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Coronavirus / COVID-19 Update: City of Monterey Park Facilities Closed, Events Canceled

Due to the "Safer at Home" emergency orders from LA County and the State of California to stop the spread of the coronavirus, the City of Monterey Park is continuing to keep most facilities closed to the general public. Closed facilities include city hall, the library, Langley Senior Center and recreation facilities. Special events have been canceled and meetings such as the city council meetings may be modified or held remotely/electronically. All essential public safety services will remain operational.

City staff will continue to be available by phone or email, however, conditions may change, so please visit the city website for updates at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Coronavirus.

City Staff is Available to Assist via Phone, Email or Web

As information is constantly being updated, please contact the city to get the most up-to-date information about city programs, events, policies and facility status.

A Help Desk has been created to provide continued service during the closure and can be reached 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily (Sunday-Saturday) at 626-307-1377 or at MpkHelpDesk@montereypark.ca.gov. Please continue to check the City's website for updates at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Coronavirus.

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A Message from the Mayor

Monterey Park Residents and Businesses,

I want to take this opportunity to give you all an update on how the City of Monterey Park is addressing the serious issue of Coronavirus here in the City and our collaborative efforts with County and State partners.

The City is in constant communication with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and State Officials to ensure that public officials are taking the appropriate action to protect the public against the spread of the coronavirus.

As you are aware, LA County has issued a Safer at Home emergency order. They have instructed restaurants to operate differently and have ordered non-essential retail business to close. Monterey Park is adhering to these new requirements and have also closed non-essential public facilities to minimize any spread of the coronavirus.

As you go about your daily lives, please continue to take necessary precautionary measures to ensure your health and safety. Please stay home if you are sick. If you are concerned that you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, you should call your healthcare provider. Wash your hands frequently.

Please do not call 911 to request testing for COVID-19 and please do not go to an emergency room unless you

are seriously ill and require emergency care. If you have respiratory illness and want to know if you should be tested for COVID-19, it is best to call your health care provider or, if you don't have a provider, call 2-1-1 for help finding a clinician near you.

Now more than ever we need to look out for each other and not instill panic but encourage preparedness for what you NEED to get you through a 14-day quarantine, if you're advised to stay home. Please do not hoard products such as toilet paper or cases of water as **our water supply being provided to each individual home/business is safe.**

Check on elderly family members and neighbors, as well as those with underlying health conditions. These groups are most vulnerable of serious illness from COVID-19. Older adults and adults with underlying health conditions may need help caring for themselves if their caregiver gets sick and may even need food and other supplies brought to their homes.

I am proud of our residents and city staff who are working diligently to help our community as we respond to this unprecedented situation. I ask your patience in letting us disseminate timely and accurate information and your help in supporting one another through this crisis. Please be kind, have empathy and compassion for one another as we work together overcome Covid-19.

City of Monterey Park Contacts

To reach your desired department, please use one of the methods below or contact our Help Desk at 626-307-1377, MPKHelpDesk@MontereyPark.ca.gov; or search www.MontereyPark.ca.gov.

Fire & Police Emergency

911

City Council

CityCouncil@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1465

City Clerk

MPClerk@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1359

U.S. Passport Services
626-307-1361

City Manager

CMO@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1255

Economic Development Division
626-307-1385

Public Works Department

PublicWorks@MontereyPark.ca.gov
Engineering & Non Emergency
626-307-1320

Building Division
626-307-1300

Building Inspection Hotline
626-307-1229

Planning Division
626-307-1315

Graffiti Hotline
626-307-1449

Potholes/Street Repairs Hotline
626-307-2585

Shopping Cart Hotline
800-252-4613

Spirit Bus
626-307-7842

Maintenance Svcs / Sandbags
626-307-1281

Fire Department

Fire@MontereyPark.ca.gov
Non Emergency
626-573-1333

General Info
626-307-1262

Ambulance Subscription
626-307-1423

Code Enforcement Division
626-307-1415

Human Resources

HumanResources@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1334

Bruggemeyer Library

Library@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1366

Police Department

Police@MontereyPark.ca.gov
Non Emergency
626-573-1311

Animal Services
626-307-1217

Downey Animal Care Center
562-940-6898

Police Records Bureau
626-307-1211

Monterey Park Jail
626-307-1245

Recreation & Community Services

Recreation@MontereyPark.ca.gov
626-307-1388

Langley Senior Citizen Center & Dial-A-Ride
626-307-1395

Finance/Support Services

Business License
626-307-1338

City Utilities (Trash & Water)
626-307-1342

Housing Division
626-307-1384

Purchasing Division
626-307-1346

Service Providers

AT&T Landline Home Phone
800-228-2020

Athens Services (Trash & Bulky Item Pick-Up)
888-336-6100

Census2020 & LA Regional Office
2020Census.gov
213-314-6500

Chamber Of Commerce
626-570-9429

Charter Spectrum
877-906-9121

Housing Rights Center
800-477-5977

L.A. County
Environmental Health
323-362-1280

L.A. County Info. & Referral Svcs. (24/7)
Dial 211

So. Cal. Edison
800-655-4555

So. Cal. Gas
877-238-0092

GoMPK App

Problem reporting app available on your device's app store

www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/GoMPK



CITY OFFICIALS

Note: the city is expected to welcome new city council members in April pending certification of election results. Please visit the city website for updates.

Hans Liang, Mayor
 Mitchell Ing, Mayor Pro Tem
 Teresa Real Sebastian, Council Member
 Stephen Lam, Council Member
 Peter Chan, Council Member

Vincent D. Chang, City Clerk
 Joseph Leon, City Treasurer

Ron Bow, City Manager
 Mark Hensley, City Attorney

Stay Informed - Sign Up for the City E-Newsletter, News Releases and Council Agendas

Sign up for the Monterey Park e-newsletter and stay informed about what's happening in your community. Available by email, the newsletter is designed to be a quick roundup of city events for people on the go. The e-newsletter is produced about twice a month as a companion to the monthly Cascades and features updated news and information that might not have made it into the Cascades.

For people who want a bit more city information, you can also sign up for our news release and city council agenda mailing lists.

As a news release subscriber you'll receive the same timely information that the media receives about current issues and events. Subscribers to the council agendas will receive meeting notifications and a summary of items. Email from both lists contain links back to the city website for further reference or updates.

In addition to our e-mail lists, some city departments also offer links to popular social media like Nixle or Twitter. For the official City of Monterey Park Twitter feed, follow us @CityofMPK. The Cascades Newspaper is also available by electronic delivery or download.

Your subscription insures that you're receiving official city notifications as soon as they're released. And of course, you can unsubscribe at any time.

To subscribe, visit the city website at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Social and look for the social media, e-newsletter, "News" and "Notify Me" links.



CITY COUNCIL, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS MEETING SCHEDULE

Due to the fluid nature of the coronavirus emergency, meetings may be canceled, rescheduled or modified. Please visit the city website for the most up-to-date information.

CITY COUNCIL

1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

COMMISSION ON AGING

3rd Monday, 11:00 a.m.
 Langley Senior Center, 400 W. Emerson Ave.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Quarterly, 3rd Thursday, 3:00 p.m.
 City Hall Room 251

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMISSION

3rd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.
 City Hall Community Room

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
 City Hall Room 153

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

2nd Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.
 Engineering Conference Room 153

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

3rd Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
 Bruggemeyer Library

PERSONNEL BOARD

2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

PLANNING COMMISSION

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION

1st Monday, 6:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

SISTER CITIES COMMISSION

Quarterly, 1st Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
 Bruggemeyer Library

TRAFFIC COMMISSION

3rd Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
 City Hall Council Chambers

For more information, please visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Boards

CITY HALL HOURS

City hall is closed to the general public but staff is available by phone and email. Hours and availability subject to change.

Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
 Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Regular city council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the city hall council chamber, 320 W. Newmark Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754.

For more city events please visit the event calendar at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Now



Monterey Park Cascades FOR ADVERTISING INFORMATION

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(Simon)

success668@yahoo.com

(Stephanie)

successprinting.ad@gmail.com



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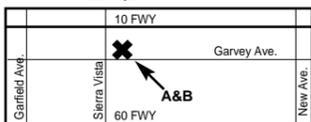
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Cherry Blossom Festival Receives Award of Excellence

Editor's note: While it's unfortunate and disappointing that the Cherry Blossom Festival and other events have been canceled this season, we'd like to bring you some good news about the event.

The City of Monterey Park's Cherry Blossom Festival has been recognized as an outstanding achievement in community special events in the state of California. The City of Monterey Park received an Award of Excellence from the California Park & Recreation Society (CPRS) on March 13 at its annual conference in Long Beach in the "Creating Community-Arts and Cultural Services" category.

The Creating Community-Award of Excellence category recognizes outstanding initiatives by agencies for their effort to deliver the highest level of recreation and leisure programs and services that embody and embrace the values and mission of the recreation profession and moves the agency towards a stronger role within the community. The Arts and Cultural Services category recognizes programs, initiatives or special events that celebrate community character and reinforce the value of visual, performing or historic resources.



The City of Monterey Park's Cherry Blossom Festival is held every spring in April, to coincide with the National Cherry Blossom Festival commemorating the 1912 gift of 3,000 cherry trees from Mayor Yukio Ozaki of Tokyo to the city of Washington, DC. Monterey Park's two-day regional festival is a showcase of a wide array of traditional and contemporary Japanese arts encouraging cultural exchange and appreciation. The Monterey Park Cherry Blossom Festival continues each year through the efforts of a volunteer committee that seeks donations to support the event.

The CPRS Award of Excellence is the highest recognition an agency can receive and this award is a credit to the efforts of the Cherry Blossom Festival Committee, Recreation and Community Services staff, and event sponsors and volunteers that continue to support the festival each year. It is an honor to receive this award.

For more information about Monterey Park's annual Cherry Blossom Festival, visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/CherryBlossom, email recreation@montereypark.ca.gov or call 626-307-1388.

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Monterey Park, CA 91754

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Call (626) 307-1388
Visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov
Web search "Cherry Blossom Festival"

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Langley Senior Center
400 W. Emerson Avenue
Ynez Elementary School
120 S. Ynez Avenue
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650 S. Grandridge Avenue

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1271 Grand Vista Way, Monterey Park
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598 Taylor Dr. Monterey Park
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Special Notice for Seniors During the “Safer at Home” Order

Langley Center Senior Lunch Program

In light of the current Coronavirus state of emergency which has been established by the State of California and Los Angeles County, we have been instructed to limit the time our participants spend congregating. We have established a plan with the direction of Los Angeles County where we will be distributing two box lunches and three frozen meals for seniors to take and enjoy at home. We will be providing these meals once a week every Wednesday at Langley Senior Center until further direction from the County. If you have any questions please feel free to call Blanca Gonzales at 626-214-9465 or Langley Center at 626-307-1395.

Ralphs Supermarket Senior Shopping

Exclusive shopping for seniors 65 and older, 7-7:30 a.m. daily, both locations on North and South Atlantic. In support of social distancing and to ensure everyone's safety, Ralphs will allow 50 households in the store at 7:30 a.m. and then an additional 25 households every ten minutes thereafter.

Costco Senior Shopping

8-9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. No guests are allowed to accompany the seniors, but Costco employees will be providing assistance to load items into their cars if needed.

Since policies may change, please check with the above establishments before arriving. For more information, please contact Langley Senior Center at 626-307-1395.

MPK Counts! Respond to the 2020 Census

Complete your Census online and a Census taker will not have to come to your door. Please help to protect the health and safety of the community and Census workers by completing your form online, by phone or by mail



Your Invitation to Respond

The time is now. Help shape your future, and your community's future, by responding to the 2020 Census. Homes should have received their invitation to respond to the 2020 Census in March. These official Census Bureau mailings will include detailed information and a Census ID for completing the Census online. During this time frame, some homes will receive a paper questionnaire (sometimes known as the census form). Please complete your form online, by phone, or by mail when your invitation to respond arrives.



How to Respond

The 2020 Census will ask a few simple questions about you and everyone who is or will be living with you on April 1, 2020. For the first time, you can choose to complete the census online, by phone, or by mail.

If you do not receive an invitation to respond from the Census Bureau, you may respond online or visit <https://2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond.html> for more information and directions for responding.

Find out more about each of these methods below:

● Online

- <https://my2020census.gov/>
- Please note that if you are responding online, you must complete the census in one sitting, as you don't have the ability to save your progress.

● By Phone

- You have the option of completing the questionnaire by phone. To begin, call 844-330-2020, or call the number associated with your preferred language below. Hours of Operation: Phone lines are open every day from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. Eastern Time.
- The 2020 Census can be completed by phone in the following languages:
 - English: 844-330-2020
 - Spanish: 844-468-2020
 - Chinese (Mandarin): 844-391-2020
 - Chinese (Cantonese): 844-398-2020
 - Vietnamese: 844-461-2020
 - Korean: 844-392-2020
 - Russian: 844-417-2020
 - Arabic: 844-416-2020
 - Tagalog: 844-478-2020
 - Polish: 844-479-2020
 - French: 844-494-2020
 - Haitian Creole: 844-477-2020
 - Portuguese: 844-474-2020
 - Japanese: 844-460-2020
 - English (for Puerto Rico residents): 844-418-2020
 - Spanish (for Puerto Rico residents): 844-426-2020
 - TDD (Telephone Display Device): 844-467-2020
- To help you respond, the Census Bureau also offers web pages and guides in 59 non-English languages, including American Sign Language, as well as guides in Braille and large print.

● By Mail

- Every household in Los Angeles County should receive an invitation by April 1, 2020.
- During this time, homes in areas that are less likely to respond online will receive a paper questionnaire (sometimes known as the census form). All homes will receive a paper questionnaire if they do not first respond online or by phone. When responding, use blue or black ink to fill in the questionnaire. Do not use a pencil.
- When finished, return the questionnaire in the envelope provided. If you have lost your return envelope, please mail your completed questionnaire to:

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
1201 E 10th Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47132**

Verifying Your Questionnaire

There are several ways you can confirm that the 2020 Census questionnaire you received is legitimate:

- The outer envelope's return address will say "U.S. Census Bureau" and "U.S. Department of Commerce," which is the Census Bureau's parent agency.
- The return address will also show:

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
100 Logistics Avenue
Jeffersonville, IN 47144**
- The enclosed envelope for mailing the completed paper questionnaire will be addressed to either **Jeffersonville, IN**, or **Phoenix, AZ**, where the Census Bureau has mail processing centers.

The Census Bureau will never ask you for:

- Your full Social Security number.
- Your bank account or credit card numbers.
- Anything on behalf of a political party.
- Money or donations.

What to Look For in the Mail

You may receive multiple mailings from the Census Bureau in March and April this year, including an invitation to respond to the 2020 Census and follow-up postcards and letters. If you do not respond online or by phone, you may also receive a paper questionnaire.

Note: The Census Bureau will be conducting other surveys at the same time as the 2020 Census, so you may receive additional correspondence.

How Can You Verify That Someone Is a Census Worker?

Census takers will visit some homes in April to conduct quality check interviews or deliver paper questionnaires, and then in mid-May to help collect responses.

If someone visits your home to collect information for the 2020 Census, check to make sure that they have a valid ID badge, with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date. Census workers may also carry Census Bureau bags and other equipment with the Census Bureau logo.

If you still have questions about their identity, you can contact the Los Angeles Regional Census Center at 213-314-6500 to speak with a Census Bureau representative.

For additional information and links, please visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Census2020 or contact the Census regional center at 213-314-6500.

Night Sky Report

By David Nakamoto, Los Angeles Astronomical Society

Venus is the only bright planet visible in the skies of April. It now lies directly west and quite high up, and is the brightest “star” in the sky this month and through to May. But as the weeks pass, Venus gets lower and lower in the western sky, until by the end of May it disappears until early 2021, although if you really want to see it, it appears in the morning skies towards the east in late June. Through a telescope, Venus shows itself as slightly less than a half phase, and gets thinner and thinner, and larger and larger, as the weeks go by. You’ll need magnifications of about 50x to see these phases.

We’re passing through a transition period, of sorts, with the constellations; the ones associated with winter are in the western skies, while the ones for spring are in the east. Orion is low in the west when evening comes, adorned with reddish Betelgeuse in the upper left corner, and cold white Rigel in the lower right corner. In the east is the sickle or reversed question mark of Leo the Lion, with white Regulus at the base of the Sickle. If you look in the northeast, you’ll see the Big Dipper with its handle pointing towards the ground and its bowl or dipper riding high in the sky.

This month the Moon starts the month as a first quarter phase and ends it the same way. This happens because the lunar cycle is close to a 30 day period, hence the word “month” which is derived from the same root as “moon.”

The Moon always presents a fascinating and ever-changing panorama of shifting shadows and differences in greys across its surface, especially along the terminator, the line between lunar daylight and night.

Here is the lunar cycle for this month: First Quarter – 1st; Full Moon – 8th; Last Quarter – 14th; New Moon – 23rd; and First Quarter – 30th.

(Editor’s note: Like other city facilities, the observatory is currently closed until further notice during the coronavirus “Safer at Home” order.) The Los Angeles Astronomical Society (LAAS) operates the Garvey Ranch park observatory, located at the end of the park’s east parking lot. It’s open to the public every Wednesday night from 7-9:45 p.m. except for certain holidays. The observatory has an 8-inch wide 9-foot long refracting telescope to look through, weather permitting, along with a 4-inch scope used to image objects. There’s a telescope making workshop on the ground floor, with instruction provided on how to make your own. Volunteers from the LAAS members are ready to provide advice and knowledge on all things astronomical, and perhaps on a few other things with a little coaxing. All of this is free of charge. So drop on by and bring your curiosity and sense of adventure! More info is available at www.laas.org; www.facebook.com/losangelesastronomicalsociety; or 213-673-7355. Garvey Ranch Park is located at 781 S. Orange Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91755.



STREET BEAT MONTHLY CRIME LOG

Addresses are identified by block number, not exact address.

JANUARY 2020

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1100 SAN PATRICIO DR

AUTO THEFT

3500 MARKET PLACE DR
1400 FULTON AVE
4000 MARKET PLACE DR
800 W EL REPETTO DR
2000 MARKET PLACE DR
200 N CHANDLER AVE
2000 MARKET PLACE DR
300 N ALHAMBRA AVE
200 W ELMGATE ST
300 N SIERRA VISTA AVE
1700 ALISAR AVE
800 W EL REPETTO DR
500 MONTEREY PASS RD
2300 BLEAKWOOD AVE
500 W RIGGIN ST
200 N MCPHERRIN AVE
2000 MARKET PLACE DR
660 MONTEREY PASS RD

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700 S ATLANTIC BLVD
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700 MONTEREY PASS RD
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400 E GARVEY AVE
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200 N HUNTINGTON AVE
MOONEY DR / KEMPTON AVE
200 S ORANGE AVE
300 N GARFIELD AVE
E EMERSON AVE / N RURAL DR
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Mark Keppel High School Decathletes, the 2020 Los Angeles County Academic Decathlon champions, attended the February Mark Keppel Alliance meeting to express their thanks for Alliance’s many years of support and to present a handmade thank you card. (L-R) Alliance President Sharon Woo, Coach Tin Tran, Paul Zhang, Luan Ye, Anh Tran, Vinson Hong, Angus Yang, Ivan Tam, Zechuan Zhou, Kelvin Situ, Justin Day, Alliance Vice-President Genevieve Chin
Photo by Celine Kusuma.



Monterey Park’s Class 17 is the newest Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) graduating class trained to serve as neighborhood response teams in the event of a major disaster. The Monterey Park Fire Department will be hosting the free training later this year. For further information, please visit www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/CERT.



Edith Gonzalez from the office of County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis presenting a certificate of recognition to the Greater Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce and Duck House Restaurant at one of the chamber’s “Lunch & Learn” events. From left to right: Caleb Kwok, Edith Gonzalez, Dora Leung and Catherine F. Source: Greater Monterey Park Chamber of Commerce.

Monterey Park: Weathering the Storms, Floods and Earthquakes

By Beryl Williams, Monterey Park Historical Society

Snow in Monterey Park?

In January of 1949, a four-day storm brought eight inches of snow to San Gabriel Valley towns. The Monterey Park Historical Museum has video footage of that time showing residents engaged in a snowball fight. Children shown tried to make a snowman. Alas, the snow was too sparse to complete the task. Monterey Park businessman Chuck Carter had been replacing a roof for a client. Upon arrival they found several inches of snow covering the entire roof. At that point, Carter declared a work holiday, thus allowing everyone to depart for home while the snow melted.



Snowstorm's after effects at De La Fuente and El Portal

Storms, Floods and Mudslides



Flooding at South Atlantic Avenue looking across Garvey Avenue, February 19, 1958



West Newmark and Branham Street, circa 1957

Los Angeles County contains some of the steepest and most erosive mountains in the world, the San Gabriel Mountains, with elevations reaching 10,000 feet above sea level in some sections. Below steeply walled canyons lie large coastal plains with a high population density. When heavy rains come, there is a significant potential for floods and mudslides. In 1938, floods caused \$70 million in damage in southern

California, and, in 1969, floods caused \$400 million in damage and 60 deaths.

Whittier Earthquake

On October 1, 1987 the Whittier earthquake measured 6.1 on the Richter Scale. Damage to single-family houses was scattered through the city, but houses built more than 40 years ago were hardest hit. Damage to Monterey Park City property amounted to \$2 million. Half of that was the cost of replacing the Sombrero Reservoir, a 1.5 million gallon, above-ground tank of steel-reinforced concrete on a hill on Sombrero Drive, overlooking the western part of the city. City officials said that the reservoir cannot be repaired.

Brian C. Smith, acting City Librarian, said one-third of the 140,000 books in the Bruggemeyer Memorial Library crashed to the floor, along with dozens of ceiling tiles, when the first quake hit. Four glass windows were also shattered. The library reopened the following Tuesday, with all books back on the shelves. Some areas near damaged windows were still roped off for safety. It was fortunate that the library was closed when the quake hit.

It was lucky that department heads and middle management employees had participated in an earthquake exercise on September 29. Fire Chief James Page said that in the quake aftermath, Monterey Park had 28 firemen on duty, double the normal complement.

Northridge Earthquake

It was supposed to be a holiday, however, there would be no sleeping in on this Martin Luther King Day on January 17, 1994. At 4:31 a.m., the earth rumbled violently from a fracture on a previously unknown fault line in the San Fernando Valley. The Northridge Earthquake measured 6.8 on the Richter Scale. Although the shaking lasted officially only 10 seconds, damage estimates approached \$30 billion with requests for assistance from the Federal Emergency Agency (FEMA) exceeding any disaster in the nation's history. President Clinton waded into a crowd two days after the earthquake, vowing to seek nearly \$9 billion in aid for quake-battered Los Angeles. The Northridge earthquake was the first to strike directly under an urban area of the United States since the 1933 Long Beach earthquake.

Monterey Park Historical Museum is located in Garvey Ranch Park and is normally open to the public each Saturday and Sunday afternoon between 2-4 p.m. The museum is closed until further notice due to the coronavirus order.

Ynez students cash in Eagle Gold for breakfast with local cops

By Robert Dozmati

When Alhambra Unified School District launched the Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) Program district wide back in the 2018-2019 school year. The focus was to proactively teach kids proper student behavior, not only in the classroom, but outside as well. When students practice appropriate and beneficial behaviors, they're rewarded with various forms of academic currency that can be traded in for an assortment of perks or prizes. One school in particular decided to get creative and tie in some community relations opportunities for their kids.

Among fun events like office raffles, pajama movie days, and board game tournaments, Ynez Elementary decided to throw in a chance for their students to meet and mingle with some of Monterey Park's finest. Doughnuts with Cops, a play on the Monterey Park Police Department's "Coffee with a Cop" program, was created to give students an opportunity to connect with those who protect and serve the community.

"[A friend] was telling me about this positive behavior program that Alhambra Unified School District was kind of pushing out, and they were trying to do something with police officers for awards," said Sergeant Bob Hung. "So the idea kind of came up to do doughnut with a cop because we do coffee with a cop."

The idea, though simple, was rooted in trying to provide students with an opportunity to participate in something special. "The idea came from me wanting to offer students a huge incentive that could reach many students, while also having a positive impact and not something where we just gave them something they'd soon forget, like a pencil," said Janett Perales, Principal at Ynez Elementary. When she was pitched "Doughnut with Cops", Principal Perales' hope for a unique opportunity for students was fulfilled. "My first reaction was that that would be a great way to build community and partnership with our local police station, and for them, the officers to get to know our kids, whom they work with out in the neighborhood."

With the idea set, the only question was: would kids want to use their hard-earned Eagle Gold on breakfast with police officers from their small town?

"To be honest with you, initially we thought the turnout was going to be like 15-20 kids" said Sergeant Hung.

169 Ynez Eagles decided to skip the prizes, extended lunch, and movie days in order to have a doughnut with nine members of the Monterey Park Police Department. Sergeant Hung was joined by fellow Sergeants Peter Yung and Gabriel Escarsega, Lieutenant Gus Jimenez, Officers Delon Lam, Komi Akpawu, and Guo Tao Zeng, along with Captains Eric Kim and Scott Wiese, and Police Chief Kelly Gordon.

The officers arrived bright and early on February 20th with their black and whites full of bright pink boxes containing an assortment of circular sweets for the students to devour. The doughnuts served as the ultimate icing-breaker, as students chose their favorite pieces of fried dough and patiently waited for the event to begin.

Principal Perales started the morning with brief opening remarks, then introduced Monterey Park Police Chief, Kelly Gordon. At this point, you could feel the excitement in the room. Kids were standing in their chairs, raising hands for questions, and were in general awe of the nine police officers. Once Chief Gordon gave the go-ahead for students to open conversations with officers, it was an hour of humorous inquiries and biographies. Officers were asked about their required physical skills set like, "How fast do you need to run?" or, "How big do you need to be to ride in the front seat?" Every officer got, "How old were you when you wanted to be a police officer?"



Officers from Monterey Park Police Department bring delicious treats for Ynez Elementary's inaugural Doughnut with a Cop PBIS event. From left: Sergeant Peter Yung, Acting Captain Scott Wiese, Officer Komi Akpawu, Interim Chief of Police Kelly Gordon, Captain Eric Kim, Sergeant Bob Hung, and Lieutenant Gus Jimenez

This rang especially true for Chief Gordon, who at one point was surrounded by eager young girls who couldn't help but notice that the person in charge of MPPD was a female just like them. Chief Gordon explained that she was about their age when she knew she wanted to protect and serve her community, and you could see smiles erupt from ear to ear.

Gender wasn't the only representation recognized by Ynez students. A handful of the officers are of Asian descent, and with Monterey Park and Ynez Elementary dominated by citizens of that same demographic, students took notice. Principal Perales explained how wonderful it was to hear students genuinely get excited to see police officers that resembled themselves, "One boy said 'look, he's Chinese just like me', it was so sweet to see."

Representation was definitely an added bonus to an event that Monterey Park PD was really hoping to use as a bridge to the youth in their city. When asked about the ultimate goal of the partnership with Ynez, Chief Gordon explained, "I wanted to show the relationship between [the PBIS program] and what we do because I want them to see us as helpers and being responsible. I don't want them to see us and think they can't talk to us and we're scary."

Students were not scared of any of the officers going into the event, and they definitely weren't shy by the time breakfast was over. The successful morning at Ynez ended with students rushing to get autographs and stickers with their new friends from the Monterey Park Police Department.

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Mark Keppel High School Students Excel at FBLA Gold Coast Conference

By Gloria Ing

Mark Keppel High School won numerous awards at the February 22, 2020 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Gold Coast Conference at South Pasadena High School where over 450 students among approximately 25 schools competed. A total of 62 students from Mark Keppel High School's FBLA team won plaques in competition events including Accounting, Economics, Business Law, Job Interview, and Sales. Forty-eight of the students qualified to compete at the upcoming FBLA State Conference in Ontario.

The Mark Keppel High School Student winners are:

AIDAN TRINH – 1st in Global Business Team*
 ALICE HERNANDEZ – 1st in Accounting II*
 AMY TO – 10th in Personal Finance
 ANNIKA CHAN – 3rd in Introduction to Business Procedures*
 ARNOLD WONG – 1st in Entrepreneurship Team;* 4th in Job Interview
 ASHLYN SOU – 5th in Sports & Entertainment Management Team*
 ATHENE YU – 1st in Business Calculations;* 3rd in Securities & Investment*
 AUDREY JUNG – 2nd in Business Law*
 BEVERLY TO – 8th in Personal Finance
 CECILIA CHOY – 2nd in Creed
 CHANIDA ALLISON LIMTHAVEEMONGKOL – 1st in Broadcast Journalism Team;*
 7th in Management Decision Making Team
 CHRISTINE HUYNH – 2nd in Future Business Leader*
 CINDY VONG – 3rd in Business Law*
 CLAIRE PHAN – 2nd in Introduction to Business Communication;* 7th in Introduction to Business
 CLARA WONG – 1st in Marketing Team*
 DARA DISPANURAT – 1st in Global Business Team*
 DERICA TANG – 3rd in Healthcare Administration*
 DERRECK TANG – 8th in Introduction to Financial Math
 EMMY KHONG – 1st in Marketing Team;* 7th in Hospitality Management Team
 ENNIO KIM – 5th in Computer Problem Solving*
 EVELYN TANG – 1st in Marketing Team*
 GENEVIEVE CHIN – 2nd in Business Communication*
 GIOVANNI LOPEZ – 8th in Introduction to FBLA
 GORDON WU – 1st in Entrepreneurship Team;* 2nd in Agribusiness*
 HAILEY YE – 7th in Management Decision Making Team
 ISABELLE HUNG – 1st in Parliamentary Team*
 ISAIAS MARTINEZ – 4th in Economics;* 6th in Introduction to Business Procedures*
 JASMINE LIM – 8th in Business Communication
 JAY WANG – 1st in Sales Presentation;* 4th in Business Calculations*
 JIANMING YU – 4th in Introduction to Business;* 5th in Economics*
 JIM-LEE WU – 7th in Hospitality Management Team
 JUSTINE LEE – 5th in Introduction to FBLA;* 7th in Hospitality Management Team
 KAITLYN TANG – 3rd in Agribusiness*
 KAREN SHIEH – 4th in Introduction to IT*
 KATELYN VUU – 9th in Introduction to IT



KATHRYN PHAN – 1st in Future Business Leader*
 KATRINA GEE – 1st in Introduction to Public Speaking*
 KAYLIE CHUMAN – 1st in Parliamentary Team;* 2nd in Public Speaking*
 KAYLIE LEUNG – 3rd in Cyber Security*
 LAURA CHEN – 2nd in Job Interview*
 LAWRENCE SHIEH – 4th in Accounting I;* 9th in Business Calculations
 LAWRENCE ZHOU – 1st in Financial Math;* 9th in Introduction to Business Communication
 LENNON BENIGA – 1st in Parliamentary Team*
 LORI LOUIE – 1st in Global Business Team*
 MAPLE DUONG – 3rd in Economics*
 NARUAKI OKASHIMA – 9th in Introduction to Business
 NATASHA CHAN – 4th in Introduction to FBLA*
 NATHAN LUONG – 2nd in Financial Math;* 7th in Introduction to FBLA
 NGUYEN NGUYEN – 1st in Entrepreneurship Team;* 7th in Management Decision Making Team
 POLLY REN – 1st in Business Law;* 2nd in Accounting I*
 RAVEN FERRER – 1st in Healthcare Administration*
 RYAN NG – 5th in Sports & Entertainment Management Team*
 RYAN WONG – 7th in Accounting I
 SARAH ULLAH – 4th in Impromptu
 SELINA ZHANG – 5th in Introduction to Business Procedures*
 SORAYA SHAFER – 1st in Broadcast Journalism Team*
 STEPHANIE TAM – 4th in Introduction to Financial Math*
 TAYA MEKPONGSATORN – 1st in Broadcast Journalism Team*
 TIFFANY THONG – 1st in Parliamentary Team;* 3rd in Introduction to Business*
 TOBY ZHOU – 6th in Introduction to Business Communication*
 TYLER LEE – 9th in Introduction to Business Procedures
 VIVIEN YEH – 8th in Accounting I

*Qualified for State Competition

Monterey Park FIRST Tech Challenge Team 15091 Aztec.exe Go to LA Regional Championships

By Mandy Hau, Parent Volunteer and Mentor

On March 7, 2020, aztec.exe competed in the Los Angeles Regional Championships, where 8 of 48 teams advanced to the World Championships. It was their first year advancing from their InterLeague Competition and competing at Regionals.

In FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge, each year, teams are provided with challenges they must fulfill, and the most efficient, resourceful team wins.

The team of nine high schoolers from Mark Keppel and Troy High has been representing the City of Monterey Park since the team was established in 2018. Despite a lack of funding, resources, or experience for their first year, they were able to become alliance semifinalists and 11th overall in Los Angeles! During the offseason, the team kept busy preparing for the Alhambra Unified School District Robotics Competition, in which they placed first. Additionally, they organized community service projects for outreach and the support of local businesses and organizations, such as holding robotics workshops at our city library and local elementary schools.

This year, the team received the generous support of the Bruggemeyer Library Foundation, who helped reach out for grants to purchase much-needed materials such as mecanum wheels, which are an integral part of this year's robot's design. With their help, the team was able to construct a strong robot that defeated other FIRST Tech Challenge teams around Los Angeles during Qualifying Tournaments. The aztecs emerged the 2nd seed at its InterLeague Tournament, powered through the finals and became the Winning Alliance Captains, 2nd place Think Award, as well as the recipients of the Control Award, an indication that the robot had a strong autonomous program. As the Winning Alliance Captains, the team qualified to advance to the Regional Tournament.

During the Regional Championships, the team competed against all the teams that qualified in Southern California to the World Championships. The team's journey ended with a 5th place ranking out of the Galileo Division, which included 24 of the



Monterey Park FIRST Tech Challenge team composed of Mark Keppel and Troy high schools won the Interleague tournament on Sun., Feb. 22, 2020, and qualified to Los Angeles Regional Championship. Picture taken at the ILT award ceremony with members are Front(L-R) Karen Shieh(Drive Coach), Joey Lee(Driver and Programming Lead), Kin Lee(Team Coach), Nicole Lee(Team Captain), Eric Tran(Build Lead), Calvin Nguyen(Outreach Lead).Back(L-R) Lawrence Shieh(Programmer), Andrew Tong (Builder), Tyler Chattariyangkul (Driver). Visit their page for more details: www.instagram.com/aztec.exe_15091.

best teams from all over Southern California. The team was selected by the 3rd seed for a Semifinalist Alliance, but did not advance. Although the team fell short of reaching the international competition, team captain Nicole Lee will be attending the World Championships in Houston, Texas from April 15 to 18 as a Dean's List Finalist. Nevertheless, the aztecs will relentlessly continue looking to improve and inspire for next season, sharing this experience with their peers, and representing Monterey Park City. The team hopes that it will attract more robotics and STEM enthusiasts within the community. Applications are open to rising 7th through 12th graders starting in August, and will be posted on our instagram page. Visit their page for more details: www.instagram.com/aztec.exe_15091.

Baldwin students start new positive behavior campaign

By Van Lee (6th Grade Representative), Hope Tran (Secretary), Taylor Truong (Communications Director), Chloe See (President)

During the week of February 10th, Martha Baldwin Elementary School's ASB held an event where students could participate in "Be the 'I' in KIND". Students would pose in front of a poster that had the word, KIND with the 'I' missing. The students were to represent the missing letter. This was to encourage students of all grade levels to express kindness to one another. Our Activities committee has been working diligently on this project. Our Activities director, eighth grade student Katrina Nyguen, led this event and she says, "I am honored to be a part of ASB and encouraging activities that promote kindness." We encourage PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System) here at Martha Baldwin Elementary School and we believe that all students and teachers should show genuine kindness and compassion towards their peers. Both students and staff participated in this event. We hope to host more of these events in the future.



Martha Baldwin 8th grader, Angela L. poses as the "I" in KIND to promote the school's PBIS campaign.

Getting More Students to Blast Off with Breakfast!

By Robert Dozmati

Alhambra Unified School District schools celebrated National School Breakfast Week during March 2-6, 2020 to raise awareness of the National School Breakfast program in school communities across the country. This year's theme, "National School Breakfast – Out of This World", reinforces key breakfast benefits, reminding students that breakfast allows them to "reach the outer limits" of their potential. Ynez Elementary School students kicked off the start of National School Breakfast Week by celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday. "Are you hungry? I am, I am for green eggs and ham!" Students got a taste of green eggs and ham with their morning breakfast; it was a great way to make eating fun and nutritious, especially with special theme days such as Dr. Seuss' birthday.



AUSD students Chelsea Tjhai and Elliana Tan show off their Dr. Seuss' hats after breakfast.

"A healthy breakfast at the start of the day is a great way to ensure students get the best education they can," said Judy Huffaker, R.D, Director Food & Nutrition Services. "National School Breakfast Week helps us educate parents and students about all the healthy, great tasting, and appealing choices we offer."

The District serves over 4,000 breakfast meals daily. School Food & Nutrition staff prepare breakfast and lunches every day that meet federal nutrition standards – limiting fat, calories, and sodium – while encouraging students to choose from the fruits, vegetables, and whole grains offered with school meals.

PARK ELEMENTARY CELEBRATES PTA DONATION WITH KOBE & GIANNA BRYANT TRIBUTE

By Robert Dozmati

It's been over two months since the shocking news that beloved Los Angeles Laker, Kobe Bryant, his daughter Gianna, and seven other victims tragically lost their lives in a helicopter accident in Calabasas, California. For many Angelenos, it's still hard to process that they won't be able to watch the man who they idolized since he was a teenager, evolve into the wise old man he was destined to become.



Students at Park Elementary gather on the campus basketball courts to participate in the Mamba & Mambacita Tribute Day.

Since his passing, communities all throughout the world have expressed their emotions through murals, memorials, and tributes, and on Thursday March 5, 2020, Park Elementary shared their memories of the Laker legend in a beautiful Mamba & Mambacita Tribute that was held on the campus basketball courts.

"This day was born out of a simple request to PTA from our TK and Kinder teachers for basketballs as a way to honor Kobe Bryant. Once I presented the idea to our PTA, it evolved into a tribute day," said Park Principal Carin Gasca.

At 8:00am Thursday morning, students, faculty, and parents watched as Principal Gasca, ASB students, and various PTA members spoke of what Kobe and his legacy meant to them personally. Through all the stories shared, the lessons students learned from Kobe were truly special. Audience members donning various forms of Kobe, Gianna, and Laker apparel listened as ASB representatives read aloud reasons Kobe meant so much to the students of Park.

"He taught me to always try my best."
 "[He] has inspired me to believe in myself."
 "He taught me to follow my dreams."

Students from 1st through 8th grade shared many of these same feelings throughout the morning's tribute, showing the impact he had on generations of fans. The overwhelming support and raw emotions felt worldwide could be best summed up by a 7th grader, who chose to remain anonymous:

"Kobe wasn't just a basketball player, he was a hero, leader, influencer, friend, husband, especially a dad or as we can say a 'girl dad'. I learned to never give up and to always follow a dream. He was such a leader; he helped communities, churches, and many more. I looked up to him because he was so brave, strong, and when he played there was a beast inside. I saw that nothing stopped him. I wish I was that beast, full of strength and energy. He was light on his feet, fast like a snake. He was the Mamba and every time he smiled there was love and joy. I am going to miss him."

Kobe's death will forever be a "where were you" moment. It was sudden, it seemed unfair, and the horror of it all was hammered home knowing that not only was his daughter on that helicopter with him, but there were other mothers, fathers, daughters, sons, friends, and colleagues on it as well. That's why there are still memorials and tributes being held a month after their passing.

Park Elementary celebrated the life of Kobe Bryant, Gianna Bryant, Payton Chester, Sarah Chester, Alyssa Altobelli, Keri Altobelli, John Altobelli, Christina Mauser, and Ara Zobayan. They did it through speeches, prayers, moments of silence, and through generous donations from their school PTA. Park's Parent Teacher Association not only filled the request of TK and Kindergarten teachers, they went above and beyond in the spirit of Kobe, and provided all classrooms with new basketballs, a Kobe Bryant Inspiration Quotes Coloring Book, and a copy of his children's book, "Legacy and the Queen".

Despite the tragedy, Park Elementary and their PTA found a way to keep inspiring their students just like Kobe did. The opportunity for students to express their feelings coupled with the donations of basketballs and books will have lasting impacts on hundreds of kids who lost a hero.

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AUSD ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS HOST COMMUNITY READ-INS TO SPREAD JOY OF READING

By Robert Dozmati

We live in a time where technology has altered every aspect of the human experience, from learning, social interactions and leisure, elementary schools across Alhambra Unified School District dedicated the first week of March to some old-fashioned storytelling. In an effort to help students appreciate the art of reading, schools participated in Read Across America (RAA), a literary program created by the National Education Association back in 1998. RAA is considered the nation's largest celebration of reading that hopes to show children the joys of reading while also making them feel valued and welcome.

From elected officials, to producers, parents, educators, health care professionals, college students, and service members, students were met with eager adults who were excited to read a few of the classics they grew up with, while also sharing some professional knowledge in the process.

"I think it's a great event, it's so much fun. We get to have our community members, parents, and our kids coming together just to promote reading," said Dr. Wendy Molina-Solis, Principal at Monterey Highlands Elementary. "Just to see the adult's faces light up reading to kids, and to see how excited they are that the kids are happy, it's really rewarding at various levels."

The idea is simple: reach out to a bunch of parents and business professionals to see if they want to dedicate their lunch to reading aloud in front of one of the most intimidating audiences ever, kids.

Kids are the best critics because they're brutally honest, and they don't let potential awkward interactions filter their comments. But thankfully for AUSD volunteers, there are no hecklers in this district and the kids are extremely supportive of the program.

"It's nice, it feels like the parents care, when it comes to helping us read and supporting us," said Bella Medina, 8th Grader at Emery Park. "I feel like kids these days, they're all caught up in their screens and social media. Parents, when they were children, there was less screen [time] and social media, they were reading a lot and I feel like it's good for kids to learn how important reading is, and the adults can tell them that. [They can] lead by example."



Parent, Ross Yoshida gives Monterey Highlands' 3rd graders a quick intro to the book he's about to read for the annual Read Across America celebration.

Bella summed up RAA's goal perfectly. Adults showing kids that flipping through the pages of a book can be just as, if not, more exciting and fun as swiping through photos on a screen. It's one thing to tell kids what to do, but to lead by example is powerful, and in the process, you make kids feel important in your daily life. But there's another opportunity that RAA presents, and that's representation and connection. When community members from different backgrounds show up to classes to read, they also dedicate time to talk about themselves and their careers. Readers were from a wide variety of occupations like a Digital Producer at PBS, a Graphics Producer for the Dodgers, Police Officers, Firemen, Former Air Force Technicians, Physical Therapists, Principals, Teachers, Building Managers, Mayors and Council people. Diverse professional backgrounds, but more importantly, diverse people from those backgrounds. Alhambra Unified School District is one of the most diverse student populations in the United States, and for students to see people who look like them hold experienced positions is invaluable.

Ross Yoshida, Senior Director of Graphics Design for the Los Angeles Dodgers and parent at Monterey Highlands shared his thoughts on how RAA allows kids to see the professional benefits of reading, "It's just a great time, and it's great to show the kids what the adults are doing and how they got to where they are in their career. Even the youngest kids are very curious about how adults got to the point they're at in their career, and I just think it's a really cool thing."

If you are considering volunteering to read, all past participants would encourage you to do so. Every parent, administrator, and student that was asked if they'd recommend anyone take part in this event had nothing but positive praise for the program. The impact Read Across America has on developing youth goes far beyond the joys of reading. It gives parents and community members an opportunity to connect with kids, but most importantly, it makes kids feel as if they matter in a way that doesn't rely on likes and views.

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我想藉此機會向大家介紹蒙特利公園市如何與縣和州政府共同努力合作，解決蒙市嚴重的新冠肺炎病毒問題。

市政府正與洛杉磯縣公共衛生局以及州政府官員不斷溝通，確保政府官員採取適當行動保護公眾免受新冠病毒傳播感染。

正如您所知，洛杉磯縣已經發佈了「居家避疫」緊急命令。他們已指示餐廳採取不同的經營方式，並下令關閉非必要的零售業務。蒙特利公園市堅持這些新要求，並關閉了非必要的公共設施，儘可能降低任何新冠病毒的傳播。

在您的日常生活中，請繼續採用必要的預防措施以確保您的健康和 safety。如果您生病了，請留在家中。若您覺得自己出現類似新冠病毒的症狀，請與您的醫療保健提供者聯繫。保持勤洗手。

請不要撥打911要求進行新冠病毒檢測。除非您身患重病需要緊急護理，否則請不要去急診室。若您患有呼吸系統疾病，想知道自己是否應該接受新冠病毒檢測，最好打電話給您的醫療保健提供者，如果您沒有醫療保健，請撥打2-1-1尋求幫助，尋找靠近您家附近的臨床醫生。

現在，我們比過往任何時候都更需要互相照顧和鼓勵，而不是灌輸恐慌。如果您被建議留在家裡，那您需要做好這14天隔離期的準備。請不要大量囤積日常用品，如衛生紙或飲用水，因為市政府提供給每個家庭/商家業主的供水是安全的。

看護好年老的成員和鄰居，以及那些具有潛在健康狀況的人，他們都是最易感染新冠病毒的群體。如照顧者或看護人生病了，那老年人和有潛在健康狀況的成年人可能需要自我照顧，甚至需要提供食物和其他用品送到家裏。

我為我們的居民們和市政府工作人員感到驕傲，他們在我們應對這前所未有的狀況時，正在努力幫助我們的社區。請您耐心等待，讓我們及時、準確地傳播疫情信息，並協助市政府渡過這場危機。在我們一起克服新冠病毒的時候，請保持友善、彼此具有同理心和同情心。

市政府工作人員可以通過電話、電子郵件或網絡提供服務協助

隨著信息不斷更新，請聯繫市政府已獲得有關本市計劃、活動、政策和設施狀態的最新信息。

在關閉營業期間，市政府已設立一個服務平台繼續為大家提供服務，並可在市政府辦公時間，週一至週四上午7點30分至下午5點30分，週五上午7點30分至下午4點30分，致電626-307-1377或發送電子郵件至MpkHelpDesk@montereypark.ca.gov，與市政府聯繫。請繼續查看市政府網站www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Coronavirus，獲取更多最新信息。

Un Mensaje del Alcalde

Residentes y Negocios de Monterey Park,

Quiero aprovechar esta oportunidad para informarles sobre cómo la Ciudad de Monterey Park está encarando el grave problema del Coronavirus aquí en la Ciudad y nuestros esfuerzos de colaboración con los socios del Condado y el Estado.

La Ciudad está en constante comunicación con el Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado de Los Angeles y Funcionarios Estatales para asegurarnos que los funcionarios públicos están tomando las medidas adecuadas para proteger al público contra la propagación del Coronavirus.

Como usted sabe, el Condado de Los Angeles ha emitido una orden de emergencia: "Más Seguro en el Hogar". Ellos han dado instrucciones a los restaurantes para que operen de manera diferente y han ordenado que cierren los negocios minoristas no esenciales. Monterey Park se está adhiriendo a estos nuevos requisitos y también ha cerrado instalaciones públicas no esenciales para minimizar cualquier propagación del virus.

Al emprender su vida cotidiana, por favor tome medidas de precaución para asegurar su salud y seguridad. Por favor, quédese en casa si está enfermo. Si está preocupado porque está sintiendo síntomas del COVID-19, usted debe llamar a su proveedor de atención médica. Lávese las manos frecuentemente.

Por favor no llame al 911 para solicitar una prueba del COVID-19 y por favor no vaya a una sala de emergencias a menos que esté gravemente enfermo y necesite cuidados de emergencia. Si usted tiene una enfermedad respiratoria y quiere saber si debería hacerse la prueba del COVID-19, es mejor llamar a su proveedor de atención médica o, si no tiene un proveedor, llame al 2-1-1 para que lo ayuden a encontrar un clínico cerca de usted.

Ahora más que nunca, necesitamos cuidarnos unos a otros y no infundir pánico sino fomentar la preparación para lo que usted NECESITE para llevarlo a través de una posible cuarentena de 14 días si le aconsejan quedarse en casa. Por favor no acumule productos tales como papel higiénico o cajas de agua, ya que **nuestro suministro de agua que es proporcionado a cada hogar/negocio individual es seguro.**

Chequear a los miembros de la familia y vecinos de edad avanzada, así como a aquellos con pobres condiciones de salud. Estos grupos son los más vulnerables de enfermedades graves del COVID-19. Los adultos mayores y adultos con pobres condiciones de salud pueden necesitar ayuda para cuidarse a sí mismos si sus cuidadores se enferman, e incluso pueden necesitar que alimentos y otros suministros sean llevados a sus hogares.

Estoy orgulloso de nuestros residentes y del personal de la ciudad, quienes están trabajando diligentemente para ayudar a nuestra comunidad a medida que respondemos a esta situación sin precedentes. Les pido paciencia en permitirnos difundir información oportuna y precisa y su ayuda en apoyarse mutuamente a través de esta crisis. Por favor sea generoso, tenga empatía y compasión el uno por el otro mientras que trabajamos juntos para superar el Covid-19.

El Personal de la Ciudad está Disponible para Ayudar por Teléfono, Correo Electrónico o Web

Como la información está constantemente siendo actualizada, por favor póngase en contacto con la ciudad para obtener la información más al día sobre los programas de la ciudad, eventos, normas y el estado de las instalaciones.

Un Escritorio de Ayuda ha sido creado para proporcionar un servicio continuo durante el cierre y se le puede dar alcance durante las horas de operación de la Municipalidad, lunes – jueves, 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. y viernes 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., llamando al 626-307-1377 o en el MpkHelpDesk@montereypark.ca.gov. Por favor continúe chequeando el sitio web de la Ciudad para obtener actualizaciones en el www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Coronavirus.

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蒙特利公園市統計數！ 回應2020人口普查

在網上完成您的人口普查，人口普查員就不必上門了。為協助保護社區及普查人員的健康和安全，請在網上、電話或郵件填寫表格。

邀請您回覆人口普查

現在是時候了。通過響應2020年人口普查，來幫助創造您的未來，以及您社區的未來。您的家庭應在3月收到邀請函，對2020年人口普查做出回覆。這些官方的人口普查局郵件將包括詳細信息和用於在線上完成人口普查的人口普查證件。在這段時間內，一些家庭將收到紙質問卷（俗稱人口普查表）。當您收到回應邀請函時，請在網上、電話或郵件填寫您的表格。

如何回應

2020年4月1日起，2020年人口普查會對您和與您共同生活的每個人，問一些簡單的問題。這是您第一次可以選擇通過網上、電話或郵件形式完成人口普查表。

如果您沒有收到人口普查局的回應邀請函，您可以在網上回覆或瀏覽網站 <https://2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond.html> 獲取更多信息和回應說明。

可在下列方式找到更多詳細信息：

● 網上填表

- <https://my2020census.gov/>
- 請注意，如果您在網上做出答覆，您必須一次性完成人口普查，因為您無法保存填表過程進度。

● 電話填表

- 您可以選擇通過電話填寫問卷。首先，請撥打844-330-2020，或撥打下面與您首選語言相關的電話號碼。電話接通營業時間：東部時間每天早上7點至凌晨2點。
- 可以通過下列語言種類撥打電話號碼來完成2020年人口普查：
 - 英語：844-330-2020
 - 西班牙語：844-468-2020
 - 中文（國語）：844-391-2020
 - 中文（粵語）844-398-2020
 - 越南語：844-461-2020
 - 韓語：844-392-2020
 - 俄語：844-417-2020
 - 阿拉伯語：844-416-2020
 - 菲律賓語：844-478-2020
 - 波蘭語：844-479-2020
 - 法語：844-494-2020
 - 海地克里奧爾語：844-477-2020
 - 葡萄牙語：844-474-2020
 - 日語：844-460-2020
 - 英語（波多黎各居民）：844-418-2020
 - 西班牙語（波多黎各居民）：844-426-2020
 - TDD（電話顯示裝置）：844-467-2020
- 為了協助您作出回應，人口普查局還提供59種非英語語言的網頁和指南，包括美國手語，以及盲文和大字本的指南。



● 郵件填表

- 洛杉磯縣的每戶家庭應在2020年4月1日前收到邀請函。
- 在這段時間內，那些不太可能在網上作出答覆的地區家庭，將收到一份紙質問卷（俗稱人口普查表）。所有家庭如果沒有通過網上或電話作出回應，都將收到紙質問卷。回覆時，請用藍色或黑色墨水筆填寫問卷。不要使用鉛筆填寫。
- 完成後，請將問卷放回提供的回郵信封中。若您丟失了回郵信封，請將填好的問卷郵寄至：

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
1201 E 10th Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47132**

驗證您的問卷

下列幾種方式可以確認您收到的2020年人口普查表是合法的：

- 外信封的回郵地址將寫著“美國人口普查局”和“美國商務部”，後者是人口普查局的上級機構。
- 回郵地址還將顯示：

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
100 Logistics Avenue
Jeffersonville, IN 47144**
- 隨信附上的郵寄完整紙質問卷的信封，將寄往人口普查局設有的郵件處理中心：Jeffersonville · IN 或 Phoenix · AZ。

人口普查局永遠不會要求您：

- 提供您完整的社安號碼。
- 提供您的銀行帳號或信用卡卡號。
- 代表政黨的任何事。
- 金錢或捐款。

在郵件裡尋找什麼

今年3月和4月，您可能會收到來自人口普查局的多封郵件，包括回應2020年人口普查的邀請函，以及後續的明信片 and 信件。如果您沒有在網上或電話回應，您也可以收到紙質問卷。

注：人口普查局在進行2020年人口普查的同時進行其他調查，因此您可能收到更多的信件。

您要如何證實某人是人口普查員？

人口普查員將在4月份到一些家庭做調查，進行質檢面談或派發紙質問卷，然後在5月中旬協助收集答卷。如果有人來你家收集2020年人口普查信息，請檢查他們的身份證件是否有效，證件上是否有照片、美國商務部的浮水印和有效期。人口普查員也可以攜帶帶有人口普查局標誌的人口普查局手提包和其他設備。如果您對他們的身份仍有疑問，可以撥打213-314-6500，與洛杉磯地區人口普查中心的服務代表聯繫，核實身份。有關更多信息和鏈接，請瀏覽網站 www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/cENSUS2020 或致電213-314-6500，與人口普查區域中心聯繫。

¡MPK Cuenta! Responda al Censo 2020

Complete su Censo en línea y un trabajador del Censo no tendrá que ir a su puerta. Por favor ayude a proteger la salud y seguridad de la comunidad y de los trabajadores del Censo completando su formulario en línea, por teléfono o por correo.

Su Invitación a Responder

Ahora es el momento. Ayude a formar su futuro, y el futuro de su comunidad, respondiendo al Censo 2020. Los hogares ya deben de haber recibido la invitación a responder al Censo 2020 en marzo. Estos correos oficiales de la Oficina del Censo incluirán información detallada y una identificación del Censo para completarlo en línea. Durante este período de tiempo, algunos hogares recibirán un cuestionario en papel (a veces conocido como el formulario del censo). Por favor complete su formulario en línea, por teléfono, o por correo cuando llegue su invitación a responder.

Cómo Responder

El Censo 2020 hará algunas preguntas simples sobre usted y todos los que están viviendo o que van a vivir con usted el 1ro de abril del 2020. Por primera vez, usted puede escoger completar el censo en línea, por teléfono, o por correo.

Si usted no recibe una invitación a responder de la Oficina del Censo, puede responder en línea o visitar <https://2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond.html> para obtener más información e instrucciones para responder.

Aprenda más sobre cada uno de estos métodos a continuación:

● En Línea

- <https://my2020census.gov/>
- Tenga en cuenta que si usted responde en línea, tiene que completar el Censo en una sola sesión, ya que no tiene la capacidad de guardar su progreso.

● Por Teléfono

- Usted tiene la opción de completar el cuestionario por teléfono. Para empezar, llame al 844-330-2020, o llame al número asociado con su idioma preferido a continuación. Horario de Trabajo: Las líneas telefónicas están abiertas todos los días de 7:00 a.m. a 2:00 a.m. hora del este.
- El Censo 2020 puede ser completado por teléfono en los siguientes idiomas:
 - Inglés: 844-330-2020
 - Español: 844-468-2020
 - Chino (mandarín): 844-391-2020
 - Chino (cantonés): 844-398-2020
 - Vietnamita: 844-461-2020
 - Coreano: 844-392-2020
 - Ruso: 844-417-2020
 - Árabe: 844-416-2020
 - Tagalog: 844-478-2020
 - Polaco: 844-479-2020
 - Francés: 844-494-2020
 - Criollo haitiano: 844-477-2020
 - Portugués: 844-474-2020
 - Japonés: 844-460-2020
 - Inglés (para residentes de Puerto Rico): 844-418-2020
 - Español (para residentes de Puerto Rico): 844-426-2020
 - TDD (Dispositivo telefónico visual): 844-467-2020
- Para ayudarle a responder, la Oficina del Censo también ofrece páginas web y guías en 59 idiomas que no son Inglés, incluyendo el lenguaje de señas Americano, así como guías en Braille y en letra grande.

● Por Correo

- Todos los hogares del Condado de Los Angeles deben de recibir una invitación antes del 1ro de abril del 2020.
- Durante este tiempo, los hogares en áreas con menos probabilidades de que respondan en línea recibirán un cuestionario en papel (a veces conocido como el formulario del censo). Todos los hogares recibirán un cuestionario en papel si no responden primero en línea o por teléfono. Cuando responda, use tinta azul o negra para llenar el cuestionario. No use un lápiz.
- Cuando termine, devuelva el cuestionario en el sobre provisto. Si usted ha perdido el sobre, por favor envíe su cuestionario completo al:

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
1201 E 10th Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47132**

Verificando su Cuestionario

Hay varias maneras de confirmar que el cuestionario del Censo 2020 que usted recibió es legítimo:

- La dirección del remitente del sobre externo dirá "U.S. Census Bureau" y "U.S. Department of Commerce," que es la agencia matriz de la Oficina del Censo.
- La dirección del remitente también mostrará:

**U.S. Census Bureau
National Processing Center
100 Logistics Avenue
Jeffersonville, IN 47144**
- El sobre adjunto para enviar por correo el cuestionario de papel completado será dirigido a **Jeffersonville, IN**, o a **Phoenix, AZ**, donde la Oficina del Censo tiene centros de procesamiento del correo.

La Oficina del Censo nunca le pedirá a usted:

- Su número completo de Seguro Social.
- Los números de su cuenta bancaria o tarjeta de crédito.
- Algo en nombre de un Partido político.
- Dinero o donaciones.

Qué Buscar en el Correo

Usted puede recibir múltiples correos de la Oficina de Censo en marzo y abril de este año, incluyendo una invitación a responder al Censo 2020 y tarjetas postales y cartas complementarias. Si usted no responde en línea o por teléfono, también puede recibir un cuestionario en papel.

Nota: La Oficina del Censo llevará a cabo otras encuestas al mismo tiempo que el Censo 2020, así que usted puede recibir correspondencia adicional.

¿Cómo Puede Usted Verificar Que Alguien es un Trabajador del Censo?

Los trabajadores del Censo visitarán algunos hogares en abril para llevar a cabo entrevistas de control de calidad o entregar cuestionarios de papel, y luego a mediados de mayo para ayudar a recolectar las respuestas.

Si alguien visita su casa para reunir información para el Censo 2020, verifique que tiene una credencial de identificación válida, con su fotografía, una marca de agua del Departamento de Comercio de los Estados Unidos, y una fecha de expiración. Los trabajadores del Censo también pueden llevar bolsas de la Oficina del Censo y otro equipo con el logotipo de la Oficina del Censo. Si todavía tiene preguntas sobre su identidad, usted se puede poner en contacto con el Centro Regional del Censo de Los Angeles llamando al 213-314-6500 para hablar con un representante de la Oficina del Censo.

Para obtener información adicional y enlaces, por favor visite www.MontereyPark.ca.gov/Census2020 o póngase en contacto con el Centro Regional de Censo llamando al 213-314-6500.



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