census. Release of the Census data from the United States Census Bureau has been significantly



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delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic. The delayed release of adjusted data from the State is expected by the end of September 2021. Local jurisdictions, including the County of Orange, must complete the redistricting process by no later than December 15, 2021, to allow for the new supervisorial districts to be ready for use in the June 7, 2022 primary election.

Information on upcoming redistricting activities will be updated on the County's website at www.ocgov.com/redistricting. In addition, the County has created a dedicated email address and phone line for members of the public to submit questions or comments regarding the County's redistricting process. The email address is redistricting@ocgov.com and the phone number is (714) 834-6000.

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Contacto: CEO Communications
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El Condado de Orange Anuncia los Talleres Públicos de Redistribución de Distritos para 2021

Santa Ana, Calif. (28 de julio de 2021) - El Condado de Orange realizará cinco talleres de redistribución de distritos en todo el Condado de Orange en agosto.

Cada taller incluirá una breve presentación sobre el proceso de redistribución de distritos del condado en 2021 y una oportunidad para hacer preguntas y dar su opinión sobre la redistribución de distritos, incluyendo la aportación de las comunidades de interés. Hay estacionamiento gratuito en todos los talleres. La información sobre la participación virtual estará disponible en www.ocgov.com/redistricting.

Martes, 3 de Agosto de 2021

6 - 8 p.m.

Taller y Reunión Pública: Sala del Concejo de la Ciudad de Mission Viejo
200 Civic Center, Mission Viejo, CA 92691

Miércoles, 4 de Agosto de 2021

6 - 8 p.m.

Taller y Reunión Pública: Freedom Hall, Mile Square Park
16801 Euclid St, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Jueves, 5 de Agosto de 2021

6 - 8 p.m.

Taller y Reunión Pública: Sala del Concejo de la Ciudad de Orange
300 E Chapman Ave, Orange, CA 92866

Miércoles, 11 de Agosto de 2021

6 - 8 p.m.

Taller y Reunión Pública: Grand Hall del Centro Comunitario de Fullerton
340 W Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832

Jueves, 12 de Agosto de 2021

6 - 8 p.m.

Taller y Reunión Pública: Oficina del Distrito de Coast Community College
1370 Adams Ave, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Se han creado folletos en los idiomas principales del condado y están disponibles para bajarlos en nuestro sitio web: www.ocgov.com/redistricting.



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El proceso de redistribución de distritos se realiza cada 10 años para los organismos gubernamentales locales, estatales y federales utilizando los datos actualizados del Censo. El proceso de redistribución de distritos del Condado de Orange de 2021 utilizará los datos del Censo de 2020. La publicación de los datos del Censo por parte de la Oficina del Censo de los Estados Unidos se ha retrasado considerablemente debido a la pandemia del COVID-19. El retraso en la publicación de los datos ajustados del Estado se espera para finales de septiembre de 2021. Las jurisdicciones locales, incluido el Condado de Orange, deben completar el proceso de redistribución de distritos a más tardar el 15 de diciembre de 2021, para permitir que los nuevos distritos de supervisión estén listos para su uso en las elecciones primarias del 7 de junio de 2022.

La información sobre las próximas actividades de redistribución de distritos se actualizará en el sitio web del condado en www.ocgov.com/redistricting. Además, el condado ha creado una dirección de correo electrónico y una línea telefónica exclusiva para que los miembros del público puedan enviar preguntas o comentarios sobre el proceso de redistribución de distritos del condado. La dirección de correo electrónico es redistricting@ocgov.com y el número de teléfono es (714) 834-6000.

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Fwd: Construction Alert - Santa Ana Blvd. & Bristol St. Intersection Closure Extension

From : Meena Yoo <meenay@ggcity.org> Thu, Jul 29, 2021 02:24 PM
Subject : Fwd: Construction Alert - Santa Ana Blvd. & Bristol St. Intersection Closure Extension
To : Meena Yoo <meenay@ci.garden-grove.ca.us>

From: OC Streetcar <ocstreetcar@octa.net>
Date: July 26, 2021 at 1:02:21 PM EDT
To: sstiles@ci.garden-grove.ca.us
Subject: Construction Alert - Santa Ana Blvd. & Bristol St. Intersection Closure Extension
Reply-To: ocstreetcar@octa.net



[Anuncio en Español](#)

UPDATE: Santa Ana Blvd. & Bristol St. Intersection Closure Extension

OC Streetcar crews will continue working during the day and night at the Santa Ana Boulevard and Bristol Street intersection for [track construction](#).

To accommodate this work, **the intersection is closed to eastbound traffic only**. The partial intersection closure is in effect 24-hours a day and will continue during following the time period:

- Monday, July 26, through Monday, August 2

The Santa Ana Boulevard and Bristol Street intersection is open to northbound, southbound and westbound traffic. Eastbound detour routes are in place, please follow detour signage and plan for possible delays. Access to homes and businesses will be maintained at all times.

We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.

This work may be loud. The schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather or unforeseen operational issues.



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**SOCIAL MEDIA
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Post Performance

July 22, 2021 - July 28, 2021

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

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Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 7/22/2021 2:30 pm PDT



When disaster hits, these are the people who plunge into the problem to see how they can help. From Garden Grove Police...



Video Views	274
Impressions	773
Reach	734
Engagements	93
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12%



@CityGardenGrove

Thu 7/22/2021 2:30 pm PDT

When disaster hits, these heroes who plunge into the problem to help. They are Garden Grove Strong. 🇺🇸 The City encourages YOU to nominate a hero (👉GG residents only). For more info, visit ggcity.org/ggstrong. Subscribe to GGTV3 YT channel: youtube.com/watch?v=22Kn6... #GG1956

Post Link Clicks	1
Impressions	312
Potential Reach	4,359
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1%



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Thu 7/22/2021 2:31 pm PDT

Garden Grove Strong 2021
When disaster hits, these are the people who plunge into the problem to see how...



Video Views	394
Impressions	997
Reach	931
Engagements	46
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.6%

Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 7/22/2021 3:00 pm PDT



It's up to us. 🇺🇸 The City of Garden Grove encourages residents to go get vaccinated. Protect your friends, family, and self. 🇺🇸 F...



COVID-19 vaccine

Impressions	1,227
Reach	1,207
Engagements	21
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	1.7%

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Thu 7/22/2021 3:58 pm PDT



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COVID-19 vaccine

Impressions	422
Potential Reach	4,361
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.1%

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Thu 7/22/2021 5:30 pm PDT



Diversity is our middle name. 🇺🇸 Join us on Saturday, July 24th, from 12PM to 8:00PM, for the first event of SteelCraft Garden...

Mark your calendars for our first event

STEELCRAFT
CELEBRATES
ASIAN AMERICAN
+
PACIFIC ISLANDER CULTURE

Saturday, July 24, 12–8 p.m.

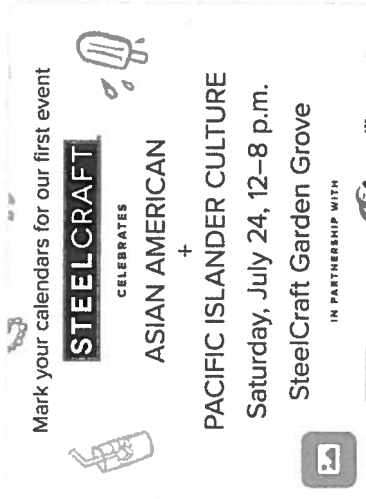
SteelCraft Garden Grove

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Impressions	485
Potential Reach	4,359
Engagements	19
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	3.9%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Thu 7/22/2021 5:30 pm PDT

Diversity is our middle name. ❤️ In celebration of Garden Grove's diverse population, SteelCraft Garden Grove...



Impressions	3,043
Reach	2,929
Engagements	217
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	7.1%

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Fri 7/23/2021 10:45 am PDT

★ We give places their meaning. ★ Vaccines will bring us closer to experiencing the joys of live...



Video Views	631
Impressions	463
Reach	448
Engagements	123
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	26.6%

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 7/23/2021 10:55 am PDT

★ We give places meaning. ★ Vaccines will bring us closer to the joys of live entertainment. The City encourages...



Video Views	40
Impressions	347
Potential Reach	4,360
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	1.7%

Garden Grove City Hall

Fri 7/23/2021 2:24 pm PDT



Friday already?! Here is a #FeelGoodFriday story for you to enjoy before starting off your weekend! 😊 Check out the lovely...



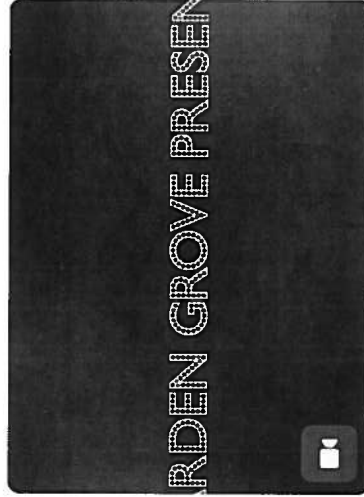
Impressions	6,632
Reach	6,575
Engagements	159
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	2.4%

Garden Grove City Hall

Mon 7/26/2021 8:48 am PDT



Prepare yourself for a Jurassic adventure. Garden Grove's Outdoor Movie Series will present its final movie on...



Video Views	535
Impressions	1,401
Reach	1,351
Engagements	54
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	3.9%

@CityGardenGrove

Mon 7/26/2021 8:57 am PDT



Prepare for a Jurassic adventure. GG's Outdoor Movie Series will present its final movie on Thurs 7/29, with the showing of Jurassic Park (PG-13). Bring your lawn chairs, friends, & family for the grand finale! 🎬💎 For more info, visit ggcity.org/community-serv... #GG1956



Post Link Clicks	1
Impressions	305
Potential Reach	4,361
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	1.6%

Garden Grove City Hall
 Mon 7/26/2021 11:18 am PDT

gardengrovecityhall
 Mon 7/26/2021 11:20 am PDT

@CityGardenGrove
 Mon 7/26/2021 11:24 am PDT

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McDonald's - Garden Grove
 11171 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92840
 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

WALK-INS WELCOME!

Please bring the following to streamline registration:
 1. ID is preferred, but other forms of identification will be accepted. Proof of citizenship or legal status is NOT required.
 2. Insurance card, if you have one. No one will be denied access to the vaccine.

CHÍNH NGỮ / KHÔNG CẦN HẸN

Vui lòng đem các thứ sau đến chỗ ghi danh:
 1. Hình thức nhận dạng. Bất nhất là có một tài sản quốc gia hoặc hình thức nhận dạng khác, chúng tôi được chấp nhận. Các giấy tờ pháp lý chứng minh quốc tịch hoặc tình trạng pháp lý không bắt buộc.
 2. Thẻ bảo hiểm nếu có. Không ai bị từ chối chích ngừa vì không có bảo hiểm. Không ai bị từ chối chích ngừa chỉ vì họ không có tài sản quốc gia.

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Impressions 355
 Reach 348
 Engagements 2
 Engagement Rate (per Impression) 0.6%

Impressions 770
 Reach 696
 Engagements 14
 Engagement Rate (per Impression) 1.8%

Impressions 304
 Potential Reach 4,363
 Engagements 6
 Engagement Rate (per Impression) 2%



@CityGardenGrove
Mon 7/26/2021 3:00 pm PDT

Hey teens, this is the last week to complete the GGTCAC survey and be entered into a raffle for a \$50 gift card t...



Impressions **1,665**
Potential Reach **4,363**
Engagements **93**
Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **5.6%**



gardengrovecityhall
Mon 7/26/2021 3:00 pm PDT

Hey teens, this is the last week to complete the GGTCAC survey and be entered into a raffle for a \$50 gift card t...



Impressions **770**
Reach **711**
Engagements **11**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **1.4%**



Garden Grove City Hall
Mon 7/26/2021 3:00 pm PDT

Hey teens, this is the last week to complete the GGTCAC survey and be entered into a raffle for a \$50 gift card t...



Impressions **2,216**
Reach **2,167**
Engagements **36**
Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **1.6%**



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 7/27/2021 8:41 am PDT

On behalf of the City of Garden Grove, we'd like to extend our deepest and most heartfelt condolences to the family and...



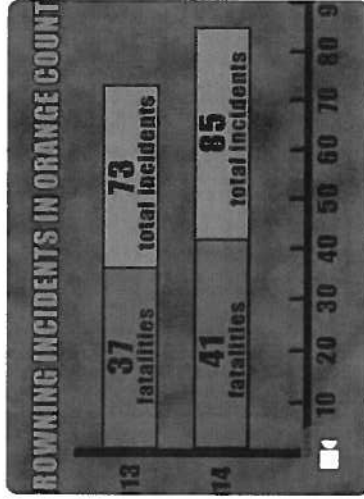
Impressions **1,993**
 Reach **1,977**
 Engagements **82**
 Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **4.1%**



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 7/27/2021 10:24 am PDT

Drowning is a serious issue. This summer, let's continue to be safe and practice drowning prevention. 🏊‍♂️ The Orange...



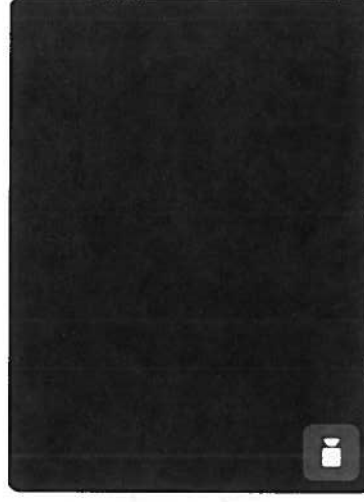
Video Views **119**
 Impressions **347**
 Reach **340**
 Engagements **17**
 Engagement Rate (per Impression) **4.9%**



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 7/27/2021 10:28 am PDT

Drowning is a serious issue. Let's continue to be safe and practice drowning prevention. 🏊‍♂️ The OCFA encourages...



Video Views **53**
 Impressions **380**
 Potential Reach **4,401**
 Engagements **14**
 Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **3.7%**

Garden Grove City Hall
Tue 7/27/2021 12:52 pm PDT

Join Garden Grove Police Department on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM as they host...



Video Views **87**
Impressions **303**
Reach **291**
Engagements **12**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **4%**

Garden Grove City Hall
Wed 7/28/2021 8:30 am PDT

We can do this. Recently, McDonald's, located on Valley View St., hosted a mobile vaccine clinic to boost vaccinations in...



Video Views **636**
Impressions **1,413**
Reach **1,388**
Engagements **144**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **10.2%**

@CityGardenGrove
Wed 7/28/2021 8:30 am PDT

We can do this. Recently, McDonald's (Valley View St.), hosted a mobile vaccine clinic to boost vaccinations in efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. Like Garden Grove TV 3's Facebook page and subscribe to their YouTube channel at bit.ly/3zlePwp.

#GG1956



Post Link Clicks **1**
Impressions **170**
Potential Reach **4,363**
Engagements **4**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **2.4%**

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 7/28/2021 8:50 am PDT

Garden Grove's McDonald's Provide COV...
Recently, McDonald's, located on Valley
View Street, hosted a mobile vaccine cli...



Video Views **198**
Impressions **565**
Reach **535**
Engagements **19**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **3.4%**

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 7/28/2021 12:54 pm PDT

We want to see you flex! 🏡 Help stop
power outages occurring in your
neighborhood by conserving energy tod...



Impressions **706**
Reach **696**
Engagements **15**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **2.1%**

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 7/28/2021 12:55 pm PDT

We want to see you flex! 🏡 Help stop
power outages occurring in your
neighborhood by conserving energy tod...



Impressions **—**
Potential Reach **4,364**
Engagements **—**
Engagement Rate (per Impression) **—**

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 7/28/2021 12:57 pm PDT



Impressions **658**
Reach **636**
Comments **0**
Story Taps Back **17**

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 7/28/2021 4:30 pm PDT

We're not there yet... Every day,
@ohealth reports new **#COVID19**
positive cases in **#OC**. Yesterday, 453 n...



Impressions **—**
Potential Reach **4,365**
Engagements **—**
Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **—**

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 7/28/2021 4:30 pm PDT

We're not there yet... Every day,
ohealth reports new **#COVID19** positive
cases in **#orangecounty**. Yesterday, 453...



Impressions **1,779**
Reach **1,779**
Engagements **62**
Engagement Rate (per Impressi... **3.5%**



Post Performance

July 22, 2021 - July 28, 2021

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department  ggpdk9unit

Garden Grove Police Depa...
Wed 7/28/2021 6:40 pm PDT

It is with profound sadness we announce the sudden passing of Dispatcher Archie Guzman. He was 48-years-old, and pass...



Impressions	—
Reach	—
Engagements	—
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—

Garden Grove Police Depa...
Wed 7/28/2021 12:30 pm PDT

DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint Notification #GardenGrovePD will be conducting a #DUICheckpoint this...



Impressions	12,241
Reach	12,241
Engagements	1,638
Engagement Rate (per Impres...	13.4%

ggpdk9unit
Tue 7/27/2021 7:04 pm PDT

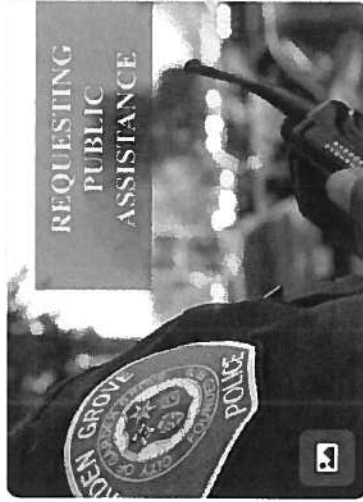
Every day is a good training day with @k9commander. Working on distractions. #GGPD32 #GGPD #GGPDK9Unit #Polic...



Video Views	788
Impressions	1,312
Reach	1,266
Engagements	137
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	10.4%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
Tue 7/27/2021 6:00 pm PDT

On July 23, 2021 at approximately 6:30 PM, #GardenGrovePD Officers responded to Burlington Coat Factory (13092 Harbo...



Impressions	6,694
Reach	6,583
Engagements	567
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	8.5%

 **ggpdk9unit**
Tue 7/27/2021 1:01 pm PDT

Join us on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM as we host #NationalNightOut2021 at...



Video Views	168
Impressions	446
Reach	412
Engagements	47
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	10.5%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
Tue 7/27/2021 12:45 pm PDT

Join us on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM as we host #NationalNightOut2021 at...



Video Views	1,476
Impressions	6,130
Reach	5,137
Engagements	548
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	8.9%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Mon 7/26/2021 12:00 pm PDT

Event Reminder: Please join us tomorrow, Tuesday, July 27, 2021 from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM for the monthly Safety Event, in...



Impressions	4,915
Reach	4,869
Engagements	259
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	5.3%

 **ggpdk9unit**
 Fri 7/23/2021 12:45 pm PDT

Squirrel! Besides K9 Kody being distracted, What are Officer Ashbaugh and #K9Kody up to? Stay tuned to see what project...



Video Views	574
Impressions	1,538
Reach	1,464
Engagements	176
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	11.4%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Fri 7/23/2021 12:01 pm PDT

What are Officer Ashbaugh and #K9Kody up to? Stay tuned to see what project we've been working on. #GGPD32 #poli...



Video Views	948
Impressions	2,603
Reach	2,373
Engagements	240
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	9.2%



Post Performance

July 22, 2021 - July 28, 2021

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.

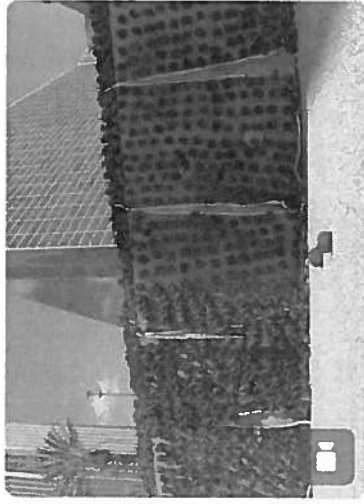
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🐦 @GardenGroveTV3

📘 Garden Grove TV 3

 **Garden Grove TV 3**
Thu 7/22/2021 10:51 am PDT


Those who are gone are never forgotten.
 📌 The Rose River Memorial, an art display of felt roses lead by artist Marcos Lutyen...



Video Views	24
Impressions	50
Reach	47
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	12%

 **@GardenGroveTV3**
Thu 7/22/2021 11:31 am PDT

Those who are gone are never forgotten. 📌 The Rose River Memorial, lead by artist Marcos Lutyens, was brought to Garden Grove by the OC Autism Foundation & the Christ Cathedral. Watch the full video and subscribe to our YouTube channel now:

 youtube.com/watch?hljkkx... #GGTV3

Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	48
Potential Reach	425
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0%

 **Garden Grove TV 3**
Thu 7/22/2021 12:00 pm PDT

Garden Grove's Pacifica High School is steeped in history. 📌 There was something special when Mike Buenafe recently san...



Video Views	16
Impressions	39
Reach	33
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.7%



@GardenGroveTV3
Thu 7/22/2021 12:00 pm PDT

Garden Grove's Pacifica High School is steeped in history. 🏫👉 Watch the full video now and subscribe to our YouTube channel now:

[youtube.com/watch?v=gu8pHu...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gu8pHu...) #GGTV3



Post Link Clicks	1
Impressions	57
Potential Reach	424
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.5%



Garden Grove TV 3
Thu 7/22/2021 2:30 pm PDT

When disaster hits, these are the people who plunge into the problem to see how they can help. From Garden Grove Police...



Video Views	1,085
Impressions	2,779
Reach	2,096
Engagements	524
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	18.9%



Garden Grove TV 3
Mon 7/26/2021 8:50 am PDT

👉 Prepare yourself for a Jurassic adventure. Garden Grove's Outdoor Movie Series will present its final movie on...



Video Views	16
Impressions	39
Reach	36
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	23.1%



Garden Grove TV 3

Wed 7/28/2021 8:30 am PDT

We can do this. ❤️ Recently, McDonald's, located on Valley View St., hosted a mobile vaccine clinic to boost vaccinations in...



Video Views	10
Impressions	24
Reach	23
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impressi...	16.7%



@GardenGroveTV3

Wed 7/28/2021 8:58 am PDT

We can do this. ❤️ Recently, McDonald's (Valley View St.), hosted a mobile vaccine clinic to boost vaccinations in efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. 📺 bit.ly/3zlePwp **#GGTV3**



Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	23
Potential Reach	426
Engagements	2
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8.7%

WEEKLY MEMO 7-29-2021

NEWS ARTICLES

Masks are mandatory again at OC Superior Court in Santa Ana after 2 test positive for COVID-19



The Orange County Superior courthouse in Santa Ana will return to a mandatory mask mandate on Monday, July 26 to guard against the spread of coronavirus. (File photo)
By **ERIC LICAS** | elicas@scng.com | Orange County Register
PUBLISHED: July 25, 2021 at 2:16 p.m. | UPDATED: July 26, 2021 at 10:46 a.m.

The Orange County Superior Courthouse in Santa Ana will return to a mandatory mask mandate for all employees and visitors on Monday, July 26, regardless of vaccination status, after two people in the building tested positive for COVID-19, officials announced on Sunday.

Officials were notified Friday evening that the two people may have contracted coronavirus, Orange County Superior Court spokesman Kostas Kalaitzidis said. Those cases were confirmed at about 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

The process to re-implement mandatory mask use at the Santa Ana courthouse began immediately afterward, Kalaitzidis said. Previously, those who were fully vaccinated were allowed to enter without wearing a mask. However, court employees were not asking for proof of vaccination, and visitors were held to the honor system.

The change is in line with guidance from numerous state and county health agencies, Kalaitzidis said. It is meant to protect those coming and going from the building, and everyone they subsequently come into contact with, from spreading the virus.

"We are a part of the community," Kalaitzidis said.

Acting Presiding Judge Maria D. Hernandez signed the order.

Authorities were unable to specify whether the patients were visitors or staffers, citing medical privacy laws. Health officials have identified where and when they became infected, and have notified anyone who may have been in contact with them, Kalaitzidis said.

The order will expire two weeks from Monday if no new cases are reported at the courthouse. But it could be extended if officials learn of another person testing positive for COVID-19 who may have been in the building during that time.

Children under 3 years old are exempt.

More than 3,573,840 vaccine doses have been distributed in Orange County, with 54.9% or 1,743,251 fully vaccinated as of Wednesday, July 21, according to the California Department of Public Health. Vaccination numbers are updated weekly.

As of Friday, 3,170 new COVID-19 infections were reported in Orange County in the last 14 days. So far, more than 260,000 people in the county have contracted the disease.

Masks already are being required at Harbor Court in Newport Beach after two people who had been at that facility tested positive. That order was put into place for two weeks and is scheduled to be lifted on July 28.

And with COVID-19 cases again surging in San Bernardino County, courts officials announced that starting Monday, July 26, everyone who enters a courthouse there must wear a mask even if vaccinated.

The number of COVID-19 patients in San Bernardino County hospitals last week reached its highest count since March, according to data released Wednesday. County hospitals reported 149 confirmed COVID-19 patients, the most since March 24, when 144 patients were hospitalized.

Health officials say an increase in infections nationwide is attributable to unvaccinated people getting sick and fewer restrictions on gatherings and social distancing.

An Associated Press analysis of data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from May shows that "breakthrough" infections in fully vaccinated people accounted for fewer than 1,200 of more than 107,000 COVID-19 hospitalizations. That's about 1.1%. And only about 150 of the more than 18,000 COVID-19 deaths in May were in fully vaccinated people. That translates to about 0.8%, or five deaths per day on average.

Motorcyclist killed in Garden Grove after van makes ‘unsafe’ turn into oncoming traffic

By JOSH CAIN | jcain@scng.com | Los Angeles Daily News

PUBLISHED: July 25, 2021 at 10:44 a.m. | UPDATED: July 25, 2021 at 9:39 p.m.

A motorcyclist died Saturday after a van made an unsafe turn into oncoming traffic, Garden Grove police said.

The crash occurred at Haster Street and Lampson Avenue before 6:30 p.m.

When Orange County fire paramedics got to the scene, they found the motorcyclist dead, police said in a statement. The motorcyclist has not been identified by the coroner's office yet.

Garden Grove police said detectives determined the van caused the collision with the motorcycle by making an "unsafe" turn into traffic. Officials didn't say which direction each vehicle was headed at the time of the crash.

The van driver stayed at the scene and has not been arrested. Detectives are investigating to determine whether alcohol or drugs played a part in the crash.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

July 29, 2021

1. Calendar of Events
2. Minutes from the June 22, 2021 Zoning Administrator special meeting.
3. Agenda for the August 5, 2021 Planning Commission special meeting.
4. League of California Cities, "CalCities," from July 23, 2021 to July 29, 2021; including the Guide to Local Recovery Update.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 29, 2021 – September 10, 2021

Thursday	July 29	7:30 p.m.	Free Outdoor Movie Series Presents: Jurassic Park, Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Blvd.
Friday	July 30		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	August 3	5:00 p.m.	National Night Out, Garden Grove Police Department 11301 Acacia Pkwy.
Thursday	August 5	6:30 p.m.	Free Summer Concert Series: Lynda Trang Dai, Vietnamese New Wave Garden Grove Park, 9301 Westminster Blvd.
		7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Tuesday	August 10	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CM ALL CANCELLED
Thursday	August 12		\$2 Casual Dress Day
Friday	August 13		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	August 24	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority, CMC Sanitary District Board, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CM
Thursday	August 26	11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.	Employee Appreciation Luncheon, CMC, AB Room
Friday	August 27		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Thursday	September 2	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Monday	September 6		City Hall Closed - Labor Day
Tuesday	September 7	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	September 10		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure

GARDEN GROVE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING
Garden Grove Community Meeting Center
11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT NO. LLA-027-2021

Applicant: Hao Xuan Do
Location: 13512 Lanning Street
Date: July 22, 2021

Request: To remove an existing interior lot line on a property currently developed with a single-family dwelling to accommodate the construction of a future Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU). The site is in the R-1 (Single-Family Residential) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Zoning Administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15305 – Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action: Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Hao Quan Do, Marilyn Woodbury expressed concerns created by her neighbor including the location of the future Accessory Dwelling Unit (not under application), parking issues, access to trashcans blocked by cars, and poor landscape maintenance.

Action: The Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1802-21.

PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-215-07 (REV. 2021)

Applicant: Toby Nguyen
Location: 10022 Garden Grove Boulevard
Date: July 22, 2021

Request: To modify Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-215-07, which currently governs alcohol sales and live entertainment at the Ramada Hotel, to include 1) a modification to the approved floor plan to allow the existing restaurant inside the hotel to expand into the adjacent lounge area, and 2) a modification to the Conditions of Approval to allow live entertainment and dancing, previously approved for the lounge area only, in the restaurant. The site is in the GGMU-1 (Garden Grove Boulevard Mixed Use 1) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Zoning Administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental

Zoning Administrator Minutes

Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 – Existing Facilities – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action: Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Toby Nguyen (Applicant), Bac Pham (Owner).

Action: The Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1803-21 with one amendment to update Condition No. 54: Hours of operation of the restaurant shall be permitted only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to midnight, Sunday through Wednesday, and 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The City of Garden Grove reserves the right to reduce hours of operation, including the hours for the entertainment, by order of the Chief of the Police Department, in the event problems arise due to noise, disturbances or other problems that may be resolved by modifying the hours of operation.

Mr. Pham asked for an additional request to extend the hours of operation to 2:00 a.m. on Sundays. Staff stated that the best option from this day forward, would be to comply with the alcoholic beverage training for all employees serving alcohol, and request a consideration for a change in the hours of operation after six months of operation.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The Zoning Administrator adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Judith Moore
Recording Secretary



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GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

SPECIAL MEETING

August 5, 2021

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
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REGULAR SESSION - 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: CHAIR PEREZ, VICE CHAIR LINDSAY
COMMISSIONERS ARESTEGUI, CUNNINGHAM, LEHMAN, RAMIREZ,
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Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Oral Communications at the beginning of the meeting. Each speaker shall fill out a card stating name and address, to be presented to the Recording Secretary, and shall be limited to five (5) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

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- A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 15, 2021
- C. PUBLIC HEARING(S) (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)

C.1. SITE PLAN NO. SP-104-2021
INTERPRETATION OF USE NO. IOU-004-2021

APPLICANT: 1784 CAPITAL HOLDINGS, LLC

LOCATION: NORTHWEST CORNER OF CHAPMAN AVENUE AND
WESTERN AVENUE AT 7441 CHAPMAN AVENUE

REQUEST: Site Plan approval to demolish an existing two-story industrial/office building, and in its place, construct a new 158,694 square foot, six-story self-storage facility on a 1.26-acre site. Also, a request for an Interpretation of Use to determine the compatibility of the proposed self-storage use within the Planned Unit Development No. PUD-103-76 (REV. 2018) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15332 - In-Fill Development Projects.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Site Plan No. SP-104-2021 and Interpretation of Use No. IOU-004-2021, subject to the recommended Conditions of Approval.

D. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

E. MATTERS FROM STAFF

F. ADJOURNMENT



Cities urged to update contact information at “Call Before You Dig” call centers

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Cities with outdated information could end up out of compliance with requirements in new legislation.

Attention all cities that own or maintain underground facilities. As of January 1, 2021, any entity with underground facilities are required to respond to “call before you dig” excavation requests through one of two California call centers, **DigAlert** (<https://docs.digalert.org/display/MEM/Electronic+Positive+Response/>) (Southern California) and **USA North** (<https://usanorth811.org/positive-response>) (Northern California), that manage communication between excavators and utility operators.

The call centers have been in operation for years with the goal of preventing potentially deadly digging accidents by providing utility operators notification of any excavation planned near their underground facilities. All “excavators” — anyone digging at a job site — are required to notify the appropriate call center before work begins. “Operators” or those who own or maintain buried infrastructure, are required to mark the location of any subsurface utilities at the worksite or supply a map of the utilities.

What’s new is that under **AB 1166 (Levine, 2019)** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1166) , it is now mandatory for operators, which include public works departments, to enter their response to the excavator’s request electronically through the call center

unless an extension is granted by the California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board for "good cause." Members granted an extension will have until December 31, 2021 to implement an "Electronic Positive Response."

Electronic Positive Response improves safety by providing excavators with an online location to view the responses of facility owners—including requests to contact the facility owner—before arriving onsite.

According to the California Underground Facilities Safe Excavation Board, about half of all cities, special districts, or counties have inaccurate contact information registered with the call centers, leading to a lack of compliance by cities to submit their electronic positive response in a timely fashion.

The call centers indicate that many of their contacts are utility billing departments that are disconnected from operational functions. Preferred contacts include heads of public works, city managers, and assistant city managers.

To prevent accidents and ensure cities are in compliance with the new legislation, cities should contact their respective call center **DigAlert** (<https://www.digalert.org/members>) (Southern California) or **USA North** (<https://usanorth811.org/>) (Northern California), and confirm their updated contact information.



Cal Cities highlights more than 50 priority bills

Jul 28, 2021

Last Thursday, the League of California Cities briefed city officials on bills of interest currently working their way through the legislative process.

The webinar, Summer Recess Briefing on Priority Bills, provided city officials with a briefing on major bills cities should consider advocating for or against once the Legislature returns from its summer recess on Aug. 16. The webinar is now available **online** (https://youtu.be/_vF5ZDxwats), along with its corresponding **slides** (/docs/default-source/advocacy/summer-recess-briefing-on-priority-bills-final-christine.pptx?Status=Master&sfvrsn=403b5ecc_3), which contain a short description of **each bill** (/docs/default-source/advocacy/2021-cal-cities-summer-recess-webinar-bill-breakdown.pdf?Status=Master&sfvrsn=ed620dad_3). A brief summary of each policy area's bills is below.

Community Service

Five bills related to disaster and community resiliency, homelessness, and youth services were highlighted. Cal Cities supports four of the five. The fifth is **AB 1071** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1071) (Rodriguez), which Cal Cities supports if amended. The measure would require the Office of Emergency Services, community representatives, and lifeline operators to conduct tabletop exercises of California's catastrophic response plans on a biennial basis. Cal Cities believes that local participation should be encouraged, not required, due to pandemic-related cuts and costs. Other priority bills include:

- **SB 344** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB344) (Hertzberg) Homeless Shelters Grants. Pets and Veterinary Services — Support
- **AB 536** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB536) (Rodriguez) Office of Emergency Services. Mutual Aid Gap Analysis — Support
- **AB 46** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB46) (Luz Rivas) California Youth Empowerment Act — Support
- **SB 50** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB50) (Limon) Early Learning and Care — Support

Environmental Quality

Eight Cal Cities-supported environmental quality measures were highlighted. The bills cover a wide range of topics including climate change and resiliency, energy and utilities, sea level rise and coastal rise issues, toxic materials, and solid waste and recycling. Three bills — **SB 1**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB1)

(Atkins), **SB 418** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB418) (Laird), and **SB 619**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB619)

(Laird) — contain significant funding and resources for environmental issues.

Other bills discussed include:

- **AB 897** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB897) (Mullin) Office of Planning and Research. Regional Climate Networks. Climate Adaptation Action Plans — Support
- **AB 585** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB585) (Luz Rivas) Climate Change. Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program — Support

- **SB 99** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB99) (Dodd) Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021 — Support
- **AB 1311** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1311) (Wood) Recycling. Beverage Containers — Support
- **AB 332** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB332) (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) Hazardous Waste. Treated Wood Waste. Management Standards — Support

Governance, Transparency, and Labor Relations

Seven bills, including **AB 339**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB339) (Lee) were highlighted. This measure would require city councils and boards of supervisors in jurisdictions with over 250,000 residents to provide in-person and a two-way telephonic option or a two-way internet-based service option for the public to attend their meetings. Cal Cities opposes the bill, even though it has been significantly amended.

The Cal Cities Board of Directors took action to oppose **AB 237**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB237) (Gray). This measure would prohibit public employers from terminating, or threatening to terminate, the health care coverage and related benefits of employees and their families during an authorized strike. If passed, the bill could lead to longer strikes — which are currently infrequent and short — thus disrupting the flow of public services.

Other bills of interest include:

- **AB 361** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB361) (Rivas, Robert) Open Meetings. Local Agencies.

Teleconferences — Support

- **AB 654** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB654) (Reyes) Public Employment. Unfair Practices. Health Protection — Oppose
- **SB 270** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB270) (Durazo) Public Employment. Labor Relations. Employee Information — Oppose
- **SB 284** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB284) (Stern) Workers' Compensation. Firefighters and Peace Officers. Post-traumatic Stress — Oppose
- **SB 278** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB278) (Leyva) Public Employees' Retirement System. Disallowed Compensation. Benefit Adjustments — Oppose

Housing, Community and Economic Development

Dozens of housing, land use, and planning bills have been sidelined or failed to make it out of committee. However, **AB 816**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB816)

(Chiu), **SB 15** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB15)

(Portantino), and **SB 6**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB6)

(Caballero) will probably return in the next legislative cycle. The bills that remain are critically important.

SB 8 (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB8)

(Skinner) would extend the Housing Crisis Act sunset date to 2030. The 2019 Act declared a statewide housing crisis and froze nearly all development-related fees once a developer submits a “preliminary” application, including essential project-specific fees. Cal Cities opposes the measure since there is no evidence it needs to be extended.

Two bills — **AB 500** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB500) (Ward), and **AB 602** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB602) (Grayson) — were recently amended. As such, Cal Cities is reconsidering its position on **AB 500** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB500), a measure related to coastal development and affordable housing. However, Cal Cities remains opposed to **AB 602** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB602), which would make significant changes to laws governing local development impact fees and create new state and local costs.

Cal Cities also opposes **AB 1401** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1401) (Friedman). The bill's definition of "public transit" would give developers and transit agencies — who are unaccountable to local voters — the power to determine parking requirements. Additionally, the bill could negatively impact the State's Density Bonus Law by providing developers parking concessions without also requiring them to include affordable housing units in the project.

Other priority bills include:

- **SB 9** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB9) (Atkins) Housing Development Approvals — Oppose
- **AB 215** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB215) (Chiu) Housing Element — Oppose
- **AB 989** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB989) (Gabriel) Housing Appeals Committee — Oppose

Public Safety

Several amended bills, including **AB 89** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB89)

(Jones-Sawyer) and **SB 16**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB16)

(Skinner) were highlighted. The former would increase a police officer candidate's age from 18 to 25, unless they have obtained a college degree prior to being hired. **SB 16** (**(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB16)**) would expand the categories of records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act (CPRA), impose new requirements for record retention specify a timeline for a law enforcement agency to provide public records to the requester, and would outline restrictions related to attorney-client privilege. Cal Cities is reconsidering its position on both bills

However, Cal Cities remains opposed to **SB 2**

(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB2)

(Bradford), which would establish new standards and processes for decertifying peace officers, would eliminate the application of certain governmental immunities, and allow wrongful death actions under the Tom Bane Civil Rights Act. The bill undercuts qualified immunity and outlines a largely unworkable peace officer decertification process. Other bills discussed include:

- **AB 48** (**(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB48)**) (Gonzalez) Law Enforcement: Kinetic Energy Projectiles and Chemical Agents — Oppose
- **AB 603** (**(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB603)**) (McCarty) Law Enforcement Settlements and Judgments. Reporting — Oppose
- **AB 718** (**(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB718)**) (Cunningham) Peace Officers: Investigations of Misconduct — Support
- **SB 314** (**(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB314)**) (Wiener) Alcoholic Beverages — Support if Amended

- **AB 61** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB61) (Gabriel) Business Pandemic Relief — Support if Amended
- **SB 389** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB389) (Dodd) Alcoholic beverages: retail off-sale license: retail off-sale delivery: retail on-sale license: off-sale privileges — Support if Amended
- **SB 576** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB576) (Archuleta) Gambling: Local Moratorium — Oppose
- **SB 277** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB277) (Archuleta) Fireworks. Dangerous Fireworks. Seizure. Management — Support if Amended

Revenue and Taxation

This year has been good for cities on the revenue and taxation legislation front. In previous years, bills often created tax credits and exemptions at the expense of cities. This year, those bills were sidelined or stalled, thanks to the advocacy of Cal Cities members.

Many of the remaining bills focus on short-term rentals and sale taxes. For example, **SB 792** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB792) (Glazer) aims to better inform the public's understanding of online transactions and the flow of goods across the state with new, modernized reporting requirements. **SB 60** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB60) (Glazer) would allow cities and counties to impose larger fines for violations of short-term rental ordinances up to \$5,000 for each violation. Cal Cities supports both measures.

Other bills discussed include:

- **SB 555** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB555) (McGuire) State Sponsored Short-Term Rental Tax Collection Program — Oppose Unless Amended
- **SB 780** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB780) (Cortese) Public Investment Authorities — Support

Transportation, Communications, and Public Works

Three transportation bills and six communication bills were highlighted. Of particular note is **AB 970** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB970) (McCarty), which Cal Cities opposes. The bill would create a shorter permitting process for electric vehicle charging stations. For cities with finite resources, focusing on certain permit types with very short turnarounds will result in fewer resources to expedite other types of permits, including those related to affordable housing, health and safety, and other industries. Moreover, the bill does not distinguish between relatively simple permittees, like homeowners, and more complex installations, such as large public charging stations.

SB 4 (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB4) (Gonzalez) and **AB 14** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB14) (Aguiar-Curry) — which Cal Cities supports — complement the recently passed \$6 billion broadband package recently signed into law by Gov. Gavin Newsom. Both bills would reform the existing California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) surcharge to help close the digital divide and make it easier for cities to access those funds. Other priority bills include:

- **AB 43** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB43) (Freidman) Speed Limits — Support
- **AB 773** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB773) (Nazarian) Street Closures and Designations — Support

- **AB 970** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB970) (McCarty) Planning and Zoning. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Permit Application. Approval — Oppose
- **SB 28** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB28) (Caballero) Rural Broadband and Digital Infrastructure Video Competition Reform Act of 2021 — Support
- **SB 556** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB556) (Dodd) Street Light Poles, Traffic Signal Poles, Utility Poles, and Support Structures. Attachments — Oppose
- **SB 341** (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB341) (McGuire) Telecommunications Service. Outages — Support

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Guide to Local Recovery Update: July 28

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Cal Cities, along with 400 city officials and other organizations, signed a letter about the need for federal infrastructure funding.

Written by the National League of Cities (NLC), the letter urged Congressional leadership to pass a comprehensive infrastructure package and outlined the top priorities of local governments. City officials are encouraged to sign a similar letter to their congressional delegation. Cal Cities also released an updated version of its American Rescue Plan Act revenue loss calculators, which includes minor changes based on member feedback. Additional resources, such as NLC's list of **[FAQs from city officials about the](https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/)** **[\(https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/\)](https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/)** Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, are available as well.

Federal Advocacy: Infrastructure

Cal Cities, along with 400 other city officials and organizations, signed a letter about **[\(https://www.nlc.org/post/2021/07/20/400-city-leaders-call-on-congress-to-take-immediate-action-on-infrastructure/\)](https://www.nlc.org/post/2021/07/20/400-city-leaders-call-on-congress-to-take-immediate-action-on-infrastructure/)** **[the need for federal infrastructure funding](https://www.nlc.org/post/2021/07/20/400-city-leaders-call-on-congress-to-take-immediate-action-on-infrastructure/)** **[\(https://www.nlc.org/post/2021/07/20/400-city-leaders-call-on-congress-to-take-immediate-action-on-infrastructure/\)](https://www.nlc.org/post/2021/07/20/400-city-leaders-call-on-congress-to-take-immediate-action-on-infrastructure/)** . Written by the National League of Cities (NLC), the letter urged Congressional leadership to pass a comprehensive infrastructure package and outlined the top priorities of local governments, including the need to eliminate inefficient bureaucracy and local investment. City officials are encouraged to **[\(https://nlc.quorum.us/campaign/34305/\)](https://nlc.quorum.us/campaign/34305/)** **sign a similar**

letter (<https://nlc.quorum.us/campaign/34305/>) — also by NLC — asking their Congressional delegation to pass a comprehensive infrastructure package.

Most Asked Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Questions

The National League of Cities released a list of (<https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/>) **FAQs from city officials about the** (<https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/>) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The update includes information about municipal allocations by state, appropriate fund use, and provides further clarification and guidance for fund recipients.

American Rescue Plan Act Calculator (ARPA): Version 3

Cal Cities made changes to its revenue loss calculation tool based on member feedback. Designed by a team of finance professionals and the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers (CSMFO), the tool helps cities determine their ARPA allocation spends. The tool incorporates the latest Treasury Department's Guidance and its applicability to local government finance in California as understood by our team of finance professionals. Two versions of the calculator have been prepared to support cities' choice to use fund basis (modified accrual) or government-wide (full accrual) financial records.

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Webinar – COVID-19 Pandemic Response Costs: Grants Portal Submittal for Reimbursement

On Monday, the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services hosted an informational webinar for cities on (<https://youtu.be/nxZujCvY3uM>) FEMA’S COVID-19 Public Assistance Program (<https://youtu.be/nxZujCvY3uM>) . The webinar, COVID-19 Pandemic Response Costs: Grants Portal Submittal for Reimbursement, explained the process of submitting reimbursement requests into FEMA’s Grant Portal System.

Webinar – American Rescue Plan Programs

The California Association for Local Economic Development will host an informative webinar, “Hear it from the Source”, on Tuesday, August 3. The webinar will review how the Economic Development Administration plans to invest the \$3 billion it received from President Biden’s American Rescue Plan. Register now (<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2971175503871955215>) .



Eureka's Redwood Sky Walk takes conservation and education to new heights

Jul 28, 2021

It's hard not to get immersed in the surreal experience of northern California's latest attraction: Eureka's Redwood Sky Walk.

The Redwood Sky Walk in Eureka is the highest skywalk among redwood trees in the world and the longest skywalk in the Western U.S. Just under a quarter mile to the end and back, the Sky Walk is 100 feet above ground within the city of Eureka's treasured Sequoia Park and Sequoia Park Zoo. This project is a mighty example of a city demonstrating how #LocalWorks on many levels – in fact, the sky is the limit.

Explore Eureka's new Redwood Sky Walk



“It’s great for the community,” said Brian Archuleta who visited the attraction Father’s Day weekend. “It’ll definitely bring some more people into this area.”

In fact, the Redwood Sky Walk recorded at least one visitor from every state in the U.S. within the first two weeks of its grand opening on June 4, 2021.

Brad Nissen and Lauren Diaz heard about the Redwood Sky Walk from social media. Then they saw it in the New York Times.

“We found out about it through a Tik Tok,” said Diaz. Diaz was visiting Eureka from Oregon so she and Nissen decided to visit.

The attraction offers visitors a new way to experience the history, nature, wildlife, and diverse ecology of one of the nation’s most inimitable regions.

“Conservation and education are huge components of our zoo,” explains Eureka City Manager Miles Slattery. “We saw this was such a unique habitat on the backside of the zoo that could provide a huge opportunity for education for visitors.”

There are no stairs, making the experience compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA-accessible), except for an optional adventure portion.

The \$4 million project was entirely funded by grants, the California state parks system, local lodging alliances in Arcata, Eureka, and Humboldt, St. Joseph and Redwood Memorial Hospitals, and the Sequoia Park Zoo Foundation Community donors.

For more information, photos, and the full story, visit

<https://www.westerncity.com/article/birds-eye-view-eurekas-redwood-sky-walk-takes-conservation-and-education-next-level>) **Western City**

<https://www.westerncity.com/article/birds-eye-view-eurekas-redwood-sky-walk-takes-conservation-and-education-next-level>) magazine.



Guide to Local Recovery Updates

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The League of California Cities is actively involved in gathering, deciphering, and providing cities with the resources they need to access pandemic relief funds, understand eligible uses for those funds, and comply with reporting requirements. Visit the Guide to Local Recovery resource page to explore the resources available to cities.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: July 28

Cal Cities, along with 400 other city officials and organizations, signed a letter about the need for federal infrastructure funding. Written by the National League of Cities (NLC), the letter urged Congressional leadership to pass a comprehensive infrastructure package and outlined the top priorities of local governments. City officials are encouraged to sign a similar letter to their congressional delegation. Cal Cities also released an updated version of its American Rescue Plan Act revenue loss calculators, which includes minor changes based on member feedback. Additional resources, such as NLC's list of [\(https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/\)](https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/) **FAQs from city officials about the** [\(https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/\)](https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, are available as well. **[Read the full update.](/detail-pages/news/2021/07/28/guide-to-local-recovery-update-july-28)** [\(/detail-pages/news/2021/07/28/guide-to-local-recovery-update-july-28\)](/detail-pages/news/2021/07/28/guide-to-local-recovery-update-july-28)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: July 21

The League of California's strong support of SB 156 paid off, with Governor Newsom signing the [\(https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/07/20/governor-newsom-signs-historic-broadband-legislation-to-help-bridge-digital-divide/\)](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/07/20/governor-newsom-signs-historic-broadband-legislation-to-help-bridge-digital-divide/) **historic broadband**

legislation (<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/07/20/governor-newsom-signs-historic-broadband-legislation-to-help-bridge-digital-divide/>) on Tuesday. The \$6 billion investment — \$5.2 billion from federal dollars — is designed to bridge the digital divide and ensure equitable digital access to underserved and unserved communities. A general overview of SB 156 can be found on Cal Cities' **website (</detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/state-passes-historic-6-billion-broadband-investment-agreement>)** .

Cal Cities also submitted comments about the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (<https://www.regulations.gov/document/TREAS-DO-2021-0008-0002/comment>) **Interim Final Rule (<https://www.regulations.gov/document/TREAS-DO-2021-0008-0002/comment>)** to the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Cal Cities requested further clarity, guidance, and flexibility for local governments on issues such as public health, economic impact, and infrastructure. The full letter can be found on the Treasury Department's (<https://www.regulations.gov/comment/TREAS-DO-2021-0008-0653>) **website (<https://www.regulations.gov/comment/TREAS-DO-2021-0008-0653>)** .

Finally, the Treasury Department released an (<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRPFAQ.pdf>) **updated FAQ (<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRPFAQ.pdf>)** for **Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Interim Final Rule (<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds/recipient-compliance-and-reporting-responsibilities>)** on July 14. The update clarifies eligible uses of water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, as well as questions about revenue loss and fund eligibility for nonprofit or private organizations.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: July 15

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has released several resources on its Compliance and Reporting Guidance for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal

Recovery Funds (SLFRF) recipients. Additionally, several recovery-related webinars are available later this month, including a Government Service Administration Procurement training. Lastly, the deadline to submit comments and recommendations to the Treasury Department on the Interim Final Rule is on July 16. [Read the full update. \(/detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/guide-to-local-recovery-update-july-15\)](#)

Guide to Local Recovery update: July 7

The National League of Cities (NLC) will host a two-day conference on July 8-9 in collaboration with NLC's Race, Equity and Leadership (REAL) department. More than just a public health crisis, the coronavirus pandemic has revealed and exacerbated racial inequities prevalent in our communities. This conference will consist of discussions and workshops centered around building equitable community leadership and will be followed by a panel of conference speakers.

NLC will also host a virtual event about how the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) can be used to support inclusive economic recovery. The event, Utilizing ARPA Funding to Advance Cooperative Business Ownership, will be held on July 27. With community wellness in mind, this event will cover ways in which cities can support the creation and retention of local, high quality jobs to help ensure an equitable rebuilding of local economies and communities.

Guide to Local Recovery update: June 30

Gov. Gavin Newsom signed legislation to extend the state's eviction moratorium through September 30, 2021, and clear rent debt for low-income Californians that have suffered economic, pandemic-related hardship. Additionally, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has opened the application portal for the Emergency Connectivity Fund. The \$7.17 billion program provides funding for schools and libraries to buy laptops, tablets, WiFi hotspots, modems, routers, and connectivity to help students stay connected when they're off school premises. [Read the full update. \(/detail-pages/news/2021/06/30/guide-to-local-recovery-update-june-30\)](#)

Guide to Local Recovery update: June 23

Non-entitlement cities have until tonight, June 23 at 11:59 p.m., to access the American Rescue Plan Request for Fund Portal. Additionally, the U.S. Department of the Treasury has released clarifications on several eligible use criteria, most notably broadband infrastructure. The new language around broadband is a big win for local governments. Finally, the Treasury Department also released Compliance and Reporting Guidance for metropolitan cities, which builds on the Interim Final Rule issued on May 10. **[Read the full update. \(/detail-pages/news/2021/06/23/guide-to-local-recovery-update-june-23\)](#)**

Guide to Local Recovery update: June 16

Cal Cities, along with a team of city finance professionals and the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers (CSMFO), created a revenue loss calculation tool to help cities determine their American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation spends. The tool incorporates the latest Treasury Department's Guidance and its applicability to local government finance in California as understood by our team of finance professionals. Two versions of the calculator have been prepared to support cities' choice to use fund basis (modified accrual) or government-wide (full accrual) financial records.

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- **[\(436bd839-6143-448f-82cb-3f8c06dd5aa4\) Revenue Loss Calculator \(Fund Basis – Modified Accrual\) \(436bd839-6143-448f-82cb-3f8c06dd5aa4\)](#)**

The calculator will be updated and improve as Treasury Department guidance evolves. Cities will be able to calculate revenue at multiple points throughout the program. **[Read the full update. \(/detail-pages/news/2021/06/16/guide-to-local-recovery-update-june-16\)](#)**

Guide to Local Recovery Update: June 11

Gov. Gavin Newsom took **executive action** (<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/6.11.21-EO-N-07-21-signed.pdf>) on June 11 to terminate the state's stay-at-home order and tiered Blueprint for Safer Economy. Measures that were included in the blueprint to protect public health, such as physical distancing, capacity limits, and the county tier system, terminate on June 15. The Governor also **issued an executive order** (<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/6.11.21-EO-N-08-21-signed.pdf>) to begin the "winding down" of the 58 executive orders that have been implemented since the beginning of the pandemic. The provisions will sunset in phases, beginning later this month through September.

The California Department of Finance (DOF) American Rescue Plan Request for Funds Portal for non-entitlement cities is now live.

(<https://esd.dof.ca.gov/recovery-fund/login>) Cities **categorized as non-entitlement cities** (<https://www.dof.ca.gov/budget/COVID-19/Small%20City%20Allocations%20-%20ARPA/CFRF%20Allocation%20Schedule.pdf>) (NEU) must access this portal to receive their first tranche of funds. All applications are due no later than 11:59 p.m. on June 23, 2021. DOF discussed the funding portal with city officials during a League of California Cities webinar earlier this week. The webinar included a robust Q & A and is **available for review** (https://youtu.be/ZW0GcVks_2I), along with the presentation slides. **Read the full update.** (</detail-pages/news/2021/06/14/guide-to-local-recovery-update-june-11>)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: June 9

The California Department of Finance (DOF) unveiled its **American Rescue Plan Local Fiscal Recovery Fund webpage** (https://www.dof.ca.gov/budget/COVID-19/Local_Fiscal_Recovery_Fund_Allocations/) for non-entitlement cities and discussed the upcoming funding portal with city officials during a League of California Cities webinar earlier today. The program covered the state's responsibilities, eligible usages, the application and

distribution process, reporting requirements, and the portal itself. The webinar included a robust Q & A and is **available for review** (https://youtu.be/ZW0GcVks_2I), along with the presentation slides. **Read the full update** (</detail-pages/news/2021/06/09/guide-to-local-recovery-update-june-9>)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: June 2

The California Department of Finance (DOF) has released the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund allocations for non-entitlement cities, and is preparing to distribute over \$1.2 billion in American Rescue Plan payments to 291 California non-entitlement cities. **Register now**

(https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Sn0LI8JfRnWdrVYeYRaJ-w) for the next Guide to Local Recovery webinar on June 9 from 9:30-10:30 a.m., where experts from DOF will provide information about how cities can navigate the state's submission portal, when cities can expect funding, as well as answer any general American Rescue Plan questions.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: May 26

Earlier this week, the U.S. Department of the Treasury released guidance on the distribution of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to non-entitlement cities. These guidelines were issued to assist the California Department of Finance (DOF) in issuing final city-by-city allocations and to help develop the process for distributing non-entitlement city funds. The League of California Cities has been in communication with DOF to determine the timing of the release of the final allocations and the distribution process, and will be hosting a webinar with DOF in the coming weeks. **Read the full update.** (</detail-pages/news/2021/05/26/guide-to-local-recovery-update-may-26>)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: May 19

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has launched its own American Rescue Plan information hub, which includes a Fiscal Recovery Funds FAQ and the interim final rule. The FAQ will be updated periodically in response to stakeholder questions. The White House and the Treasury Department will also

address the interim rule during an NLC-hosted webinar and Q & A on May 20 at 1 p.m. PST. We also hosted a webinar on the American Rescue Plan for more than 400 city officials today. Representatives from the National League of Cities discussed eligible uses for entitlement cities. The webinar **recording** (https://zoom.us/rec/share/8X_MvknJY-6i6vAnjQy2XOHhwkI7x7IaF1Ztybv8-jM3Op8Tu7saXtS0plpi6OHM.4lv_VGB8Q8W-Q0LA) and slides are available for those who missed it. **Read the full update** (</detail-pages/news/2021/05/19/guide-to-local-recovery-update-may-19>)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: May 12

The portal for local governments that will receive their money directly from the U.S. Department of the Treasury is now live. This **portal** (<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-fund/request-funding>) is for cities classified as Metropolitan Cities under the American Rescue Plan. Local governments designated as non-entitlement units are also eligible to receive Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, as provided in the American Rescue Plan. However, they will receive this funding from their applicable state government, not through this link. **Read the full update** (</detail-pages/news/2021/05/12/guide-to-local-recovery-update-may-12>)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: May 10

The U.S. Department of the Treasury released guidance May 10 on the distribution of \$8 billion for California cities in the American Rescue Plan Act. To learn more, sign up for Cal Cities Legislative Action Days May 13, where Cal Cities will provide an overview of the new guidance. Be sure to check the new resources added to the Federal Guidance and Resources tab below to read the new guidelines and access the final city-by-city allocations.

U.S. Department of the Treasury now has a **website** (<http://www.treasury.gov/coronavirus>) where people can learn more about COVID-19 economic relief, programs, and assistance for state, local, and tribal

governments.

The **California COVID-19 Rent Relief program**

[\(\[https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\]\(https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\)\)](https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html) has funds to distribute, and is urging California city governments to share this resource with impacted individuals in their communities. Landlords who participate in the program can get reimbursed for 80 percent of an eligible renter's unpaid rent, and eligible renters whose landlords choose not to participate in the program may apply on their own and receive 25 percent of unpaid rent between April 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021. Paying 25 percent by June 30, 2021 can help keep the tenant in their home under the extended eviction protections in **SB 91** [\(\[https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91\]\(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91\)\)](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91) (2021). Visit the **Housing is Key website** [\(\[https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\]\(https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\)\)](https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html) to learn more.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: May 5

U.S. Department of the Treasury now has a **website** [\(<http://www.treasury.gov/coronavirus>\)](http://www.treasury.gov/coronavirus) where people can learn more about COVID-19 economic relief, programs, and assistance for state, local, and tribal governments. The **California COVID-19 Rent Relief program** [\(\[https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\]\(https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\)\)](https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html) has funds to distribute, and is urging California city governments to share this resource with impacted individuals in their communities. Landlords who participate in the program can get reimbursed for 80 percent of an eligible renter's unpaid rent, and eligible renters whose landlords choose not to participate in the program may apply on their own and receive 25 percent of unpaid rent between April 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021. Paying 25 percent by June 30, 2021 can help keep the tenant in their home under the extended eviction protections in **SB 91** [\(\[https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91\]\(https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91\)\)](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB91) (2021). Visit the **Housing is Key website** [\(\[https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\]\(https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html\)\)](https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index.html) to learn more.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: April 28

Today, the League of California Cities hosted the latest installment of its new Guide to Local Recovery webinar series, focused on Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) cost reimbursement for eligible programs and services under FEMA's Public Assistance Program. The webinar featured leaders with representatives from FEMA and the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to provide an opportunity to ask questions and get clarity on reimbursable costs. The webinar **recording**

(https://zoom.us/rec/play/Hr64SUkw_ADOU5c4eD_0W573umzGJEwUplpo5-ZQ_LmMthSB6H_fERcXF8rSHWWe2RgwGWofjyWYRbVH.3qn24fnZHWgrAsiG)

and slides are available online. Next week, the White House is hosting regional briefings on the **American Jobs Plan** (**<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/31/fact-sheet-the-american-jobs-plan/>**)

and **American Families Plan** (**<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/04/28/fact-sheet-the-american-families-plan/>**), and the briefing for California is Monday, May 3 at 2 p.m. All cities are invited to attend, and the briefing will be hosted by Daniel Hornung, special assistant to the president for Economic Policy. **Register** (**<https://pitc.zoomgov.com/j/1603766325?pwd=SUtrWVRnajJyWmg5QTg3V01iTTRSUT09>**) for the briefing.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: April 21

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has **released new steps** (**<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-fund>**) that all cities need to take to receive their city allocation under the local relief included in the American Rescue Plan. The rescue plan was signed into law in March 2021, and includes \$65 billion in much-needed direct and flexible relief for every city in the country, with an anticipated \$8.3 billion for California cities. While the Treasury Department has not released the final city allocations, you can find city-by-city estimates on the National League of Cities **website** (**<https://www.nlc.org/resource/estimated-local-allocations-in-the-american-rescue-plan/>**). **Read the full update.** (**[/detail-](#)**

[pages/news/2021/04/21/guide-to-local-recovery-update-april-21\)](#)

Guide to Local Recovery Update: April 14

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) published this week a **Notice of Funding Opportunity** (<https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2021-04/FY%202021%20RAISE%20grants%20NOFO%20%28Final%29.pdf>) to apply for \$1 billion in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 discretionary grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grants. Projects for RAISE funding will be evaluated based on merit criteria that include safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, economic competitiveness, state of good repair, innovation, and partnership. Within these criteria, the Department will prioritize projects that can demonstrate improvements to racial equity, reduce impacts of climate change, and create good-paying jobs. To provide technical assistance to prospective applicants, DOT is hosting a **series of webinars** (<http://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/outreach>) during the FY 2021 RAISE grant application process. The deadline to submit an application is July 12, 2021 at 5 p.m. EST. On April 12, the White House released state-by-state fact sheets that highlight the urgent need in every state across the country for the investments outlined in the new federal infrastructure proposal. The fact sheet for California can be found on the **White House website** (<https://whitehouse.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f620288bb41dd81f9c715ef4d&id=74d04bf158&e=d97cf1e38b>)

Guide to Local recovery update: April 7

As cities await final guidance from the U.S. Department of the Treasury on the allocation amounts and reporting process for the local relief included in the American Rescue Plan, now is the time for cities to begin identifying their priorities and developing a system to track and report the funds. The sooner priorities for local recovery are identified, the faster people can get back to work, operations can be stabilized, and those most impacted by COVID-19 can receive support. The National League of Cities **frequently asked questions** (<https://www.nlc.org/resource/arp-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions/?>)

[utm_campaign=Newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=informz&utm_content=fa-newsletter-20210403&utm_term=text-resource&_zs=vJKfb&_zl=awIV2\)](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/31/fact-sheet-the-american-jobs-plan/) about the American Rescue Plan local relief can help cities prepare while we await official guidance.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: March 31

The Biden Administration announced [a federal infrastructure plan \(https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/31/fact-sheet-the-american-jobs-plan/\)](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/31/fact-sheet-the-american-jobs-plan/), which outlines more than \$2 trillion in federal investments to rebuild and expand infrastructure in our cities and towns across the nation. Cal Cities is encouraged by the proposal, as repairing and modernizing aging infrastructure is key to economic recovery and more jobs in our cities and nation. We look forward to sharing more details on the plan as they become available.

Local recovery update: March 24

The passage of the historic American Rescue Plan means over \$65 billion will be delivered directly to cities of all size. Now the real work begins. What are your local priorities for this funding? The National League of Cities (NLC) is conducting a short survey to gauge how conditions, from the economy and infrastructure to housing and education, have changed this past year, and how new funding will be used to address these challenges. The results will be part of NLC's research efforts to showcase local leadership during the pandemic. They will also shape the type of strategies and programs NLC is developing to help communities leverage newly available funds. Make your voice count and participate in the survey! Please respond no later than Tuesday, March 30.

Guide to Local Recovery Update: March 17

As city officials begin to put the unprecedented local relief from the American Rescue Plan into action to continue critical services and jumpstart recovery in their communities, Cal Cities is here to answer questions and support your efforts with tools and resources. For more information on the American Rescue Plan

and what's in it for cities, read Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman's message to city officials. and review the Cal Cities **special briefing** (https://zoom.us/rec/play/SEjtz_yS_jtL4PLawym8kaF9JloYBHE0Y3e_fJztHZtxKIUz3cZ5JwBRQap51gnVeg7bh_xKvrW6cM-6.2P_bfCjF1VI5KPRV?autoplay=true) for city officials. The National League of Cities has provided an American Rescue Plan **implementation update** (https://www.nlc.org/article/2021/03/12/everything-you-need-to-know-about-covid-relief/?utm_campaign=Federal-Advocacy&utm_medium=email&utm_source=informz&utm_content=federal-advocacy-covid-relief-weekly-20210316&utm_term=image-featured&_zs=Sq77a&_zl=9W8U2), which includes the latest on recovery priorities, relief funds, and bill summaries. Also, the White House has created a **fact sheet** (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/American-Rescue-Plan-Fact-Sheet.pdf>) for the American Rescue Plan, as well as a **summary of its impact on California** (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/ARP-State-Fact-Sheet-CA.pdf>). These are first of many resources in our guide to local recovery that we will be offering in the coming weeks and months.

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Federal, state, and local transportation infrastructure spending creates \$200 billion in economic benefits in California annually

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Cal Cities sponsored report is accompanied by a new, searchable online database that generates customized reports and breaks down the economic benefits for each region.

The League of California Cities and a coalition of partners produced a first-of-its-kind (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/California-Economic-Report-2021.pdf>) **report** (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/California-Economic-Report-2021.pdf>) on the state's transportation infrastructure and a (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/>) **related, customizable database** (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/>) demonstrating the economic benefits locally. Released in the middle of ongoing, federal-level infrastructure negotiations, the report found that upcoming spending on federal, state, and local infrastructure will generate nearly \$200 billion in economic activity in California annually and will support 700,000 jobs per year. The findings make clear that the construction, maintenance, and operation of the state's infrastructure network is a major economic driver that benefits all Californians.

According to the report, in the next 10 years, government investments in California's transportation infrastructure will grow from \$40.4 billion in 2021 to \$52.6 billion in 2030. That equates to a return of \$4.30 in economic activity for every \$1 spent on infrastructure.

“This report underscores how strategic investment in transportation infrastructure creates strong ripple effects in our cities, including an increase in jobs, economic activity, and tax revenues, while at the same time ensuring equitable access to multiple transportation options for all Californians,”

(https://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/07-27-21-Study-Release_FINAL-2.pdf) said **Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman** (https://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/07-27-21-Study-Release_FINAL-2.pdf) .

The “Economic Impacts of Highway, Street, Bridge, and Transit Investment in California” is the first report to examine the impacts of transportation infrastructure spending on all sectors of the California economy, not just the transportation sector. The report uses a series of sophisticated models to quantify both the immediate economic activity from increased highway, street, bridge, and transit program spending levels in California and the longer-term user benefits that accrue from improving the transportation system.

The (http://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Statewide_California.pdf) **report** (http://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Statewide_California.pdf) takes all transportation revenue streams into account — local, state, and federal — and quantifies the economic benefits of these investments on (http://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Statewide_California.pdf) **California** (http://www.catransportationjobs.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Statewide_California.pdf) and (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/full-county-template-reports>) **local economies** (<https://www.catransportationjobs.com/full-county-template-reports>) . Similarly, the online database can generate customized reports and break down the economic benefits in every county and region.

The research was conducted by the (<https://www.artba.org/>) **American Road & Transportation Builders Association** (<https://www.artba.org/>) (ARTBA) and released by Cal Cities, the California State Association of Counties, California Alliance for Jobs, and California Transit Association.

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