



CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO | JAN 2021

Community Newsletter



Kaboom Playspace
install at Hudson Park

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021!

Community & Economic Development**5th Street Gateway**

The 5th Street Gateway project (located on the north side of West 5th Street, between North G Street and North H Street) is comprised of three (3) restaurants with drive-thru and a service station with a 24-hour 7-Eleven convenience store intended to capitalize on the City's commercial, transportation and locational strengths, which has become a major economic driver within the City.

Development of the site will be completed in a manner that will enhance the physical and visual qualities of the subject property thereby enhancing the aesthetics of one of the City's "gateways." The architectural design features a cohesive contemporary form utilizing angular roof geometries. The design creates a dynamic and vibrant environment appropriate to hospitality and auto-oriented services.

**The Beyond Food Mart**

The Beyond project (located on the southwest corner of East Baseline Street and North Del Rosa Drive) is comprised of a service station with a 24-hour convenience store which provides healthy food and beverage choices and a drive-thru express carwash. The architectural design is Avant-Garde and stylish with varied rooflines and projections incorporated into the facade, varying paint and façade material schemes to create visual interest on the structure. The incorporation of articulated wall surfaces and features will enhance the visual aesthetics at this intersection. When completed, the Beyond project will transform the vacant and under-utilized site to create an economic benefit to the community.

**California Small Business Assistance**

Governor Gavin Newsom announced a new loan program built to support California's small businesses as they adapt and navigate the effects of COVID-19.

The California Rebuilding Fund is a partnership between public and private sector entities to provide California small businesses, particularly businesses in under-banked parts of the state, with access to responsible, affordable capital to help them survive and rebuild from this crisis.



For more information, visit
www.connect2capital.com

For information on additional business assistance, relief funds and grants, please visit
www.covid19.ca.gov/business-and-employers



Transportation

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority Project Updates

In 2020, the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) broke ground on two projects within the City of San Bernardino – SR 210 Lane Addition and Base Line Interchange Project and Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge – and continued construction on the Redlands Passenger Rail/Arrow Project. For questions or to sign up for construction alerts on any of these ongoing projects, contact the SBCTA Public Outreach team by calling 877-55-SBCTA or emailing info@goSBCTA.com.



Redlands Passenger Rail/Arrow Project

The Redlands Passenger Rail/Arrow Project is more than 70 percent complete and bridge construction is almost 100 percent complete. Crews are working throughout the nine-mile corridor between the San Bernardino Transit Center and University of Redlands on grade crossings and platform and electrical work is ongoing at the San Bernardino Transit Center, ESRI, Tippecanoe and Downtown Redlands stations. Beginning Monday, January 4, Waterman Avenue at the rail crossing will be closed for approximately nine weeks for crews to lay track; install grade crossings; pave and reconstruct curb, gutters, and sidewalks; and install cabling for signals. Train testing is scheduled to begin in early 2021. For more information about the Redlands Passenger Rail/Arrow Project and to view the live, interactive Google Map showing closures and detours visit goSBCTA.com/arrow.

Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge (MVAB) Project

To ensure the safety and longevity of the Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge (MVAB), the City of San Bernardino (City) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) have partnered with the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) to rebuild the bridge. The bridge will be disassembled and completely rebuilt – a process that will span approximately three years. With the closure of the bridge on Tuesday, December 29, 2020, there is no through access permitted across the bridge, between 2nd Street and 5th Street. Businesses will remain open during construction and access to businesses on Mount Vernon Avenue at 2nd Street and 5th Street, and on Mount Vernon Avenue between W. Kingman Street and 5th Street, will be maintained.

There are pedestrian and vehicle detours in place. Motorists will be directed to use 5th Street to H Street/G Street, to Rialto Avenue to get to and from the other side of the Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge. To support pedestrians, bicyclists, and the disabled with a convenient detour option while the bridge is closed, SBCTA partnered with Omnitrans to offer a complimentary bus service. Bus stop locations nearest the MVAB are shown on the map below, for Route 1 (2nd Street/Metrolink Way), Route 3/Route 4 (5th Street/Mount Vernon), and Route 14 (5th Street/Mount Vernon Avenue). Pedestrians wishing to access the complimentary service can board the bus at the stops below, and say "bridge detour/desvío del puente" to the bus driver upon boarding for the complimentary fare. Riders will transfer between routes at the Transit Center and continue to Route 1 (2nd Street/Metrolink Way), Route 14 (5th Street/Mount Vernon Avenue) to reach the other side of the bridge. For more information on this project, visit goSBCTA.com/mtvernonbridge.

SR 210 Lane Addition/Base Line Interchange Project

Since breaking ground in February 2020, widening efforts commenced on ten of the eleven bridges within the project corridor and paving work is underway throughout the project area. Construction is more than 90 percent complete on four of bridges - 5th Street, Base Line Street Pioneer Avenue, and Victoria Avenue. Work is also being performed on the new retaining walls along SR 210 at the Base Line Interchange. In 2021, crews will complete all bridge widening efforts and will shift traffic onto newly paved portions of SR 210 west of City Creek. In additions, crews will begin replacing asphalt lanes with concrete lanes on SR 210 east of 5th Street, will continue construction activity along Base Line, and will begin work on additional retaining and soundwalls throughout the project corridor. For more information about the SR 210 Lane Addition/Base Line Interchange Project and to view the live, interactive Google Map showing closures and detours visit goSBCTA.com/SR210Baseline.

San Bernardino Public Library

SBPL Patrons Continue to Pick Up Books Placed on Hold at All Four City Libraries

Patrons of the San Bernardino Public Library will be able to pick up books placed on hold Feldheim Central Library at 555 W. Sixth St., Rowe Branch at 108 E. Marshall Blvd., Inghram Branch at 1505 W. Highland Ave. and Villaseñor Branch at 525 N. Mt. Vernon.

Books may be picked up Monday – Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at all four libraries. Books may be placed on hold at the library website at www.sbpl.org or by phone.

New Resources for SBPL to Support Online Learners

Library offers these new resources and more to its cardholders at the library website at www.sbpl.org :

SIRS Issues Researcher

Curriculum-aligned database of content organized by complex issues, ideally for middle and high school students and educators. (Grades 6+)

SIRS Discoverer

Selected content for novice researchers, especially elementary and middle school students and educators. (Grades 3-9)

eLibrary

General reference aggregation of periodical and digital media content with editorial guidance for novice researchers. Two unique interfaces available. (Grades 6+)

CultureGrams Online

Concise cultural information on countries around the world. (Grades 3-12)

Black Freedom Struggle in the United States

This website focuses on Black Freedom, featuring select primary source documents related to critical people and events in African American history.

School & Educators Complete

eBook subscription database (over 12,000 titles) to support multiple subject areas (English Language Arts, Science, Math, Social Studies, Health, Physical Education, Information Literacy and Technology). (Grades 9+, possibly some content for Middle School, also includes professional development content for faculty).

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Our Facebook Pages



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Animal Services

Gray's Rescue

On January 4th, Animal Control Officer Jodi Kroeger was called out to rescue a dog stuck in a drain. When she arrived on scene, it was clear the dog was firmly wedged in the drain and she would need assistance to rescue him. San Bernardino County Fire Department and their Search and Rescue team responded to our call for help. After a couple of hours, the fire department was able to widen the opening of the drain and free the Husky.



While the fire department was working to free the dog, Officer Kroeger was busy trying to find the animal's owners. After speaking with people in the neighborhood, she was able to identify where the dog lived and called the owner on the phone. The owner let Officer Kroeger know that "Gray" the husky had been missing for two days and the family had been searching for him. Officer Kroeger arranged a time for the owners to pick Gray up after they were home from work. Gray and his family were very happy to be reunited with his family after his long ordeal. Gray's ordeal was featured in the SB Sun as well as local news stations.

Water Department

Rebate Program

Looking for ways to save in 2021? Add saving water to your New Year's resolutions! San Bernardino Municipal Water Department offers many indoor and outdoor rebates to increase water efficiency. Residential customers are eligible for up to \$2,000 in water conservation rebates. Commercial and multi-family rebates are also available. Visit SBMWD.org/Rebates or call Water Department Customer Service at (909) 384-5141 for more information on how to apply.



**SAVE WATER
SAVE MONEY
WIN - WIN**

Funding is available! Apply for your water conservation rebate today.
SBMWD.ORG/Rebates



Mayor's Corner

Welcome Lowe's Outlet Center

Mayor John Valdivia welcomed Lowe's Outlet to San Bernardino at their Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting on January 4, 2021. The 29,172 square foot store, located at 4060 N. Hallmark Parkway, is anticipated to generate \$4-6 million in annual store sales and generate tax dollars to fund city revitalization initiatives.

This is the second of three outlet locations slated to open in California, and overall, Lowe's intends to open 17 outlet centers nationwide. Situated in the northern region of the city in the 5th ward, the store will feature refurbished appliances (washers, dryers, kitchen appliances, small appliances, etc.) from their Lowe's retail stores at substantially discounted prices.



Happening in the Community

These are Non-Profit Sponsored events. For more information, please use the contact information provided below.

- **ICLS - Inland Counties Legal Services, Inc**

Want to know more about AB3088 and what it means for evictions? Join the ICLS Housing presentation with Council Member Alexander for more information.

Date/Time: January 28th from 7pm - 8:30pm

Via: Zoom and Facebook Live @InlandCountiesLegalServices

[Register by clicking here](#) or by calling the Council Office at (909) 384-5188

- **Arrowhead Neighborhood Association**

A presentation on the proposed new Stop Sign at Arrowhead Avenue & 28th Street. Join the San Bernardino City Public Works Department along with Council Member Alexander for more information.

Date/Time: February 9th from 6pm - 7pm

Via: Zoom: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75960545414?pwd=RkhOV0oydkpkN0xXK1Zky2dwTU5KQT09>

CITY INFORMATION

Office Locations & Hours of Operation

Our Public Service Counters are open to the Public by Appointment Only
For assistance, please call us at (909) 384-7272 or visit our website www.SBCity.org

Vanir Tower

290 N. D St., San Bernardino, CA 92401
 CITY INFORMATION CENTER/VISITOR CHECK-IN

Mayor	City Manager
City Council	Finance
City Attorney	Human Resources

201 N. E St., San Bernardino, CA 92401

SPACE 201A - ONE-STORY BUILDING
 Entrance located on E Street (near 2nd street)

Business Registration
 Parks, Recreation and Community Services
 City Clerk

SPACE 201B - THREE-STORY BUILDING

Entrances located on E Street, next to Big Five and the southwest corner of the parking structure rooftop level

Community & Economic Development	Information Technology
- Administration	Multipurpose Room
- Building & Safety	Public Works
- Code Enforcement	- Administration
- Housing	- Engineering
- Planning	- Land Development
	- Off-site Permits
	- Real Property
	- Traffic Division

City Cable Channel Studio
 - Inland Empire Media Group

710 N. D St., San Bernardino, CA 92401

San Bernardino Police Department
 909-384-5742 / Dispatch 909-383-5311


555 W. 6th St., San Bernardino, CA 92410

San Bernardino Public Library | Admin. Offices | 909-381-8201
 Hours vary by location, please visit www.SBPL.org for details

1350 S. E St., San Bernardino, CA 92408


Water Dept. Customer Service Offices | 909-384-5095
Water Emergency (24 hours) | 909-384-5141


Ways to Connect


 **SB Direct**
909-384-7272

 **www.SBCity.org**

 **Mobile App**
GORequest

 **Channel 3**
(IEMediaGroup)

 **City Information Center**
290 North D Street

 **SBCConnect**
AM1610 radio

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@SBCityWater

@SBParksAndRecreation

@SanBernardinoPD

@SanBernardinoCountyFire

IEMediaGroup (YouTube)

Upcoming Holiday Closures

In observance of upcoming holidays, City administrative offices will be closed on the following days:

Monday	January 18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday	February 15	All President's Day
Monday	May 31	Memorial Day

*NOTE: BURRTEC HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - When the holiday falls on a weekday, trash collections for the remainder of the week will be delayed by one day. No service will be provided on the following days: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

The Community Newsletter is published monthly to highlight information, news and activities in the City of San Bernardino.

Previous editions are available at
www.SBCity.org/Newsletter.

For more information, call 909-384-5122.

To sign up to receive electronically,
 visit www.SBCity.org/SBConnect.



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