



CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO | SEPT 2020

Community Newsletter



Tara Knox-Benson
Parks & Recreation

"Real strength has to do with helping others."

- Mr. Rogers

Information regarding COVID-19



COVID-COMPLIANT BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



Local Businesses

To support our local small businesses and help ensure ongoing compliance with State and County Health orders and direction, San Bernardino County launched the COVID Compliant Business Partnership Program. To date, we've had thousands of businesses participate. To make the program available to even more business owners, the County recently made a number of program adjustments. The new application deadline is October 31, 2020. For more information and to apply, go to <https://sbccovid19.com/covid-compliant-business-partnership-program/>

Food Assistance

Countywide Food Assistance Programs are still available for those in need. For Information on the program or to locate providers in your area, please visit: sbccovid19.com/food-assistance

Eat Local WebMap!

San Bernardino County is home to many restaurants and various dining experiences. In an effort to support our local economy, the Economic Development team has created an interactive map to showcase various local restaurants. Visit:

SelectSBCounty.com/Major-Initiatives/Covid-19



OUR PUBLIC COUNTERS ARE OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

NEW CITY COUNTER HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY: 9AM - 4PM
FRIDAY: 8AM - NOON

FOR INFORMATION BY DEPARTMENT
PLEASE VISIT WWW.SBCITY.ORG

BUSINESS REGISTRATION

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT
(909) 384-5309

GENERAL QUESTIONS
(909) 384-5302

CITY CLERK

(909) 384-5002
TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT
OR
FOR GENERAL QUESTIONS

PARKS & RECREATION

(909) 384-5233
FOR COUNTER ASSISTANCE
OR
FOR GENERAL QUESTIONS

PLANNING

TO ASK ABOUT:
- GENERAL INQUIRIES
TO SUBMIT FOR:
- NEW PROJECTS
- NEW ENTITLEMENTS
- PLANNING PERMITS
EMAIL
CITYOFSBPLANNING
@SBCITY.ORG

BUILDING & SAFETY AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR:
- PLAN CHECK
- SUBMITTALS
- PERMIT APPLICATION & ISSUANCE
(909) 384-5935

PUBLIC WORKS

(909) 384-5938
TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR:
- PLAN CHECK
- SUBMITTALS
- PERMIT APPLICATION
- BID SUBMITTALS

CODE ENFORCEMENT

TO SUBMIT A COMPLAINT:
CALL (909) 384-7272
OR
SUBMIT ONLINE



FOR GENERAL INQUIRIES
EMAIL:
CITYOFSBCODEENF
@SBCITY.ORG

We Are Here to Help

Public counters at the Neighborhood Customer Service Center, Police Department, and Community & Economic Development Department are open on a limited basis, with many services being offered by appointment only.

In an effort to comply with State and County directives related to Covid-19, and to reduce the risk of exposure for staff and members of the public, we continue to encourage the use of online services where available.

For information on specific services and to make appointments, contact us at (909) 384-7272 Monday through Thursday from 7:30am to 5:30pm and Friday from 7:30am to 4:30pm, or visit www.sbcity.org for online assistance.

If you do visit any City offices, we ask that you follow all posted guidelines upon entering and wear a mask

Stay up to date on what's open for
Business in the County

Visit COVID19.ca.gov/roadmap-counties

For continued updates from the City of San Bernardino, Please visit www.SBCity.org/COVID19



Election Day: November 3, 2020

The November 3, 2020, general election is quickly approaching. Register to vote and ensure that your voice is heard.



Important Information About Voting

Election Day: November 3

Look for your ballot: Week of October 5

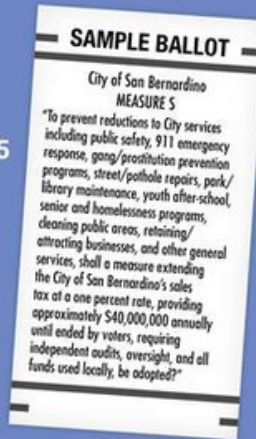
Last day to register to vote in this election: October 19

Last day to request a mail ballot: October 27

For election information and to register to vote visit www.sbcity.org/elections



Hover over code with a smart camera to get more information on Measure S.



This November, City residents in Wards 5 and 7 will be casting ballots to select their City Council representatives. Additionally, all registered voters in the City will consider Measure "S". In order to maintain city services, the San Bernardino City Council has voted unanimously to place Measure S on the November 3, 2020 ballot.

Measure S, if approved by voters, would extend the City's general sales tax at a 1% rate until ended by voters. All funds raised by Measure S would remain in San Bernardino and could not be allocated to the State or County.

An independent citizen oversight committee and annual reports to the community are required. Products like groceries and prescription medication would remain exempt from Measure S.

For more information about the November election including Measure S, please visit www.sbcity.org/elections or contact the office of the City Clerk at (909) 384-5002.

Water Department

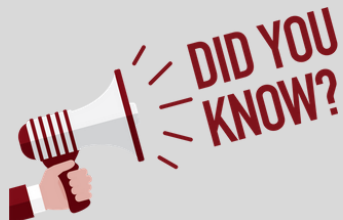
Water Conservation Poster Contest



Calling all parents/teachers grades K-12: The City of San Bernardino Municipal Water Department is now seeking entries from local schools for its annual Water Conservation Poster Contest. Winners receive a **\$100** cash prize and winning artwork will be featured in the Water Department's annual Water Conservation Calendar!

Parents: Please contact Devin Arciniega at Devin.Arciniega@sbmwd.org for more information on how to participate. Teachers: If you would like your classroom to participate in the contest, please contact Jasmine Clark with the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District at (909) 283-7780 or jclark@IERCD.org for more information. Submissions are due by October 2, 2020.

Water Conservation Rebates



SBMWD residential customers are eligible for up to \$2,000 in water-saving rebates?

Commercial and multi-family rebates are also available. Visit sbmwd.org/rebates or call (909) 384-5141 for more information on how to apply.

Funding is available now – submit your application today!

**SAVE WATER
SAVE MONEY
WIN - WIN**

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

San Bernardino Public Library

Back in School? Library Supports Online Learning

Now that school is back in session - SBPL supports online learners a couple ways. Brainfuse Live Homework Help offers K - 12, college and adult learners assistance with various subject experts via chat from 1 to 10 p.m. daily except major holidays. Brainfuse can be accessed through the library's website www.sbpl.org. SAT/ACT/GED test prep and a writing lab is also available.

It is also available in Español. A library card is needed to log in - if you don't already have one - you can sign up online for free at www.sbpl.org. It will take about a day for staff to activate your card. SBPL is also offering free homework assistance via Zoom to K - 8 students Monday - Thursday in the afternoon with Library staff and CSUSB students as the tutors. People can sign up or receive more information at www.sbpl.org. Help is also available in Spanish. More information is available Monday - Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 381-8201.

Check out these other Resources for Online Learners Powered by ProQuest:

[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](#)

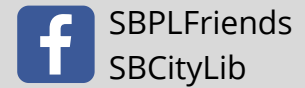
Concise cultural information on countries around the world. (Grades 3-12)

[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)

Check us out Online!

Go to www.SBPL.org or
Our Facebook Pages




ProQuest

COMMUNITY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

City of San Bernardino Parks Dept. and Project Life Impact

Every 2nd and 4th Friday 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

FREE TO THE COMMUNITY

[First Come, First Served - Bring a bag]

LOCATION: FIFTH STREET SENIOR CENTER
600 WEST FIFTH STREET, SAN BERNARDINO 92410

City of San Bernardino Parks Dept. and Benjamin E. Jones
Community Resource Center

FREE TO THE COMMUNITY

Every 3rd Friday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION: PERRIS HILL SENIOR CENTER
780 EAST 21ST STREET, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92404

Every 4th Thursday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION: FIFTH STREET SENIOR CENTER
600 WEST 5TH STREET, SAN BERNARDINO, CA 92410

**For more information please call
(909) 384-5430**

Parks & Recreation

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department continues to reach and serve City residents through a variety of social media platforms by providing fun and creative activities that include virtual cooking demos, community exercise challenges, Grab n' Go fine arts, virtual game nights, and video zoom community hangouts

Community Centers in Action



Community Centers are celebrating Mexican Independence Day through virtual social media channels (Facebook and Instagram) – check out craft and family paint night ideas and great recipes:

- Ruben Campos – September 15th
- Delmann Heights – September 16th
- Lytle Creek – September 16th
- Hernandez – September 16th
- Verdemon – September 16th

City of San Bernardino Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department



BINGO

Virtual

Wednesday, September 16th
and Monday, September 28th
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm / 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

WHAT YOU NEED TO PARTICIPANT

1. Camera Feature On A Computer or Smart Phone
2. Zoom (Install App)
3. Bingo Cards

OPTIONS FOR CARD PLAY

1. Make Your Own 5x5 Cards (25 squares) with Free Space Anywhere On The Card
2. Pick Up Cards From Perris Hill or Fifth Street Senior Center Mon. - Fri. 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
3. We Will Mail Cards To You

TO PLAY, LOG ON TO
ZOOM.US
AND JOIN
CITYOF SB SENIOR SERVICE BINGO

Meeting ID: 702 786 6990 Code: Bingo
Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!

For Rules or More Information, Please Contact
Jackson_La@SBCity.org

Visit www.SBCity.org/Parks or local Community Center Facebook page for information on:

- Senior Nutrition Meals
- Grab n' Go Arts and Crafts (all ages) at local Community Center
- Virtual Exercise Resources
- Food Distribution Programs

COVID-19 RESOURCES



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR LOCAL FOOD RESOURCES?



The County of San Bernardino has established a website to assist with locating local food assistance resources. For more information, visit www.SBCovid19.com/food-assistance

Governor Newsom announced a new meal program, Great Plates Delivered for Seniors. If you are 60-64 at high risk for COVID-19 or are 65 and older, call (888) 743-1485.

San Bernardino City continues to distribute food and provide meals for seniors. For more information, visit www.sbcity.org/covid19

Community & Economic Development

New Warehouses joining the City Seek to Hire Locally!

We are excited to announce the addition of Scotts Turf Builder to the City of San Bernardino! Not only will they bring many jobs to the city, they are also making the effort to hire locally.

If you are interested in joining their team, visit the hiring page for more information: careers.hawthorne-gardening.com.

Watch the Economic Development web page for more information in the future about businesses in the City hiring local.



General Plan Update

The City is preparing to embark on its planning for the future. Through his generous support, Assembly Member Ramos was instrumental in securing \$3 million in State funding, and the City was also successful in a \$625,000 award from the State SB2 Planning Grant Program.

With this funding in place, the City is poised to undertake the preparation of its comprehensive General Plan and Development Code Update, as well as a Downtown Specific Plan. These long-range policy documents will establish the community's vision for the growth and development over a 20 year period.

On September 16, 2020, staff is recommending to the Mayor and City Council the selection of PlaceWorks to assist the City with this endeavor. Over the course of the next 2 to 3 years, City staff and PlaceWorks will solicit public input and participation through workshops and a dedicated website designed specifically to educate and inform the community. Upon commencement in November 2020, an update will be provided in future newsletters.

Public Works

Upgrade of City Yard Fuel Station

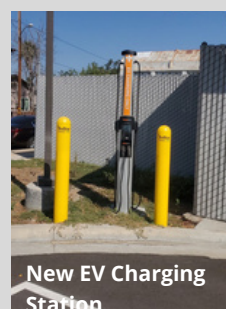
The City of San Bernardino has upgraded its fuel station located at 187 S. Pershing Avenue (City Yard). The original station received liquid natural gas (LNG) which was converted to compressed natural gas (CNG) before being delivered to customers via a single dispenser. The process of converting LNG to CNG resulted in excess gas that was unable to be captured for use due to lack of dispensing and storage capabilities. The new upgrades have fully converted the fuel station to directly accept and dispense CNG, eliminating the waste of any fuel through processing. The upgrade also added three new dispensers with six hoses, added six storage tanks, and includes an Electrical Vehicle charging station.

The fuel station is designed to be used for City vehicles, San Bernardino School District Buses, Burrtec Waste refuse trucks, and is open to the public for CNG fuel purchases. This station is designed using a fast-fill model that facilitates fueling of light, medium and heavy-duty natural gas vehicles.

The construction cost for this project was \$2,400,000 which was funded through the City of San Bernardino Integrated Waste Funds, and grant funding awarded by Southern California Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) through the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) Natural Gas Infrastructure Program.



New CNG Fueling Stations



New EV Charging Station



Traffic Signals & Street Light Repairs

Flashing Light Repairs - 50
Signal Repairs - 54
Traffic & Street Light Poles - 2

Street Signs Replaced/Installed - 151
Street Pole & Anchor Replacements - 2



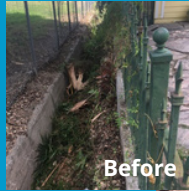
Street Light Replacement at E. Baseline St. & N. Windsor Dr.



Storm Water

Hydro-Jet of Pipelines and Culverts - 12,300 Linear Feet
Debris Removed - 75 Cubic Yards

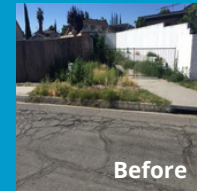
Concrete Channels Cleaned - 3
Catch Basins Cleaned - 9
Pipelines / Culverts - 85



Before



After



Before



After



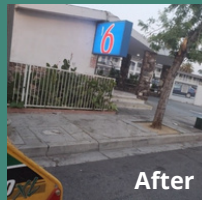
Urban Forestry

This Division is responsible for and manages the safety trimming of over 75,000 trees within the City

Tree Assessments -
Trees Trimmed -
Dead Trees Removed -



Before



After

Want to learn more about what these Divisions do?
Check them out online at www.sbcity.org/publicworks

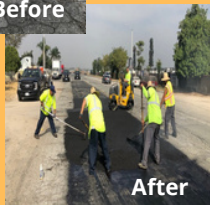


Street, Pothole & Sidewalk Repairs

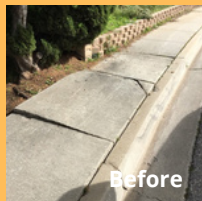
Potholes Filled & Patches Laid - 2071
Sidewalks Repaired - 12
Palms Removed - 19
Right of Way (ROW) Cleared - 24



Before



After



Before



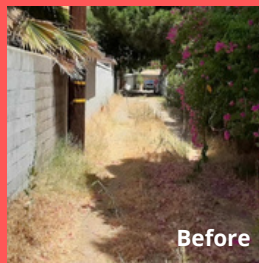
After



City Cleanup

Illegal Dumps Removed - 347
Vacant Lots & Alleys Cleared - 11

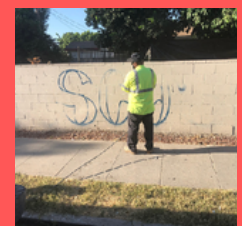
Graffiti Locations Cleaned Up - 458



Before



After



CITY INFORMATION

Office Locations & Hours of Operation

Our Public Service Counters are now 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
- Land Development	- Off-site Permits
- Planning	- 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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@SBCityLib

@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	September 7	Labor Day
Wednesday	November 11	Veteran's Day
Thur/Fri	November 26/27	Thanksgiving
Thur/Fri	December 24/25	Christmas

*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.

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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.

