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Message from Mayor Lisa M. Gillmor

Dear Santa Clarans,

It's hard to believe that we are approaching mid-year, and we are already making plans for the summer. Make sure you check out our Summer 2024 Recreation Activities Guide for fun activities for the entire family. June is a time for celebrations, graduations, honors and special recognitions. It's also a time to be grateful for spending time with our loved ones and enjoying the beautiful weather and all the wonderful activities our community has to offer.

This is also a great time to take your friends and family out to support our local businesses. Eat Locally, Shop Locally and Play Locally, it's a win for our community!



Santa Clara Pal Softball Wraps Up 2024 Season

Santa Clara Pal Softball teams ended a very successful 2024 season at their home field in Central Park. The Board, Coaches, Team Parents, Players, Families and Supporters gathered for a fun-filled closing ceremony. Trophies, awards and a scavenger hunt ensued. So great to see our PAL Board, led by President Mike Walke, our public safety officers and my colleague, Councilmember Kathy Watanabe enjoying the energy and excitement that these young athletes display. The future is bright with these young lady athletes!



Santa Clara Pal Softball

Affordable Housing Opportunity for Seniors in Santa Clara

It was my honor to help officiate at the ribbon-cutting for the Kifer Senior Apartment project in Santa Clara, located at 3333 Kifer Road. These new 80 units are designed for adults, 55 and over. Warm thanks to everyone who helped bring this project to fruition. Santa Clara welcomes all and remains committed to providing affordable housing options for those in need.



Kifer Senior Apartments Grand Opening

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Job Opportunities

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

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Santa Clara Celebrates Our 30th Annual School Safety Patrol Awards Ceremony

Celebrating this special 30-year ceremony of our school safety patrollers, nearly 600 student team members from 18 elementary schools gathered at our Santa Clara Convention Center to be honored. These patrollers promote traffic safety, reduce traffic accidents and ensure students, parents and teachers are safe at our schools.

I would like to thank the Santa Clara Unified School District personnel who administer the programs, the businesses, especially AAA, and all the volunteers who make this program a success. And finally, I would like to recognize our amazing Santa Clara Police Department, and school safety patrol members for dedicating their time to ensure the safety of our community, Every Day! A special mention to Community Service Officer, Taylor Carpenter who is helping these 5th graders learn to develop leadership skills, responsibility, and understand the value and importance of community service. Well done 2024 Safety Patrollers!



Safety Patrol Awards Ceremony

Congratulations to All Graduates!

Congratulations to all our Santa Clara graduates and their families as you celebrate the achievements of the year. Our community will benefit from the knowledge that these students will bring as the future leaders in our City.

From our high schools and colleges: Santa Clara, Wilcox, New Valley, Wilson, McDonald, Cupertino, Del Mar, Mission Early College, Mission College and Santa Clara University. All our graduates should be proud of their efforts. To reach this stage is a great achievement.

Warmest congratulations are extended to all the 2024 Graduates in Santa Clara. Wherever your path leads you, may your future always be bright!



Graduation 2024

Raising Our Flag With Pride

Please mark your calendar and join our City Council in commemorating June as Pride Month in the City as we celebrate our 8th Annual Pride Flag-Raising Ceremony on Friday June 7th at noon in the City Hall Quad area located at 1500 Warburton Ave. As Co-Founder of this event, it is important for all Santa Clarans to come together to celebrate diversity, inclusion and love. We will have community leaders present who promote health, strength, advocacy and protection of rights for our LGBTQ+ Santa Clara community. Please join us for this empowering celebration and the raising of our Pride flag!



Pride Month

Asian American Stories Award Ceremony, a True Celebration

Asian American Stories contest was created by Diana Ding, of Ding Ding TV, Silicon Valley Innovation Channel, (and our current Santa Claran of the Year), and Joel Wong, APAPA, Asian Pacific Islander American Public Affairs, writer/performer of "All of Us Belong Right Here". The contest consisted of 1 minute videos, produced by filmmakers and first-time youth and adult storytellers.

I was honored to serve as one of the many judges who viewed 72 video submissions. Congratulations to all the video winners and a special thanks to the entire committee for their commitment to lifting Asian American voices, standing against discrimination, and stopping Asian hate. Once again, I was reminded through all the spectacular story submittals and performances that "ALL OF US BELONG RIGHT HERE". To watch the videos and for more information on next year's contest, visit aastories.org



Asian American Stories

Happy Father's Day to Dads, Grandfathers, Father Figures, Mentors and Friends

On Sunday, June 16, we will honor all fathers and father figures for their invaluable contributions and the recognition they truly deserve. We know that involved fathers have a direct impact on their children's future. Our children benefit immensely from the positive guidance, time, words, and actions of a father or father figure in their lives.

I am grateful for my father, Gary, who taught me the importance of contributing to the well-being of my community. And to my husband, Demitri, who continues to be an unwavering presence in the lives of our 3 children. Happy Father's Day.

"A father is neither an anchor to hold us back nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way."

— Anonymous

Wishing you a summer filled with sunshine, laughter, and unforgettable memories.



Mayor Lisa Gillmor



Father's Day 2024

CITY NEWS & UPDATES

Learn about the latest updates in Santa Clara

Santa Clara 4th of July

The City of Santa Clara is partnering with Mission College, Great America and Silicon Valley Power to celebrate the 4th of July from 4 – 10 p.m. at Mission College, 3000 Mission College Blvd. This free event will feature picnic games and activities for all ages, a wide choice of food trucks, and live entertainment featuring performances by David Martin’s House Party Band, Mustache Harbor, Yacht Rock, Santa Clara Elite Dance Team, Vanguard Music and Performing Arts. We will end our night with a patriotic musical experience synchronized with an expanded Great American Fireworks show! Both admission and parking will be free for this event. Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/4thofJuly for more information.



Affordable Housing at Orlo Apartment

There are 32 affordable housing rental units available at Orlo in Santa Clara located at 1200 Rickabaugh Way. There are studios, 1, 2 or 3 bedroom apartments available via lottery with applications being accepted May 20 to June 26. Preference will be given to those who live or work within the City of Santa Clara city limits. Information regarding eligibility requirements and application is available [online](#).



Affordable Housing at Orlo Apartment

Bikeway Planning Studies

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) is scheduled to review the final draft bikeway planning studies and proposed concept designs at the June 17, 2024, BPAC meeting for the following four bikeway planning projects:

- **De La Cruz Boulevard** (Central Expressway to Lafayette Street) and
- **Coleman Avenue** (De La Cruz Boulevard to Brokaw Road)
- **Martin Avenue** (Lafayette Street to De La Cruz Boulevard) and
- **Walsh Avenue** (Bowers Avenue to Lafayette Street)
- **Monroe Street** (Lawrence Expressway to San Tomas Expressway)
- **Benton Street** (Dunford Way to Lincoln Street)

At the meeting, the BPAC will take action to recommend to Council whether to adopt each of the four studies and approve a preferred design alternative they selected for each corridor. BPAC meetings are open to the public and the public can provide comments to the BPAC. Information related to the June BPAC meeting can be found at santaclara.legistar.com.

Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/BikePedProjects to view the final draft reports and stay informed about upcoming public meetings for each study.

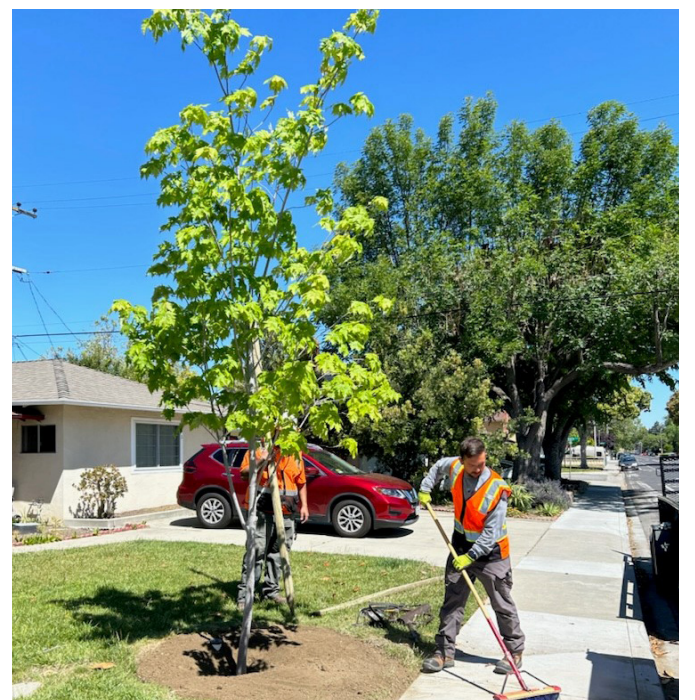
Street Tree Planting Program

Urban trees are heroes when it comes to improving the quality of life in Santa Clara. According to the Arbor Day Foundation, trees provide environmental and economic benefits, including carbon sequestration, reduced air pollution, reduced stormwater runoff, and cost savings associated with providing shade which cools buildings. Street trees play an important role in creating healthy and thriving neighborhoods. Help beautify your community by having a City street tree planted within the public right-of-way in front of your home.

To request a tree: call 408-615-3080, email Street@SantaClaraCA.gov; or complete an [online request form](#).

Tree City USA Recognition

The benefits that trees bring to our urban environment are tremendous and we recognize the importance of a robust and thriving urban forest. Tree City USA is a nationally recognized program that began in 1976 and is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters. Towns and cities that have received their Tree City USA recognition take pride in this distinction and the people who live there enjoy the valuable benefits of having a greener, healthier community. For its commitment to managing, expanding, and preserving our urban forest, the City of Santa Clara has been designated a Tree City USA community for the 37th time by the Arbor Day Foundation.



Tree City USA Recognition

Rebates Up to \$3,500 for Income-Qualified Customers Purchasing a Pre-Owned Electric Vehicle

Are you thinking about upgrading to a **pre-owned** all-electric vehicle (EV) or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle? Silicon Valley Power offers incentives to income-qualified customers for the purchase of a pre-owned EV or plug-in hybrid vehicle.

Rebates:

- \$1,500 for a fully electric vehicle
- \$1,000 for a plug-in hybrid vehicle

Bonus Rebates:

- Additional \$1,000 for residents who meet the California LIHEAP program income requirements
- Additional \$1,000 for efficient vehicles with a miles per gallon of gasoline equivalent (MPGe) of 117 or greater

This rebate **can be combined** with other programs, such as Federal tax credits, but all incentives may not exceed the vehicle purchase price. To learn more about electric vehicles and a variety of incentives available, visit SiliconValleyPower.com/EV.

Electric Yard Care Rebates Available Through Our Online Marketplace

Check out through Silicon Valley's online [Marketplace for instant rebates](#) on electric yard care equipment where you can save up to 25% off the purchase price. Residents can also shop for a variety of energy-saving devices, such as 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. Smart thermostats will be on sale June 26-July 11, 2024. Residents can receive \$20-\$70 off during this promotional period. Shipping is free for orders of \$50 or more and just \$5 for all other orders. Visit 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.

Bassett Street Recycled Water APWA Award

Water & Sewer Utilities is excited to share that the American Public Works Association's Silicon Valley Chapter recognized the Bassett Street Project as 2024 Project of the Year for Emergency Repair.

At a May 15 luncheon, Water & Sewer Utilities received a plaque for its skilled management of an emergency repair to a 24-inch, steel recycled water main, damaged by a contractor last summer.

Not only did City crews stop the leak and repair the main without any service interruptions, but they used the time waiting for the replacement 40-foot pipe section to install a recycled water fill station for cleaning and construction use by the City and construction contractors, helping to further the City's sustainability goals: lemonade from lemons!

Congratulations on a well-handled emergency situation.

Firehouse Community Fair

On May 11, Santa Clara Fire Department welcomed approximately 1000 guests to the SCFD Training Center/Drill Grounds for the Firehouse Community Fair! Visitors were treated to live demonstrations including auto extrication, aerial ladder rescue, live fire extinguisher, and search dog demos. Children were invited to explore different kids' agility courses, flow water through fire hose, practice CPR and Stop/Drop/Roll, and learn about fire safety. Several First Responder Therapy Dogs were on hand for furry cuddles; and the SCFD Museum offered a journey through firefighting history. Mission College students from the Fire Academy, EMT, and Fire Science programs volunteered their time and energy to assist the Santa Clara Fire Department team, making this community event a fun, informative and successful time for all!



Income-qualified rebates on pre-owned electric vehicles



Bassett Street recycled water APWA award



Firehouse Community Fair

EVENTS & MEETINGS

Find out what's happening in Santa Clara

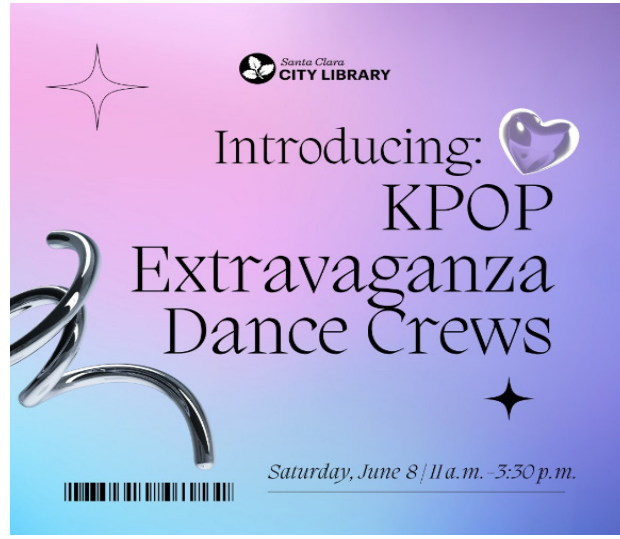


Pride Flag Raising Ceremony

To celebrate Pride Month, the City of Santa Clara is hosting the 8th Annual Pride Flag Raising Ceremony outside at Santa Clara City Hall. The City invites the community to join the ceremony together with the Santa Clara City Council. Free shaved ice available while supplies last.

Friday, June 7, 2024, 12 p.m.
Santa Clara City Hall Quad Area
1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara

Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/Pride for more information.



Library K-pop Extravaganza

Join us for a day of fun and K-pop at the **Central Park Library on June 8 from 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.** [K-pop Extravaganza](#) will feature performances and workshops by local dance crews Eclipse, KDC DE ANZA and Synkronize Dance. Come meet other local fans while showing off your dance moves during random play dance, and decorating photocards. You can learn iconic dances, play Korean cultural games, and show off your knowledge in K-pop Jeopardy. Mark your calendars and don't miss out on this unforgettable experience!



June Concerts in the Park

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors, and dance to live music in your local parks. Join in the fun! Visit SantaClaraCA.gov/Concerts for more information. Delicious food available for purchase.

- Houserockers | Friday, June 14 | Live Oak Park, 641 Moreland Way
- The Peelers | Friday, June 28 | Central Park, 969 Kiely Blvd.

CLASSES & ACTIVITIES

Participate in year-round classes and activities for all ages

Recreational Swim and Swim Lessons

Join us and cool off at the pool this Summer!

- **Recreational swim** will be offered from June 10 – Sept. 1 at the following locations:
 - Warburton Swim Center, 2250 Royal Drive
 - Mary Gomez Swim Center, 651 Bucher Ave.
- **Group and private swim lessons** for children 3 – 17 years old will be offered starting on Saturday, June 8. Morning, evening, and weekend classes are available.

Registration is open [online](#) or by calling 408-615-3140.

Total Body HIIT

Come join a new adult fitness class that combines maximum effort intervals with short rest periods. Work the whole body with a combination of body weight, free weights, running and more to make for an efficient and fun workout. Classes will begin on Thursday, June 6 at Reed & Grant Sports Park, 750 Reed St. Class times will be 4:45 – 5:45 p.m. and 6 – 7 p.m. [Register online](#) or call the Community Recreation Center at 408-615-3140.

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.

