

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
October 13, 2022

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

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

- A. CalOptima Health Street Outreach and Medicine Program
- B. Care Ambulance compliance report for September 2022.

• **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 Stiles
City Manager



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October 5, 2022

Scott C. Stiles
City Manager
City of Garden Grove
11222 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92840

RE: Street Outreach and Medicine Program

Dear Mr. Stiles,

CalOptima Health recognizes the extraordinary role that social determinants play in a person's health experience and outcomes. Since January 2022, CalOptima Health has implemented a robust CalAIM program, providing enhanced case management and several supportive community-based services to address those social determinants of health. With an intense focus on the experience of homelessness, CalOptima Health has engaged with local homelessness authorities, including cities, and attempted to align with the systems already in place to tackle this pressing issue.

However, in engaging in this work, it remains clear that there are opportunities for improvement. CalOptima Health is well-positioned to address one of those gaps: identifying and meeting people on the street and in shelters for urgent healthcare and important preventative services. Therefore, CalOptima Health is proposing to launch a new partnership-driven program, the Street Outreach and Medical Program (Program) in the city of Garden Grove (City). CalOptima Health believes this program aligns, supplements and supports the City's Comprehensive Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness over the next five years.

The Street Outreach and Medical Program is a critical piece of a larger, comprehensive approach to caring for our neighbors living on the street and those on their journey home. This overall approach pairs three integrated key components: (1) outreach and engagement; (2) coordinated medical care that meets people where they are; and (3) comprehensive care coordination and community supports. Together, and in partnership with the City's existing resources and foundational efforts to address homelessness, these integrated components address acute health concerns and deploy integral preventative care, but also move beyond stop-gap medical services to build the types of relationships that support a person's move home.

While the primary goal of this approach is to move people forward on their path to a permanent home, its foundation is in meeting people where they are, especially those living on the street. Just as the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness points out, street outreach is conducted on behalf of the community, rather than one organization, founded on partnership and collaboration. The Street Outreach and Medical Program sits firmly in CalOptima Health's space of ensuring equitable, quality medical care, but also creates the crucial link between our community of providers and people living on the street.

Thank you for your continued partnership and service to our 925,000 members. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

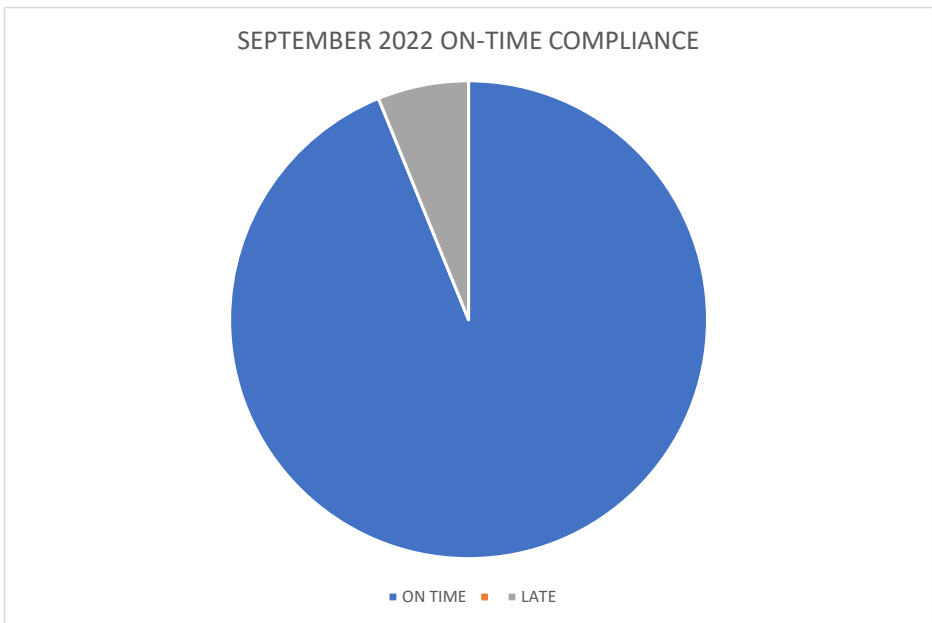
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Hunn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and a stylized 'H'.

Michael Hunn
Chief Executive Officer

GARDEN GROVE

CODE 2	
RESPONSES	725
ON TIME	694
LATE	31
CODE 3	
RESPONSES	396
ON TIME	358
LATE	38
TOTALS	
RESPONSES	1121
ON TIME	1052
LATE	69
PERCENTAGE	93.84%



AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME: 8:24
AVERAGE LATE TIME: 2:06

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SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

October 6, 2022 - October 12, 2022

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

Included in this Report

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 Garden Grove City Hall

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Wed 10/12/2022 11:56 am PDT

SENIOR HALLOWEEN EVENT 10/18 | 10 AM-1 PM 11300 STANFORD AVE



Impressions	413
Reach	402
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	4



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Wed 10/12/2022 11:43 am PDT

Seniors will have a spooktacular time at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Haunted Halloween Resource Fair, next Tuesday,...



Impressions	1,078
Reach	945
Engagements	53
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.9%



Garden Grove City Hall

Wed 10/12/2022 11:37 am PDT

Seniors will have a spooktacular time at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Haunted Halloween Resource Fair, next Tuesday,...



Impressions	1,560
Reach	1,543
Engagements	20
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



@CityGardenGrove
Tue 10/11/2022 12:32 pm PDT

HOUSING ALERT: Seniors, this one's for you! Garden Brook Senior Village, 10080 Garden Grove Blvd, is accepting...



Impressions	270
Potential Reach	7,117
Engagements	21
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	7.8%



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Tue 10/11/2022 9:12 am PDT

HOUSING FOR SENIORS APPLY AT



Impressions	468
Reach	455
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	4



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Tue 10/11/2022 9:10 am PDT

🏠 HOUSING ALERT : Seniors, this one's for you! Garden Brook Senior Village, located at 10080 Garden Grove Boulevard, is...



Impressions	3,444
Reach	3,028
Engagements	186
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	5.4%



Garden Grove City Hall

Tue 10/11/2022 9:00 am PDT

🏠 HOUSING ALERT : Seniors, this one's for you! Garden Brook Senior Village, located at 10080 Garden Grove Boulevard, is...



Impressions	17,605
Reach	17,605
Engagements	2,394
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	13.6%



@CityGardenGrove

Thu 10/6/2022 4:28 pm PDT

⚠️ **#GardenGrove** Freeway SR-22 commuters, be aware of these **#freewayclosures**: -10/7, 9AM-2:30PM...



Impressions	388
Potential Reach	4,719
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.1%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/6/2022 4:25 pm PDT

⚠️ **#GardenGrove** Freeway (SR-22) commuters, please be aware of these upcoming **#freewayclosures**: o Tomorro...



Impressions	29,178
Reach	29,152
Engagements	1,758
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6%



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Thu 10/6/2022 1:58 pm PDT

!? #DYK Riverdale Tech Academy is recognized as an @apple Distinguished School for its 1:1 iPad Program ?...



Impressions	930
Reach	831
Engagements	22
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	2.4%



@CityGardenGrove

Thu 10/6/2022 1:53 pm PDT

#DYK Riverdale Tech Academy is recognized as an Apple Distinguished School for its 1:1 iPad Program...



Impressions	254
Potential Reach	4,680
Engagements	12
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	4.7%



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Thu 10/6/2022 1:50 pm PDT

!? #DYK Riverdale Tech Academy is recognized as an Apple Distinguished School for its 1:1 iPad Program ?...



Impressions	1,056
Reach	1,023
Engagements	14
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	1.3%



Garden Grove City Hall

Thu 10/6/2022 8:57 am PDT

WOW! 🔥🔥 Main Street Garden Grove Friday Night Car Show brings out spectacular vintage vehicles! Join the...



Video Views	0
Impressions	0
Reach	1,046
Engagements	16
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	—



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Thu 10/6/2022 8:50 am PDT

MAIN STREET GARDEN GROVE FRIDAY NIGHT CAR SHOW



Impressions	389
Reach	384
Comments	0
Story Taps Back	9



Post Performance

October 6, 2022 - October 12, 2022

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

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Wed 10/12/2022 6:00 pm PDT

It's #NationalWalkAndRollToSchoolDay! Earlier today, #GardenGrovePD officers and staff joined the many #GGUSDpride...



Video Views	247
Impressions	408
Reach	408
Engagements	61
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	15%



Garden Grove Police Depa...

Tue 10/11/2022 3:00 pm PDT

In service to our #GardenGrove community, we're collaborating with local organizations to host an evening for all...



Impressions	2,201
Reach	2,141
Engagements	152
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.9%




Garden Grove Police Depa...

Sat 10/8/2022 9:02 am PDT


#PhysicalAgilityTesting is in progress. Good luck to all our applicants going through the course today! If you missed...




Impressions	5,539
Reach	5,424
Engagements	379
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	6.8%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Fri 10/7/2022 12:01 pm PDT

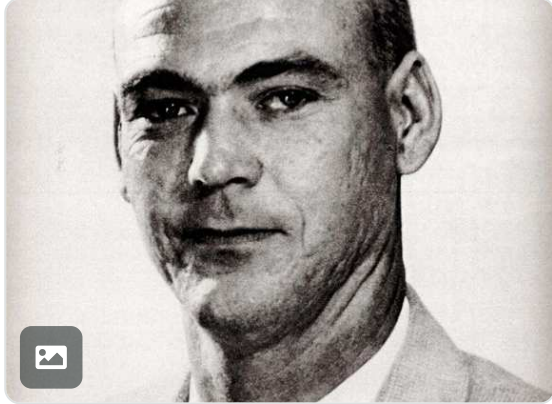
#DidYouKnow, #GardenGrovePD utilizes an In-Car Video System (IVS) and a Body-Worn Camera system (BWC)? BWCs,...



Video Views	788
Impressions	1,665
Reach	1,599
Engagements	250
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	15%

 **Garden Grove Police Depa...**
 Thu 10/6/2022 9:04 am PDT

In Memory of Sergeant Myron L. Trapp, #EOW October 6, 1959. Sergeant Trapp and other officers responded to a call of ...



Impressions	2,025
Reach	1,993
Engagements	161
Engagement Rate (per Impression)	8%

WEEKLY MEMO 10-13-2022

NEWS ARTICLES

Walk, bike or roll to class

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON OCTOBER 11, 2022 • ([LEAVE A COMMENT](#))



BICYCLE SAFETY is important for children to learn (Flickr/Thierry Draus).

The Garden Grove Police Department encourages parents and students to join their classmates and walk, bike, or roll to class on Wednesday (Oct. 12).

Walk and Roll to School Day is celebrated annually to highlight the benefits of exercise and practicing pedestrian and road safety with other students, families, and caregivers.

“Walking to school is a great way to exercise on a daily basis and feel comfortable getting to and from school safely,” Garden Grove Police Department Police Chief Tom DaRé said. “We hope this is a fun, rewarding experience for students and members of the community that shows how important it is for everyone to be safe walking, biking, or rolling.”

The Garden Grove Police Department offers tips for students who walk, bike, or roll to school:

- Plan your route on roads with sidewalks or paths away from traffic. If there are no sidewalks, walk as far away from cars as possible, facing traffic.
- Use crosswalks, preferably at stop signs or signals. If there are unmarked crosswalks, cross at corners on streets with fewer lanes and lower speed limits.
- Always look left-right-left before crossing the street and continue to scan for traffic as you cross the street.
- Watch for cars entering/leaving driveways or parking spaces.
- Always wear a helmet when riding. Ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Be aware of your surroundings. When walking, keep earbuds or headphone volume low enough so you can still hear around you.

Drivers should be extra careful and anticipate more foot and bike traffic on the morning of Oct. 12, as well as be prepared to stop for school buses and children crossing the street. Drivers should always watch their speed and slow down in school zones.

Schools are encouraged to register at walkbiketoschool.org as a way of tracking participation and showing support for active, healthy, and safe transportation.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Steve Jones, Garden Grove mayor candidate, Election 2022 questionnaire

The questionnaire is part of The Orange County Register's Voter Guide.



Ahead of the November elections, The Orange County Register compiled a list of questions to pose to the candidates who wish to represent you.

By [KAITLYN SCHALLHORN](#) | kschallhorn@scng.com | Orange County Register

PUBLISHED: October 10, 2022 at 5:59 p.m. | UPDATED: October 12, 2022 at 4:25 p.m.

Ahead of the November elections, The Orange County Register compiled a list of questions to pose to the candidates who wish to represent you. You can find the full questionnaire below, with responses only edited for grammar and punctuation.

MORE: [Read all the candidate responses in our Voter Guide](#)

Name: Steve Jones

Current Job Title: Mayor

Age: 53

Incumbent: Yes

Other political positions held: None

City where you reside: Garden Grove

Campaign website or social media: jones4gg.com

How can the city best meet the demand and mandates for more housing, including at lower prices, while also preserving the quality of life for existing neighborhoods and residents?

The city is striving to preserve the character of our traditional single-family neighborhoods by making provisions to accommodate the state-mandated regional housing needs assessment along our major arterial corridors.

What can the city do better to fund and address aging roads and water and sewer systems and prepare for future infrastructure needs?

Garden Grove is an older city with plenty of deferred maintenance issues affecting our infrastructure. Our public works team does an outstanding job planning and implementing our long-term capital improvements with the limited resources we have.

How should the city balance paying off debts, such as pension liabilities, and building reserves all while meeting residents' needs? Should a solution involve finding new revenue, trimming the budget, or something else entirely?

Garden Grove is highly proficient at creating new revenues through economic development while also maintaining a lean budget on the cost side. As a result, the city is in great financial health.

In your opinion, what is the biggest need your city faces, and how would you address it?

Homelessness is the single biggest challenge facing the city, and we are proactively addressing it through a myriad of solutions, including the development of a new shelter and navigation center.

Why would you make a good leader, and how would you represent the diverse communities of your city?

I was born and raised in Garden Grove, and I have a great perspective on where we came from, where we are now, and what the future could look like for our wonderful city. With all of its diversity, Garden Grove is like the global economy magnified and we strive to be a shining example of how the rest of the world ought to treat one another.

Elvis still a star .. on Main Street

BYOC TRIBUNE STAFFON OCTOBER 9, 2022 • (2 COMMENTS)



ELVIS' of all looks and ages were on hand Saturday at the 22nd Annual Elvis Festival on Main Street in downtown Garden Grpve (Orange County Tribune photo by Jim Tortolano).

Elvis has not left the building ... or at least a spot in the hearts of his fans and admirers, including some who were not even alive when he was.

The 22nd annual Elvis Festival returned to Garden Grove's historic Main Street on Sunday, and a large crowd turned out under sunny skies. Parking was prized for several blocks by noon around the event, which covered the street between Garden Grove Boulevard and Acacia Parkway.

This year's theme was "Follow That Dream," and attendees followed performances from a wide variety of Elvis Presley tribute artists with a variety of looks, styles and even ages.

There was food and Elvis memorabilia for sale, a wide array of classic Cadillacs to admire and a group of adorable animals – some "hound dogs" and some cats – to consider adopting.

The event is organized by Jill Lloyd and supported several sponsors, including the Garden Grove Downtown Business Association.



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CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

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Monday, October 10, 2022



CITY'S MIXED-USE SENIOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN OC KOREATOWN OPENS SECOND TENANT INTEREST LIST

The City of Garden Grove's mixed-use, rental housing project in OC Koreatown, Garden Brook Senior Village, is now accepting a second round of applications for residential tenants. To be placed on the interest list, eligible seniors can call (714) 462-5810 or visit conam.com/property/garden-brook-senior-village. For in-person assistance, visit the Garden Brook Senior Village front office at 10080 Garden Grove Boulevard.

To be placed on the interest list, seniors must be 62 years of age or older; pass a low barrier background and credit screening; and the applicant's income must be one-and-a-half times the rent. The senior-living units are available to households at or below 60% of the Orange County Area Median Income (AMI). Currently there are availabilities for studios and one bedrooms. The following chart shows the occupancy and income limits.

Bedroom Size	Minimum Household Size	Maximum Household Size	Minimum Income Limit	Maximum Income Limit
Studio	1	1	1.5 times the rent	\$56,520
1-Bedroom	1	2	1.5 times the rent	\$64,560

*Pricing is subject to change based on published income and rental rate guidelines.

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CITY'S MIXED-USE SENIOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN OC KOREATOWN OPENS
SECOND TENANT INTEREST LIST
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The 8-story, 12,938 square-foot adaptive reuse project near OC Koreatown will include commercial space on the first floor; 394 senior-living units, comprised of 129 studio units, 219 1-bedroom units, and 46 2-bedroom units; community spaces including an indoor fitness area, library room with multifunctional space, and two general-use community rooms; and on-site laundry facilities.

Additionally, Garden Brook Senior Village's intergenerational partnership with the neighboring Boys and Girls Clubs of Garden Grove will include programs that foster mutually-benefitting youth and senior interactions.

The project was developed by AMG & Associates, LLC and Pacific West Communities, Inc., and the property is owned by the Hoag Foundation, a non-profit corporation supporting the Boys and Girls Clubs of Garden Grove.

For more information about Garden Brook Senior Village, contact Gus Silva with The ConAm Group at gsilva@conam.com.

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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

October 13, 2022

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the October 20, 2022 Planning Commission Meeting.
3. League of California Cities, "CalCities," from October 7, 2022 to October 13, 2022.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 13, 2022 – November 22, 2022

Thursday	October 13	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting
		6:00 p.m.	Park, Recreation, and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	October 20	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
			\$2 Holiday Drive Casual Dress Day
Tuesday	October 25	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority, CMC
			Sanitary District Board, CMC
			Successor Agency Meeting, CMC
			City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	October 27	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting, CMC
		11:30 a.m.	Halloween Luncheon, CMC – AB Room
Tuesday	November 1	6:00 p.m.	Traffic Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	November 3	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	November 4		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	November 8	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, CMC
			City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	November 10		\$2 Casual Dress Day
		9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	November 11		City Hall Closed – Veteran’s Day
Thursday	November 17	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Friday	November 18		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	November 22	5:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority, CMC
			Sanitary District Board, CMC
			Successor Agency Meeting, CMC
			City Council Meeting, CMC



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION
OCTOBER 20, 2022
REGULAR MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Planning Commission scheduled for Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled.

DATED: October 13, 2022

JOHN RAMIREZ
CHAIR



Here's what cities need to know about the state's proposed regulations for clean energy project permitting

Oct 12, 2022

The League of California Cities recently [submitted comments](#) on a set of emergency regulations that would streamline clean energy project permitting. The proposed changes would allow the California Energy Commission to approve certain clean energy projects instead of local governments.

The regulations are the result of a rushed budget trailer bill, [AB 205 \(Committee on Budget\)](#), which was introduced and passed by the Legislature in the summer as part of the 2022 Budget Act. Cal Cities and other local government associations had just a few days to analyze and respond to the bill before it was passed.

Cal Cities and its coalition partners opposed AB 205. The group is now working to ensure that the commission partners with local governments as they implement this new, optional permitting system.

What would these regulations do?

The proposed regulations would allow the commission, under the purview of a Strategic Energy Reserve, to delegate to the California Department of Water Resources blanket authority to bypass local permitting for siting of solar, wind, and certain battery backup projects.

However, AB 205 prohibits the commission from certifying a site and related facility unless it finds that the construction or operation of the facility will have an “overall net positive economic benefit to the local government that would have had permitting authority over the site and related facility.”

In its letter, Cal Cities made a series of technical suggestions that would help ensure the commission receives unbiased information when determining the “overall net positive economic benefit” of a project. The letter also proposed an amendment that would ensure local governments can fully participate in any pre-filing consultation meetings

The proposed regulations are now headed to the Office of Administrative Law, which will issue a decision by Oct. 24. For more information, please contact [Legislative Affairs Lobbyist Derek Dolfie](#).



New laws and grant programs expected to help improve mental health among first responders

Oct 12, 2022

Cities can expect additional resources to help improve mental health among first responders over the next few years. The resources are the result of sustained advocacy from the League of California Cities and its partners, as well as an increased focus among lawmakers on [improving behavioral health outcomes](#).

According to the Steinberg Institute, suicides have increased by 35% nationally over the last two decades. That rate is likely higher for first responders. A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study found that first responders may be at an elevated risk for suicide because of their environments, work culture, and occupational stress. In fact, more personnel die by suicide than in the line of duty.

[AB 662 \(Rodriguez\)](#), signed into law at the end of session, marks an important step toward addressing the acute and chronic traumas of duty, as well as the stigmas surrounding mental health. The measure will create a peer-to-peer suicide prevention curriculum for firefighters and emergency medical services personnel. This is crucial, as general mental health practitioners often lack the background knowledge needed to provide first responders with culturally competent care. The bill was sponsored by Cal Cities, the California Fire Chiefs Association, and the Fire Districts Association of California. Cal Cities and its partners will continue to work with the Administration to secure the resources needed to facilitate this programming in next year's budget.

Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature also committed \$50 million toward officer wellness grants in [this year's budget](#), which will be distributed to local law enforcement agencies throughout the state. Much like firefighters, police officers are often exposed to a variety of incidents that lead to mental exhaustion, burnout, and overall poor mental health. Improving mental health for police officers from recruitment to retirement is imperative for both personnel and the communities they serve.

Additional information — such as funding allocations, when funds will be released, and reporting requirements — will be posted on the [California Board of State and Community Corrections'](#) website. Cal Cities will also release information as it becomes available.

Both programs will be complemented by broader actions at the state and national levels. Congress worked to address the increase in suicides through the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, which designated “988” as a three-digit number for the recently launched 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.

To comply with this change and to ensure the system's longevity, Cal Cities advocated for [AB 988 \(Bauer-Kahan\)](#). Signed into law by the Governor, AB 988 directs a group of stakeholders — made up of county behavioral health, law enforcement, and other local agencies — to outline a five-year implementation plan. This includes the creation of a new surcharge for 988 to fund the services. The measure will ensure the state is prepared to answer the calls of all Californians in need by providing a seamless transition from the current suicide prevention system.

The combination of these efforts illustrates an overt commitment to take care of all California residents. The return on investment will be invaluable as these programs and services will save lives and improve overall wellness.

For more information, please contact [Legislative Affairs Lobbyist Elisa Arcidiacono](#).



Learn how to build resilient teams, navigate workplace conflict, and more at the Fire Chiefs Leadership Seminar

Oct 12, 2022

There is more to being a firefighter than just putting out fires. Firefighters also need to be mentally fit due to the unique conditions they work and live in. The Fire Chiefs Leadership Seminar — scheduled for Dec. 7-8 in Monterey — equips fire chiefs and fire service personnel with the tools needed to build stronger, more resilient teams and keep their communities safe.

The seminar also provides numerous opportunities to learn from other colleagues and policy experts, as well as form invaluable support networks.

This year's seminar will cover a range of topics, including statewide emergency medical service issues, conflict resolution, behavioral health, how to implement diversity and equity in succession plans, and more. Additional information is available in the “program at a glance” section of the [seminar webpage](#).

Registration and hotel information

Registration for the full seminar starts at \$400 for city officials from any League of California Cities member city. Seminar registration includes admission to all educational sessions, the Wednesday lunch and evening reception, the Thursday breakfast, and access to all program materials. The deadline to register is Nov. 30. Afterward, officials must register on-site.

This year, the Fire Chiefs Leadership Seminar will be held at the Hyatt Regency Monterey at 1 Old Golf Course in Monterey, California. Centrally located on the Monterey Peninsula, the hotel is just two miles from the Monterey Regional Airport and offers complimentary self-parking for hotel guests.

A limited number of hotel rooms are available at a reduced rate for seminar attendees. The deadline to reserve a discounted hotel room is Nov. 7, 2022. Discounted rooms often sell out before the deadline, so register early!

For more information, visit the Fire Chiefs Leadership Seminar [webpage](#). For questions, please contact Conference Registrar [Megan Dunn](#).



Hearing on proposed zero-emission fleet regulations set for Oct. 27; written comments due Oct. 17

Oct 12, 2022

A public hearing for the California Air Resources Board's proposed [Advanced Clean Fleets regulations](#) is scheduled for an **Oct. 27** at the California Environmental Protection Agency in Sacramento. The proposed changes would transition California's medium-and heavy-duty diesel fleets to zero-emissions vehicles in less than 20 years.

The League of California Cities supports efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector. However, the proposed regulatory changes ignore existing market realities, as well as sufficient time to develop and ramp up supportive infrastructure.

Under the proposed regulations, 50% of new medium-and heavy-duty fleet vehicle purchases, such as garbage trucks, must be zero-emission starting Jan. 1, 2024. That requirement will accelerate to 100% by 2027.

Cal Cities recently submitted a [comment letter](#) highlighting its concerns with how the regulation assesses the availability of zero-emission vehicles. The letter also proposed a separate exemption

process for when zero-emission vehicles are not accessible to public agencies in practice or are unsuitable for the fleet's operational needs. City officials can provide public comment during the Oct. 27 hearing virtually or in person. A Zoom link will be available via the [public meeting agenda](#), which will be posted ten days before the meeting. Written testimony may also be [provided in advance](#) of the hearing no later than Oct. 17. A [sample letter](#) is available for cities that wish to comment in advance.

For additional information, including in-depth information about the regulations, please contact your [regional public affairs manager](#)