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Message from Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor

Dear Santa Clarans,

I don't know about you, but after a warmer-than-usual summer I'm ready for the fall season to arrive. And while things typically slow down a bit in the fall, it's not the case in Santa Clara as several important happenings are occurring this month. For starters...

You're Invited to the State of the City and Community Award Ceremony

The 2022 *State of the City* address is set for Saturday, September 10 at 11:30 a.m. and I hope you'll be able to join me as I provide a comprehensive update about the state of our City and its vision for the future. The presentation will be highly informative yet succinct and will take place at the Community Recreation Center (969 Kiely Blvd., Santa Clara). It's open to all, and I hope to see you there!



In addition to the *State of the City* Address, each Councilmember will present a *Community Award* to a deserving individual or business within their District. The award ceremony will culminate with the *Santa Clara Citywide Community Award* presented to a worthy individual, business, or organization. I'd like to extend my appreciation to those who took the time to recommend a person or organization for this year's *Citywide Community Award* for which I have the honor of presenting. It was not easy determining this year's citywide honoree as there were several qualified individuals and organizations, all doing remarkable things throughout our community. Please join us at the ceremony as we recognize some of our community's shining stars.



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Sip.Sip.Hooray! Celebrating the Return of the S.C. Art & Wine Festival

Get ready to celebrate the [40th Anniversary of the Santa Clara Art & Wine Festival](#) sponsored by [Silicon Valley Power](#) which is set for the weekend of September 17-18 at Central Park (909 Kiely Blvd, Santa Clara). We know this year's event will be extra-special as it returns after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic.

The two-day festival has plenty to offer and is open to folks of all ages. There will be a meandering trail of interesting arts & crafts booths, plenty of tasty food, wines that will satisfy your palate, and cold beer too. There'll be the Kids Kingdom for the young ones and live music and entertainment from the stage which will add to the spirited feel of the festival. Bring the entire family and I'll see you at Central Park! To learn more, visit SantaClaraArtandWine.com.

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S.C. Parade of Champions Welcomes Participants and Spectators

It's countdown time..... to the 53rd Santa Clara Parade of Champions set for Saturday, Oct. 1 in Downtown Santa Clara. At 11:00 a.m. join the crowd at curbside and watch an array of decorative floats, collectable cars with special guests and dignitaries, accomplished athletes and our frontline heroes, plus spirited marching bands, talented dance troupes, and much more.

There will be a Farmers Market plus a Community Village with dozens of organizations that possess a community-building focus and culture. You can stroll The Village starting at 9:00 a.m. and if you're interested in volunteering for the Parade of Champions, or if you represent an organization that would like to be a part of the Community Village, please visit SCParadeofChampions.org. The City of Santa Clara is a sponsor of this popular community event. Special thanks to all who've helped make this popular parade a reality.

Addressing Homelessness Is a Priority

In the City of Santa Clara, we are extremely concerned about the increased challenges of homelessness and as a community we are in search of finding workable solutions that will help the homeless while keeping our community clean and safe for all.

Thank you to all Santa Claran's who've participated in a Homelessness Plan Community Forum or Task Force Meeting. The sessions have brought together a diverse group of citizens, each sharing their genuine concerns as well as possible solutions which our City Staff and Homelessness Task Force will investigate.

Community Education efforts are paramount and increasing visibility about available resources (including affordable housing, food, physical and mental health support, etc.) needs to be a priority. If you are interested in learning more, please plan to attend the next virtual meeting of our City's Homelessness Task Force, set for October 27 from 6-8 p.m. [Register here](#) for the Zoom meeting.

Help Save Water Now... Every Drop Counts

Most of us know the California drought is real and water purveyors are reminding us daily how severe it really is. Last week I served as a panelist at the 2022 Water Summit which was hosted by the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) and held at the SC Convention Center. The summit was highly informative and focused on the challenges of drought and ways to conserve the precious resource of water. Watch the [NBC Bay Area segment](#) to learn more about the summit.

Along with the SCVWD the City of Santa Clara is committed to increasing awareness on ways to save water, please help by doing your part. For tips on saving water, visit valleywater.org. If you have questions feel free to email our city's Water and Sewer Utilities Department at water@santaclaraca.gov. And remember: Save Water...as life can't exist without it.



2022 Water Summit

A Huge Success For National Night Out

Last month residents gathered at 43 neighborhood locations throughout the City of Santa Clara for *National Night Out*, the annual community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships. The special night also encouraged neighbors to get to know each other, sharing the common goal to keep our community safe.

Thank you to all who participated in *National Night Out* and with a special thanks to our Police and Fire Department professionals who had a welcoming presence throughout the entire event as they connected with residents and their families. That evening, I especially enjoyed observing the youngsters (with expressions of amazement on their faces) as many of them had a chance to meet police safety officers and firefighters for the very first time! If you missed this inclusive community safety event this year, please consider joining with your neighbors and participate in 2023. You'll learn tips about keeping your neighborhood safe... and you may even meet some new neighbors, and that's good too!



National Night Out 2022

Staying Connected for a Better and Safer Community,

Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor

EVENTS & MEETINGS

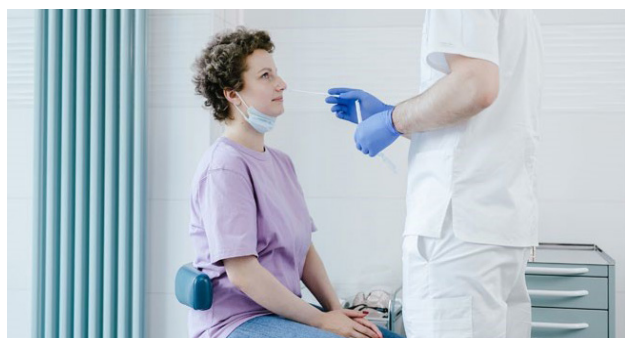
Find out what's happening in Santa Clara

2022 State of the City

The Santa Clara community is invited to State of the City on Saturday, **Sept. 10 at 11:30 a.m.** at the Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd. The City Council will recognize members of the community at the event for community awards.

Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor will present her 2022 State of the City address. Residents, community leaders, and businesses from the community are all invited to join the event! Light refreshments will be provided.

Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/StateoftheCity](https://www.santacruzca.gov/StateoftheCity) for more information.



Free COVID-19 Testing and Special Event Recommendations

In partnership with the County of Santa Clara, the City hosts free COVID-19 testing at Central Park Library, 2635 Homestead Ave. Upcoming testing dates include: **Sept. 14, Sept. 28, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Visit [SCCFreeTest.org](https://www.sccfreetest.org) to [schedule an appointment](#) online. The health and safety of our community remains our top priority. Please do not attend special events if you have COVID-19 symptoms or have tested positive in the last 5-10 days. Safety precautions, such as wearing masks, is recommended.



Free Disposal Day

Santa Clara's next Free Disposal Day will be held on **Sunday, Sept. 18, 6 a.m. – 12 p.m.** at the Mission Trail Waste Systems (MTWS) Transfer Station. Residents will have an opportunity to dispose of appliances and e-waste items, as well as mattresses, furniture, and other bulky items. Appointments are required. Hazardous waste (e.g. paints, fluorescent bulbs, chemical cleaners, and pesticides, etc.), automotive parts, pressure treated wood and putrescible waste **are prohibited**. Call MTWS at 408-727-5365 between Sept. 5 - 16 to make an appointment and for location, load size limits and accepted materials. Proof of residency is required. Free Disposal Day is subject to all California Department of Public Health and Santa Clara County Public Health orders and guidelines. Should such guidelines or orders change, the event shall be modified to remain in compliance.



40th Anniversary Santa Clara Art & Wine Festival

The Art & Wine Festival returns to Central Park **Sept. 17 - 18** to celebrate its 40th Anniversary. This year's Festival will include over 150 arts and crafts booths to browse, live entertainment on two stages, Kids Kingdom, delicious food, fine wine, ice-cold beer and so much more – it's a true Santa Clara tradition! Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/ArtandWine](https://www.santacruzca.gov/ArtandWine) for sponsor and artist booth opportunities and more information! As a friendly reminder, be sure to take the time to designate a safe and sober driver! Remember, sobriety and safety laws apply to motorists and bicyclists.



California Coastal Cleanup Day

September 17 is California Coastal Cleanup Day! Volunteers throughout California will work together to protect our oceans, watersheds, and wildlife from trash and debris. This volunteering effort has an impact on many of our local natural habitats and communities. Join other volunteers on **Saturday, Sept. 17, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.** to help keep our waterways free from trash. The City of Santa Clara will be hosting a site so we can help be the solution to water pollution! For detailed information and to register, visit [Cleancreek.org](https://www.cleancreek.org). For questions, email Environment@SantaClaraCA.gov.



Santa Clara Fire Department Strategic Plan Update

The Santa Clara Fire Department is inviting community members to share their perspectives, ideas, and feedback regarding services provided by the fire department! We want to know how we can continue to best serve you! Come out to our first of two community sessions on **Sept. 21 at 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.** at the SCFD Training Center 1900 Walsh Ave. Light refreshments and sandwiches will be provided. [RSVP required.](#)



Coffee with a Cop

Coffee with a Cop brings police officers and the community members they serve together – over coffee – to discuss issues and learn more about each other. Community policing has long been considered a framework for establishing trust between the community and law enforcement. Coffee with a Cop will allow residents to ask questions, discuss happenings in the area, voice concerns and get to know the officers who patrol their neighborhood. The next Coffee with a Cop is scheduled on **Friday, Sept. 23, 8 – 9:30 a.m.** at Peet's Coffee and Tea, 3292 Rivermark Plaza. No RSVP is necessary. For additional information, call (408) 615-4872 or email crimeprevention@santacruzca.gov.



Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event

Santa Clara residents can safely dispose of household hazardous waste at the free drop-off event on **Saturday, Sept. 24**. Residents must register to attend by calling the County at 408-299-7300 or visiting hhw.org. Accepted hazardous items include fluorescent light tubes, compact fluorescent lightbulbs, paint, automotive fluids, cleaners, solvents, batteries, propane and helium tanks, fertilizers, pesticides, wood preservatives, sharps containers, prescription medications, and electronic waste (e-waste), among other things. Items NOT accepted include cardboard, Styrofoam, large household appliances, ammunition, explosives, or containers larger than five gallons. Contact the Police Department at 408-615-4700 regarding the disposal of ammunition or explosives.



Residential Compost Giveaway

Prepare those autumn and winter gardens with nutrient-rich compost. The City of Santa Clara is hosting a self-service compost giveaway event for Santa Clara residents on **Sunday Sept. 25, 9 a.m. – Noon** at the City's Corporation Yard, located at 1700 Walsh Ave. Residents must provide a current utility bill and/or personal identification to verify eligibility. Compost will be self-served - residents must bring their own shovel and sturdy container (i.e. 5-gallon bucket), fill their container, and load their container into their vehicle. Maximum of 40 gallons per household. Compost will be available while supplies last and quantity is limited. Questions? Call the Department of Public Works at 408-615-3080 or email Environment@SantaClaraCA.gov.



Lafayette Bike Lane Project Community Meeting #3

The City is working on a grant funded project to look at options to install new protected bicycle lanes on Lafayette Street between Laurelwood Rd. and Reed St. The City will host a third and final virtual community meeting on **Thursday, Sept. 29, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** to present the project scope, discuss possible parking removals on Lafayette St., and gather community input. Translators will be present at the meeting upon request. [Meeting link](#), Meeting ID: 818 1702 7188, Phone: 888 475 4499 (Toll Free). For more information regarding the project and upcoming meetings, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/LafayetteProtectedBikeway or contact Ralph Garcia by email at RGarcia1@SantaClaraCA.gov or by phone at 408-615-3026.



Santa Clara Parade of Champions

The 53rd Santa Clara Parade of Champions returns on **Saturday, Oct. 1** to the historic downtown. The parade will begin at 11 a.m. with a full day of festivities until 5 p.m. Become a parade sponsor, donate, volunteer or be a part of the event to celebrate the community! Visit SCParadeofChampions.org for more information. This event is supported in part by a City of Santa Clara community grant.



Last Concert in the Park

Mark your calendar for **Friday, Oct. 7 from 6:30 - 8 p.m.** and join the Cultural Commission in Central Park with a performance by Latin Heat. Bring your dancing shoes, blanket or lawn chair and enjoy the music throughout the Pavilion. Food and treats will be available for purchase. Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/CulturalCommission for more information.



Annual Firehouse Family Fair

The Santa Clara Fire Department is hosting its annual Firehouse Family Fair on **Saturday, Oct. 15th, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** at 1900 Walsh Avenue. This is a super fun family event; everyone is welcome! Stop by and see the many different ways that the fire department serves our community...and sample some delicious ice cream while you are at it!

Comic Con

The Santa Clara City Library is proud to announce the in-person return of the Santa Clara City Library Comic Con on **Saturday, Oct. 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

The 6th Santa Clara City Library Comic Con celebrates reading and imagination via the comic book medium by bringing together Bay Area artists, comic book shops, cosplayers, makers, and authors. Come enjoy a day of panels, workshops, crafts, vendors, and be prepared to get inspired by creators of art, comics, and films!

Visit SCLibrary.org/Comic-Con for more info.



CITY NEWS & UPDATES

Learn about the latest updates in Santa Clara

Bicycle and Scooter Share

On Dec. 7, 2021, City Council approved the Shared Mobility Program (Program), which allows private operators to deploy shared mobility devices (bicycles and scooters) for use in Santa Clara. The City selected two operators, Bird and Veo, to begin operation in Santa Clara. The operators plan to provide up to 1,300 devices total with a mix of both bicycles and scooters.

On Aug. 8, 2022, Bird received their operating permit and officially launched and deployed 800 e-scooters and 200 e-bikes throughout the City. Devices are to be parked off the roadway and should provide adequate clearances as to not obstruct use of the sidewalk.

The City is working with Veo to finalize their operating permit to launch this Fall.

Additionally, staff added a MySantaClara App module for Bike/Scooter Share if residents or stakeholders would like to submit comments to the City. On Aug. 11, 2022, the Police Department released a [City News article](#) educating potential Shared Mobility users about basic operating rules for these devices.

For more information about the Program, please visit our website, santaclaraca.gov/sharedmobilityprogram or contact Ralph Garcia by email at RGarcia1@SantaClaraCA.gov or by phone at 408-615-3026.



Bicycle and scooter share

Senior Center Ice Cream Social & Open House

The Senior Center held its traditional Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, Aug. 24. Attendees enjoyed delicious ice cream and toppings on the patio with music, friends, newcomers and the opportunity to learn about programs and activities at the [Senior Center](#).



Senior Center Ice Cream Social

Free Gear to Help You Save Water!

Santa Clarans are on the right track with water conservation - let's keep it going! Visit Water & Sewer Utilities at City Hall (1500 Warburton Avenue) to pick up **free gear for conserving water**. Call ahead to (408) 615-2000 and let us know you are on the way. Indoor devices include low flow showerheads, toilet leak detection tablets, toilet flappers and kitchen or bathroom faucet aerators. For outdoor water savings, consider a free garden hose nozzle with automatic shut off, soil moisture meter to help determine watering needs or irrigation screwdriver to fine tune spray heads. To have any of these free devices shipped directly to your home at no charge, visit Valley Water's [online shopping cart](#).

Added Resource to Northside Residents on Levi's Stadium Event Days:

In 2019, the Santa Clara Police Department (SCPD) created a non-emergency, stadium related incident phone line (408) 615-2280 to better serve Northside residents and businesses. During event hours, a staff member will answer the phone line in an effort to provide immediate service. The following events are currently scheduled:

| Date | Event |
|--------------|---------------------|
| September 18 | 49ers vs Seahawks |
| September 27 | Mexico vs Colombia |
| October 3 | 49ers vs Rams |
| October 8 | Elton John |
| October 9 | Elton John |
| October 23 | 49ers vs Chiefs |
| November 13 | 49ers vs Chargers |
| November 27 | 49ers vs Saints |
| December 4 | 49ers vs Dolphins |
| December 11 | 49ers vs Buccaneers |
| December 24 | 49ers vs Commanders |
| January 7 | 49ers vs Cardinals |

Traditional methods of reaching SCPD should be utilized for any emergency or non-stadium, non-emergency situations. Please do not use social media to report issues requiring police, fire or medical response; it is not monitored regularly. Refer to the chart below for resources.

| Contact Information | Issue |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 9-1-1 | Emergency situations, such as fire, burglary in progress, fight or display of weapons, medical condition is life or limb threatening, sounds of breaking glass, gunshots or screaming, strange odor coming from a house or building, traffic accident with injuries, etc. |
| (408) 615-5580 | Non-emergency situations, such as noise (e.g. loud party, barking dog), suspicious person (e.g. loitering, cruising streets repeatedly, peering into house/car window), drunk in public, vandalism, graffiti, traffic accident without injuries, etc. |
| (408) 615-2280 | Stadium non-emergency phone line during event hours, such as a vehicle blocking a driveway, alcoholic beverages in City parks, rideshare vehicles double parked on roadways, individuals conducting themselves inappropriately, event related noise, garbage, etc. During non-event hours, callers will be directed to a phone tree to leave a message. |
| MySantaClara app | Mobile app to submit, track and view nearby service requests, such as stadium noise. Submissions will be responded to during normal business hours. |

September is Community Preparedness Month

Does your family have a household communication plan? Make an emergency plan today and practice it! During a local emergency, receive alerts to your mobile, landline or email for fire, earthquake, severe weather, crime activity, and instructions during a disaster. Alert SCC is Santa Clara County's emergency alert and warning system. Sign up today for free at AlertSCC.org. For emergency preparedness tips, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/EmergencyPreparedness.



Community Engagement Meetings

The Police Department is interested in collaborating with residents to host Community Engagement Meetings (CEM), formerly known as Neighborhood Watch. This crime prevention program enlists the participation of residents, in cooperation with law enforcement, to reduce crime in neighborhoods. CEM groups take a proactive approach to fighting crime by becoming the extra set of eyes and ears for law enforcement. As we bring back this program, the Police Department also plans to invite the Mayor and Councilmember that represents your district so they can hear directly from you and your neighbors on law enforcement related issues. To schedule a CEM, call (408)615-4872 or crimeprevention@santaclaraca.gov.

More \$\$ to Help You Conserve Water in the Landscape!

Santa Clara residents looking to replace their lawns are now eligible for **\$4 per square foot** (sf) for the first 1,000 sf and \$2/sf thereafter, **up to \$5,000** with the Landscape Conversion Rebate. Residents can also take advantage of the Graywater Rebate for installing a Laundry to Landscape system, receiving up to **\$400 plus permit costs** per address. Increased rebate amounts went into effect September 1, 2022, thanks to Water & Sewer Utilities' increased cost sharing with Valley Water. Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/SaveOurWater to see if you qualify and find additional rebates and water conservation tips. Call Water & Sewer Utilities at (408) 615-2000 with additional questions.

\$25,000 Energy Efficiency Grants Available for Homeowner's Associations

Silicon Valley Power has launched a grant program to help Homeowner's Associations (HOAs) improve energy efficiency in common areas of their developments. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available to eligible HOAs located within the city of Santa Clara. A 20% copayment is required. Typical projects include upgrading hardwired lighting fixtures, such as exterior building lights, bollards, and parking lot lights, as well as interior fixtures in common areas such as clubhouses or recreational rooms. Grant awards will be made twice per year with deadlines on June 30 and December 31. For complete eligibility requirements and program details, visit SiliconValleyPower.com/Rebates.

Silicon Valley Power Offers \$2,000 Rebate to Upgrade to a Smart Electric Panel

To promote building and transportation electrification and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, Silicon Valley Power residential customers are now eligible for a rebate of \$2,000 when they upgrade their electric panel to a smart panel. Bonus incentives up to an additional \$2,000 are available to income-qualified customers. The rebate is available to customers to accommodate additional load from converting natural gas to electric appliances and adding a Level 2 EV charger to their home. A smart panel allows customers to monitor and control individual circuits and may include capabilities to provide notification when equipment is running abnormally and needs service. Smart panels can also help avoid electric service upgrades, which is a benefit to the customer. It is also a benefit to the utility, as transformers don't need to be upgraded. This program is available to customers who install a smart electric panel and qualifying appliance conversion or EV charger after July 1, 2022 and meet all program eligibility requirements. For complete program details, visit SiliconValleyPower.com/Rebates.

Senior Center Memberships Update

The Senior Center, located at 1303 Fremont St., provides a safe, positive, and welcoming environment. Programs and services are geared towards the adult community, ages 50 and up, for various abilities and life stages. The Senior Center offers a combination of Drop-in Programs, Senior Nutrition Program, Health & Wellness Program, Workshops and Trainings, a Fitness Center, Fitness Classes, Natatorium, Woodshop, Lapidary, Ceramics, and Special Interest Classes. The Senior Center is committed to providing low-cost programs that help maintain or increase health & wellness, reduce isolation, and provide referrals to resources.

In April 2022, Council reviewed and adopted a Parks & Recreation Cost Recovery Policy. It provides a framework for understanding the cost of services, the level of individual or community benefit, how much program participants might pay and how much City subsidy could be expected. The policy helps inform the City budget and program pricing decisions since the City faces both immediate and longer-term fiscal challenges where program expenses surpass City revenue. The Parks & Recreation Department has created two (2) membership levels for participation at the Senior Center: (a) Basic and (b) Premium.

Beginning Monday, Oct. 3, 2022, Senior Center memberships will have a nominal annual fee. These memberships include access to programs and facilities. Patrons may choose their membership level based on interest and a partial grant is available for those who may need financial assistance. Membership Fees and the General Fund subsidy support the facilities, programs, and services offered.

Memberships will be renewed when a patron's membership expires (i.e., if your membership expires in January you will need to renew and pay the fee at that time). Scholarships will be made available for those who qualify. Current Senior Card benefits are valid through the expiration date.

| | Basic | Premium* |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Annual Cost | \$12 Res \$37 Non-res | \$37 Res |
| Day Pass | \$5 Res \$7 Non-res | \$10 Res |
| Replacement Card | \$1 | \$1 |

*\$25 Scholarship available for Premium Memberships only

| Amenities | Basic | Premium |
|---|-------|---------|
| Billiard/Game Room | X | X |
| Computer Lab | X | X |
| Table Tennis | X | X |
| Drop-in Games | X | X |
| Drop-in Educational Programs, Workshops/Trainings, and Seminars | X | X |
| Early Monthly Newsletter Access | X | X |
| Early Howdy Packet Access | X | X |
| Fitness Center Access | | X |
| Natatorium Access | | X |
| Recreation Swim and Lap Swim Access | | X |

CLASSES & ACTIVITIES

Participate in year-round classes and activities for all ages

Dial-a-Story

Santa Clara City Library has launched Dial-a-Story. Dial-a-Story is a great way for parents to spend time reading with their children outside of the library. Listening can help children escape digital media and learn to enjoy the simple act of reading. Dial-a-Story will also help young children get ready to read and help school-aged children progress better when taking standardized reading tests. Reading is an important aspect of everyday life and Dial-a-Story can help foster a love for reading early in childhood. New stories in English and Spanish every Monday! Dial **408-615-2909** to listen to a story. [You can also listen online!](#)



Adventures in Learning

An early learning program for 3 and 4-year-olds returns to the Community Recreation Center (CRC) and provides wholesome, enriching activities to build confidence and encourage exploration and creative learning that boost kindergarten readiness. Age-appropriate activities include circle time, music, arts and crafts, games, outdoor play, and more. The 3-year-old program is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The 4-year-old program is on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Classes start the week of **Aug. 29**. To enroll, [register online](#), come into the CRC at 969 Kiely Blvd. If you have questions call the CRC at 408-615-3140 or email PRCustomerServe@SantaClaraCA.gov.

Latinx Heritage Bilingual Storytimes

CENTRAL: Thursday, Sept. 8, at 4 p.m.

NORTHSIDE: Friday, Sept. 16, at 10:30 a.m.

MISSION: Monday, Sept. 26, at 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate Latinx heritage with a fun storytime in English and Spanish! Our Library staff will share stories, songs, rhymes, fingerplays and movement. Grownups can learn some tips for engaging kids in early literacy. We invite you to stay for a craft in the second half of the event. The storytimes will be outside on the grass, so please bring a blanket to sit on.

Darshana – A Glimpse into the Hindu Civilization

Saturday, Sept. 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Central Park Library - Redwood Room. "Darshana: A Glimpse into the Hindu Civilization" presents a colorful overview of Hindu concepts and practices, offering an opportunity to learn about one of the oldest civilizations in the world with continuing global presence today. The exhibition features a variety of topics, ranging from yoga and divinity to mathematics and administration, demonstrating how Hindu knowledge has manifested in all aspects of human endeavor. No registration required.

Senior Center Workshops & Trainings

Presentations are free, registration is required, and seating is limited.

Indoor Air Quality: What are You Breathing? Activity #25803. Older adults can spend up to 90% of their time indoors. Join Breathe California of the Bay Area to learn about the sources of poor indoor air quality and inexpensive ways to improve the air you breathe. As the local clean air and healthy lungs leader, Breathe California fights lung disease in all its forms and works with its communities to promote lung health. Join us on **Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 10 - 11 a.m.** at 1303 Fremont St. [Register online](#) or call the Front Desk for assistance 408-615-3170. Masks are strongly recommended.

Fall Prevention - Stay on Your Feet! Falling is **not** a normal part of aging. Learn what you can do to stay safe - attend our two presentations. Each covers a different aspect of avoiding falls, so be sure to attend both!

- **Fall Safety Program by Santa Clara Fire Department Activity #25804.** The City of Santa Clara Fire Department is just a phone call away, but there are things we can do to prevent needing their help in the first place. Safety-proofing your home is an important first step and there is more to it than throwing out all your little "scatter rugs." Join SCFD staff to learn how to keep your home safe. Join us on **Tuesday, Sept. 20, from 10 - 11 a.m.** at 1303 Fremont St. [Register online](#) or call the Front Desk for assistance 408-615-3170. Masks are strongly recommended.
- **Your Medications and Falls Activity # 25805.** SC Valley Medical Center's Trauma RN, Hong Nguyen, will explain the most common medications that increase your risk of falling and how to develop an action plan to make sure your risk is reduced. Join us on **Monday, Sept. 26, from 10 - 11 a.m.**, at 1303 Fremont St. [Register online](#) or call the Front Desk for assistance 408-615-3170. Masks are strongly recommended.



Fall Recreation Classes

Register for recreation classes for all ages and special events. Classes begin the week of Aug. 22.

Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/RecClasses.



Stay Fit with the Activity Pass

The 3-in-1 Activity pass can help you stay active on your own schedule. The Activity Pass provides access to: Group Exercise at the CRC, Lap Swim at the International Swim Center, and Drop-in Play at the Reed & Grant Sports Park. Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/ActivityPass to purchase your pass.

Resident Youth Card Registration

The 2022/2023 Resident Youth Card is available for purchase online or in person at the Youth & Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Ave. The annual Resident Youth membership includes Youth & Teen Center After school program, Skate Park, and Recreational Swim program at Warburton Pool and International Swim Center. The annual membership fee for the Resident Youth Card is \$30 (valid August 2022 – July 2023). To purchase a Resident Youth Card online, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/Activenet. Financial assistance is available. For more information, contact the Youth & Teen Center at 408-615-3760 or email YAC@santaclaraca.gov

Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz

Help the Parks & Recreation Department save the pollinators! Participate in the annual Parks for Pollinators BioBlitz on **Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.** to learn about pollinators at Everett N. “Eddie” Souza Park & Community Garden, 2380 Monroe St. Guest speakers and children’s activities are part of the agenda at this fun event for the whole family! Visit [online](#) or email CommunityGarden@santaclaraca.gov for more information.

Aquafit

The City of Santa Clara is excited that Aquafit Instructor, Pauline Mount has returned to offer a new Aquafit Class (activity #25821) in October! Classes will be held on **Wednesdays from 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. starting Oct. 5**, at the Santa Clara Senior Center Natatorium (1303 Fremont St.). Registration is now open. You can call 408-615-3140 to register by phone or you can [register online](#). For more information, contact Aldo Ortega Hatch at 408-615-3160 or at ahatch@santaclaraca.gov.

Cultural Commission Commemorative Months Coloring Book

September is National Hispanic Heritage Month! Celebrate Santa Clara’s diversity with the Cultural Commission’s commemorative months coloring book. Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/CulturalCommission to download the coloring book and get creative.

Job Opportunities

Join the Center of What’s Possible! View all job opportunities and for information on how to apply, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/Jobs.

The Santa Clara Fire Department is recruiting firefighters!

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