

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
September 21, 2017

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

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

- A.** REQUEST FOR VETO AS ENROLLED OF SB 649 (HUESO), WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES
A copy of the Mayor's request for veto of Senate Bill 649, Wireless Telecommunications Facilities, is included for your information.
- B.** FULL-TIME SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM (PILOT PROGRAM)
Scott Stiles informs you of organizational changes to the Police Department to better address homelessness issues.

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

- A.** Office of Care Coordination Newsletter for September 2017 detailing efforts to prevent and address homelessness.
- B.** LA Times news article titled *Huntington Planners Approve OC Plan to Improve Floor Control Channel*, dated September 13, 2017.

• OTHER ITEMS

- NEWSPAPER ARTICLES
Copies of the local newspaper articles are attached for your information.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
Items of interest are included.



SCOTT C. STILES
City Manager



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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September 21, 2017

The Honorable Jerry Brown
Governor, State of California
State Capitol, First Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 649 (Hueso). Wireless Telecommunications Facilities (as enrolled)
Request for Veto**

Dear Governor Brown:

The City of Garden Grove respectfully requests your veto of SB 649 (Hueso), which seeks to eliminate public input, eliminate reasonable local environmental and design review, mandate the forced leasing of publicly owned infrastructure, and eliminate the ability for local governments to negotiate fair leases or any public benefit for the installation of "small cell" wireless equipment on taxpayer-funded property.

By eliminating our local discretion and mandating a ministerial process, SB 649 effectively eliminates the ability for our residents and businesses from having fair input over the character of their own communities. Most troubling is the shift of authority from the community and our elected officials to for-profit corporations for wireless equipment installations that can have significant health, safety, and aesthetic impacts when those companies have little, if any, interest to respect these concerns that potentially conflict with their profit margins.

Our elected officials play a critical role in balancing the important needs of our community and respect for its character with the need to close the existing/widening digital divide and ensure that the many benefits from state-of-the-art wireless technology are available to all. Our local residents and businesses expect our City to be equipped to respond when they have legitimate concerns, especially as they relate to the location and design of these installations near or adjacent to their property.

The plain language of SB 649 gives the wireless industry the ability to install extremely large equipment, 6 cubic feet worth of antennas and 21 cubic feet worth of equipment (about the size of a twin bed) on "vertical infrastructure," such as street lights, traffic signals, and stop signs without any showing that the industry is incapable of delivering smaller cellular equipment that improves the safety and aesthetic qualities of these facilities. Further, the bill allows the industry to place up to 35 cubic feet (about the size of a commercial refrigerator) of equipment on the ground for each provider on every pole. But the ultimate size of a facility will be unknown as there are exclusions for at least eight

"ancillary" pieces of equipment that have no size or quantity limitations. The loose language in SB 649 eliminates any incentives for industry to develop smaller and more discreet designs. To be clear, what SB 649 gives the industry is far larger than the claimed "pizza box" size "small cell" site.

In an unprecedented move, SB 649 forces our city to give access to public property funded by our taxpayers so that for-profit wireless corporations can install their equipment to sell their private services. By eliminating fair market rate leases for use of taxpayer funded property (including city halls, parks, county libraries, and "vertical infrastructure"), this bill effectively gives corporations discounted access to these facilities with no requirement to pass their cost-savings onto their customers. SB 649 creates billions of dollars of value for wireless industry shareholders by eliminating fair market rate leases. Furthermore, rents from the use of public property, which every other for-profit business pays, help pay for our essential public services, such as police, fire, libraries, and parks. SB 649 sets a dangerous precedent for other private industries to seek similar treatment to benefit their shareholders over constituent funded infrastructure, further eroding the ability to fund our vital local services.

The term "small cell" is not defined in this bill by any technology standard, but instead by the size of the equipment. As long as the facility delivers "licensed and/or unlicensed spectrum" and falls within the loose size standards in the bill, it is a "small cell". In other words, these wireless sites could be used for 4G technology that is already being deployed today, or to deliver Wi-Fi signals only, or for even more basic radio signals. The standards for 5G are still being developed and the technology is still years away from being deployed. Despite the industry's most consistent talking point, this bill never even mentions 5G (nor any service) much less imposes any requirement, duty, or incentive to the industry to accelerate the deployment of this new technology.

For these reasons, the City of Garden Grove respectfully requests your veto of SB 649.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Jones
Mayor

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City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and members of City Council
From: Scott Stiles *SS*
Dept: City Manager
Subject: Full-Time Special Response Team (Pilot Program)
Date: 9/18/17

Due to the increase in homeless-related calls for service and the recent decision to enforce laws along the riverbed, the Garden Grove Police Department has decided to select two police officers to work on the homeless issues on a full-time basis. This assignment will operate as a pilot program from September 23, 2017 through January 2018. The program will be monitored and if the results are positive then we will continue the program on a full-time basis.

These officers will partner with City Net and the Illumination Foundation to provide valuable services to members of our homeless community. Additionally, the officers will address current community policing projects, which are focused on the criminal element of our homeless population.

The introduction of this program should allow our patrol officers to focus on calls for service and spend more time on their crime-fighting efforts in our community. Should you have any questions about the pilot program, please feel free to contact me or Police Chief Todd Elgin. In addition, if you have questions or issues from constituents, please contact my office or Chief Elgin directly. That will allow us to triage and manage the issues that might come up.

Further updates on the results/status of the program will be forthcoming. This memorandum is for informational purposes only. No action of the City Council is required.

SCS: td

Cc: Police Chief Todd Elgin



Office of Care Coordination Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2017



Flood Control Channel Engagement Initiative

On June 6, 2017, the County of Orange Board of Supervisors approved a six-month pilot project initiative focusing on the encampment area along the west side of the Santa Ana River flood control channel from Chapman Avenue in the city of Orange to Katella Avenue in the city of Anaheim. The Board identified the greatest areas of need to include services like triage operations, intensive case management, and links to both transitional and permanent supportive housing.

City Net has established an access point for homeless services on the Flood Control Channel just north Orangewood Avenue, adjacent to the Anaheim Stadium Parking lot. The access point is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Moving From Flood Control Channel to Housing

A man, who we will refer to as Max, was homeless for two years living in the flood control channel and for five years overall throughout the county. He lived in the flood control channel because he was surrounded by a community of people he could trust. To him the biggest challenge he faced to exiting the streets was his substance use, which he believed he could address more effectively once housed.

Shortly after the Flood Control Channel Engagement Initiative started July 1, 2017, Max started working with the City Net Street Outreach Team. He was connected to the Coordinated Entry System and was matched to a permanent supportive housing unit in the City of Anaheim in mid-July. With the help of City Net case managers Max was able to move his belongings from the Flood Control Channel and received needed housewares, linens, towels, cooking utensils and other necessities from engaged community partners.

The Flood Control Channel Engagement Initiative allowed City Net to maintain communication and develop a trusting working relationship with Max as he successfully exited the flood control channel and moved into permanent housing.

To date, Max has spent over a month in his apartment and states that he is grateful for the opportunity. He is hopeful that a friend in the Flood Control Channel may be able to join him as a roommate one day.

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Individuals have exited the Flood Control Channel and have connected with housing resources.

Max's Transition from Flood Control Channel to Housing



Max and City Net staff loading belongings on moving in day.



Max reviewing lease documentation prior to moving into housing.



Max and his case manager in his new apartment.

Flood Control Channel Engagement Initiative

Census Data Review

The census data collected by City Net illustrates opportunities for people experiencing homelessness along the flood control channel to engage in supportive services and allows us to learn more about the resources needed to best serve them.

- 63.1 percent report zero monthly income. Connecting individuals to mainstream benefits such as General Relief and Supplemental Security Income will be a priority.
- 81.2 percent are interested in case management services which means they are receptive to services and working towards the pathway to housing.
- 64.6 percent are Medi-Cal beneficiaries, which means that they may be eligible for the Whole Person Care initiative to address health concerns.

OC Health Care Agency in the Field

The OC Health Care Agency operates hundreds of behavioral health programs available to the community in Orange County. One of these is the Outreach and Engagement Services program. This team provides education, assessment, short-term case management, educational and life skills classes; support groups, transportation assistance and in-person outreach to two specific groups:

1. Residents of all ages and populations who are at risk of developing a mental illness or who are displaying early signs of emotional, behavioral, or mental instability or co-occurring substance abuse disorders; and
2. Individuals who are homeless or on the verge of becoming homeless. Among this group, services are offered to individuals of all ages with behavioral health conditions ranging from mild to severe and chronic.

For more information, please visit www.ocalthinfo.com/OE. View a YouTube [video](#) to learn how HCA addresses homelessness with their Outreach and Engagement Services.

Flood Control Channel Engagement Initiative

Census Data Summary

City Net conducted a census of the homeless individuals in the Flood Control Channel in the area between Chapman Avenue to Ball Road over the course of two days. City Net completed the survey with the support of Illumination Foundation, Orange County Health Care Agency, Orange County Probation, Orange County Sheriff's Department, and Orange Police Department.

Total Individuals Surveyed: 422

Gender	Count	% of 361
Man	223	61.8%
Woman	138	38.2%

Age	Count	% of 340
18 – 25	29	8.5%
26 – 59	286	84.1%
60+	25	7.4%

Ethnicity*	Count	% of 353
White	221	61.7%
Black or African American	34	9.5%
Hispanic/Latino	72	20.1%
Asian	4	1.1%
Pacific Islander	7	2.0%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	15	4.2%
Other	5	1.4%

*Respondents were allowed to select more than one answer.

Primary Language	Count	% of 329
English	322	97.9%
Spanish	7	2.1%

Veteran	Count	% of 322
Yes	22	6.8%
No	300	93.2%

Monthly Income	Count	% of 320
None	202	63.1%
\$1 – 500	53	16.6%
\$501 – 1,000	45	14.1%
\$1,001+	20	6.3%

Receiving CalFresh	Count	% of 322
Yes	173	53.7%
No	149	46.3%

Health Insurance	Count	% of 339
None	89	26.3%
MediCal	219	64.6%
Medicare	18	5.3%
Private	6	1.8%
VA	7	2.1%

Duration of Homelessness	Count	% of 319
< 1 yr	88	27.6%
1 - 2 yrs	85	26.6%
3 – 5 yrs	77	24.1%
6 – 10 yrs	45	14.1%
11 – 20 yrs	19	6.0%
21+ yrs	5	1.6%

Pets**	Count	% of 328
Yes	89	27.1%
No	239	72.9%

**Number of pets per person was not collected.

Disabling Health Condition	Count	% of 321
Yes	164	51.1%
No	157	48.9%

Mental Health Concern	Count	% of 322
Yes	136	42.2%
No	186	57.8%

Interested in Case Management	Count	% of 303
Yes	246	81.2%
No	57	18.8%

Struggles w/Addiction	Count	% of 320
Drugs only	78	24.4%
Alcohol only	22	6.9%
Both	22	6.9%
Neither	198	61.9%

Domestic Violence Victim	Count	% of 320
Yes	120	37.5%
No	200	62.5%

Probation or Parole	Count	% of 322
Yes	33	10.2%
No	289	89.8%

Convicted sex offender	Count	% of 323
Yes	5	1.5%
No	318	98.5%

Usually sleeps in	Count	% of 326
Anaheim	104	31.9%
Orange	205	62.9%
Santa Ana	13	4.0%
Fullerton	1	0.3%
Garden Grove	1	0.3%
Laguna Niguel	1	0.3%
Los Angeles	1	0.3%

Last Permanent Residence	Count	% of 321
Anaheim	79	24.6%
Outside CA	39	12.1%
Santa Ana	35	10.9%
Orange	31	9.7%
Garden Grove	29	9.0%
Fullerton	15	4.7%
LA County	12	3.7%
Riverside County	10	3.1%
Huntington Beach	8	2.5%
San Bernardino County	8	2.5%
Buena Park	7	2.2%
Stanton	6	1.9%
Costa Mesa	5	1.6%
Westminster	5	1.6%
Placentia	4	1.2%
Tustin	4	1.2%
Yorba Linda	4	1.2%
Northern CA	3	0.9%
Cypress	2	0.6%
Fountain Valley	2	0.6%
Irvine	2	0.6%
La Habra	2	0.6%
Newport Beach	2	0.6%
Aliso Viejo	1	0.3%
Laguna Beach	1	0.3%
Laguna Hills	1	0.3%
Lake Forest	1	0.3%
Los Alamitos	1	0.3%
Santiago Canyon	1	0.3%
Villa Park	1	0.3%

1. Data contained is all self-reported by respondents.
2. Results are reliable within +/- 5 percent at the 95 percent confidence level.
3. Duplicate respondents were removed when possible based on reported demographic information.
4. Artificial inflation of total count by individuals refusing survey cannot be ruled out due to census being conducted over two days.

Ventura County Supervisor visits Orange County's System of Care for Homeless



Ventura County Supervisor Kelly Long and Ventura County Department Heads visited Orange County on Wednesday, August 16, 2017, to observe and learn about the County of Orange system of care for homelessness. Supervisor Andrew Do, First District, and Supervisor Lisa Bartlett, Fifth District, joined in welcoming Supervisor Long and staff. To best observe and learn about our system of care, a tour was arranged to include participants from both the public and private sectors.

The group visited the Courtyard Transitional Center, the County's low threshold shelter; Bridges at Kraemer Place, Orange County's first year-round shelter and multi-service center; and Potter's Lane, a permanent supporting housing development for veterans built out of shipping containers and supported by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) vouchers.

Board of Supervisors' Actions

July 25, 2017

Urban Counties

The County of Orange Board of Supervisors approved the amendments for the Urban County Cooperation Agreements. The amendments will provide a mechanism for 11 small cities, two metro cities, and the County of Orange to access federal funding through the Urban County Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 through FY 2020-21 for housing and community development activities.

Urban counties are a type of entitlement community that has met certain population thresholds to qualify to receive a direct entitlement allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. These funds are used for housing and community development activities for public services in the form of: homeless activities such as emergency shelter operations, community center operations and improvements; housing rehabilitation for low to moderate income clientele; and improvements to public facilities within the 13 participating cities and County unincorporated areas.

August 22, 2017

Orange County Housing Authority Summits Section 8 Management Assessment Program Certification

The County of Orange Board of Supervisors acting as the Board of Commissioners for the Orange County Housing Authority (OCHA) authorized OCHA to submit its annual Section 8 Management Assessment Program Certification, which measures annual performance, will support compliance with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) mandates for monitoring key areas of performance for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program.

The Section 8 HCV Program provides tenant based rental assistance to low-income family, elderly and disabled households to obtain and maintain safe housing in the private rental market at reasonable costs. This program is federally funded by HUD and administered locally by the OCHA within the 31 cities in its jurisdiction serving more than 19,000 individuals per month.

Emergency Solutions Grant Funding

The County of Orange Board of Supervisors approved OC Community Resources, Housing & Community Development and Homeless Prevention grant application for the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program for the amount of \$1,084,015.

Service Planning Area

CENTRAL

Wesley Village Grand Opening

On Thursday, August 10, 2017, Jamboree held the ribbon-cutting celebration for Wesley Village. Wesley Village is an innovative, multi-use campus in Orange County that features multigenerational housing for both families and seniors as well as expanded services for residents and the local community in collaboration with local community partners. In a unique partnership with the Garden Grove United Methodist Church, Jamboree developed this affordable campus on 2.2 acres of excess parking space and unused vacant land. Jamboree entered into a 60-year ground lease with the church that will provide ongoing financial support for the church's charitable activities.

Two three-story residential buildings for families and seniors provide lots of space for outdoor activities with a large outdoor deck atop the family building, a barbecue and dining area, tot lot, fitness areas, and landscaped spaces for recreation.



Picture credit: Jamboree

A third community building is home to a Head Start Learning Center, plus a wide variety of other free educational, health and wellness services coordinated by Jamboree's Community Impact Group for both residents and the neighborhood. The community recreation center includes offices, a health clinic, computer center, library and multipurpose rooms. Within easy walking distance of a local high school, regional library, parks and shopping, the property is also conveniently near several public transportation options in Orange County.

To learn more about Wesley Village visit: <https://www.jamboreehousing.com/affordable-housing-communities/properties-list/wesley-village?vwr-type=resident>

SOUTH

City of San Clemente Public Safety Task Force

On Friday, August 18, 2017, the Orange County Director of Care Coordination Susan Price provided an update on the region's homeless issues and initiatives at the Public Safety Task Force for the City of San Clemente.

In March 2017, the San Clemente City Council created a Public Safety Task Force to review, discuss and analyze data for potential measures related to San Clemente Police Services and develop a community-based public safety strategic planning process.

For more information and to learn how to get involved visit san-clemente.org.

NORTH – Assemblywoman Learning about Bridges at Kraemer Place

On August 17, 2017, Assemblywoman Sharon Quirk-Silva (65th California Assembly district) toured Bridges at Kraemer Place to learn more about the program and progress in addressing homeless issues. County of Orange Supervisor Nelson, Fourth District, Director of Care Coordination Susan Price, and Larry Haynes, executive director at Mercy House, participated in the tour and were able to provide updates and answer questions.



Whole Person Care Update

Orange County's own Multi-Million Dollar Murray

In February 2006, *The New Yorker* published [Million-Dollar Murray](#), an article that followed a homeless man in Reno, Nevada, and his utilization of emergency services. It provided insight on how homelessness can be an easier issue to solve than to manage.

Orange County and many other communities have their own Multi-Million Dollar Murray.

Here is the story of Orange County's Murray (names have been changed to protect privacy). Murray had been homeless for over 30 years. He went back and forth from the East and West Coasts, but much of his homelessness had been along the Orange County coast. Before facing homelessness, he went through many experiences that would lead him to this state. After a series of traumatic experiences since childhood, including abuse and later a bicycle accident that resulted in a brain injury and life-long tremor, Murray enlisted in the military in the late 1970s. It was in the Navy where Murray began using drugs and alcohol. After suffering a brain aneurysm, an indirect result of cocaine usage, Murray was discharged from the military under "less than honorable" terms. He then moved to the East Coast in an alcoholic blackout and thus began his homeless trajectory and alcoholism. Murray made his way to California, where his drinking had escalated to four pints of vodka a day. His second marriage dissolved as a result of his excessive drinking, and this set him on a dangerous course of multiple emergency room visits and arrests. He would be in the hospital almost six times a month and had hundreds of police encounters.

Then came on the scene, Tom, Street Outreach Worker who participates in Coordinated Entry System. Through repeated contacts and hospital bailouts, Murray and Tom developed a trusting relationship with each other that spanned over 10 years. Tom knew he could only do so much as Murray had

gone to detox before, but would end up relapsing hours later after he left the facility. Tom tried everything and yet Murray continued to decline. In July 2017, Tom brought Murray to Hoag Hospital Emergency Room for an injured wrist, as a result of a bad fall while inebriated. Murray was looked over and treated and then was referred to Illumination Foundation's Recuperative Program under the County's new Whole Person Care (WPC) Recuperative program, which focuses on breaking the cycle of repeated usage of Orange County hospitals and emergency rooms. Both Tom and the social work team at Hoag Hospital realized that Murray would be the perfect candidate for the WPC program.

Murray was transported by Tom to Illumination Foundation's Recuperative Care Center in Midway City, California. The Recuperative Care team was fully aware and expecting that he would continue to drink, and the initial care plan would be on scaling back on the amount and frequency of his consumption and follow harm reduction. Within a day or two, Murray decided that he wanted to get sober! This is when things became a little more complicated. Due to his severe drinking problem, Murray needed to get detoxed at a medical facility which was not an easily available resource for the homeless. With withdrawals being potentially fatal, and Murray adamant on not drinking, it was crucial to find him a solution. Illumination Foundation was incredibly resourceful and creative and in the end ensured a safe medical detox for Murray from alcohol. Murray is a regular visitor to the behavioral health team's counseling offices, seeking out support and guidance for relapse prevention, coping skills, and just the opportunity to connect on a human level. Illumination Foundations' case management and housing department are collaborating to find a permanent housing solution for Murray, and ultimately, to keep him off

of the streets and out of the hospitals and institutions that became his second home.

Today, Murray is still alcohol free and going strong! He continues to be visited by Tom, and a couple of dear friends from the outside. Strawberry shakes are now Murray's drink of choice. Murray continues to improve daily; his complexion has cleared, his memory has improved and he is a model client at the Illumination Foundation's Recuperative Care Center. Murray even asked how he could be of service and is now cleaning the dining room tables and chairs daily after mealtime. He recently told Tom that he is enjoying being sober.

None of this would have been possible without the coordination and efforts of so many: Tom, Hoag Hospital, Orange County Health Care Agency and CalOptima. As for Murray, if you ask him how he feels about the whole thing, his response is simple: "I am so grateful for everything, I cannot thank everyone enough." Murray is an inspiration for many, and the hope at Illumination Foundation is that he blazes a trail for others to follow.

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Individuals have been connected to recuperative care through the Whole Person Care initiative.

Continuum of Care Updates

New HMIS Vendor Selection

2-1-1 Orange County (211OC), the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) lead on behalf of the Orange County Continuum of Care, released a Request for Proposals (RFP) in March to secure an HMIS software vendor. 211OC is happy to announce that the process has resulted in the selection of Bitfocus, a new vendor for the Orange County HMIS.

Through the RFP process it was determined that Bitfocus will be able to provide a high quality, user-friendly data collection system that expedites client intake and supports the analysis of quality information that can be used for program improvement, service planning and reporting in the Orange County Continuum of Care.

The RFP process allowed an opportunity for 211OC staff, County staff and staff from HMIS participating agencies to participate in live demonstrations and be part of the evaluation panel. The feedback received spoke in favor of Bitfocus capabilities and was reflected in a unanimous consensus from the Continuum of Care agencies to move forward with this vendor recommendation.

Changing HMIS software was a recommendation from the County of Orange Director of Care Coordination Susan Price in her Assessment of Homeless Services in Orange County. The selection of Bitfocus as the new Orange County Continuum of Care HMIS will support an HMIS implementation Strategy that:

- Reduces duplication of efforts
- Coordinates bed availability with street outreach
- Tracks service utilization
- Evaluates system performance

Continuum of Care Training

2-1-1 Orange County (211OC) who operates the Homeless Management Information System and Coordinated Entry System (CES) on behalf of the County of Orange Continuum of Care, hosted a training on the Vulnerability Index – Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT) and a CES 101 Workshop lead by Kris Freed from OrgCode.

The VI-SPDAT Training was a one day train-the-trainer workshop on how the tool is currently being used in many communities across the United States, Canada and Australia to assist in identifying those experiencing homelessness that are most vulnerable and the most appropriate housing intervention. The workshop additionally discussed how to use the tool to assist with identifying the “best fit” or most appropriate intervention for individuals and families.

The CES 101 Workshop was a 1.5 day workshop discussing the why and how of CES, showing how communities across the country are using CES to reduce homelessness and more quickly and efficiently move people into housing. The workshop went into brief discussions of prioritization, housing first principles and practices, and how to collaborate with other community partners and service providers.



Progress on Homelessness in the News!

Below is a list of articles pertaining to homeless issues that were released in the last month:

- [Costa Mesa officials, nonprofits help homeless man find way back home to Oklahoma](#) by Louis Casiano Jr, Orange County Register
- [Mercy House director sees housing Orange County's homeless population as a big challenge, but possible](#) by Theresa Walker, Orange County Register
- [Dana Point creates task force to take on 'exploding' homeless issue](#) by Erika I. Ritchie, Orange County Register
- [Think big and act boldly to solve California's housing crisis](#) by John Chiang, Orange County Register
- [California Mayors Urge Lawmakers to Fix Housing Shortage](#) by Sophia Bollag, The Associated Press

Behavioral Health Services

Civic Center

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) currently provides two outreach staff in the Civic Center Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. BHS is working directly with Santa Ana Police Department and the Sheriff's Department to provide support and follow up to any homeless individuals they encounter.

- During the month of August 2017, BHS Outreach & Engagement staff reported 562 outreach contacts resulting in 97 referrals for services being made and an additional 17 confirmed linkages to services.

Courtyard Transitional Center

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) provides outreach at the Courtyard Transitional Center Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mental Health Association (MHA) was contracted by the Orange County Health Care Agency to provide outreach during evenings and weekends at the Courtyard Transitional Center.

- BHS Outreach & Engagement staff reported 938 outreach contacts resulting in 52 referrals for services being made and an addition 66 confirmed linkages to services.
- MHA contracted outreach for evening and weekends report 272 outreach contacts resulting in an additional 95 referrals and seven linkages to services.
- BHS Outpatient clinic clinician reported contacts with 121 clients. Three clients were referred to medical detox and three clients were assessed for outpatient clinic services.
- The BHS Substance Use Disorder outreach clinicians reported contacts with 14 clients. Four clients were referred to a substance use disorder program.

Bridges at Kraemer Place

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) provides two outreach staff at the Bridges at Kraemer Place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

- BHS Outreach & Engagement staff reported 62 outreach contacts resulting in 16 referral for services being made and an additional two confirmed linkages to services.
- BHS Substance Use Disorder outreach clinician reported contacts with 23 clients. One client was referred to medical detox and one was referred to substance use disorder programs.



The Public Health Nursing Division's Comprehensive Health Assessment Team-Homeless (CHAT-H) public health nurses (PHNs) are available Monday through Friday to assist individuals with health needs and to provide ongoing case management. Individuals are seen in the Civic Center, Courtyard Transitional Center and other locations as needed. The PHNs are also in the Courtyard Transitional Center on Thursday mornings to see individuals on a drop-in basis.

Civic Center

- Three brief encounters with referrals or linkages
- Nine intensive encounters with case management
- 12 total monthly client contacts

Courtyard Transitional Center

- 94 brief encounters with referrals or linkages
- 71 intensive encounters with case management
- 165 total monthly client contacts



The Social Services Agency (SSA) deployed SSA staff to Bridges at Kraemer Place and its Mobile Response Vehicle (MRV) to the Courtyard Transitional Center during the month of August 2017.

SSA received 425 inquiries for services including eligibility determinations and re-determinations, as applicable for CalFresh, Medi-Cal, General Relief and CalWORKs.

The chart to the left provides a brief summary of the SSA program requests received.

*This does not add up to the total number of inquiries as the total number of inquiries reflects each individual that approached SSA staff, regardless of the inquiry.

Location	Courtyard Transitional Center	Bridges at Kraemer Place
Total Inquiries for Services	383	55
Type of Request*		
Medi-Cal Applications	28	0
CalFresh Applications	50	1
General Relief applications	78	9
CalWORKs applications	1	0
Inter-County Transfers	16	0
EBT Card Distribution	78	1
Beneficiary Identification Card Distribution (Medi-Cal card)	43	9
Redeterminations	16	3
Bus passes	56	12



Successes to Celebrate

21 Individuals have moved into permanent housing since the opening of Bridges at Kraemer Place.

15 Participants of Bridges at Kraemer Place have secured employment.

A Note of Gratitude and New Beginnings

A gentleman sent the following letter to express his gratitude and share his journey as he transitions from Bridges at Kraemer Place to housing:

"My Housing Navigator's name is Leilani. She welcomed me when I had arrived my first day and I couldn't of been in better hands. She has been a vital force in launching me forward into my current and stable living situation. We've met each week to discuss goals while breaking down my vision of independence. The resources, positivity and accountability has enabled me to strive and get in touch with health and counseling services as well as the 6 month transitional program I am currently participating in. She has been a constant professional, engaging everyone with respect and a sense of dignity.

The line staff I'd like to mention in whom I have seen go 'above and beyond' in providing quality care and services for every tenant are Rosy, Caitlyn and Reed. These three stellar team members have the hugest hearts that exudes throughout their work from the smallest of tasks to the largest; not much needs to be written because their work speaks of their loving hearts for the people at Bridges of Kraemer.

Lastly, the management whom have spent quality time investing greatness in me - that I did not see in myself - while I was homeless are: Yolanda and Krista. Both women have pulled me aside to remind me of my potential; my inner greatness to grow. I have become stronger as a person because of their leadership, exuberance and guidance.

The journey of homelessness has been a road filled with setbacks, heartache and often dangerous challenges I've had to overcome. Over a year ago, my oldest brother and I got into a heated argument leading me to storm off in search of independence. I did well for some time but put myself back into a situation where I used drugs again. I made several attempts to head back home for sobriety and a foundation but my addiction to drugs and carelessness made my own family so tired to the point of shunning me every time I arrived at their doorstep. About the eighth or ninth time, I had a conversation with my brother outside our home in where he encouraged me to "work on it". I made the choice then to use my homelessness to gain sobriety. I often collected cans for income, received food from charities and sought shelter at safe havens or hid in bushes under freeway passes enduring cold nights alone. I prayed many times for protection and provisions asking for a clean heart, mind and hands hoping for a better tomorrow. I am grateful to say I have never went a day without food nor have I been harmed beyond something I did not heal from; I had been poisoned twice.

After finding peace of mind, I reached out to different referral agencies to assist me in finding a shelter, another prayer I petitioned to get back on my feet where I found it at the Anaheim Police Department.

Shortly after, a bed was available for me with Bridges of Kraemer. I am clean and sober as of May 3rd, 2017 and intend on returning back to school to receive my AA and transfer to University majoring in Psychology and Human Services. The future is an optimistic one and I am grateful for Bridges of Kraemer for being my answered prayer."



Successes to Celebrate

140

Individuals have graduated to housing options since the opening of the Courtyard Transitional Center.

98

Residents of the Courtyard Transitional Center are employed.

Bright Future at Fullerton

A woman in her mid-50s had been experiencing homelessness for three years prior to entering the Courtyard Transitional Center on October 2016. Prior to the opening of the Courtyard Transitional Center, she had been staying at the Civic Center and regularly worked with OC Health Care Agency (HCA) Outreach and Engagement staff. HCA Outreach and Engagement staff advocated for and assisted in getting her into the Coordinated Entry system where she was matched with her housing voucher. City Net located a unit in Fullerton and assisted the woman in completing the application. On August 3, 2017, the apartment complex confirmed the woman had been approved for the apartment. With deposit assistance funded by the whatever-it-takes fund she was able to sign the lease and move in the same day.

Successful Chair Yoga

The Courtyard Transitional Center now offers weekly chair yoga classes for individuals interesting in participating in light exercise and meditation.



Heading Home to Dad

A 24-year-old man first became homeless in April 2017 after being exited from a drug and alcohol rehabilitation program. In early August, while staying at the Courtyard Transitional Center he connected with a City Net case manager and expressed his interest in reconnecting with family. City Net staff helped him reach out to his father in Missouri who was happy to be reunited with his son and offer him the support and help he needs. Just a week later, utilizing the whatever-it-takes funds, City Net was able to purchase a bus ticket for the man to go back home.

Quickly Flying to Philly

After having experienced homelessness for more than two years, a pregnant woman sought shelter at the Courtyard Transitional Center. There she worked with City Net staff to explore various housing options before deciding to reach out to her father in Philadelphia. Before the one month mark of staying at the Courtyard Transitional Center, City Net provided her with an airplane ticket to Philadelphia, funded by the whatever-it-takes fund to be reunited with her father.

Whole Person Care Providers Better Options

A woman first became homeless in the City of Anaheim in August 2016. She began staying at the Courtyard Transitional Center in March 2017 after hearing about it from others in the community. During her stay at the Courtyard Transitional Center she began working on a long-term housing plan with City Net staff. Per Illumination Foundation's case management team, she was referred to OC Health Care Agency (HCA) to determine Whole Person Care (WPC) eligibility. HCA staff connected her to Illumination Foundation and City Net to complete the process. The WPC is the coordination of physical, behavioral health and social services in a patient-centered approach with the goals of improved health and well-being through more efficient and effective uses for Medi-Cal beneficiaries struggling with homelessness. Through this initiative, she is now staying in a recuperative care program which provides acute medical care in a supportive transitional housing environment.

Huntington planners approve O.C. plan to improve flood control channel



In 2007, Orange County supervisors declared a local emergency to expedite levee repair at the East Garden Grove Wintersburg channel. The Huntington Beach Planning Commission voted Tuesday night to allow the county to make structural enhancements to the flood control channel. (File Photo)



By **Ben Brazil**

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Proposed improvements for a flood control channel in Huntington Beach that a decade ago prompted a local emergency were approved Tuesday night by the city Planning Commission.

Commissioners voted unanimously to allow the Orange County Flood Control District to make structural enhancements to the East Garden Grove Wintersburg channel, which carries runoff from cities including Anaheim, Garden Grove and Santa Ana.

aversing the sensitive Bolsa Chica wetlands.

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Tuesday's meeting featured little debate about the issue, as commissioners posed only a few questions to city staff, many of them to clarify construction specifics.

Planning aide Nicolle Bourgeois said construction would be between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. The county has not determined a start date.

The work will consist of installing sheet pile walls in the channel between Graham and Goldenwest streets.

The sheet pile walls will allow for the future removal of current earthen slopes that are subject to erosion. The changes are part of a larger structural upgrade to the channel.

Commissioner John Scandura said the county should agree on a notification radius for residents before construction because pile-driving "can be heard from quite a distance."

In May, the county received approval from the commission to install a debris collection system in the flood channel to prevent trash from polluting the Bolsa Chica wetlands or the ocean.

Shannon Widor, spokesman for Orange County Public Works, said the channel is due for other improvements in the next few years, including reconstruction of part of it near Gothard Street.

The East Garden Grove Wintersburg channel is one of several earthen channels built in the 1950s.

In 2007, county supervisors declared a local emergency when a deteriorating levee in the Huntington Beach channel was feared to pose a flooding threat to hundreds of nearby homes. A \$10-million repair project ensued.

Activists have said failure of the levees in a severe storm could cause significant damage to the Bolsa Chica wetlands.

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NEWS ARTICLES



Courtesy photo

Fans cheer at the dedication ceremony for the Michael A. Monsoor Memorial Stadium at Garden Grove High.

'That night, it was all about Michael'

Stadium named after GG High grad and war hero is state-of-the-art

By Loreen Berlin

The new Michael A. Monsoor Memorial Stadium at Garden Grove High School is first-class through and through.

So was its namesake.

After Michael A. Monsoor graduated from Garden Grove High in 1999 graduate of Garden Grove High School, became

a Navy SEAL and earned the Congressional Medal of Honor Award after he sacrificed his life by jumping on a grenade to save

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Photos by Loreen Berlin

This plaque gives details of the heroic life of Michael A. Monsoor.



The Michael A. Monsoor Memorial Stadium seats 4,000.

MICHAEL:

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two of his SEAL teammates during a battle in the Iraq War.

"Everything in the former stadium area has been replaced from ground up," said Assistant Facilities Director Jerry Hill. "The stadium has 4,000 seats; 2,500 home seats and 1,500 seats on the visitors' side."

The outer edge of the stadium floor's synthetic turf is where nine lanes can be marked for track and field events. Energy-efficient lighting has been installed on the field, with an LED scoreboard, a press box, and restrooms at each end of the new concession building.

The synthetic turf contains tiny beads made from recycled

rubber tires to cushion falls on the football field.

The concession building also honors Monsoor with a plaque detailing his heroic actions, along with a plaque made from the same steel the newly-named USS Michael A. Monsoor (DDG 1001) Zumwalt-Class Ship was constructed from, which Capt. Scott Smith of the Michael A. Monsoor Ship presented in person during the ceremony unveiling the stadium.

The same plaque, with a shadow outline of the Monsoor ship, has also been welded on the keel of the actual ship and Monsoor's mother, Sally Monsoor, christened the vessel.

"We wanted to do the stadium right," Hill said. "The school's been here for 50 years and we're hoping for another 50-year run."

The stadium was made possible in part by Measure P, the district's \$311 million bond measure, approved by 76.4 percent of voters.

The grand opening of the Michael A. Monsoor Stadium was held on the official opening of the football season.

"That night, it was all about Michael," said Hill.

Dozens of family members and friends of Monsoor's were in attendance at the dedication ceremony on Sept. 8. Shipmates and other members of the Navy were garbed in their dress whites. Thousands of fans, from Garden Grove and beyond, paid their respects.

Michael A Monsoor wore "You Never Quit" on his helmet.

The community has never quit on him.

300 kids receive new backpacks

City, community groups donate as part of Back to School Drive

The annual Back to School Drive, hosted in recent months by the Buena Clinton Youth & Family Center and the Magnolia Park Family Resource Center, provided 300 Garden Grove students with backpacks and school supplies.

Through donated items and monetary donations from Kiwanis Club of Greater Garden Grove, Thomas House Family Shelter, Community Action Partnership of Orange County, Share Our Selves, International Association of Fire Fighters, Jamboree Housing, Families and Communities Together, city employees and private donors, families in need were assisted with the expense

of preparing their children to go back to school.

"This was a combined effort from city employees, community members, and local businesses, and it was a successful one," said Kim Huy, community services director.

Buena Clinton Youth and Family Center provides residents low or no-cost, confidential and bilingual programs and services focused on youth enrichment, safety, community involvement, and leadership.

Magnolia Park Family Resource Center was established in response to the community needs for family support and prevention services. It operates with the

nationally recognized Five Protective Factors approach. Through its core services of counseling, parent education, family support services, information and referral, and youth enrichment, the center provides residents of Garden Grove with vital community services to achieve its vision of "building healthy communities one family at a time."

Both facilities focus on building partnerships with multiple agencies to provide free to low-cost services that strengthen families and community.

For more information, call the Magnolia Park Family Resource Center at 714-741-5208.

C.E.R.T. training

Are you adhering to the Boy Scout motto to always be prepared?

September is National Preparedness Month, and the City of Garden Grove's C.E.R.T. program will offer a CPR/First Aid/AED certification on Saturday, Sept. 30, from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Certification will be through EMS Safety Services, Inc. The cost for the class is \$30.

C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) is a volunteer organization with the Garden Grove Fire Department that provides citizens training on how to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a disaster. C.E.R.T. members are also trained to help augment first responders in the event of a disaster.

Seating is limited. To register and receive the class location, contact Don Thorpe at ggcertloc@gmail.com or 714-376-7633. For more information regarding the C.E.R.T. program, visit www.certgardengrovefire.org.

For more information regarding National Preparedness Month, visit www.ready.gov/september.

Flu shots

Staying healthy during flu season is getting easier at Garden Grove's H. Louis Lake Senior Center.

Free flu shots along with free health screenings and health care information are being offered on Thursday, Sept. 28, 2017 at the H. Louis Lake Senior Center – activity rooms 1, 2, and 3, at 11300 Stanford Ave., from 1 to 3 p.m.

Registration is required to receive a flu shot. Flu vaccines will be provided based on availability by Walgreens.

For more information and to register, call 714-741-5253.

New trucks

The Garden Grove Public Works Department will get new pickup trucks after the City Council approved buying two Fords and one Chevrolet for a total cost of \$79,000.

The city will buy the trucks from the national Auto Fleet Group.

BUSINESS

Hotter housing: Westminster or Garden Grove?

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Where was the hotter housing this summer: Westminster or Garden Grove?

Here are homebuying highlights for Westminster and Garden Grove from ReportsOnHousing for August. This house-hunting data tracks resales of existing detached and attached residences in the community.

Analysis includes August trends based on closed sales: sale counts; average price vs. average list price; high and low price paid in the month; average cost per square foot and average size; plus, based on broker listing networks stats on Sept. 7, the "market time" metric comparing supply of listings to new escrows opened in past 30 days.

In Westminster ...

Sales: 39 sold vs. 40 a year ago.

Average sales price: \$646,754 that ranked No. 33 out of 46 Orange County markets tracked and was up 11.3 percent in a year.

Compared to list: Sellers got 100.4 percent of what they typically asked for, ranking No. 2 of the 46 markets.

Range: High sale of \$965,000 vs. the \$425,000 low.

Sizing: On average, buyers paid \$386 per square foot on a 1,677 square-foot residence. This pricing metric was up 8 percent in a year.

Market speed: 29 days, listing to escrow opened vs. 44 days a year ago and 77 days two years ago.

In Garden Grove ...

Sales: 100 sold vs. 109 a year ago.

Average sales price: \$534,468 that ranked No. 39 out of 46 Orange County markets tracked and was up 3.1 percent in a year.

Compared to list: Sellers got 98.7 percent of what they typically asked for, ranking No. 25 of the 46 markets.

Range: High sale of \$795,000 vs. the \$58,500 low.

Sizing: On average, buyers paid \$382 per square foot on a 1,399 square-foot residence. This pricing metric was up 8.2 percent in a year.

Market speed: 44 days, listing to escrow opened vs. 54 days a year ago and 54 days two years ago.

Compare those patterns to countywide trends ...

Sales: 3,110 sold vs. 3,069 a year ago, up 1 percent.

Average sales price: \$831,964 — up 5.8 percent in a year.

Compared to list: Sellers got 98.1 percent of what they asked for.

Range: High sale of \$21,000,000 vs. \$58,500 low.

Sizing: \$447 per square foot (on a 1,863 square-foot residence), up 5.6 percent in a year.

Market speed: 64 days vs. 78 a year ago and 80 two years ago.

SEE: [\\$350,000 new home in Orange County? It's in the works in Rancho Mission Viejo](#)

Garden Grove

The Buena Clinton Youth & Family Center and the Magnolia Park Family Resource Center recently gave backpacks and school supplies to 300 Garden Grove students, the result of the city's annual Back to School Drive.

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Garden Grove

Six high school seniors from Garden Grove Unified School District were recently named semifinalists for the prestigious National Merit Scholarship: Long Ho, Bolsa Grande; Tiffany Trinh and Kaitlyn Vu, La Quinta; Lynn Gao, Jerlene Hsueh and Ryan Stevens, Pacifica.

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Garden Grove

Nighttime construction at Magnolia Street and Trask Avenue has begun. From 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. on certain evenings, through traffic will be restricted and only right turns allowed. Improvements on Magnolia, from Trask to the 22, will begin Friday.

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Garden Grove

The city recently dedicated a new street sign to Gen. Tran Hung Dao, Vietnam's leader during the 13th century who repelled Mongol invasions three times. The sign is at Bolsa Avenue and Bushard Street. Under the "Bolsa Avenue" sign, it reads "Dai Lo Tran Hung Dao."

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Garden Grove

The Public Works Department will get three new pickup trucks, after the City Council recently approved buying two Fords and one Chevrolet for a total \$79,916. The city will buy the trucks from the National Auto Fleet Group.

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Garden Grove

The city's Animal Care Services department posts on its webpage photos of any lost pets its employees or good Samaritans have found and dropped off at the Orange County Humane Society over a seven-day period. The photos and breed descriptions can be accessed through Garden Grove's website.

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NEWS

10 years of change: What new census says about 20 Southern California cities



Homes in the Stonegate neighborhood of Irvine along Portola Parkway in August, 2015. From a selection of 20 Southern California cities, Irvine grew the fastest, adding about 83,000 residents between 2006 and 2016, according to new estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. (Photo by Jeff Gritchen, Orange County Register/SCNG)

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Big cities got bigger and a couple mid-sized cities exploded.

Immigration didn't change as much as you might think.

And while property values haven't fully recovered, post-recession, the cost of renting a home or apartment has surged, adding to conditions that have resulted in broad jumps in homelessness.

Those are some of the ways in which Southern California has changed over the past decade, according to Census Bureau estimates released to the public today.

Though the census numbers show some state-to-state comparisons (California is the most impoverished state in the union when factoring housing into the mix), the Southern California News Group used the data to look at the five biggest cities in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. The numbers were snapshots from 2006 and 2016, offering a statistical glimpse of the region before and after the recession of 2007 and '08 and the long, slow recovery that followed.

The data tells stories about population, poverty rates, education levels and migration patterns, among other things.

The easiest number to digest is about people.

Los Angeles is still biggest kid on the block in Southern California, with nearly 4 million residents. But it grew only about 5 percent over the decade, even as other communities grew at much faster clips.

Irvine, the city with the beige reputation and a strong international flair, saw its population increase 46 percent to about 266,000, the biggest jump of the 20 cities tracked. The budding wine burg of Temecula was close behind, growing 43 percent to about 112,000.

Big population increases also were seen in Murrieta (23 percent), Victorville (21 percent) and Fontana (19 percent).

Cities that grew slowly included Long Beach, just 1 percent, while Santa Ana was the only city examined to see its population decline, by 5 percent, to about 334,000.

Overall, population grew in all four counties. Riverside was up 18 percent; San Bernardino 7 percent, Orange 6 percent, and Los Angeles 2 percent.

While population, overall, grew in Southern California, the makeup of that population – at least based on race, ethnicity and country of origin – shifted at different rates in different communities.

One trend common in the region since 2006 is that the share of non-Latino white people is declining. That racial group shrank as a share of the population in 19 of the 20 cities surveyed, and in the one city where it didn't drop (Fontana) it stayed the same, at 15.4 percent.

Based on 2016 data, non-Latino white people are no longer the majority in both Murrietta and Irvine. At the same time, Latinos, who can be of any race, became the majorities in Victorville, Riverside, Moreno Valley and Anaheim.

In 2016, Latinos dominated Santa Ana, making up 77 percent of residents. Other cities with large clusters of one group or another include Huntington Beach (64 percent non-Latino white), Lancaster (20 percent Black or African American) and Irvine (43 percent Asian).

Language also is shifting, with English losing ground.

Within the past decade, Ontario became the region's third Spanish-language majority city of those surveyed, joining Santa Ana and Fontana, where Spanish was already the majority language in 2006. In Garden Grove – a city with a large Vietnamese-American community – 36 percent of residents speak an Asian or Pacific Islander language.

And in Glendale, where there is a strong Armenian community, 40 percent of the residents speak an Indo-European language; residents are more likely to speak an Indo-European language than they are to speak only English.

Overall, the growth of languages other than English isn't reflected in changes in the population.

After decades as a Mecca for foreign-born transplants, the percentage of foreign-born residents fell in 15 of the 20 Southern California cities examined. Los Angeles saw a 2 point dip in the number of foreign-born residents from 2006 to 2016, and there were similar trends in the other counties' largest cities – Anaheim, Riverside and San Bernardino.

But those numbers might reflect saturation; a lot of people born outside the United States already have moved to the region.

Glendale has the largest share of foreign-born residents – 53 percent – followed by Santa Ana (46 percent) and Garden Grove (44 percent). Temecula has the fewest foreign-born residents, at 15 percent.

More Southern California families lived in poverty in 2016 than in 2006, according to the 20-city data – and it wasn't simply a function of growth.

Overall, the number of families in the 20 cities increased by 7.8 percent over the decade, while the number of families at or below the poverty line rose by 9.1 percent.

Garden Grove, Long Beach and Santa Clarita were fortunate outliers, seeing fewer families in poverty even as they saw population rise:

- In Garden Grove, the number of poor families plunged 24 percent (4,865 to 3,688).
- It was down in Long Beach by 15 percent (16,085 to 13,663).
- In Santa Clarita, it was down 2 percent (1,773 to 1,738).

Others were not so fortunate. The most stunning increases in poverty came in cities experiencing great population growth – but it was also a function of mathematics, as some of their populations were small to start.

Murrieta saw the number of families in poverty rise by 123 percent – from 957 to 2,132.

Meanwhile, the number of people living in poverty:

- Rose 120 percent in Rancho Cucamonga (1,160 to 2,549).
- Rose 86 percent in Irvine (1,989 to 3,705).
- Rose 81 percent in Ontario (2,779 to 5,029).

In the city of Los Angeles, the number of families in poverty was up 4 percent (121,684 to 126,429).

In the 2006 census, the poverty threshold was \$10,294 for an individual and \$20,614 for a family of four. In 2016, it was \$12,228 for an individual and \$24,563 for a family of four.

At the other end of the spectrum, Irvine claimed the largest share of well-off residents – and they've become more comfortable as the years passed.

In 2006, 22 percent of Irvine families earned \$150,000 or more a year. A decade later, 30 percent earned that much. And those at the top of the ladder – earning more than \$200,000 – saw a great jump, from 11.7 percent to 18.4 percent.

Santa Clarita was next-most-prosperous, with nearly 25 percent of its residents earning more than \$150,000; followed by Huntington Beach (22.1 percent); Rancho Cucamonga (19.5 percent) and Temecula (19.4 percent).

The city of San Bernardino had the smallest slice of top-rung earners – just 4.6 percent making more than \$150,000. It had, by far, the most families on the ladder's bottom rung, with 61.9 percent earning less than \$50,000 a year.

Victorville and Lancaster each had 52 percent of residents earning less than \$50,000 a year. That was a decrease for Lancaster, and an increase for Victorville, over 2006.

On the unemployment front, rates fell from 2006 to 2016 in Long Beach, Lancaster, Anaheim, Santa Ana, Huntington Beach and Corona. They grew in 13 other cities, led by Glendale (4.2 points), Victorville (3.4 points) and Irvine (3 points). Los Angeles held steady.

The only city with a double digit unemployment in 2016 was Victorville, at 13 percent.

The recession sucked away home values, even as pockets of the region have seen housing bubbles and strong markets in the past three years.

But rents, bubbles and all, have jumped throughout the region, with or without the recession. All 20 cities surveyed saw double digit increases in median rent over the last 10 years.

Irvine started highest at \$1,713 in 2006 and ten years later topped the other cities at \$2,243. But rent grew the fastest in Los Angeles, with a 40 percent jump to an average of \$1,315 per month.

Meanwhile, median home values (not prices) in 2016 show they haven't quite recovered from the housing crash that accompanied the recession. Compared to pre-recession 2006, they remain below previous peaks across board except in two spots: Glendale in Irvine, where they made 5 percent and 9 percent gains, respectively.

Values in Victorville took the biggest hit, falling 35 percent – more than \$114,000 – to \$210,500 last year.

On education, Irvine was miles ahead of the other 19 cities; nearly three quarters of residents ages 25 to 64 had at least a bachelor's degree in 2016, while only two percent of the city's adults hadn't graduated high school.

Santa Ana, bordering Irvine but with much different socioeconomics, saw the opposite: 42 percent of working-age adults had less than a high school diploma and 14 percent had a bachelor's degree or higher. Victorville had the smallest share of four-year college graduates at 12 percent.

Staff writer Teri Sforza contributed to this story.

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CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN ORANGE COUNTY'S MAJOR BUSINESS EXPO 2017

The City of Garden Grove's Economic Development Division will be participating in Orange County's Major Business Expo, sponsored by Relationship Building Network (RBN). The expo takes place on Wednesday, September 27, 2017, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Great Wolf Lodge Southern California, located at 12681 Harbor Boulevard.

Members of the Economic Development division will provide information on investment and development opportunities available in Garden Grove, as well as network with other business exhibitors and participants.

For more information on business development opportunities, visit the City's website at www.ci.garden-grove.ca.us/finance/econdev. For more information on Orange County's Major Business Expo, please visit www.rbninfo.com.

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JACK O'LANTERN JAMBOREE CELEBRATES HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES

The Garden Grove Community Services Department presents the 16th annual Jack O'Lantern Jamboree event on Saturday, October 28, 2017, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at Atlantis Play Center. Atlantis Play Center is located at 13630 Atlantis Way in Garden Grove Park.

Activities at the event include a train ride, carnival games, crafts, bounce houses, goodies, magic show, airbrushed tattoos, and an Instagram giveaway. There will also be pumpkins available for sale at the Pumpkin Patch.

Ticket prices are \$8 per person. The tickets are limited to the first 300 children, and children 2-years-old and under are free. Only cash or credit cards are accepted. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Ticket sales for Jack O'Lantern Jamboree begin Monday, October 9 through Thursday, October 26, until quantities run out. Tickets may be purchased at the Recreation Counter, located on the 1st floor of Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway. To order by phone, or for more information, call (714) 741-5200.

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THÀNH PHỐ GARDEN GROVE MỞ LỚP HUẤN LUYỆN CẤP CỨU CPR

Thành phố Garden Grove sẽ mở một lớp huấn luyện để cấp chứng chỉ CPR / First Aid / AED do công ty EMS Safety Services phụ trách hướng dẫn. Lớp huấn luyện sẽ được tổ chức vào ngày Thứ Bảy, 30 tháng 9, từ 7:30 giờ sáng - 5:00 giờ chiều. Chi phí cho lớp học là \$30. Những ai muốn tham gia xin mời ghi danh trước bằng cách gửi email về địa chỉ ggcert.oc@gmail.com.

CERT là một tổ chức tình nguyện phối hợp với Sở Cứu Hỏa Garden Grove với mục đích huấn luyện cho cư dân để chuẩn bị ứng phó, hướng dẫn khả năng tự vệ nếu có biến cố xảy ra. Các thành viên của đội C.E.R.T. đã được huấn luyện để giúp đỡ hỗ trợ ở giai đoạn đầu trong trường hợp có thiên tai xảy ra.

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Thành Phố Garden Grove Mở Lớp Huấn Luyện Cấp Cứu CPR

21/08/2017 00:00:00



- Học Khu Garden Grove Chào Đón Gia Đình MS Nguyễn Công Chính. Hứa Giúp 5 Con MS Chính Lúc Đầu Bờ Ngõ Ở Học Đường Mỹ
- Garden Grove Treo Bảng Tên Đường 'Boisa Ave Đại Lộ Trần Hưng Đạo'
- Chuyển Tâm Công Là Gì?



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- Dệt Vn Vào Mỹ Sẽ Thăng Lớn Nhờ Thương Ước
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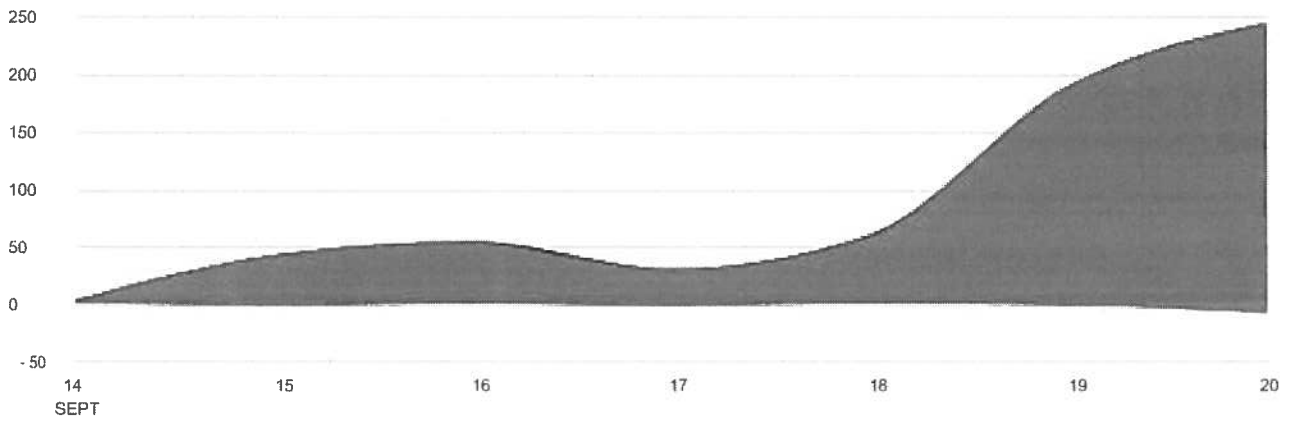
**SOCIAL MEDIA
HIGHLIGHTS**

Facebook Activity Overview

 <p>1,840,589 Impressions</p>	 <p>22,383 Post Engagements</p>	 <p>790 Link Clicks</p>
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Audience Growth

LIKES BREAKDOWN, BY DAY



ORGANIC LIKES
 UNLIKES

Audience Growth Metrics

Totals

Total Fans	9,335
Organic Likes	615
Unlikes	18
Net Likes	597

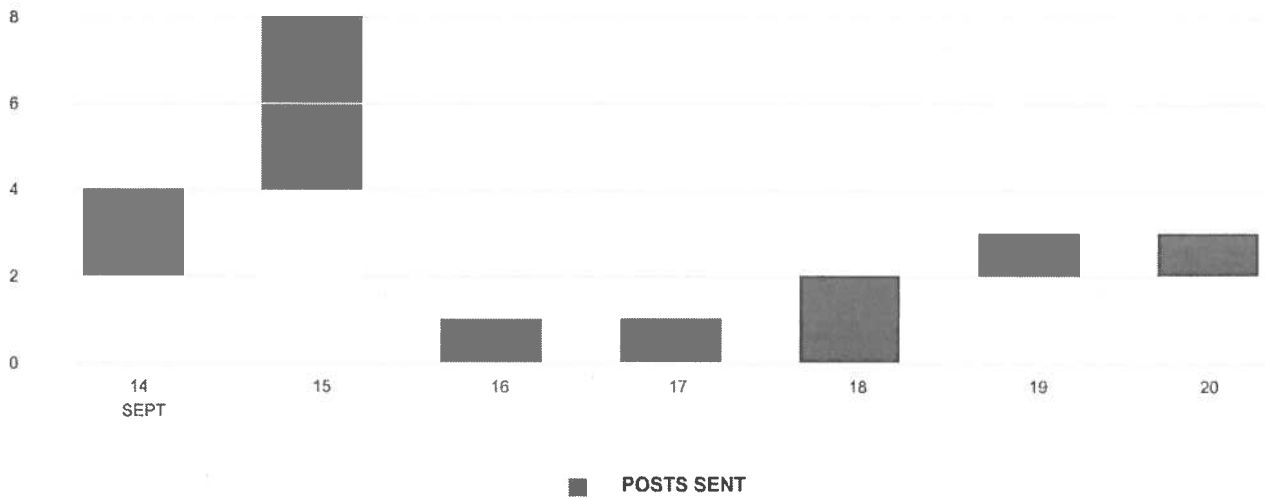
Total fans increased by

6.8%

since previous date range

Publishing Behavior

POSTS, BY DAY







Publishing Metrics	Totals
Photos	5
Videos	2
Posts	15
Total Posts	22

The number of posts you sent increased by



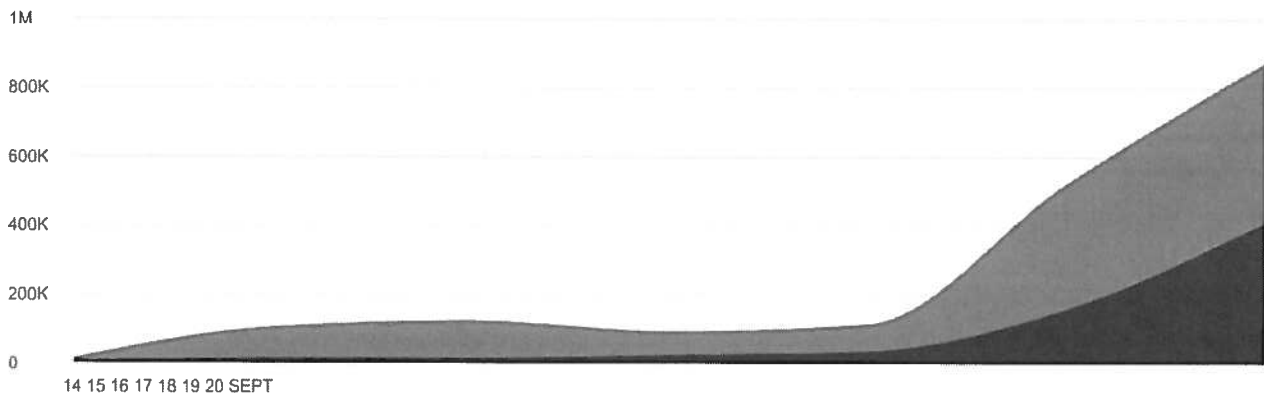
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Top Posts, by Engagement

Post	Reactions	Comments	Engagement ▼	Reach
<p>Garden Grove City Hall</p> <p>"BEST PLACES TO EAT NEAR DISNEYLAND" Garden Grove restaurants are listed in this article for some of the best places to eat near Disneyland. Check it out! Think #BiGG - Buy in #GardenGrove</p> <p> The Best Places to Eat Near Disneyland</p> <p>(Post) September 15, 2017 5:00 pm</p>	31	9	12.7%	2,959
<p>Garden Grove City Hall</p> <p>On September 9, the City held a dedication ceremony to unveil a new street sign honoring Vietnam General Tran Hung Dao, at the intersection of Bolsa Avenue and Bushard Street. During the ceremony, the illuminated Bolsa Avenue street sign was changed to include "Dai Lo Tran Hung Dao" under "Bolsa Avenue" to match signs recently posted in the City of Westminster. General Tran Hung Dao was Vietnam's supreme commander in the 13th century, credited with, three times, repelling the far superior Mongol forces led by Kublai Khan. He remains a national icon in Vietnam, where city streets and buildings are named in his honor.</p> <p></p> <p></p> <p>(Post) September 18, 2017 5:35 pm</p>	8	12	12.6%	1,586
<p>Garden Grove City Hall</p> <p>#KeepingUpWithKathy... Funded by California Office of Traffic Safety, the Accident Reduction Team is out on Magnolia and Rosanna conducting a crosswalk operation to educate and enforce crosswalk laws and to increase safety on the road. #SafeStreetsGG #StayAlertGG #GardenGrove</p> <p></p> <p>(Post) September 15, 2017 11:26 am</p>	1,803	381	11.5%	599,017

Page Impressions

PAGE IMPRESSIONS, BY DAY



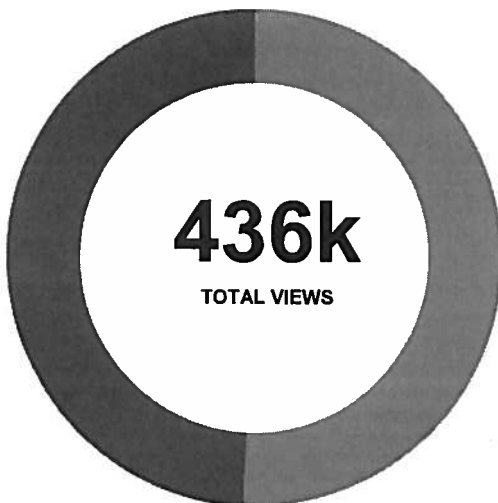
■ ORGANIC ■ VIRAL

Impressions Metrics	Totals
Organic Impressions	655,609
Viral Impressions	1,184,980
Total Impressions	1,840,589
Users Reached	1,217,604

Total Impressions increased by
1,364.2%
 since previous date range

Video Performance

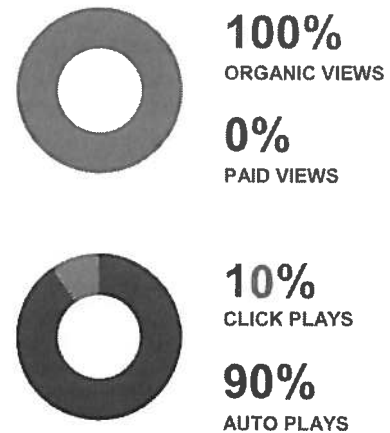
VIEW METRICS



221k
ORGANIC FULL

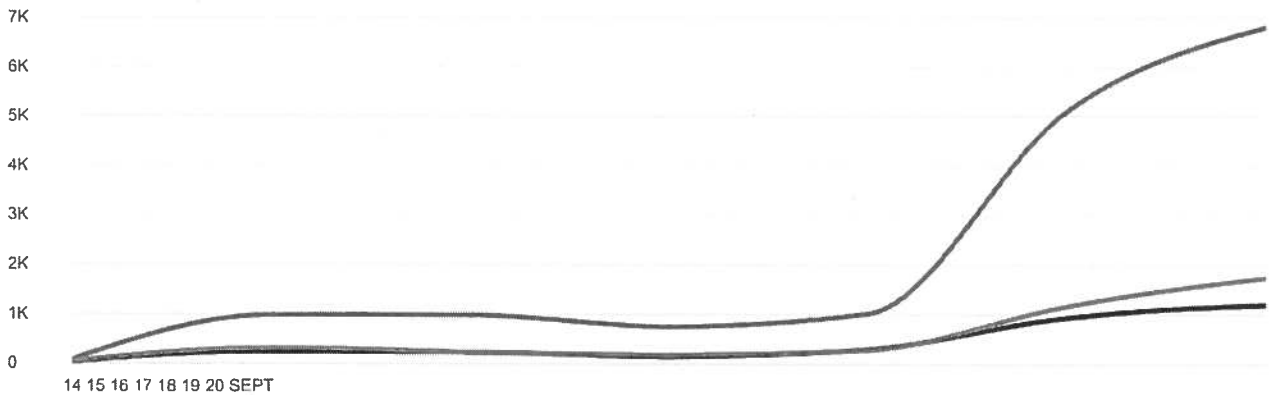
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ORGANIC PARTIAL

VIEWING BREAKDOWN



Audience Engagement

AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT, BY DAY



■ REACTIONS ■ COMMENTS ■ SHARES

Action Metrics	Totals
Reactions	15,601
Shares	3,814
Comments	2,968

Total Engagements increased
by
1,132.5%



since previous date range

Total Engagements 22,383

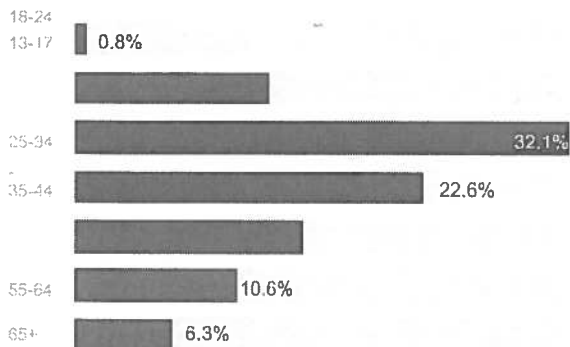
Demographics

Page Fans

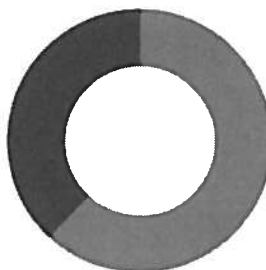
People Reached

People Engaged

BY AGE



BY GENDER



61.9%

FEMALE
38.1%

MALE

Women between the ages of 25-34 appear to be the leading force among your fans.

Top Countries

United States	8,665
Mexico	96
Vietnam	64
South Korea	19
Philippines	17

Top Cities

Garden Grove, CA	3,062
Anaheim, CA	651
Santa Ana, CA	556
Los Angeles, CA	504
Westminster, CA	207

Facebook Stats by Page

Facebook Page	Total Fans	Fan Increase	Posts Sent	Impressions	Impressions per Post	Engagements	Engagements per Post	Link Clicks
 Garden Grove City Hall	9,335	6.83%	22	1,840,589	83,663	22,383	1,017.4	790

Twitter Activity Overview

 5,592 Organic Impressions	 60 Total Engagements	 24 Link Clicks
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Audience Growth

AUDIENCE GROWTH, BY DAY

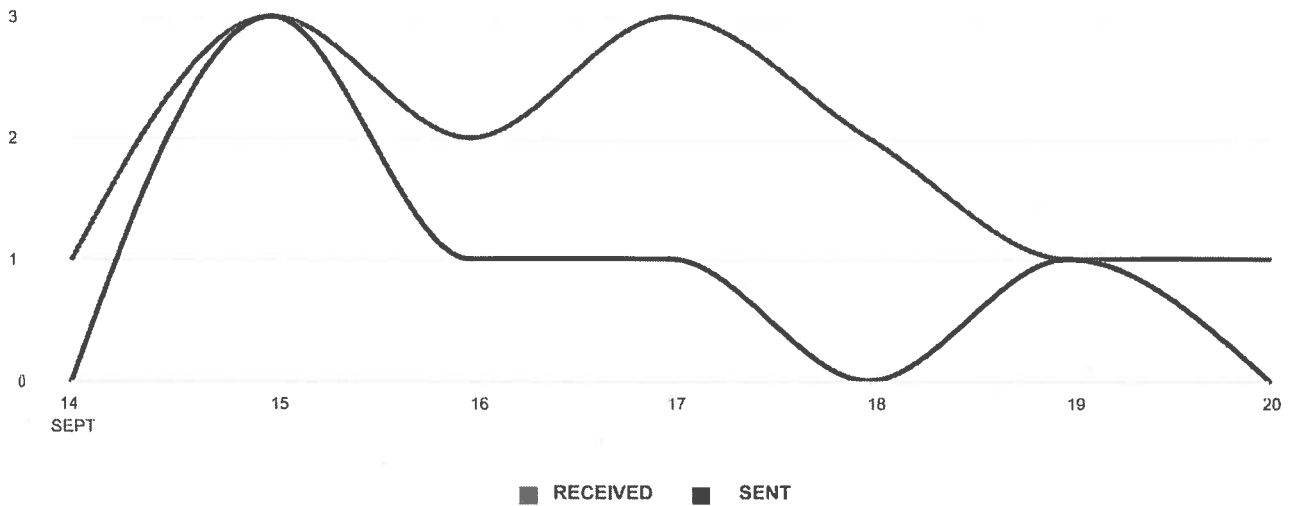


Follower Metrics	Totals
Total Followers	2,259
New Follower alerts	6
Actual Followers gained	4
People that you followed	-

Total followers increased by
0.2%
 since previous date range

Posts & Conversations

MESSAGES PER DAY



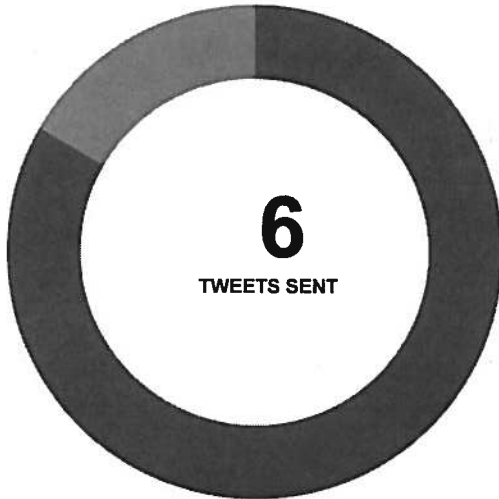
Sent/Received Metrics	Totals
Tweets sent	6
Direct Messages sent	-
Total Sent	6
Mentions received	13
Direct Messages received	-
Total Received	13

The number of messages you sent decreased by **50.0%** since previous date range

The number of messages you received increased by **8.3%** since previous date range

Your Content & Engagement Habits

SENT MESSAGE CONTENT

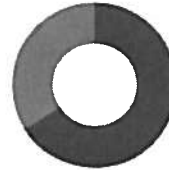


1
PLAIN TEXT

5
PAGE LINKS

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PHOTO LINKS

YOUR TWEETING BEHAVIOR



34%
CONVERSATION

66%
UPDATES

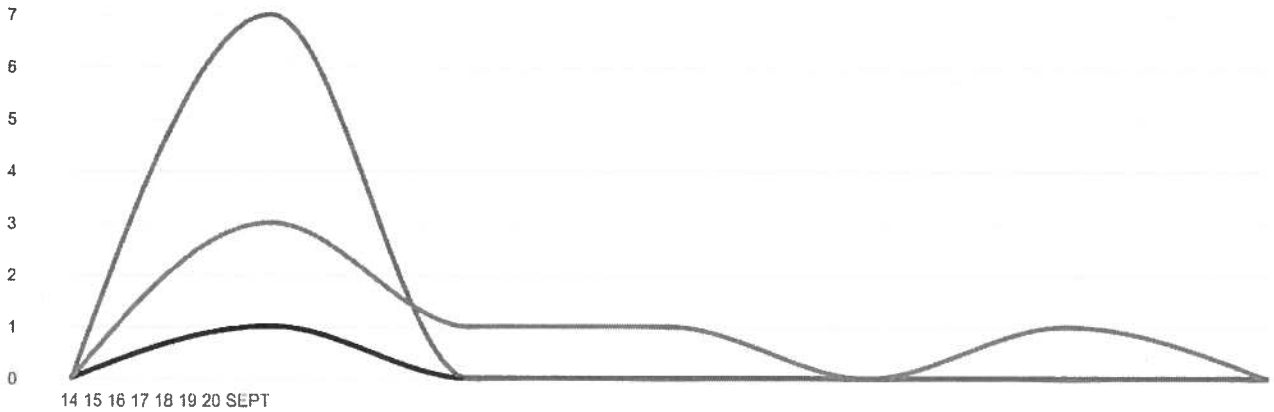


0%
NEW CONTACTS

100%
EXISTING CONTACTS

Audience Engagement

ENGAGEMENT COUNT



■ REPLIES ■ RETWEETS ■ LIKES ■ TWEETS SENT

Engagement Metrics

Totals

Replies	1
Retweets	1
Retweets with Comments	1
Likes	1

The number of engagements decreased by

-77.7%

—since previous date range 7

Engagements per Follower

Impressions per Follower

Engagements per Tweet

Impressions per Tweet

Engagements per Impression

2.5

10.0

932.0






1.1%

The number of impressions per Tweet decreased by

-7.7%

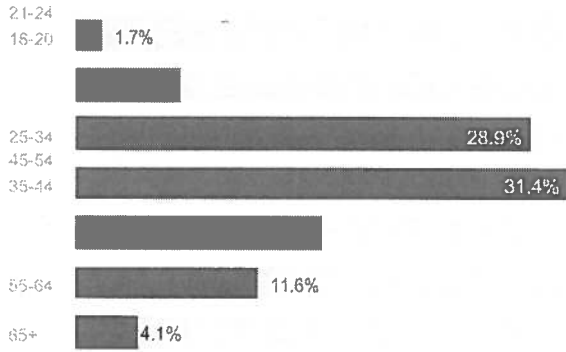
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Top Tweets, by Responses

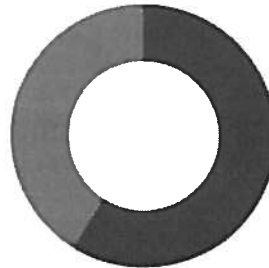
Tweet	Reach	Responses ▼	Clicks	Retweets
 <p>CityGardenGrove Tomorrow is coastal cleanup day! #GG @ocregister https://t.co/OGDNCKhLVJ (Tweet) September 15, 2017 9:00 am</p>	2,257	1	3	-
 <p>CityGardenGrove #GG restaurants listed as some of the best places to eat near Disneyland! https://t.co/oX4qQypnRc (Tweet) September 15, 2017 5:00 am</p>	4,471	1	9	1
 <p>CityGardenGrove Two water outages today - The first outage is from 8:30AM-2PM @ Sungrove & Lampson. The second is from 9AM-3PM @ Stanford & Groveview. (Tweet) September 19, 2017 8:04 am</p>	2,257	-	-	-
 <p>CityGardenGrove Students benefit from City's back to school drive! #GG https://t.co/YYcGAIiSYS (Tweet) September 17, 2017 9:00 am</p>	2,255	-	5	-
 <p>CityGardenGrove Get your car checked for an airbag recall today! #GG https://t.co/Fizya1B3YF (Tweet) September 16, 2017 1:00 pm</p>	2,257	-	77	-

Audience Demographics

FOLLOWERS BY AGE



FOLLOWERS BY GENDER



41%

FEMALE FOLLOWERS
59%

MALE FOLLOWERS

Men between ages of 35-44 appear to be the leading force among your recent followers.

Twitter Stats by Profile

Twitter Profile	Total Followers	Follower Increase	Tweets Sent	Impressions	Impressions per Follower	Engagements	Engagements per Follower	Retweets	Clicks
 @CityGardenGrove	2,259	0.2%	6	5,592	2.48	60	0.03	1	24

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

September 21, 2017

1. Calendar of Events
2. Notice of Cancellation of the September 28, 2017 Zoning Administrator meeting.
3. League of California Cities, "California Cities Advocates," dated September 20 and September 21, 2017.



GARDEN GROVE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 21, 2017 – October 5, 2017

Thursday	September 21	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber
Thursday-Saturday	September 21-23	7:30 p.m.	Shakespeare Orange County presents "Pirates of Penzance", Festival Amphitheater
Tuesday	September 26	10:00 a.m.- Noon	H. Louis Lake Senior Center's Spelling Bee Senior Center Dining Room
		5:30 p.m.	Study Session, Founders Room
		6:30 p.m.	Housing Authority Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Sanitary District Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	Successor Agency Meeting, Council Chamber
		6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Council Chamber
Wednesday	September 27	2:00 p.m.	Oversight Board Meeting, Council Chamber CANCELLED
		6:00 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.	Art and Science of Creating a Successful Business Plan Workshop hosted by the City of Garden Grove's Community and Economic Development Division, CMC B Room
Thursday	September 28	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administrator Meeting City Hall, 3 rd Floor Training Room CANCELLED
Thursday-Sunday	September 28- October 1		One More Productions presents "Cabaret" Gem Theater
Friday	September 29		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Friday-Saturday	September 29- 30		Shakespeare Orange County presents "Mr. Ooong's Forever" presented by The K Stage Theater Company Festival Amphitheater
Sunday	October 1	3:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.	2017 Mid-Autumn Children's Festival Atlantis Play Center
Thursday	October 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, Council Chamber



GARDEN GROVE

**NOTICE OF CANCELLATION
OF THE
GARDEN GROVE
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2017**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Garden Grove Zoning Administrator scheduled for Thursday, September 28, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, Third Floor Training Room, Garden Grove, is hereby cancelled pursuant to the attached Cancellation Notice.

DATED: September 21, 2017

LISA L. KIM
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR



GARDEN GROVE

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

The Regular Meeting of the
Garden Grove Zoning Administrator
scheduled for September 28, 2017
has been cancelled.

**JUDITH MOORE
SECRETARY**

Sept. 20, 2017
Issue #68

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- Page 6: League-Sponsored U.S. Communities Program Holding Summit on Oct. 18 in Sacramento
- Page 7: League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$12 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing in Lindsay
Free Municipal Law Webinar Series from Best Best & Krieger LLP

Governor's Action Pending on Bills Impacting Cities *Cities Should Send Signature and Veto Requests Now*

Late last week — while many city officials were visiting Sacramento for the League of California Cities® Annual Conference — the Legislature was churning through bills before adjournment of the 2017 legislative session on Friday, Sept. 15. Now it is Gov. Jerry Brown's turn to decide whether to sign or veto the hundreds of bills on his desk by midnight Oct. 15.

For more, see Page 2.



End of Session Signature/Veto Requests Webinar Scheduled for Sept. 21

The League's legislative team will host a webinar on Sept. 21 to review top priority bills that cities will need to advocate Gov. Jerry Brown on as he reviews legislation. *For more, see Page 4.*



Cap-and-Trade Expenditure Legislation Signed

On Sept. 16, Gov. Jerry Brown signed two bills that spend Cap-and-Trade revenues in FY 2017–18. Revenues from Cap-and-Trade auctions are deposited into the state's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), which have been appropriated on an annual basis. AB 109 (Ting) and AB 134 contained this year's GGRF appropriations. *For more, see Page 4.*

While there are many positive bills for cities, such as SB 3 (Beall), the housing bond, and SB 5 (de Leon), the park bond, other measures are very harmful to local authority including SB 649 (Hueso), which would preempt local authority over the installation of various wireless facilities.

The following is a list of bills on which the League is urging the Governor to sign or veto. Cities should submit letters regarding bills in which they have an interest. Given that many of the bills on the Governor's desk relate to housing/land use planning, for ease of tracking they have been identified with an asterisk (*). Bills that the League strongly encourages letter on are marked HOT.

For more information on legislative language, the League's position letters and sample position letters for cities, please enter bill number in the League's [bill search](#). Cities can also submit sign or veto letters on priority bills through the League's online [action center](#).

Request for Signature

HOT SIGN AB 22 (Bonta) Storing and recording electronic media

A permissive measure allowing local governments to use cloud-based storage for archival documentation purposes.

***AB 45 (Thurmond) School Employee Housing Assistance Grants**

Establishes a program to assist in the creation of affordable rental housing for school employees, including teachers.

***AB 56 (Holden) Infrastructure Bank: Housing**

Provides local governments and developers additional infrastructure financing options by clarifying the types of housing-related projects are available for funding through the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (I-Bank).

HOT SIGN *AB 73 (Chiu) Planning and Zoning: Housing Sustainability Districts

Allows a city or county to create a housing sustainability district to complete upfront zoning and environmental review in order to receive incentive payments for development projects that are consistent with the district's ordinance.

***AB 74 (Chiu) Housing**

Creates the Housing for a Healthy California Program to provide rental assistance to individuals who are homeless and receive services from the Whole Person Care pilot program, Health Homes, or another locally controlled funding source. A county or a city collaborating with a county may apply for a grant administered by the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

AB 525 (Aguilar-Curry) State Board of Equalization: California Department of Tax and Fee Administration: Offer In Compromise: Extension

Extends until Jan. 1, 2023 the Board of Equalization's (BOE) Offer in Compromise Program (OIC), which helps resolve outstanding unpaid tax disputes.

AB 765 (Low) Local initiative measures

Requires that the election for a county, municipal, or district initiative measure that qualifies for the ballot be the next statewide or regular election unless the governing body of the county, city, or district calls a special election.

AB 1120 (Cooper) Controlled Substances: Butane

Directs the Department of Justice (DOJ) to develop and maintain an electronic database to track the amount of butane purchased by individual customers and allows the DOJ to impose of a civil penalty of \$2,500 if businesses sell over 600 milliliters of non-odorized butane to a customer in any 30-day period.

AB 1158 (Chu) Carpet Recycling

Establishes a target recycling rate of 24% for postconsumer carpet by 2020, incentivizes recyclable carpet, improves transparency for better program evaluation, and creates an advisory committee of stakeholders to make program recommendations.

AB 1219 (Eggman) Food Donations: Liability Protection

Creates the California Good Samaritan Food Donation Act that would expand liability protection provisions to persons and gleaners who donate food.

HOT SIGN AB 1408 (Calderon) Crimes: Supervised Release

Provides a range of important reforms associated with managing the population of ex-offenders who are subject to post-release community supervision, in a manner that will enhance public safety in our communities.

AB 1444 (Baker) Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority: Demonstration Project

Authorizes the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority to conduct a demonstration project in the City of Dublin to test the full range of autonomous vehicle technology, including vehicles without a steering wheel, gas/brake pedal, or driver.

AB 1452 (Muratsuchi) Parking: Exclusive Electric Charging and Parking on Public Streets

Clarifies local governments' authority to designate spaces on a public street for charging and parking of electric vehicles.

***AB 1598 (Mullin) Affordable Housing Authorities**

Authorizes a city/county to create an affordable housing authority coterminous with its boundaries with various powers and dedicate a portion of its property tax, sales tax and other revenues to develop affordable housing.

HOT SIGN *AB 1505 (Bloom) Inclusionary Zoning: Rental Housing

Clarifies and strengthens local authority to enact inclusionary rental housing programs in accordance with their police power in an effort to address the shortage of affordable housing.

HOT SIGN *SB 2 (Atkins) Building Homes and Jobs Act

Creates an ongoing source of affordable housing funding which will provide hundreds of millions of dollars per year for local planning, affordable housing, supportive housing, emergency shelters, transitional housing and other housing needs via a \$75 recordation fee on specified real estate documents. 70% of available funding is directed to local governments.

HOT SIGN *SB 3 (Beall) Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond of 2018

Authorizes a \$4 billion general obligation bond for placement on the November 2018 statewide ballot to fund affordable housing programs, infill infrastructure projects and the veteran's home ownership program (CalVet).

HOT SIGN *SB 5 (de León) California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018

Authorizes a \$4 billion bond to be placed on the June 2018 ballot with major funding for parks, climate and environmental programs, and water. It includes \$200 million in per-capita grants for park rehabilitation and improvement grants for local governments, \$725 million for safe neighborhood parks, and additional funding available to local governments through a variety of competitive grant programs.

SB 17 (Hernandez) Health Care Prescription Drug Costs

Adds a layer of transparency and accountability for prescription drug manufactures in an effort to reduce overall healthcare premiums for employers.

SB 231 (Hertzberg) Storm Water Project Funding

Adds "storm water" to the definition of "sewer" in the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act in an effort to clarify the process for funding storm water projects is the same as funding other water and sewer projects.

SB 242 (Skinner) PACE Programs: Standards For Third Party Administrators

Requires all Property Assessed Clean Energy Program (PACE) programs administered by third parties to meet additional operating standards including a recorded telephone confirmation for homeowners in the homeowner's preferred language, a three-day right to cancel, contractor standards, marketing standards, and reporting requirements.

SB 384 (Wiener) Sex Offenders

Establishes a three-tiered system of supervision for all sex offenders based on the seriousness of the offense, the individual risk of recidivism, and the individual's criminal history. Creates process for lower-tier offenders to petition a court for release from the registry, and requires public disclosure of an offender's recidivism risk factors.

HOT SIGN *SB 540 (Roth) Workforce Housing Opportunity Zones

Streamlines the housing approval process by authorizing local governments to identify Workforce Housing Opportunity Zones, which would incentivize the development of workforce and affordable housing in areas close to jobs, transit, and conform to California's greenhouse gas reduction laws.

SB 541 (Allen) School Facility Water Capture Practices

Encourages the State Water Resources Control Board (Board) to partner with local municipalities to address storm water pollution by calling on the Board and the Division of the State Architect to recommend best design practices for water capture for public schools.

Request for Veto

***AB 72 (Santiago) Powers of the Department of Housing and Community Development**

Provides the Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) with broad and nearly unlimited new authority to review any action by a city or county that it determines is inconsistent with an adopted housing element.

AB 570 (Gonzalez-Fletcher) Workers' Compensation: Permanent Disability Apportionment

Prohibits apportionment in cases of physical injury based on pregnancy, childbirth, or other medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth.

***AB 879 (Grayson) Planning and Zoning: Housing Element**

Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to undertake a study and make recommendations to substantially reduce developer fees via potential amendments to the Mitigation Fee Act, the law that outlines the constitutional baseline local governments use to establish fees on new development that reflects actual costs for services and infrastructure.

AB 1069 (Low) Local Taxi Regulations

Usurps the licensing and permitting authority of jurisdictions with significant taxicab activity but not the largest share of a particular taxicab's business.

***AB 1397 (Low) Housing Elements: Land Inventory**

Revises the inventory of land suitable for residential development identified in a city or county's housing element to include vacant sites and sites that have "realistic and demonstrated potential" for redevelopment to meet a portion of the locality's housing need for a designated income level.

AB 1414 (Friedman) Solar Energy Systems: Permit Fee Caps

Caps permit fees for residential rooftop photovoltaic and thermal installations at \$450 and commercial at \$1,000, with adjustments for size.

HOT VETO *SB 35 (Wiener) Housing Production and Approvals

Penalizes all communities where private and non-profit developers do not propose and develop housing for all income levels consistent with state-generated regional housing need allocations by making approvals of multifamily developments that meet inadequate criteria "ministerial" actions lacking project level environmental review and public input.

SB 182 (Bradford) Transportation Network Company Drivers: Business Licenses

Prohibits local agencies from requiring drivers for transportation network companies (TNCs) to obtain a business license to operate unless the driver lives in the jurisdiction.

SB 285 (Atkins) Union Organizing

This measure would prohibit a public employer from deterring or discouraging employees to join an employee organization. However, this measure does not define what “detering or discouraging” means, which may lead to serial litigation and first amendment issues.

HOT VETO SB 649 (Hueso) Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Eliminates local control over the leasing of publicly owned infrastructure, environmental and design review, public input, and the ability of local agencies to ensure broad deployment of new technology to underserved areas associated with the installation of “small cell” wireless equipment on taxpayer-funded property.

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Registration

The webinar is scheduled for Sept. 21 from 1:30–3 p.m. There is no cost to register for League members and League partners. Non-member cities will be charged \$100.

Please register by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at www.cacities.org/events.

For most League webinars, only one connection is offered. Due to the capacity for this webinar, the League is allowing two connections per city to provide easier access for members.

Webinar log-in information will be sent the morning of Sept. 21.

For questions about how to register for the webinar, please contact [Megan Dunn](#). For all other questions, please contact [Meg Desmond](#).

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The Legislature passed and the Governor signed legislation in July extending Cap-and-Trade system through 2030. One of the three-bill extension package also set out new priorities for spending GGRF funds. Major funding under this plan is directed to mobile source emissions reductions and implementing the state's new air quality program enacted along with Cap-and-Trade extension.

Cities stand to benefit from a number grant programs funded with Cap-and-Trade revenues. Below are some of the highlights for local governments of the \$1.5 billion expenditure plan:

- \$26 million — urban greening programs (Natural Resources Agency)
- \$20 million — urban forestry programs (CalFIRE)
- \$10 million — Transformative Climate Communities Program (Strategic Growth Council)
- \$220 million — fire prevention and forest health (CalFIRE)
- \$40 million — waste diversion (CalRecycle)
- \$18 million — low-income multifamily, solar, and farmworker weatherization programs (Department of Community Services and Development)
- \$180 million — HVIP Hybrid and Zero Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Program (Air Resources Board)
- \$140 million — clean vehicle rebate program (Air Resources Board)
- \$100 million — Enhanced fleet modernization, plus-up pilot program, replace school buses, clean vehicle rebates for low income (Air Resources Board)

In addition, \$900 million of the available GGRF funds will automatically be spend on continuous appropriations for High Speed Rail, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program, the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital program, and Low Carbon Transit Operations.

League-Sponsored U.S. Communities Program Holding Summit on Oct. 18 in Sacramento

Additional summit next week in Poway

U.S. Communities, the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties sponsored government purchasing alliance, is hosting a free regional event on Oct. 18 in Sacramento. This free event will be an opportunity for public agencies to learn how to save time and money through the U.S. Communities program.

During this event, participants will be able to:

- Learn about new solutions and the latest innovations in procurement;
- Network with other local agencies using cooperative purchasing and hear what is working for their agency;
- Meet your local U.S. Communities Program Manager; and
- Connect with U.S. Communities suppliers to learn about and receive their lowest overall government pricing for these products and services:
 - Facilities
 - Fleet
 - Office and school solutions
 - Technology
 - Parks and recreation
 - Public works
 - Safety and fire
 - Specialty

This educational event will be of special interest to:

- Assistant city managers;
- Public safety officials;
- Parks and recreation officials;
- Public works directors;
- Facilities managers; and
- Procurement officers.

Sacramento Summit Event Details

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Mack Powell Event Center
2003 Howe Avenue
Sacramento

[Register online.](#) Lunch will be provided.

Poway Summit Event Details

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
City of Poway Community Park Auditorium
13094 Civic Drive

[Register online.](#) Lunch will be provided.

About U.S. Communities

The U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, a strategic partner of the League of California Cities, is a government purchasing cooperative that reduces the cost of goods and services by aggregating the purchasing power of public agencies nationwide. U.S. Communities provides world class procurement resources and solutions to local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education, and nonprofits. State and local governments have access to a broad line of competitively solicited contracts with best in class national suppliers.

Learn more about U.S. Communities at www.uscommunities.org/lcc.

For additional information or please contact [Jason Angel](#) with U.S. Communities or [Amanda Cadelago](#) with the League of California Cities.

League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$12 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing in Lindsay

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the [California Statewide Communities Development Authority \(CSCDA\)](#).

This program provides a variety of public agencies and developers access to low-cost, tax-exempt financing and economic development tools. CSCDA recently issued a total of \$12,012,908 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for Palm Terrace Apartments in Lindsay.

About Palm Terrace Apartments

Palm Terrace Apartments is the new construction of 50 affordable housing units by Self-Help Enterprises. The benefits of the Project for the City of Lindsay and County of Tulare include the following:

- 100 percent of the affordable rental housing units will be rent restricted for low-income tenants;
- The project consists of 14 one-bedroom units, 18 two-bedroom units, 17 three-bedroom units and a manager's unit; and
- All of the units will be restricted to households earning 50 percent or less of the area median income.

CSCDA and Self-Help Enterprises partnered with J.P. Morgan Chase and Jones Hall, P.C. to provide \$12,012,908 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for the project. The financing for the project requires the affordability of units for low-income tenants to be maintained for 55 years.

Background

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 500 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$50 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit [CSCDA's website](#) for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

Free Municipal Law Webinar Series from Best Best & Krieger LLP

Best Best & Krieger LLP is offering a series of free webinars on the legal issues that matter most to California cities, including telecommunications, marijuana regulation, pension benefits, prevailing wage requirements and more.

All of the webinars are scheduled for 10–11 a.m. Read a short [summary of each webinar](#) and register for one or multiple webinars on BB&K's [website](#).

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Legislative Transportation Committee Chairs Honored for Leadership on Transportation Funding Package

Sen. Beall and Assembly Member Frazier Recognized in Front of 1,800 City Officials at League's Annual Conference

Last Thursday, over 1,800 city officials applauded the work Sen. Jim Beall (D-San Jose) and Assembly Member Jim Frazier (D-Discovery Bay), for their collective work and leadership, as chairs of the two legislative transportation committees, to forge consensus around a legislative package to expand transportation funding to fix California's state and local streets and roads. *For more, see Page 2.*



Clean-Up Legislation to Speed Up Delivery of SB 1 Transportation Projects Signed

Oct. 20 CalTrans Transportation Planning Grants Deadline Fast Approaching

Gov. Jerry Brown on Sept. 16 signed AB 135, a budget trailer bill containing language proposed by the League of California Cities® and the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) to help local agencies expedite road repair projects funded by the new revenues generated by SB 1 (Beall). This trailer bill took effect immediately. *For more, see Page 2.*



SB 1 Checklist Offers Clear Steps to Become Eligible for Funds

Deadline to Apply is Oct. 16

The League prepared an easy to use checklist for cities to help guide them through the process to become eligible for SB 1 funds. The first step is to submit a project list to the California Transportation Committee (CTC) by Oct. 16. *For more, see Page 3.*

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While presenting these legislators with the League's Distinguished Legislative Leadership Award at the League of California Cities® annual conference in Sacramento, League President JoAnne Mounce, Council Member from Lodi, thanked and commended them for the years of work that went into the passage of the transportation-funding package.

"As cities, no one had to tell us there was a transportation maintenance problem," said Mounce. "But year after year, the political agreement necessary to get something done just wasn't there, so the roads got worse. Now, thanks to the Senator and Assembly Member's leadership our cities, counties and state can finally get to work fixing our roads. The projects these revenues support will improve the quality of life for all Californians."

Proper maintenance is a wise investment, because it costs eight times more to rebuild a road than maintain it. Improved roads would save consumers as well, estimated to be spending \$762 dollars per year in car repair bills. Yet, funding levels for street and road maintenance had eroded over time. The gas tax, which had not been increased for several decades, was not indexed for inflation. In addition, drivers are purchasing fewer gallons with expanded use of electric and hybrid vehicles and increasing fuel economy.

SB 1 (Beall) and ACA 5 (Frazier), combines dedicated funding with strong accountability measures to ensure that this investment is prioritized for maintenance and repairs and can only spent on transportation. SB 1 provides an additional \$5 billion annually for the state and local transportation system. For cities, it doubles the amount of road maintenance funds they will receive to begin to fix their streets.

Sen. Beall and Assembly Member Frazier, as chairs of their respective houses' transportation committees, championed the need to address the maintenance needs of California's state and local transportation system. Over the course of several years, they met with stakeholders, legislative leaders and Gov. Jerry Brown, convened legislative hearings and traveled the state for a series of regional press conferences to build awareness of the problems and support for additional investments.

Cities are currently putting the final touches on the project lists that they will be submitting to the California Transportation Commission by Oct. 16 so that they can be eligible for these funds, which will start coming to cities in January 2018. The state is fast-tracking projects and work on some state projects has already commenced. Voters will head to the polls in June 2018 to consider ACA 5, which will add the constitutional protections to the transportation funds to prevent the Legislature from using any of the new revenues for anything except road maintenance, improvement and transportation projects.

"For over two years, I worked on Senate Bill 1. Refining it. Holding hearings up and down the state while building a coalition of support to get this important bill passed. Thanks to the effective advocacy of the League of California Cities and other partners, we are now able to increase our investment in transportation infrastructure maintenance to ensure California's highways, streets, and bridges will meet the demands of a 21st century economy," said Sen. Beall.

"California's transportation infrastructure is vital to the state's economy and we could not afford to neglect it any longer," said Assembly Member Frazier. "The League of California Cities was an integral part of a coalition that worked hard to get the package passed. We are already beginning to see results. Caltrans is hiring in large numbers, putting Californians to work in living-wage jobs repairing our roads, freeways and bridges across the state."

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With the passage of AB 135, the process for SB 1 project list adoption and projection reporting changes in the four key ways:

- **Allows CTC Project List Adoption by Resolution** — SB 1 originally required cities and counties to annually adopt project lists within a city or county budget and submit adopted projects lists to California Transportation Commission (CTC) to establish eligibility for

local streets and roads funding. This bill now allows cities and counties to adopt a project list via resolution at a regularly scheduled public hearing.

- **Establishes 90-Day Grace Period for Project Lists** — AB 135 provides for a 90-day grace period after the CTC's project list deadline (Oct. 16) for cities and counties to submit their project lists to become eligible to receive their allocations of SB 1 funding. The State Controller's Office will hold the funds of a non-eligible (no list submitted) city or county for up to 90 days. After 90 days, any withheld funds, and the remaining fiscal year funds, will be reallocated to all other eligible cities and counties.
- **Authorizes Local Reimbursement Process to Expedite Project Delivery** — Previously, cities and counties did not have the express ability to "internally borrow" non-SB 1 money to begin work on road repair projects before they received their SB 1 funds. AB 135 allows cities and counties to seek CTC approval of a letter of no prejudice to enable the agency to expend its own funds for eligible expenditures in advance of an allocation of SB 1 funds.
- **Amends Reporting Requirements** — In order to demonstrate to the public, elected officials, and other interested stakeholders the broad benefits of SB 1, cities and counties will now be able to report on the expenditure of all SB 1 local streets and roads funds in a given fiscal year.

Caltrans Announces Funding Availability of Transportation Planning Grants and Climate Adaptation Grants

Among its many provisions, SB 1 (Beall) created the "Caltrans Transportation Planning Grant Program," for which cities are eligible to apply. This grant program offers \$25 million annually in transportation planning grants to encourage local and regional planning that further state goals, including, but not limited to, the goals and best practices cited in the regional transportation plan guidelines adopted by the CTC. The program also offers \$20 million over three years in adaptation planning grants to local and regional agencies for climate change adaptation planning.

The deadline to submit an application for both grant programs is Oct. 20.

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Last week, Gov. Jerry Brown signed AB 135, which grants cities new authority to help them expedite SB 1 projects and project list adoption. The League has created this "SB 1 Checklist" to help ensure that cities receives funding and to promote the positive impact these projects will have on your community. SB 1 funding is desperately needed in many communities and the League is committed to ensuring that all cities will be able to receive SB 1 funding and spend it quickly to begin fixing our roads.

SB 1 Checklist

- Submit your SB 1 project lists to CTC by Oct. 16, 2017.
 - Email project lists to ctc@dot.ca.gov.
 - CTC's 2017 local streets and roads funding annual reporting guidelines are available online.
 - Please note: The CTC does not "approve" or "deny" project lists, they simply gather all of the cities project lists. Please make sure to submit a project list to the CTC by the deadline to establish eligibility for funding.
- Use the CTC's project list template to submit your project lists. Here is a link to the form for your convenience: Local Streets and Roads Proposed Project List Template. It is also available on the CTC's website.
 - Make sure to include supporting documents that show the project list is adopted by resolution at a public meeting.
 - Each project listed must include the following statutorily required information:
 1. a description and the location of each proposed project;

2. a proposed schedule for the project's completion; and
 3. an estimated useful life of the improvement.
- Send a copy of your finalized project list to the League's Legislative Policy Analyst, Derek Dolfie.
 - Reach out to your local print media with press releases on your project list.
 - League's SB 1 press tool kit with sample press releases, op-eds, tweets, and more are available on the League's website.
 - Post, tweet, and share the benefit that SB 1 dollars will have in your community based on your project list.
 - Confirm your city's maintenance of effort numbers. On Aug.31, the State Controller's Office (SCO) sent letters to cities with their official MOE estimates. The letter includes contact information for the SCO if you have questions about the calculation.
 - Frequently asked questions about city MOE's can be found on CaliforniaCityFinance.com.
 - Questions regarding your MOE number or calculation can be directed to SCO.
 - Allow reimbursement to expedite project delivery by giving cities the express authority to spend other funds now and reimburse themselves once SB 1 funds start to flow.
 - Flexibility in project list adoption by allowing cities to adopt a project list at a regularly scheduled public hearing instead of in an adopted budget.
 - Establish a grace period of 90 days for your project list submittal.
 - Have complete fiscal year expenditure reporting by allowing cities to report on the expenditure of all SB 1 local streets and roads funds in a given fiscal year instead of just completed projects.
 - More details on this trailer bill can be found in the *CA Cities Advocate* article "League and CSAC Seek SB 1 Clean-Up Legislation to Expedite Transportation Projects."
 - Review the League's transportation funding page for more information.

If you have questions regarding the submission of your city's project list, please contact the League's Legislative Policy Analyst, Derek Dolfie.
