THE PROGRESS

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DECEMBER 2023



IMPORTANT DATES

- December 5: Holiday Sing and Tree Lighting
- December 15: Holiday Decorating Contest Deadline
- December 25- January 1: City Offices Closed, No Street Sweeping
- January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (City Offices Closed, No Street Sweeping)
- January 19: Teens Night Out

City of Cypress Apdates

OC PUBLIC LIBRARIES GOES VIRTUAL

Did you know OC Public Libraries offers virtual programs? From craft tutorials to health and wellness guides, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Take advantage of these free resources and try something new this holiday season! Access OC Public Library's virtual programs and more by visiting ocpl.org/page/virtual-programs.



FARMERS MARKET



Support local vendors and shop fresh at the Cypress Certified Farmers Market! Every Saturday from 9 AM-2 PM, rain or shine, check out what's happening on the corner of Katella and Lexington.

MADE IN CYPRESS: ENO



Meet ENO, a premium jewelry manufacturing company located right here in Cypress! ENO is a multi-generational family business with over three decades of operation. Currently, ENO employs 18 people at their Cypress headquarters.

Starting from humble beginnings selling products at local swap meets, ENO now has global partnerships with top fashion brands and is a one-stop shop for any jewelry company. ENO has been operating in Cypress since 2005 and has supported its partners with everything from manufacturing and design to sales representation, warehousing, and logistics.

ENO is also very active in the community. As sponsors of the 2023 Cypress Run and Women's Conference, ENO provides a genuine partnership in and out of the industry. We are thrilled to have such a dedicated business operating in our community!

BAROLDI SYCAMORE PARK TO DOUBLE IN SIZE!

In a move that promises to expand green space and create new recreational opportunities, we are thrilled to announce the City's purchase of 6612 Cerritos Avenue for the future expansion of Baroldi Sycamore Park. This expansion was made possible thanks to the proactive acquisition of a parcel of land adjacent to the park.

"This purchase is a tremendous opportunity for the City Council and community to expand a park to better serve our residents," said Mayor Anne Mallari. "Nearly doubling the size of Baroldi Sycamore Park into a 2.2-acre community asset is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Expansion plans will be programmed into the City's Seven-Year Capital Improvement Plan and will begin no earlier than 2025. Stay tuned!



AMAZON'S NEW ELECTRIC FLEET



Have you seen Amazon's new electric delivery vehicles? Amazon recently added electric vehicle charging stations to their Cypress warehouse. Thanks to this eco-friendly City-required upgrade, Amazon can operate 150 electric vans that can complete the entire delivery route with a single charge. Be on the lookout for one of these new vehicles the next time you receive an Amazon package!

CYPRESS

We have been out in the community connecting with residents at various events. From sharing impressions of our City to identifying opportunities for growth, we're excited to hear what "Cypress Says". See what your neighbors love about our city!

QUESTION:

What do you love the most about Cypress?

"The people! The people are very very friendly. Right now, I am a retired nurse, and I go to the Senior Center regularly. I look forward to it because of the socialization I get from everyone there, including the management. They are like family to me now."

May Aquino

DEVELOPMENT UPDATE: THE SQUARE

The Square at Cypress is bustling with activity! This fall, we welcomed Blk Dot, Dr. Footman, and Yoga Six. The grand openings will continue in 2024 with the upcoming openings of El Zarape's second location, The Kebab Shop and Board & Brew. Just one space remains and can't wait to see what business rounds out this exciting mixed-use retail center.





Valley Vista Services will collect and recycle holiday trees placed curbside on your regularly scheduled collection day from December 26 through January 6.

To ensure a successful collection, please:

- Remove all tree stands, lights, ornaments, tinsel, and garland.
- Cut trees into lengths no longer than 6 feet.
- Unfortunately, flocked trees can't be recycled.

After this free seasonal service ends, holiday trees and other foliage must be cut down to fit into the standard green waste container.

If you have questions, please contact Valley Vista Services at valleyvistaservices.com/contact-us.

Celebrate Cypress Month Rewind

This October, our community commemorated the City's birthday with participation and engagement at a series of community-building events, starting with the Cypress Run and ending with the Women's Conference. Thank you to all who attended and our generous community partners with the Community Festival and Mayor's Prayer Breakfast for their support!





COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST



STATE OF THE CITY



WOMENS CONFERENCE



TEENS NIGHT OUT



Get in the zone at Teens Night Out! 7th and 8th graders are invited to join us for exciting games and prizes. The night's game zone theme promises a winning time for everyone.

Space is limited, register today to secure a spot at cypressca.org/teensnightout

Location: Cypress Senior Center Date: Friday, January 19, 2023

Time: **6 – 9 PM**Course: **9473**



NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!



Take the first step towards accomplishing your New Year's resolutions by trying something new this winter! The Recreation and Community Services Department offers exciting classes and activities for people of every age and interest.

See what we have to offer at cypressca.org/register.

KIDS NIGHT OUT



Do you want to wrap gifts without the prying eyes of your little ones? Send them to Kids Night Out, where they'll stay busy as Santa's little helpers. We'll make crafts, play games, eat pizza, and enjoy a special screening of The Polar Express!

This program is popular, register early at cypressca.org/kidsnightout

Location: Cypress Senior Center
Date: Friday, December 15, 2023

Time: 6 – 10 PM Course: 9467 Ages: 5 – 12





Holiday DECORATING CONTEST

Get your tinsel and lights ready! The Holiday Decorating Contest is now open! This year choose the category that best suits your decoration style.

DEADLINE TO APPLY December 15th



HOLIDAY SING AND TREE LIGHTING CELEBRATION

Holiday cheer is here! Join us for a free festive evening featuring school performances, visits with Santa, train rides, games, holiday crafts & activities and more. Learn more at www.cypressca.org/holidaysing.

Location: Civic Center Green
Date: Tuesday, December 5

Time: 6 PM





VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

Assist local home-bound seniors by delivering meals to their home! If you are available between the hours of 10:30 AM and 1 PM during the week, the Senior Center is searching for volunteers to support our home meal delivery program.

Volunteers must be over the age of 18 and operate their personal vehicle. To learn more, please visit cypressca.org/seniorcenter or call (714) 229-6670 for more information.



2024 GRACE LACHINA OUTSTANDING SENIOR RECOGNITION AWARD

Do you know an outstanding senior 50 or older who has made a contribution to the senior community and or the Senior Center? The Senior Citizens Commission would like to recognize them. Applications are available now and must be received by Friday, February 16, 2024, by 5 PM.

Applications are available at the Senior Center, Community Center, and online at cypressca.org/gracelachinaaward.

For more information call (714) 229-6670.



FREE CLASSES FOR SENIORS!

The Senior Center offers a wide range of free classes and programs for all! From games, art, fitness and more, you're bound to find a subject of interest. To view our class schedule, visit

cypressca.org/seniorcenter.

ALONG THE WAY NEWSLETTER



Stay up to date on everything happening at the Senior Center.

Visit cypressca.org/alongtheway today!

COMING SOON: SENIOR CENTER UPGRADES



The Senior Center is undergoing interior improvements that are projected to be completed by January 2024. During this time, the Senior Center will remain open Monday-Friday from 8-5 PM. Our team is working hard to provide our patrons with the best services and programs during this process.

We appreciate your patience and can't wait for you to see our improved Senior Center!

Public Safety Apdates

FREE VACATION HOUSE CHECK



Are you traveling this holiday season? The Police Department is here to help give you peace of mind while you're away with our free Vacation House Check program!

Submit your request form at least one week in advance to have our volunteers in policing perform a visual check of the exterior of your residence while you enjoy your vacation.

Visit <u>cypressca.org/vacation</u> to request a house check before you leave for your next trip!

2023 COMMUNITY POLICE ACADEMY



Congratulations to the graduates of the 2023 Community Police Academy. As part of PD's ongoing commitment to the community, 18 residents were invited for a behind-the-scenes look at the department's operations. Apart from educating residents, the program emphasized networking and leadership development. Congratulations!

We're hiring

CYPRESS POLICE OFFICERS

Looking to make a positive difference in your community every day? Consider a career in law enforcement!



SALARY & BENEFITS

Annual Salary: \$88,352 to \$115,565 (Up to \$138,010 w/ specialty pays)

The City of Cypress is highly supportive of law enforcement, values proactive police work, and seeks officers committed to community engagement. In addition to a competitive annual salary, the City offers many other benefits to Police Officers including:

- A generous health benefits package
- A retiree health savings plan
- Tuition reimbursement
- A signing bonus for experienced officers
- Overtime opportunities
- Specialty pays that can increase an Officer's salary by over 19 percent!

The department's special assignment opportunities include motors, special investigations unit, task forces, school resource officer, and SWAT. If you or someone you know is interested in a career with the Cypress Police Department, please reach out to the Personnel & Training unit at (714) 229-6667.

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Please note City Council meeting general session begins at 6 PM.

Visit <u>cypressca.org/government</u> for information on how to participate in a meeting.







KEEP CYPRESS BEAUTIFUL: BULK DISPOSAL INFORMATION



Put your waste in its place!

Illegal dumping includes the disposal of any waste upon any public space, city or private property without the consent of the owner.

Help us prevent illegal dumping and litter in Cypress:

- Report it: If you encounter an illegal dumping site, please contact the Police Department at (714) 229-6600 to report the occurrence.
- Dispose of Items Properly: Valley Vista Services offers TWO FREE bulky item pick-up services per calendar year. To request a pick-up for unwanted items, call (800) 442-6454 or submit a request online at valleyvistaservices.com/bulky-item at least 24 hours in advance.

Together, we can keep Cypress Beautiful!