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## Message from Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor



## City of Santa Clara 2023 State of the City *Strength In Diversity, Pride In Community*

Thank you to all Santa Clarans, who took the time to attend the 2023 *State of the City*, held at Mission City Center for the Performing Arts at Wilcox High School. For those who were unable to attend in person, you can now view the evening in its entirety by clicking on the link here: [SantaClaraCA.gov/StateoftheCity](https://SantaClaraCA.gov/StateoftheCity)

I reported on a variety of topics which included the fiscal outlook, protecting our city, expansion of city services, community development, sustainability, pandemic recovery, transportation and mobility, and leading with compassion – addressing the unhoused and other challenges ahead.

Our City's communications team developed a series of videos highlighting the six District honorees, and our 2023 Santa Claran of the Year.

The event was filled with entertainment from various Santa Clara performers. Throughout the event, the Filarmónica Uniao Portuguesa de Santa Clara, our very own Portuguese Band played numerous high energy numbers that delighted the crowd. This was followed by a beautiful Korean Traditional Wedding Lantern Dance and Flower Crown Dance performed by Neha Israni, Sameer Israni, Clair J. Lee and Ilhyun Kim. Thank you to Daniel Woo for arranging this performance. And finally, a traditional Indian Dance by Santa Clara High School's very own Laasya Pandravada.

Showcasing our diversity and talent in Santa Clara really made the event a memorable and highly successful one.

If you have any questions after watching the video, or have comments for me, please contact me at [Lgillmor@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:Lgillmor@santaclaraca.gov) or call me at 408-615-2250.

## 2023 Citywide Community Award - Santa Claran of The Year, Diana Ding

I was honored to recognize Diana Ding with the prestigious 2023 Citywide Community Award. A true pioneer in her field, Diana is the Founder and CEO of *Silicon Valley Community Media* and *Ding Ding TV* where she has honed her media talent successfully showcasing the lives of Asian Americans.

An incredible community leader, she has organized leadership forums, and has brought communities together in solidarity against Asian hate both on and off the screen. Named *Woman of Influence 2023* by *Silicon Valley Business Journal*, Diana has used her platform to support our AAPI community and cast a positive spotlight on the amazing contributions of Asian Americans in Silicon Valley and beyond.

Diana Supports Mission City Community Fund which provides grant support to diverse organizations in need.

Through her good work as a Board Member of the *Silicon Valley Central Chamber of Commerce* to her work as the President of the *US-China Chamber of Commerce Silicon Valley*, her accolades and



State of the City 2023



Diana Ding, 2023 Citywide Community Awardee

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awards overflow. Recognized by both Santa Clara County as an Asian American Hero and the State Assembly as an Unsung Hero, we now recognize her as our Citywide Santa Claran of the Year.

Thank you, Diana Ding. Santa Clara is better because of trailblazing citizens like you!

## JW House 15 Year Anniversary – Triton Museum Garden Party



JW House

JW House located on the Kaiser Permanente Campus in Santa Clara celebrated 15 years of providing thousands of families hope, healing and comfort as their loved ones battle critical illnesses and seek medical treatment in Silicon Valley hospitals.

JW House began as the idea of Jan-Wilem (JW) Knapen, a boy who, in the midst of battling cancer, wanted to do something to help other children and families facing similar situations.

JW was diagnosed with leukemia at the age of four. Despite early hardships, he thrived and moved to San Jose from Belgium with his family. His mother Anne Marie, father Geert, and sisters Helena and Elisabeth were present at the Anniversary celebration.

While a freshman at Bellarmine College Preparatory, he suffered seizures and was later diagnosed with brain cancer. He developed a special friendship with his doctor, Alan Wong, and together they created the idea of the home. Fundraising started and this dream became a reality in 2008. JW passed in 2005 before the grand opening, however he knew that his friends and family were fully committed to making his dream a reality.

Many of our non-profit, fraternal organizations, high school students, and public safety foundations donate their time, goods and services to the JW House. If you would like further information on this “home away from home” for families of patients going through a very difficult time, please visit: [JWHouse.org](http://JWHouse.org).



Jan-Wilem (JW)



JW House

## Agrihood – Santa Clara Urban Farm and Affordable Housing Community



Agrihood Ribbon Cutting

I had the honor of speaking at the grand opening of the Agrihood project, located on Winchester Blvd. in Santa Clara across from Valley Fair Mall. I am proud to announce it is the largest urban farm and affordable housing community in California! Ten years in the making, this project provides affordable housing which is set aside for seniors and veterans.

Agrihood ensures our rich agricultural past is not forgotten, all while embodying our commitment to sustainability and food security. And another unique benefit of Agrihood is the public space component will be available for community gatherings and will host at least 50 events throughout the year for both residents

and our entire community! Thank you to the Core Company for the exciting development, Kirk Vartan for planting the urban farm seed in Santa Clara and Alrie Middlebrook for bringing your remarkable farm experience to this iconic project!



Agrihood Grand Opening

## SCU-Presents and Santa Clara Cultural Commission Collaborate on Mechanical Horse Exhibit

In collaboration with SCU-Presents Performing Arts Center, our Cultural Commission was thrilled to bring *The Mechanical Horse* exhibit by Adrian Landon to the *Sobrato Campus for Discovery and Innovation Building Main Lobby*, 500 El Camino Real Building #402, Santa Clara, 95053 and open to the public daily from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., except holidays.

By combining art and engineering, *The Mechanical Horse* exhibit is a temporary art installation, featuring a life-size mechanical horse that gallops at a natural horse gait. Visitors can observe the mechanical movement inside the amazing piece of art. At the opening of the exhibit, SCU President Dr. Julie Sullivan and I together pressed the button to start the horse in motion.

The collaboration with the University to bring this art installation to Santa Clara is exciting. This symbolizes the enduring spirit of innovation that defines our city and university. It sparks curiosity, inspires creativity and celebrates the convergence of art and technology right here in Santa Clara!



The Mechanical Horse Exhibit



Adrian Landon, creator of *The Mechanical Horse*, second from right

Adrian Landon, the creator, is a metal artist born and raised in New York City. He studied at the Art Students League in New York and the Academy of Art in San Francisco. In 2019, he received the Honorarium Grant from Burning Man to make *Wings of Glory*, a giant 35' tall mechanical Pegasus that galloped and flew in slow motion, on fire. (I would love to host that art in Santa Clara!)

Special thanks to Debra Von-Huene and our Cultural Commission and Butch Coyne with SCU Presents for organizing this installation. Please visit the exhibit, push the button and watch this beautiful work of art in motion!

To my fellow Santa Clarans, enjoy your October and all the activities in our community. I hope to see you all at our 54th Annual Parade of Champions, Saturday, October 7th with festivities happening all day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Butch Coyne and Debra Von-Huene

As always, staying connected with our Community,



Mayor Lisa Gillmor



# CITY NEWS & UPDATES

Learn about the latest updates in Santa Clara

## 54th Santa Clara Parade of Champions

Don't miss the annual Santa Clara Parade of Champions happening **Saturday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m.** Festivities continue from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. in downtown Santa Clara at Franklin Square. Since 1945, the Santa Clara Parade of Champions has always been a celebration of community and frontline heroes, non-profits, businesses, organizations, and traditions; bridging communities in Santa Clara and beyond for over half a century. Join us for this year's festivities, featuring Community Village, food trucks, shops, street dance, and more! Visit [SCParadeofChampions.org](https://www.scpardaeofchampions.org) for all the latest.



## The Mechanical Horse, Life-size, Interactive Art Exhibit by Adrian Landon

The City of Santa Clara Cultural Commission and Santa Clara University presents: The Art Exhibition of *The Mechanical Horse* by Adrian Landon. This life-sized Exhibit is located on the Santa Clara University Campus (500 El Camino Real) in the Sobrato Campus for Diversity and Inclusion (SCDI) main lobby, from Sept. 25, 2023 - Jan. 21, 2024. This Exhibit is free and open to the public! The Exhibit is activated through participation by the community. Push the button to the side of the sculpture and watch the horse gallop for one minute. The natural gait of the Horse is brought to life by the complex mechanical movement inside, creating a sense of awe and wonder in those that observe the sculpture in motion. Visit [scupresents.org](https://www.scupresents.org) for directions and hours of operation. Questions? Contact the Cultural Commission at [culturalcommission@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:culturalcommission@santaclaraca.gov).



The Mechanical Horse

## 41st Annual Santa Clara Art & Wine Festival

The Art & Wine Festival presented by Silicon Valley Power on Sept. 16–17 in Central Park was a huge success, with an estimated attendance of over 50,000 people throughout the weekend. The weather was perfect, and you could see the pride and sense of community in the smiles from the attendees. Proceeds from the Festival benefit a variety of local charities. Festival goers enjoyed delicious food, fine wine, craft beer, over 160 arts and crafts booths, Kids Activities and more! Eight bands performed on the SVP Pavilion Stage and nearly 20 local groups entertained the crowd at the Community Stage in the EdgeCore Digital Infrastructure Kids Kingdom. A big Thank You to all the sponsors, artists, community groups, volunteers, City staff and festival goers. Without you, this Festival would not exist. Mark your calendars for the 2024 Art & Wine Festival on Sept. 14–15. We hope to see you there!



Art & Wine Festival

## Imagine a Day Without Water

While so much October focus falls on Halloween, a truly horrifying prospect is living without clean water for drinking, bathing and cooking. *Imagine A Day Without Water*, this year on October 19, has become a national day of action to highlight the necessity of continuous investment in water and its infrastructure. As of December 2021, nearly one million Californians face the daily challenge of surviving without access to clean, safe, drinking water, according to the State Water Board. What can you do to bring attention to water equity? Visit the Imagine a Day Without Water website for [Five Ways to Participate](#). Check out [Work in Your Neighborhood](#) for the latest on Santa Clara's continual water infrastructure improvements.



**Imagine a Day Without Water**  
October 19, 2023

## Electric Yard Care Rebates Available through our Online Marketplace!

Electric yard care equipment instant rebates up to 25% off the purchase price are available through Silicon Valley's online [Marketplace](#). Incentives for income-qualified customers are even higher and are automatically applied in your shopping cart. Residents can also shop for a variety of energy-saving devices. Here you can find smart thermostats, lighting, electric vehicle chargers, connected home devices and more! Prices in the Marketplace are comparable to other retail outlets, and special promotions and rebates are available periodically throughout the year. Shipping is free for orders of \$50 or more and just \$5 for all other orders. Visit [PoweredByEFI.org/SVP](https://PoweredByEFI.org/SVP) to sign up for an account using your Silicon Valley Power utility account number to take advantage of the instant rebates and special promotions.

**Quieter, Cleaner and More Efficient**

*Did you know?* Electric leaf blowers are quieter and better for the environment than gas powered models.



## \$5,000 Grants Available to High School Students for Energy Efficiency or Renewable Energy Projects

Silicon Valley Power offers grants up to \$5,000 for high school students to create projects or awareness campaigns that will educate the Santa Clara community about energy efficiency and/or renewable energy. Examples include but are not limited to educational videos, public art displays, online resources, outreach materials, demonstration projects, webinars, or workshops. Content must promote energy efficiency and/or renewable energy. The program is open to high school students who live in the City of Santa Clara or attend school at a site located within the Santa Clara city limits. Preference is given to projects that include components targeting diversity, equity and inclusion. Applications will be scored based on the content, key messages, target audience, community reach and value for the money spent. 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/Grants](https://SiliconValleyPower.com/Grants).



Grants Available to High School Students

## Bikeway Planning Study (De La Cruz Boulevard/Coleman Avenue)

Draft roadway concept plans have been developed for the ongoing bikeway planning study on De La Cruz Boulevard/Coleman Avenue and will be shared with the public for feedback at a community meeting in October 2023. The draft concepts will also be shared with the Santa Clara Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) in October 2023 for their feedback. Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/BikePedProjects](https://SantaClaraCA.gov/BikePedProjects) to view the first round of community meeting recordings, take our online survey, and find more information on how to participate in the second round of community workshops.



Bikeway Planning Study

## Westwood Oaks Playground Rehabilitation Project

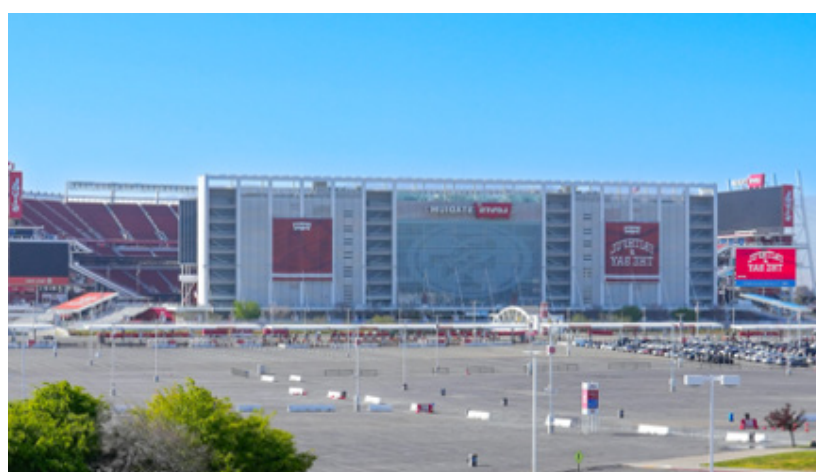
Westwood Oaks Park will be closed from the first week of October until the Playground Rehabilitation Project is completed in summer 2024. The project will include an accessible playground, improved picnic area and sports court, extensive tree replacement for the non-native eucalyptus trees being removed and a completely renovated pathway. During the closure the public is encouraged to visit recreate at nearby neighborhood parks such as Jenny Strand Park, Maywood Park and Homeridge Park. Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/ParkProjects](https://SantaClaraCA.gov/ParkProjects) for more information.

## Resource for Northside Residents on Levi's Stadium Event Days

There are several ways to reach the Santa Clara Police Department depending on the situation.

On Levi's Stadium event days, this includes a non-emergency phone line created to better serve Northside residents and businesses. During event hours, a staff member will answer the phone line to provide immediate service.

Emergency	9-1-1
Non-emergency	408-615-5580
General business	408-615-4700
Stadium	408-615-2280



Levi's Stadium Event Day Resources

The Levi's Stadium event schedule is available at [LevisStadium.com](https://LevisStadium.com).

## Affordable Housing | Kifer Senior Apartments Now Accepting Applications

25 units are available via application and lottery at Kifer Senior Apartments! The City of Santa Clara local preference policy will be applied to these units giving preference for households who live and work within the City of Santa Clara city limits. All units will be income restricted for use by households at income tiers between 20-60 percent of area median income (AMI). Online applications will be accepted from October 1-18, at 5 p.m. For eligibility requirements, and to apply online, visit [jscoabode.com/property/kifer-senior-apartments](https://jscoabode.com/property/kifer-senior-apartments).



Kifer Senior Apartments



# EVENTS & MEETINGS

Find out what's happening in Santa Clara



## Join SCPD for National Coffee with a Cop Day

On **Wednesday, Oct. 4**, National Coffee with a Cop Day brings men and women in uniform together with their respective communities. This event is community policing at its core. Residents casually connect at a local coffee shop, communicate with law enforcement professionals on issues in their neighborhood and learn a bit about one another. There are no speeches or agendas. This is an opportunity to enhance cooperation and trust between our department and residents. Don't miss the opportunity to connect, ask questions, voice concerns and get to know your Santa Clara Police Officers. Read more about [National Coffee with a Cop Day](#).



## 2023 Charter Review Committee

The City of Santa Clara 2023 Charter Review Committee was established for the purpose of making a recommendation to the City Council on what, if any, changes should be made to the Charter provisions providing for an elected Chief of Police and/or an elected City Clerk.

Changes under consideration include but are not limited to: 1) a review of qualifications and eligibility requirements for the two elected positions; 2) converting the positions from elected to appointed; and 3) if appointed, discussion of the appropriate appointing authority for the positions.

Members of the public are invited to attend upcoming meetings of the Charter Review Committee at Santa Clara City Hall, City Council Chambers (1500 Warburton Ave.) or via Zoom on:

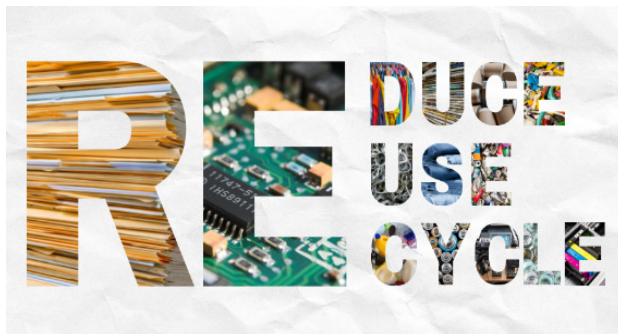
- **Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m.** The Charter Review Committee will discuss and draft final recommendations to present to the City Council.

Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/2023CharterReview](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/2023CharterReview) to learn more.



## Don't Miss the Last Sunset Cinema of the Season!

Bring the entire family to the Reed & Grant Sports Park, 750 Reed St. on **Friday, Oct. 6** for a viewing of the inspiring movie, Remember the Titans on our giant, inflatable screen. The free movie will begin at dusk (approximately 7:15 p.m.). Bring your lawn chair or blanket, and sweater or jacket and get ready for a fun movie night under the stars. Avid readers, visit the Library's popular Bookmobile before the movie. Cruising Cafés will be selling hotdogs, popcorn, and snacks. Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/SunsetCinema](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/SunsetCinema) for more information.



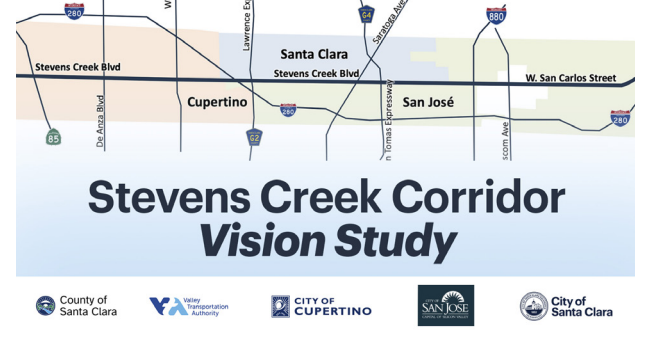
## Environmental Day at Recology!

Recology South Bay is hosting an Environmental Day for Santa Clara residents on **Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.** at [1675 Rogers Avenue](#) in San Jose. Environmental Day is designed to promote recycling, reuse, and diversion of usable materials from the landfill. Residents are invited to bring the following accepted materials:

- Documents for confidential shredding (limited to two banker-sized boxes)
- E-waste (computers, monitors, printers, etc.)
- Universal waste (batteries, cell phones, CFLs and fluorescent tubes)
- Clothing, including shoes (in good condition for donation)

Residents **must** provide a current utility bill and personal identification to verify eligibility. No appointment is required.

Contact Recology South Bay at 408-970-5100 with questions.



## Stevens Creek Boulevard Vision Study Update

The cities of Santa Clara, San Jose, Cupertino, the County of Santa Clara and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) are conducting an approximately two-year, community-based transportation study for the Stevens Creek Boulevard/West San Carlos corridor. The goal is to create a vision that focuses on complete streets, multi-modal transportation improvements, and possible high-capacity transit options to connect Diridon Station in San Jose through Santa Clara to the De Anza College/Highway 85 area in Cupertino.

It should be noted that this is only at a planning level and does not include design, environmental review, or construction of any improvements. At the completion of the work effort, if the jurisdictions decide to move forward with specific plans or improvements, then additional funds would be required to for design, bid and construction.

There are upcoming two engagement opportunities to learn more about the project:

### Community Advisory Group Meeting #1

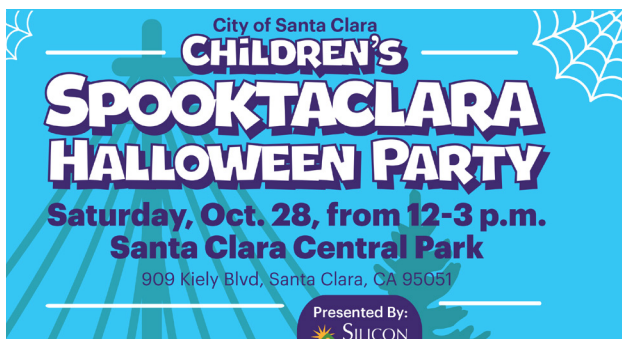
Santa Clara Central Park Library  
2635 Homestead Rd, Santa Clara, CA  
Thursday, October 12, 2023  
5 – 6:30 p.m.

### Steering Committee Meeting

Santa Clara City Hall - Chambers  
1500 Warburton Ave, Santa Clara, CA 95050  
Friday, November 3, 2023  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Visit the project website at [stevenscreekvision.com](http://stevenscreekvision.com) to register. For any questions, email [stevenscreekvision@iteris.com](mailto:stevenscreekvision@iteris.com).





## Children's Spooktaclara Halloween Party

A family-friendly Santa Clara tradition with a new location! Put on your costumes and have fun at the Children's Spooktaclara Halloween Party presented by Silicon Valley Power! Join us on **Saturday, Oct. 28 from 12 – 3 p.m.** at Central Park, 909 Kiely Blvd. The event will take place on the Meadow Area by Bob Fatjo Field. Event activities include the SVP Trick or Treat Row, Pumpkin Walk presented by Star One Credit Union, Carnival Games, Sponsor Give Aways, Crafts, Music, Food and more! This free event is for ages 10 and under. Visit [SantaClaraCa.gov/Halloween](http://SantaClaraCa.gov/Halloween) for more information.



## RJJT Presents Tarzan the Stage Musical!

Based on Disney's epic animated musical adventure, featuring heart-pumping music and high-flying adventure! Performances will be held the first two weekends of November at the Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd. You don't want to miss this production! Visit [Tickets Tarzan](http://TicketsTarzan) for more information and to purchase tickets.



## Community Service Opportunity

Spooktaclara Children's Halloween Party for all students ages 13 years or older at Central Park, 909 Kiely Blvd. Attention Middle and High School students! Register to receive community service hours at the 2023 Spooktaclara Children's Halloween Party! You will help 100's of children have a blast at the safe and friendly environment. The event is **Oct. 28, 2023 from 12 – 3 p.m.** Volunteer shifts are from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. You will get breaks, lunch and candy!! Community Service duties include setting up the activity booths, managing inflatable jumpers and slides, giving out candy, leading and managing carnival games, pumpkin walk and clean up at the end of the event. To register visit [SantaClaraCa.gov/Activenet](http://SantaClaraCa.gov/Activenet).



## Composting Basics Workshop

Backyard composting improves soil structure, increases the absorption of moisture, supplies soil with nutrients for plants and reduces erosion while decreasing what goes to landfill. Learn the art and science behind composting from a local Master Composter. The City is hosting a composting basics workshop on **Saturday, Oct. 28, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**, at the Everett N. "Eddie" Souza Park located at 2380 Monroe St. A master composter will teach residents how to build, maintain and troubleshoot a home compost bin and apply the finished compost. **Registration is required** and in-person attendance is limited to 12 attendees. Register at [ucanr.edu/compost](http://ucanr.edu/compost) or call the "Rot Line" at 408-918-4640.

For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works at [Environment@SantaClaraCA.gov](mailto:Environment@SantaClaraCA.gov) or 408-615-3080.

# CLASSES & ACTIVITIES

Participate in year-round classes and activities for all ages

## October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

Get out your crayons and help the Cultural Arts Commission celebrate diversity with a new coloring page each month. Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/CulturalCommission](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/CulturalCommission) to download the pages and unleash your creativity!

## Purchase your 3-in-1 Activity Pass Now!

The Activity Pass allows access to Group Exercise, Lap Swim or Drop-in Play. Already have a pass and need to reload it? We have you covered! Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/ActivityPass](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/ActivityPass) for more information.

## Group Exercise Classes Expand at the CRC!

Put your Activity Pass to good use! Choose between a variety of 12 classes fitness classes per week to take on your own schedule. Morning and evening classes available. Two new classes and time frames have been added to add to your fitness routine. Visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/ActivityPass](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/ActivityPass) for more information.

## Fall Recreation Classes are in Full Swing!

Recreation facilities are filled with happy customers this Fall! Many additional classes are starting in October. Guitar, dance, ceramics, martial arts, sports and more! Seniors, we have the perfect fitness class just for you! Make sure to visit [SantaClaraCA.gov/RecClasses](http://SantaClaraCA.gov/RecClasses) for more information and upcoming Special Events.





## 2023 Bioblitz Recap

On September 2, citizen scientists gathered at Everett N. "Eddie" Souza Park, 2380 Monroe Street, to participate in the annual Parks 4 Pollinators Bioblitz. The goal was to capture photo evidence of pollinators and wildlife and gather information about the biodiversity of our city parks and how to protect them for the future. Using the iNaturalist App, participants were able to identify 44 species of flora and fauna. Expert biologist of [Bioblitz club](#), Merav Vonshank, provided guidance on how to find the insects and the function they provide to our ecosystem. You can see gorgeous close-up photos on the [iNaturalist Bioblitz project page](#). Visit the Community Garden webpage at [SantaClaraCA.gov/CommunityGarden](#) for more environmentally friendly events!



# SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Events below are held at Santa Clara Senior Center located at 1303 Fremont Street, Santa Clara.

## Walk & Talk - NEW!

Join Health & Wellness Staff on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., for weekly neighborhood walks starting from the Senior Center. We'll meet in the lobby and head out to local destinations like Mission Library and Santa Clara University. Walks will be between 1- 3 miles on flat, paved surfaces. Get outdoors, stay in shape, explore your town, and meet new people! Bring a bottle of water and dress for the weather. This activity is free, but registration is required so we know how many walkers to anticipate. Use Activity # 28074 to [register online](#) or contact the Senior Center Front Desk for assistance at 408-615-3170.

## Senior Center Oktoberfest

Join us on **Thursday, Oct. 19 at 12 p.m.** on the Senior Center Patio as we celebrate Oktoberfest. Enjoy festive food, music and time to connect with friends! The menu includes your choice of a bratwurst, or vegetarian sausage, sauerkraut, pretzels, potato salad, and dessert. Registration is required; please stop by the Front Desk between October 10 – 13 to sign-up. There will be limited tickets that can be purchased the day of at the Front Desk. Hope to see you there!

Cost is:

\$7.00 - with Senior Center Card

\$8.00 - without Senior Center Card

## Plants on the Patio

Join us for a few hours of fun on the patio in October to create your own succulent pumpkin. Create your own beautiful Fall décor that will last you throughout the season. Enjoy this relaxing activity with friends new and old while we provide the materials, instruction, and light refreshments. Registration is required so sign up today!

- October 18, Wednesday 5 – 7 p.m.  
#28049 - [Register](#)
- October 19, Thursday 1 – 3 p.m.  
#28050 - [Register](#)

## Blood Pressure Clinic - Drop In

Stop by on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. for a free blood pressure screening. Health & Wellness Program nurses provide screenings on a first-come, first-served basis. Take a number at the door and then rest a few minutes prior to your screening. High blood pressure adds to the workload of your heart. If left untreated, over time your heart, kidneys, eyes, and brain may all be affected. Learn your numbers and do regular checks to make sure your heart is tip-top.

## Student Nurses Available for Home Visits!

Every year, the Senior Center's Health & Wellness Program partners with the University of San Francisco School of Nursing. These student nurses are smart and engaging, and they are here for their Community Health and Psychology rotations. Part of that experience is providing supervised, friendly-visitor and wellness check home visits. They can measure your blood pressure, provide health information, assist you in connecting with resources, or just enjoy a friendly chat. This is also a chance to help a young adult understand what it's like to be you. Students are accompanied by Mallory von Kugelgen, RN, Health & Wellness Coordinator, and under the supervision of their nursing professor. Visits are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays through November 17. If you are interested, please contact Mallory at [mvonkugelgen@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:mvonkugelgen@santaclaraca.gov) or call 408-615-3180 to arrange an appointment. Time slots go fast, so don't delay.

## Report Concerns via Mobile App

Did you know you can report concerns with **MySantaClara** app? Download the free app to your smartphone to access options for service requests or information. Find it in the Apple App Store or Google Play.

To submit requests via the City website, submit issues online at [SantaClaraCA.gov/mysantaclara](#).

