City of Garden Grove

WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO

October 14, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council FROM: Scott C. Stiles, City Manager

Members

DEPARTMENT ITEMS I.

A. UPDATE ON THE MEDIA CAMPAIGN FOR THE BE WELL OC IN GARDEN **GROVE MOBILE RESPONSE UNIT**

This memorandum provides an update on planned activities for the Be Well OC in Garden Grove Mobile Response Unit media campaign.

II. ITEMS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, OUTSIDE AGENCIES, **BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS**

- A. Care Ambulance September 2021 compliance report.
- B. OC Streetcar construction alert for the week of October 11, 2021.
- C. Garden Grove Unified School District #GGUSDPride E-newsletter featuring events and notable accomplishments.

OTHER ITEMS

- SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS Items of interest are included.

Scott C. Stiles City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Scott C. Stiles

From:

Lisa L. Kim

Dept:

City Manager

Dept:

Community and Economic

Development

Subject:

Update on the media campaign for

Date:

October 14, 2021

the Be Well OC in Garden Grove

Mobile Response Unit

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update on the various activities planned for the Be Well in Garden Grove Mobile Response Unit media campaign beginning on Monday, October 18, 2021.

BACKGROUND

The City recently approved a \$1.3M contract with Be Well OC to develop and implement the region's first-ever mobile mental health unit known as the Be Well Orange County in Garden Grove Mobile Response Unit ("Mobile Unit"). The Mobile Unit went live on Monday, October 4, 2021, however, the media launch was delayed by two weeks to allow for adequate coordination between City Departments and outside agencies.

DISCUSSION

On Monday, October 18, 2021, the City will officially announce the Mobile Unit to the public. The anticipated promotional activities include:

- Joint press release with quotes from Mayor Steve Jones, Be Well OC, and Supervisor Andrew Do
- Social media posts with Garden Grove Police Department and Be Well OC
- Garden Grove TV3 PSAs: Mayor's Headlines and News Story
- Digital banners: City website, Facebook, Instagram, and Nextdoor
- Digital signs civic center, GEM theater, Harbor Blvd, Valley View, Auto Center, and Clear Channel
- Special message on the water bill from October 18 through November 7; and
- Outreach to Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, Orange County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Korean Federation, Korean American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County, and Vietnamese American Chamber of Commerce

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Additionally, Be Well OC and the City are partnering on three (3) community-based events to raise awareness around the Mobile Unit and wellness in general. These events include:

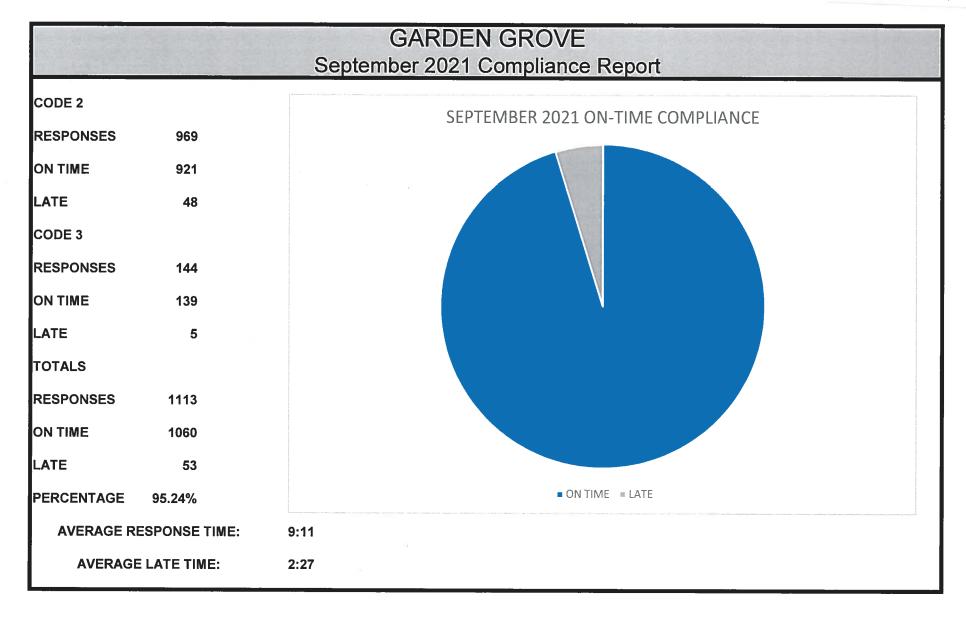
- "Trek-n-Treat" Community Wellness Day on Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 9:00am to 12:00pm. This event consists of a 1.25 mile walk along the Right-Of-Way bike path beginning at Brookhurst Street and ending on Main Street.
- In-Person Community Engagement Meeting at the CMC on Wednesday, December 2, 2021 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This meeting will provide the public with an opportunity to provide feedback regarding their experiences with the health care system in Orange County.
- Virtual Community Engagement Meeting on Saturday, December 11, 2021 from 10:30am to 12:00pm. This event will be a follow-up to the inperson event mentioned above and will provide attendees with valuable tools and resources directly related to the comments and concerns raised during the first meeting.

Additional information regarding these events will be provided as it becomes available.

Lisa L. Kim

Director of Community and Economic Development

By: Nate Robbins, Senior Program Specialist



Mon, Oct 11, 2021 03:02 PM

Fwd: OC Streetcar Construction Alert

From :Scott Stiles <sstiles@ggcity.org>
Subjectwd: OC Streetcar Construction Alert
To : Meena Yoo <meenay@ggcity.org>

Meena: for Mgr's memo. Thanks. Scott

Scott C. Stiles, ICMA-CM City Manager / City of Garden Grove 11222 Acacia Parkway Garden Grove, CA 92840 714-741-5100 (o) / 714-719-1810 (c) www.ggcity.org

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: OC Streetcar <ocstreetcar@octa.net>
Date: October 11, 2021 at 2:41:34 PM PDT

To: sstiles@ggcity.org

Subject: OC Streetcar Construction Alert

Reply-To: ocstreetcar@octa.net



Anuncio en Español

Construction AlertWeek of October 11, 2021

Construction Highlights:

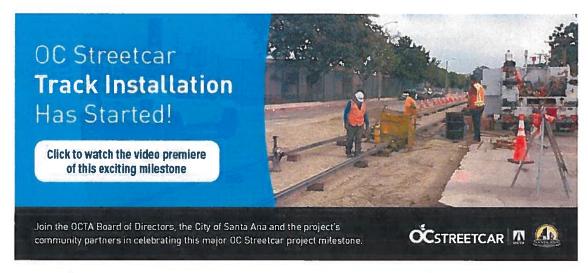
- 5th Street Crossing construction at 5th Street and the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way. Work requires westbound and eastbound traffic to be shifted to the north side of the street.
- Track installation in Segment 2. Work requires eastbound and westbound traffic to be shifted to the south side Santa Ana Boulevard between Bristol Street and Parton Street. Learn more here.
 - The Shelton Street and Santa Ana Boulevard intersection is anticipated to be closed in mid-October.
- Track installation in Segment 3. Work requires lane closures on Santa Ana Boulevard from Parton Street to Mortimer Street. A single lane is open for traffic. Learn more here.
 - The Sycamore Street and Santa Ana Boulevard intersection is closed, detours are available.
 - The Bush Street and Santa Ana Boulevard intersection is closed, detours are available.

Access will be maintained for all residents and businesses. Construction activities are dependent on weather and resource availability.

Click here form more information on track installation activities.

For specific work activities in your area, click on the map below.







OCTA's Eat Shop Play program supports businesses located along the future OC streetcar route. Benefits to customers include special deals, invitations to community events and free parking for the first hour in nearby structures. Learn more at octa.net/eatshopplay.

About the Project

OC Streetcar is the first modern streetcar project to be built in Orange County and will serve Santa Ana's historic and thriving downtown, which includes federal, state and local courthouses, government offices, colleges, an artists' village and a thriving restaurant scene. It will operate along a 4.15-mile route that connects the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center (SARTC) and a new transit hub at Harbor Boulevard and Westminster Avenue in Garden Grove.

To share this e-blast, forward this link

























OC Streetcar | 550 S. Main Street , Orange, CA 92868

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Simon Scholars, Hispanic Heritage Month, Virtual College Fair and More

From: Garden Grove Unified School District

Fri, Oct 08, 2021 05:01 PM

<pio_department@ggusd.us>

Subjectimon Scholars, Hispanic Heritage Month, Virtual College Fair and More

To: meenay@ci.garden-grove.ca.us

Reply Times department <pio_department@ggusd.us>

October 8, 2021 =



#GGUSDPRIDE E-newsletter

The #GGUSDPride E-newsletter features many of the great things happening in GGUSD. Send your photos to pio_department@ggusd.us to highlight your school or students in the e-newsletter.

GGUSD Board Recognizes Simon Scholars Class of 2023

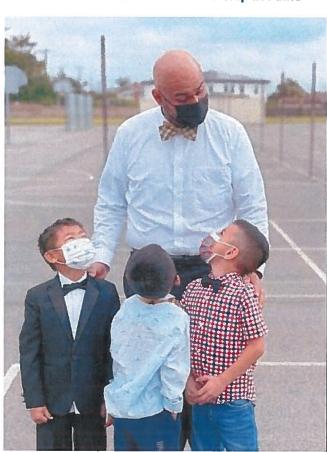
The GGUSD Board of Education recognized the Class of 2023 Simon Scholars at its meeting this week. This video features an introduction to each student and why they wanted to be a Simon Scholar. We would like to extend a very special thank you to the Simon Family Foundation for their partnership.



Morningside Students' Hispanic Heritage Month Project is a Home



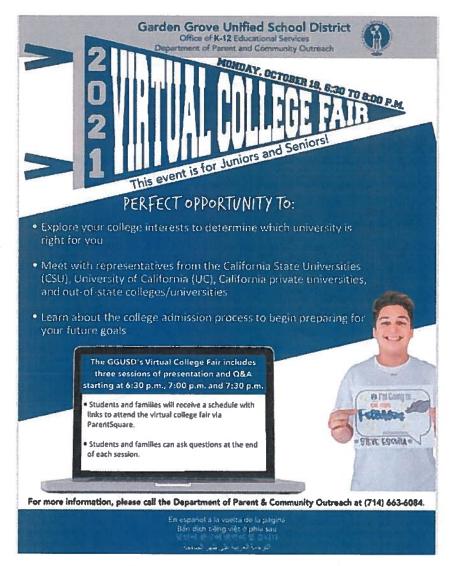
For Hispanic Heritage Month, sixth-grade students at Morningside Elementary learned about the contribution of Latinos to the American game of baseball and our fifth graders created beautiful examples of the famous Spanish artist Anonti Guadí. Morningside School values the diversity of its students and families and will continue to host cultural celebrations throughout the year.



Picture Perfect Model of Leadership at Paine

Paine's Principal George Martinez is all about building positive relationships with students. This is always evident on Picture Day, as students dress to impress by duplicating his style. Great principals lead by example!

Get Ready for the 2021 GGUSD Virtual College Fair



Juniors and Seniors - GGUSD is hosting our 2021 Virtual College Fair on Monday, October 18 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. It's the perfect event to explore your college interests, meet with representatives from CSU, UC, private universities, and out of state universities, and learn more about the college admission process.

Rancho Artists Use Art to Inspire Love and Hope

Rancho Alamitos High School students in Exploratory Art and Ceramics participated in the American Love Project, designed to inspire love and hope during a time where the nation is divided, traumatized by the COVID-19 pandemic and longing for love and hope. Students used their talents to create artwork that spreads a message of love, hope and kindness toward our neighbors.



Deserving Bulldogs Earn Lunch with the Principal



Parkview Principal Ryan Baker enjoyed hosting Lunch with the Principal this week for these outstanding students! Parkview students who earn Bulldog Awards get entered into a raffle for prizes like this one. We love seeing these fun school traditions continue! #GGUSDPride

Russell Elementary Language Academy Embraces Hispanic Culture



Russell Elementary Language Academy kicked off National Hispanic Heritage Month with the school's first "Grito de Dolores / Cry for Dolores" Mexican Independence Day Assembly, which took place on September 16th. Latinos Unidos student leaders, along with the two talented music teachers who performed the song, shared the historical background along with the cultural significance of celebrating independence across the Americas.

GGUSD is Looking for Substitute Teachers and Instructional Aides

Apply to work at GGUSD and join an amazing team! This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in teaching.





Be a part of a great team!

SUBSTITUTE
TEACHING POSITIONS
NOW OPEN!



Substitute Rate **\$150 Daily Rate**

Tiered System of Pay Increase for Days Worked Long-Term Positions for Credentialed Teachers also Available

APPLY NOW: bit.ly/subatggusd

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Looking for a job that helps students, and contributes toward a caring and supportive school culture? We have two great opportunities for you to apply! Part-time opportunities are available for Instructional Assistant II and both part-time and full-time positions are available for Intensive Behavioral Intervention Assistant. We are also looking for substitutes, which allows you the flexibility to work as time permits!

This is your apportunity to work for one of Orange County's top school districts. GGUSD is locally and nationally recognized as a leader in education with numerous awards and honors, including being named Orange County's FIRST California Exemplary School District.



First school district in Orange County to be named as a California Exemplary District



GGUSD and 48 schools were named to the California Honor Roll in 2019-220



2020 and 2021 U.S. News and World Report Best High Schools List Schools in 2020 and 2021

ols named to the

APPLY ONLINE

https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/ggusd/ Questions? Call (714) 663-6512

Send Us Your Suggestions

Communicating with GGUSD is easy. Our Communication Guidelines were created to help families know who to contact when they have questions or concerns. Most questions and concerns are addressed and resolved at the school level. Click here for our Communication webpage to read our Communication Guidelines document with the most up-to-date contact information for parent communication in GGUSD. Additionally, we welcome you to submit suggestions, questions and input to our Online Suggestion Box so that we may better meet your needs and interests. You may choose to leave your phone number for a call back or simply leave your suggestion anonymously. Click here for the Suggestion Box.



GGUSD is committed to keeping our community informed about the impact of the coronavirus public health crisis on our school system. All coronavirus related messages or updates from GGUSD to our families are posted here.

Click here for GGUSD's COVID-related communication.

Garden Grove Unified School District

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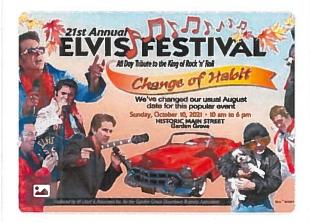
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Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/7/2021 8:39 am PDT

Who's ready to jailhouse rock this weekend? Come to the 21st annual Elvis Festival on Sunday, October 10, at Gard...



Impressions	3,963
Reach	3,860
Engagements	82
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	2.1%



y @CityGardenGroveThu 10/7/2021 8:43 am PDT

Ready to jailhouse rock this weekend? Come to the 21st annual Elvis Festival on Sun., 10/10, at GG's Historic Main St...

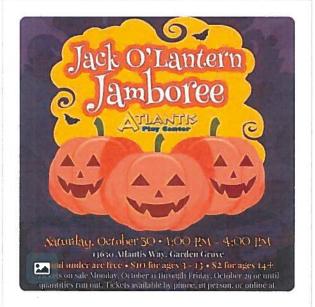


Impressions	352
Potential Reach	6,557
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	3.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/7/2021 12:24 pm PDT



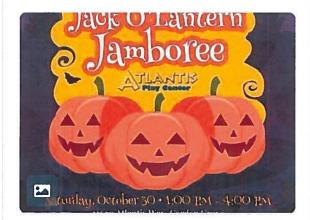
Impressions	-
Reach	******
Engagements	_
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	_



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/7/2021 12:24 pm PDT

It's pumpkin season... Bring out the pumpkins at the annual Jack O' Lantern Jamboree on October 30, from 1:00 p.m....

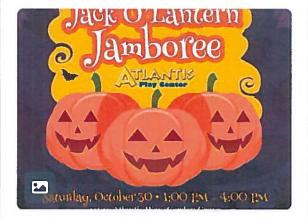


Impressions	5,722
Reach	5,721
Engagements	290
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	5.1%



y @CityGardenGroveThu 10/7/2021 12:29 pm PDT

⊗It's pumpkin season... Bring out the pumpkins at the annual Jack O' Lantern Jamboree on 10/30, from 1PM-4PM, at...



Impressions	315
Potential Reach	4,415
Engagements	11
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	3.5%



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Thu 10/7/2021 3:59 pm PDT

②It's pumpkin season... Bring out the pumpkins at the annual Jack O' Lantern Jamboree on October 30, from 1:00 p.m....







Impressions	2,560
Reach	2,041
Engagements	145
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	5.7%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/7/2021 6:57 pm PDT



Impressions	_
Reach	-
Engagements	8.—B
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	_



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/7/2021 6:57 pm PDT



Impressions	4,708
Reach	4,275
Engagements	209
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4.4%



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Thu 10/7/2021 7:00 pm PDT







Impressions	1,153
Reach	909
Engagements	55
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4.8%



Garden Grove City Hall Fri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

Từ đầu năm 2021, đã có 15 trường hợp tử vong xảy ra do tai nạn giao thông ở Garden Grove. Sáu trường hợp là người ...



Video Views	9
Impressions	66
Reach	62
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.6%



Garden Grove City Hall Fri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

Since the start of 2021, there have been 15 traffic fatalities in Garden Grove. Six were pedestrians in marked or unmarke...



Video Views	27
Impressions	83
Reach	81
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.2%



Garden Grove City Hall Fri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

2021년 초부터 가든 그로브에서 15명의 교통사고 사망자가 발생했습니다. 6명은 횡단보도의 보행자였습니다. 한 명의 사망자도 너무 많습니...



Video Views	80
Impressions	170
Reach	159
Engagements	27
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	15.9%



Garden Grove City Hall Fri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

Desde el principio de 2021, han ocurrido 15 fatalidades causadas por accidentes de tráfico en Garden Grove. Seis eran...



Video Views	147
Impressions	426
Reach	381
Engagements	24
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.6%



y @CityGardenGroveFri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

v=t2BPT9... Since the start of 2021, there have been 15 traffic fatalities in GG. One fatality is one too many.

Practice safety tips from the GG Accident Reduction Team. View the video in Korean, Spanish & Vietnamese: ggpd.org/arteam

GardenGrovePDS #gg1956

Post Link Clicks	0
Impressions	234
Potential Reach	4,414
Engagements	4
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	1.7%



gardengrovecityhall Fri 10/8/2021 8:00 am PDT

Pedestrian Safety 101 Since the start of 2021, there have been 15 traffic fatalities in Garden Grove. Six...



Video Views	89
Impressions	368
Reach	348
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.6%



gardengrovecityhall

Fri 10/8/2021 8:01 am PDT

consejos de seguridad para peatones 101 Desde el principio de 2021, han ocurrido 15 fatalidades causadas por accidentes ...



Video Views	63
Impressions	339
Reach	315
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.5%



o gardengrovecityhall

Fri 10/8/2021 8:02 am PDT

Lời khuyên cho những người đi bộ 101 Từ đầu năm 2021, đã có 15 trường hợp tử vong xảy ra do tai nạn giao thông ở...



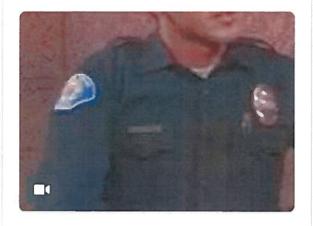
Video Views	69
Impressions	361
Reach	338
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.4%



gardengrovecityhall

Fri 10/8/2021 8:03 am PDT

보행자 안전 수칙 101 2021년 초부터 가든 그로브에서 15명의 교통사 고 사망자가 발생했습니다. 6명은 횡단보도의...



Video Views	90
Impressions	375
Reach	353
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



@CityGardenGrove

Fri 10/8/2021 5:00 pm PDT

In honor of

#breastcancerawarenessmonth we've lit the iconic clock tower, in Village Gree...







Impressions	657
Potential Reach	4,567
Engagements	44
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	6.7%



Garden Grove City Hall Fri 10/8/2021 5:00 pm PDT

In honor of

#breastcancerawarenessmonth we've lit the iconic clock tower, in Village Green...



Impressions	2,765
Reach	2,645
Engagements	188
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	6.8%



gardengrovecityhall Fri 10/8/2021 5:01 pm PDT

In honor of

#breastcancerawarenessmonth we've lit the iconic clock tower, in Village Green...







Impressions	3,388
Reach	2,726
Engagements	347
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	10.2%



Garden Grove City Hall

Sat 10/9/2021 8:00 am PDT

We invite local business owners and entrepreneurs to take advantage of the opportunity to learn all aspects of digital...



Impressions	721
Reach	714
Engagements	7
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1%





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Impressions	291
Potential Reach	4,418
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4.5%



Garden Grove City Hall Mon 10/11/2021 9:15 am PDT

In California, earthquakes are more likely to happen. The City of Garden Grove would like to encourage earthquake...



Impressions	2,381
Reach	2,328
Engagements	59
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	2.5%



y @CityGardenGroveMon 10/11/2021 9:17 am PDT

⚠ In California, earthquakes are more likely to happen. The City of GG would like to encourage earthquake preparedness...



Impressions	662
Potential Reach	4,417
Engagements	38
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	5.7%



Garden Grove City Hall Mon 10/11/2021 12:00 pm PDT

You could never go wrong with learning how to save a life. § 4 The City of Garden Grove's Community Emergency Respons...



Impressions	2,390
Reach	2,335
Engagements	96
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4%



y @CityGardenGroveMon 10/11/2021 12:04 pm PDT

You could never go wrong with learning how to save a life. ## The City's CERT is hosting a free 20-hr workshop to train...



Impressions	281
Potential Reach	4,417
Engagements	13
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4.6%



Garden Grove City Hall Tue 10/12/2021 8:51 am PDT

Seniors, let's chat about it! Join us every Wednesday of this month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for in-person and zoom...



Impressions	626
Reach	609
Engagements	3
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	0.5%



Seniors, let's chat about it! → Join us every Wed. of this month from 10:30-11:30AM for in-person & zoom workshops to discu...



Impressions	178
Potential Reach	4,416
Engagements	0
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	0%



Garden Grove City Hall Tue 10/12/2021 12:00 pm PDT

**Attention: The deadline is near! That's right, the deadline to nominate individuals, businesses and organizations who...



Impressions	3,894
Reach	3,386
Engagements	304
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	7.8%



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 10/12/2021 12:08 pm PDT

**ATTN: The deadline is near! That's right, the deadline to nominate individuals, businesses & organizations who answer...



Impressions	191
Potential Reach	4,415
Engagements	6
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	3.1%



y @CityGardenGrove Tue 10/12/2021 3:00 pm PDT

▲ ●ATTENTION COMMUTERS ● ▲ The I-405 Improvement Project Construction has schedule a closure on the NB 405 for the...



Impressions	204
Potential Reach	4,436
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	3.9%



Garden Grove City Hall Tue 10/12/2021 3:00 pm PDT

▲ ATTENTION COMMUTERS ▲ The I-405 Improvement Project Construction has scheduled a closure on the NB 405 for th...



Impressions	871
Reach	866
Engagements	9
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1%



©CityGardenGrove Wed 10/13/2021 8:30 am PDT

Shopping small makes a **#BiGG** difference. The City would like to welcome in businesses that joined the...



Impressions	272
Potential Reach	4,417
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	4.4%



Garden Grove City Hall Wed 10/13/2021 9:34 am PDT

Shopping small makes a "BiGG" difference.

The City of Garden Grove would like to
welcome several local businesses to Buy...



Impressions	519
Reach	517
Engagements	10
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.9%



Garden Grove City Hall Wed 10/13/2021 3:29 pm PDT

Are you wildfire ready? The American Lung Association in California wants you to protect your lung health during Californi...



Video Views	61
Impressions	231
Reach	226
Engagements	8
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.5%



y @CityGardenGrove Wed 10/13/2021 3:35 pm PDT

Are you wildfire ready? The
@CaliforniaLung wants you to protect your lung health during California's wild...



Video Views	49
Impressions	236
Potential Reach	4,418
Engagements	5
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	2.1%



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Included in this Report

Garden Grove Police Department

@ ggpdk9unit



Garden Grove Police Depa...
Wed 10/13/2021 6:00 pm PDT

It's that time of the year again to clean out your medicine cabinets. #GardenGrovePD in conjunction with the Drug Enforceme...



Impressions	_
Reach	70000
Engagements	_
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	******



Garden Grove Police Depa...
Tue 10/12/2021 12:10 pm PDT

You're already a #HERO! How about working for the best city in Orange County? "Family" is our department mot...



Impressions	3,320
Reach	3,245
Engagements	121
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	3.6%



Garden Grove Police Depa...
Fri 10/8/2021 3:00 pm PDT

#PedestrianSafety 101 - Since the start of 2021, there have been 15 traffic fatalities in Garden Grove. Six were pedestrians in...



Video Views	2,555
Impressions	4,556
Reach	3,961
Engagements	443
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	9.7%



ggpdk9unit

Fri 10/8/2021 10:25 am PDT

If at first you don't succeed, try again. Jumping into the weekend like your toy is stuck in a tree. #GGPD32 #GGPD...



Video Views	480
Impressions	974
Reach	925
Engagements	144
Engagement Rate (per Impressi	14.8%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Thu 10/7/2021 6:01 pm PDT

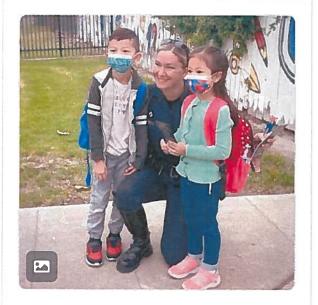
#DidYouKnow the first #NationalWalkToSchoolDay began in 1997 as a one-day event aimed at building...



Impressions	10,107
Reach	8,569
Engagements	589
Engagement Rate (per Impres	5.8%



Garden Grove Police Depa... Thu 10/7/2021 6:01 pm PDT



Impressions	-
Reach	_
Engagements	-
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	_



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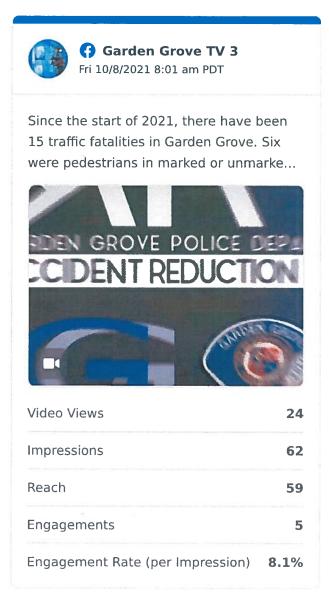


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CityGardenGrove #ggtv3

Post Link Clicks	0	
Impressions	27	
Potential Reach	430	
Engagements	1	
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	3.7%	



WEEKLY MEMO 10-14-2021

NEWS ARTICLES

Police reform: In Huntington Beach, noncriminal mental emergencies go to Be Well OC

The medical crisis intervention experiment is based on a longstanding program in Oregon. Two-man crew rolls out in a big blue van determined to bring hope and help.



Be Well Crisis Worker Jimmy Mun, right, talks with a homeless man who was causing trouble outside Woody's Diner in Huntington Beach, CA, on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. (Photo by Jeff Gritchen, Orange County Register/SCNG)

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The call came in around noon, on the last Tuesday of September, a bit after Jimmy Mun and Phillip Oh started their shift.

A man was at a house in Huntington Beach, talking about ending his life. He battles mental illness and had recently stopped taking his medication. His sister was scared, so she placed the call.

There was no threat of violence to anyone else; no weapon, no crime. Still, it was the kind of call that, for decades, has been handled by police.

Instead, this time — and for at least the next year — the call was dispatched to Be Well OC, a new, experimental mobile response team aimed at helping people in Huntington Beach who are experiencing a non-criminal mental health crisis. Mun and

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Oh, one of the two-person teams staffing the Be Well Ford Transit van, are trained in emergency medicine and mental health, not police work.

So they rolled out to the house and the troubled man and his frightened sister.

For 20 minutes they calmly spoke with — and listened to — the man. Then he climbed into the back the van, buckled himself into one of the bucket seats, and awaited transport to the <u>Be Well OC mental health hub</u> in Orange. There, he would see counselors, not cops.

It's unclear if he saw the promise written on the side of the big blue van:

"Hope Happens Here."

Brisk business

For Mun (pronounced like "moon") and Oh, that call was the start of a 12-hour shift. Their day would end around midnight, and in similar fashion.

This time, a woman was calling about her husband. He, too, was possibly suicidal. But this man didn't want to get into the van and, since he wasn't "5150" — meaning he wasn't an immediate danger to himself or others — he could not be placed in an involuntary, 72-hour hold for psychiatric evaluation. So Mun and Oh left him with their card and a promise to help. All he had to do was contact them.

In the hours between those two calls, Mun and Oh took one man from the Huntington Beach jail to the Be Well campus and another to a different crisis stabilization center. A fifth man was taken to a hospital.

Anthony Delgado, Be Well's director of mobile response services, said some shifts can involve as many as 10 calls. "Some days, you're back to back."

Seven days a week

Huntington Beach was the first city in Orange County to contract with Be Well for a mobile response team. Under a \$1.5 million, one-year pilot program, the mission is to handle calls that don't require police officers or a paramedic from the fire department. Right now, Be Well's presence in Huntington Beach involves two, two-person teams who rotate 12-hour shifts, seven days a week.

When calls are at a lull, the crisis management teams are not. They drive the streets, going to homeless encampments to connect with people who might be receptive to their help or simply looking for people who appear to be in some type of distress.

They are supported by their supervisor, Lance Lindgren, formerly a supervisor with the county's crisis intervention services, and another case manager, who make follow-up calls from their office.

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The idea of sending non-emergency response teams to help the mentally ill is part of a growing trend, locally and around the country, in the wake of calls to reduce the number of encounters involving police and unarmed mentally ill people. Some of those encounters result in the use of deadly force, while many more produce costly overuse of emergency rooms and jails.

It's not just police reformers seeking the change. Law enforcement agencies increasingly say they are overburdened, dealing with calls that have more to do with social ills than with crime or public safety.

The Be Well team began a soft launch in Huntington Beach in early August. Other cities are in various stages of exploring the idea; Garden Grove and Newport Beach have inked contracts while Anaheim and Irvine are in discussions to do so.

The goal, throughout, is to help people deal with mental health issues, homelessness, substance abuse, suicidal thoughts, non-violent family disputes, or those in need of a welfare check. The Be Well campus in Orange, one of at least three centers planned for different parts of the county, is designed as a soft place for some of those folks to land. Services include evaluations, a sobering station, counseling and referrals, and longer-term recovery programs.

The mobile crisis teams, a mix of licensed psychiatric technicians and medical technicians, bring the patience and empathy of counselors rather than the enforcement mentality of police officers.

Mun and Oh, a part-time EMT with the city fire department, dress in matching dark blue-grey slacks and polo shirts with "Be Well" stitched over the left breast. They don't carry guns, electro-shock weapons or pepper spray. They take notes on a palm-sized Rocketbook that is wipeable and can be scanned to relay information electronically, although they haven't used that function.

Their van is equipped with basic medical supplies, along with water, snacks and socks. There are four seats in back and, if a patient's relative wants, they can ride along to the Be Well campus or to another stabilization center. There's a wheelchair ramp. The van also has a coded box with a master key inside that will open the entrance to any gated community in the city, similar to what police carry.

Sometimes, Be Wall calls are routed from 911 dispatchers; others come from a non-emergency line. The city's dispatch center gets an estimated 15,000 mental-health related calls a year, but Delgado said the Be Well team could be contacted about virtually anything.

"You get a lot of calls about someone sleeping on a bus bench and he looks dead," Delgado said.

"Or there's a guy swinging his arms wildly in a parking lot. People ask, 'Do you respond to the homeless?' Yes, if they're in crisis."

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There to help

The word Hope on the side of the van has a double meaning. That's also the acronym for the program: "Helping People Out Everywhere." The Be Well teams have gone to homes in well-appointed neighborhoods, city parks, beaches, gas stations, freeway underpasses.

At times, they're summoned by police in the field. That's the case with Mun and Oh's second call of the day, at 2:35 p.m. Mun answered, scribbling in his Rocketbook and saying "we'll be there right away."

Within 10 minutes, they've driven six miles from the Civic Center to the roadside eatery Woody's Diner on Warner Avenue. Two Huntington Beach Police SUVs were parked at the curb. In the parking lot, three officers waited near a man who sat on a bench, hands cuffed behind his back. A training officer explained that no crime had been committed, but the man was being restrained because he had been darting in and out of traffic.

According to the officer, the man told police he was bipolar and possibly schizophrenic. He was being cooperative, but police said they had taken three calls over a two-hour period from people saying someone with his description was being loud and aggressive to people walking by. He'd been sleeping in Woody's bathroom and wouldn't let anyone else in. His clothes were scruffy, one leg of his torn and smudged jeans rolled up to his knee.

Mun and Oh squatted to talk to him. He was moved from the bench to the tailgate of the Be Well van. Uncuffed, he drank some of the water they gave him. They learned that he was 32 and had been homeless for some time. He told them he takes several psychiatric medications, but not for the past three weeks. He'd been drinking. He said he didn't want to be hospitalized.

"If you had your medication, would you take it?" Mun asked him.

"Yes," he answered in the Southern drawl of his native Alabama.

Oh tells him they can take him where he can get some help and then he'd be free to go. The man gets angry.

"They just keep calling the police on me and I didn't do s-t."

The training officer tells the man that he won't go to jail if he leaves with "these nice people." Instead, "You're going to get help."

"You'll get a safe place to sleep," Oh tells him.

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The man, arms crossed in a tight grip of his shoulders, appeared anguished: "Really, I don't know what to do."

Because he has suffered seizures in the past, a paramedic was called. The man alternated between talking about his daughter and growling and cursing at the people trying to help him — the police, the Be Well team, the paramedic — saying they only wanted to take him to jail.

The man was dehydrated and wobbly on his feet, and ended up being taken to a hospital in an ambulance. But before that happened, Oh gave him a Be Well card and encouraged him to call: "We are not the police. We're with the Hope team."

He never called. The Be Well team, in the days since, has tried to find him, but no luck. Maybe they will spot him one day from their van.



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Thursday, October 14, 2021

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GARDEN GROVE PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE

On Saturday, October 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Garden Grove Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Pills can be disposed of at the Garden Grove Police Department, located at 11301 Acacia Parkway. The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches. The service is free and anonymous, with no questions asked.

In April 2021, Americans turned in 420 tons (over 839,543 pounds) of prescription drugs at over 5,000 sites operated by the DEA and its state and local law enforcement partners.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue.

Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion,
misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly
high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs.

Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family
and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet.

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GARDEN GROVE PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE 2-2-2

In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and health hazards.

For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the October 23 Take Back Day event, visit www.DEATakeBack.com.

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Tuesday, October 12, 2021

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DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR LOCAL HERO NOMINATIONS

The City of Garden Grove continues to seek information on individuals, businesses, and organizations who answered the needs of the community through selfless acts of service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The City encourages the community to nominate these local heroes through an online multi-language form available at gqcity.org/qqstrong until Monday, November 1, 2021.

The nominees will receive a special recognition from Garden Grove Mayor Steve Jones and the Garden Grove City Council, and their heroic acts will be showcased on the City's website and social platforms.

Nominees must live, work, be located, or attend school in Garden Grove, with the heroic act taking place in Garden Grove or having a positive impact on the Garden Grove community.

The recognition is part of the City's Garden Grove Strong campaign, which aims to acknowledge and commend the community for displaying compassion and strength during the coronavirus crisis.

To view Garden Grove Strong local stories, visit agcity.org/ggstrong.

For more information, contact the Office of Community Relations at communityrelations@ggcity.org or call (714) 741-5280.

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OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR UPCOMING DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TRAINING

The City of Garden Grove's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will host a free 20-hour workshop to train individuals to prepare for and recover from disasters, as well as learn various life-saving skills. The program will be held in-person over two weekends, on Friday, November 5 through Saturday, November 6, and Friday, November 12 through Saturday, November 13. Class will meet from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on each Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on both Saturdays. Location will be sent upon registration. To register, visit ggcity.org/cert or email cert@qqcity.org. Registration deadline is Friday, October 29.

Training will include basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

After completing the 20-hour workshop and a brief online course, participants will be recognized as program graduates and sworn as Disaster Service Workers. A certificate of completion, as well as a CERT T-shirt and vest will be given to program graduates.

After the CERT training, the City will offer a CPR/AED/First Aid certification class in 2022. Participants in the November 2021 academy will be notified.

Participants must be 18 years and over, and live or work in Garden Grove.

For more information, visit <u>agcity.org/cert</u>.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

October 14, 2021

- 1. Calendar of Events
- 2. Minutes from the October 14, 2021 Zoning Administrator meeting.
- 3. League of California Cities, "CalCities," from October 8, 2021 to October 14, 2021.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 14, 2021 – November 23, 2021

Thursday	October 14	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Recreation & Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
			\$2 Casual Dress Day
Thursday	October 21		Holiday Drive \$2 Casual Dress Day
Friday	October 22		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	October 26	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	October 28	11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.	Halloween Luncheon, CMC, AB Room
Tuesday	November 2	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	November 4	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	November 5		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	November 9	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CM
Wednesday	November 10		Holiday Drive \$2 Casual Dress Day
Thursday	November 11		City Hall Closed – Veteran's Day
Friday	November 12		\$2 Casual Dress Day
Thursday	November 18	6:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC \$2 Casual Dress Day
Friday	November 19		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	November 23	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

GARDEN GROVE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING Garden Grove City Hall – 3rd Floor Training Room 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840

Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-211-2021

Applicant: Location:

Mira Mesa Lanes, LLC 12141 Valley View Street

Date:

October 14, 2021

Request:

To operate a new bowling alley, Valley View Lanes, LLC, with an original Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type "47" (On-Sale, General) License. The new bowling alley will occupy 13,740 square feet of the former AMF Lanes tenant space. Upon approval and exercise of the subject request, the Conditional Use Permit previously governing the tenant space, CUP-212-94, shall be revoked and become null and void. The site is in the Planned Unit Development No. PUD-104-73 (REV. 2018/2020) 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 15301 – Existing Facilities – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action:

Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): None

Action:

The applicant requested to continue Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-211-2021 to a date off-calendar and proposed to introduce an amenity to the bowling alley's operation that was not previously reviewed by City staff. The item will be re-noticed and re-advertised upon selection of a new hearing date. The Zoning Administrator agreed to the continuation of the item to

a date off-calendar.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-212-2021

Applicant: Location:

Mathiou and Amber Zaky 12518 Valley View Street

Date:

October 14, 2021

Request:

To operate a new preschool/daycare, Marley's Preschool. The site is in the PUD-102-76 (Planned Unit Development) 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 15301 – Existing Facilities – of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Action:

Public Hearing Held. Speaker(s): Mathiou Zaky, Amber Zaky,

Sandra Munson

Action:

The Zoning Administrator adopted Decision No. 1807-21.

Zoning Administrator Minutes

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC: None

ADJOURNMENT: The Zoning Administrator adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Judith Moore, Recording Secretary



October treats for cities as Governor takes final action on 2021 bills

Oct 13, 2021

The Governor took action on several high-profile broadband, Brown Act, public safety, and recycling bills in the days leading up to his sign/veto deadline.

With a few strokes of his pen, Gov. Gavin Newsom closed out California's 2021 political year over the weekend. This year's legislative session was much less chaotic than the last, which ended with a crying baby, a cursing legislator, and bills that died as the clock ran out — a fitting end for 2020. Lawmakers were more focused this year, introducing a whopping 2,421 bills, far more than in 2019 or 2020. Of the 836 bills that reached the Governor's desk, 92% were signed. He vetoed just 66 bills, a relatively paltry percentage when compared to his first two years.

Here are some of the key bills that met a grisly, October end since Cal Cities' September 29 update — and those that sailed safely into the Secretary of State's office to be chaptered into law.

Key broadband bills compliment largest ever public broadband infrastructure investment

The pandemic shined a spotlight on the state's lack of high-quality, equitably distributed, and affordable broadband in rural, urban, and suburban communities — something Cal Cities has advocated on for many years. This year, the state made significant progress on closing the digital divide by passing a https://www.calcities.org/detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/state-passes-historic-6-billion-broadband-investment-agreement) landmark \$6 billion broadband infrastructure

package, (https://www.calcities.org/detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/state-passes-historic-6-billion-broadband-investment-agreement), as well as (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2014&t=bill) AB 14 (Aguiar-Curry) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2014&t=bill) and SB 4 (Gonzalez) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%204&t=bill). The two Cal Cities-supported measures prioritize the broadband needs of California's unserved and underserved communities and make important, separate tweaks to the California Advanced Services Fund surcharge program.

The bills' passage was accompanied by a welcomed veto of (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20556&t=bill) SB 556 (Dodd) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20556&t=bill), which would have forced local governments to make space on public infrastructure available to telecommunications providers. The Governor's veto message largely mirrored Cal Cities' arguments, with the Gov. Newsom noting that provisions of the bill "conflict with and complicate some of the FCC requirements." He also stated, "part of our achievements laid out in the broadband budget bill... enables and encourages local governments to take an active role in last mile deployment and, in doing so, drive competition and increase access."

Brown Act bill gets last-minute ax

After nearly two years of successfully operating in a virtual environment — facilitated in part by two executive orders and the recently passed (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20361&t=bill) AB 361 (Rivas, Robert) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-

d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20361&t=bill) — Brown Act modernization was top of mind for many lawmakers and city officials. As one of his last actions, the Governor vetoed (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20339&t=bill) AB 339 (Lee) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20339&t=bill), a Cal Cities-opposed bill that forced telephonic or internet-based call-in options for city councils in jurisdictions with a population above 250,000 people.

The Governor shared many of Cal Cities concerns, noting that the bill would "set a precedent of tying public access requirements to the population of jurisdiction," "limits flexibility and increases costs for the affected local jurisdictions trying to manage their meetings," and "puts the health and safety of the public and employees at risk." Cal Cities continues to look at ways to revise and modernize the Brown Act to increase public access while protecting public health and safety.

Pandemic regulatory relief maintains local control

In a move to support California's post-pandemic recovery, the Governor signed several pieces of legislation that build upon some of the state's more successful pandemic-era rules: (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20314&t=bill) SB 314 (Wiener) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20314&t=bill) , (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2061&t=bill) AB 61 (Gabriel) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2061&t=bill) , and (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20389&t=bill) SB 389 (Dodd) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20389&t=bill) SB 389 (Dodd) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20389&t=bill) SB 389 (Dodd)

d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20389&t=bill). All three Cal-Cities supported measures create some sort of regulatory flexibility or relief to qualified businesses serving alcoholic beverages in nontraditional spaces due to indoor dining restrictions. Cal Cities secured key amendments preserving local authority in SB 314 and AB 61.

Online sales tax study vetoed

During the pandemic, consumers flocked to online shopping as a safe alternative to brick-and-mortar stores, changing the flow of sales tax revenues across the state. (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20792&t=bill) SB 792 (Glazer)
(https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20792&t=bill), which would have better informed the public about online transactions and the flow of goods, seemed poised to go into law, thanks to a last-minute push from Cal Cities members and others. However, the Governor returned the bill to the Senate without his signature, noting that it creates a "burdensome and costly new reporting requirement for many retailers that is unrelated to their tax obligations." Cities will have to continue relying on current analysis, which is constrained to modeling with transaction and use tax (district tax) data from about half of California's 482 cities.

Recycling programs receive key modifications

The last two weeks resulted in some important, crucial tweaks to California's recycling programs and infrastructure. The Governor augmented the organic waste recycling funding found in a https://www.calcities.org/detail-pages/news/2021/09/08/cal-cities-makes-significant-progress-on-city-priorities-city-voices-are-critical-in-final-two-days-of-legislative-progress-on-city-priorities-city-voices-are-critical-in-final-two-days-of-legislative-

session) by signing (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20619&t=bill) SB 619 (Laird) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20619&t=bill). The bill gives local governments a pathway to compliance with (https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp) SB 1383 (Lara, 2016) (https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp) organic waste diversion regulations.

The Cal Cities-supported (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%201311&t=bill) AB 1311 (Wood) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%201311&t=bill) expands the number of beverage container redemption opportunities under the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act, which will help create new opportunities for consumers to redeem their California Redemption Value and preserve the program's core functions.

(https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20343&t=bill) SB 343 (Allen)
(https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20343&t=bill) clarifies which materials are suitable for recycling. Due to decades of greenwashing, many consumers wrongly assume that all materials with the word "recyclable" or the "chasing arrows" symbol are recyclable. These designations will be now reserved for materials that are truly recyclable and routinely sold to manufacturers to make new products. These changes will reduce contamination, lower waste volume, and improve recycling rates. SB 343 passed thanks to a coalition of nonprofits and local government partners and despite intense opposition from the American Chemistry Council, the Plastics Industry Association, and others.

High-profile police reform bills signed

The Governor waited until after the recall to take action on most bills, including a slew of peace officer certification and decertification bills. Cal Cities remained highly engaged on these issues throughout the year, negotiating changes that removed some of the more contentious elements for cities.

For example, Cal Cities removed its opposition to (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%2016&t=bill) SB 16 (Skinner) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%2016&t=bill) after key amendments were made. As previously drafted, the bill would have made every incident involving unreasonable or excessive force and any sustained finding that an officer failed to intervene in such cases subject to disclosure. The bill now only mandates the disclosure of substantiated claims. Cal Cities also supported (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2089&t=bill) AB 89 (Jones-Sawyer) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2089&t=bill) after amendments were made to address concerns about its impact on recruitment and a lack of access to higher education in some communities. The bill takes a nuanced, collaborative, and thoughtful approach to the law enforcement certification process. Both measures were signed by the Governor.

Cal Cities secured substantial amendments to https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%202&t=bill), a decertification bill that addressed concerns related to liability under the Tom Bane Civil Rights Act. However, the bill missed the mark in several key areas, including the composition of the new Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission advisory board and the federally held doctrine of qualified immunity, which it undercuts. Despite strong

opposition from Cal Cities and public safety organizations, the Governor signed SB 2 into law.

He also signed (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2048&t=bill) AB 48 (Gonzalez, Lorena) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2048&t=bill), a measure opposed by Cal Cities that severely limits the tools at an officer's disposal to protect public safety. Although the bill's author made amendments to address the outright prohibition of chemical agents, its restrictions remained overly broad for public safety officers.

One of the last bills the Governor acted on was (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20603&t=bill) AB 603 (McCarty) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%20603&t=bill), which he vetoed. The measure would have required cities to post details about money spent on law enforcement-related settlements and judgments online. Cal Cities argued that the bill would both undermine trust — as most defendants settle with the plaintiff out of economic necessity — and impose a significant, non-reimbursable cost statewide. The Governor partially agreed with Cal Cities, noting that the information is already available and could "have potentially significant General Fund costs associated with [it]."

What now?

These bills are just a few of the new laws that will impact cities going forward into 2022. Cal Cities will hold a webinar on priority bills that were signed by the Governor later this year. Officials unable to attend should look out for Cal Cities' 2021 Legislative Year in Review, which will be published in the January 2022 issue of *Western City* (https://www.westerncity.com/) magazine.

Next year will undoubtedly be another interesting year, with affordable housing, climate change, and COVID-19 still top-of-mind for lawmakers and the Governor, along the 2022 election. Whatever the new year brings, Cal Cities will continue to fight on behalf cities to ensure that their voices and needs are heard in the Capitol.

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California moves one step closer to closing the digital divide, a top priority for Cal Cities in 2021

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and increase access.

Securing resources for local infrastructure projects, including broadband, was a top priority for the League of California Cities in 2021. Cal Cities delivered by working in tandem with lawmakers and coalition partners.

In a significant win for cities, Gov. Gavin Newsom signed (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2014&t=bill) AB 14 (Aguiar-Curry) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=AB%2014&t=bill) and (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%204&t=bill) SB 4 (Gonzalez) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%204&t=bill) last Friday, two Cal Cities-supported measures that prioritize the broadband needs of California's unserved and underserved communities while providing local governments the flexibility and funding to expand deployment. The two bills complete an earlier (https://www.calcities.org/detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/state-passes-historic-6-billionbroadband-investment-agreement) \$6 billion legislative package (https://www.calcities.org/detail-pages/news/2021/07/15/state-passes-historic-6-billionbroadband-investment-agreement) that enables and encourages local governments

to take an active role in last-mile deployment and, in doing so, drive competition

Protecting and modernizing critical infrastructure was a (/home/action-agenda) key Cal Cities legislative priority in 2021 (/home/action-agenda). Cal Cities has been laying the groundwork for AB 14 and SB 4 since the end of last year's legislative session when efforts to reach a broadband deployment deal failed in the final hours of the session. In addition to playing a key role in the development of these bills, Cal Cities was also the only local government organization to come out in strong support of these two bills from the beginning.

Additionally, the Governor signed Cal Cities-supported (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%2028&t=bill) SB 28 (Caballero) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%2028&t=bill), which modifies data reporting for Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 franchises, expands customer service oversight, and closes existing holes in internet service gaps. Over 96% of Californians with broadband receive their internet service from a DIVCA franchisee and this measure helps ensure local governments can build out their networks effectively and in a cost-effective manner.

The passage of these measures was accompanied by a welcomed veto of <a href="https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20556&t=bill) SB 556 (Dodd) (https://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/search.aspx?id=ad485199-37cd-42cd-8217-d19b4d257119&session=21&s=SB%20556&t=bill), which would have forced local governments to make space on public infrastructure available to telecommunications providers. Gov. Newsom's veto message largely mirrored Cal Cities' arguments, with the Governor noting that provisions of the bill conflict with existing FCC requirements and the crucial role cities play in broadband deployment.

The action on these bills sends a clear message that the Governor and the Legislature are listening to city leaders, recognize the importance of protecting

local control, and understand the crucial role local governments play in broadband coverage. Thanks to a robust grassroots effort and countless city letters, Cal Cities showed that local governments cannot be shut out of the process to deploy broadband in communities that need affordable and reliable internet the most.

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