



# MILPITAS MATTERS

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## MESSAGE FROM INTERIM CITY MANAGER DEANNA J. SANTANA

As we wrap up another meaningful year in Milpitas, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who continues to make our City such a special place.

This month, City Hall is especially bright and festive, beautifully decorated for the Christmas season and welcoming everyone with warmth and cheer. We welcomed the holidays together on December 5th at our annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, a beloved tradition that fills our City with joy, sparkling lights, and the true spirit of community. Throughout the month, we are celebrating several important milestones, including the City Council's recognition of MUSD and our local industry partners for Manufacturing Day 2025. Mayor Carmen Montano also participated in the annual Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce Mayors' Breakfast, joining South Bay mayors in discussing priorities such as the upcoming Super Bowl, FIFA, AI advancements, economic outlooks, and collaborative opportunities, underscoring Milpitas' leadership in the region. Empower Semiconductor also opened its new global headquarters in Milpitas at 888 Tasman Dr., strengthening innovation in AI-class power technologies. Preparations continue as well for the Milpitas Fire Department's Annual Christmas Toy Drive, which will be held on December 20th. Together, these milestones highlight the collaboration, innovation, and community spirit that make Milpitas shine.

As you explore this month's newsletter, you'll find updates, highlights, and opportunities to stay connected as we close out the year. Looking ahead, I'm filled with optimism for the continued progress, collaboration, and community moments awaiting us in the new year. Here's to a bright, uplifting, and hopeful start to the year ahead.

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# MILPITAS NEWS

## CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES MUSD & INDUSTRY LEADERS FOR MANUFACTURING DAY 2025



Scan this QR code to watch the MFG 2025 Video Recap!



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[milpitas.info/MFG2025Recap](http://milpitas.info/MFG2025Recap)

On December 2, 2025, the Milpitas City Council presented commendations recognizing Manufacturing Day (MFG Day) and honoring the partners who made the 9th annual event a success. Held on October 17 in partnership with Flex LTD and Venture, the event connected Milpitas high school students with local technology and manufacturing industries through hands-on activities like soldering mini flashlights, facility tours, product demonstrations, and conversations with industry professionals. Commendations were presented to MUSD leaders Denise Colemen (Project Manager), Dr. Anu Nakka (Board Trustee), Robert Jung (Board Clerk), Minh Ngo (Board Trustee), and industry representatives Lynne Rice, Terence Xavier, Kay Tat Ng, Donnabel Dizon, Shabbir Ghulam, and Jose Leon for their contributions to workforce development and education. More than 90 guests, including students from Calaveras Hills High School, the MUSD Innovation Campus, and Milpitas High School, attended the event to learn about local manufacturing careers. MFG Day, an initiative of The Manufacturing Institute, inspires the next-generation workforce and raises awareness of modern manufacturing, and the council recognized the 2025 partners for their dedication to fostering industry-education collaboration in Milpitas.

## TOWN HALL ON SMALL CELL INSTALLATIONS

Thank you to everyone who participated in the December 9 Community Town Hall on small cell installations. Your attendance and engagement helped support a clear and productive conversation on this important topic. During the meeting, City staff and a representative from Crown Castle provided an overview of the steps currently underway to follow up on recent concerns, and the limits and responsibilities the City must follow under federal regulations. City staff addressed many of the questions regularly heard from the community to help clarify how the small-cell permitting process works. The City's ongoing goal is to provide transparent, accessible information and create opportunities for meaningful community input. Rest assured, the feedback received from residents play an active role in guiding the City's next steps. Community members who were unable to attend or who would like additional details can find more information and updates on the City's Small Cell Facility webpage at [milpitas.gov/1381/Small-Cell-Facility](http://milpitas.gov/1381/Small-Cell-Facility).



## SILICON VALLEY MAYORS CHART THE REGION'S FUTURE AT SIGNATURE CHAMBER EVENT

The Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce's annual Mayors' Breakfast, held on December 11 at Santa Clara Marriott, wrapped up as a successful and insightful gathering that united regional leaders, businesses, and community members under the theme "Games and Beyond." Mayors from Santa Clara, Cupertino, Milpitas, Mountain View, and Sunnyvale shared thoughtful perspectives on preparing for major global events, advancing innovation, and strengthening regional collaboration. Milpitas Mayor Carmen Montano contributed meaningfully to the discussion, emphasizing Milpitas' role as a regional partner, its growing innovation landscape, and its readiness to support Super Bowl LX and upcoming FIFA events. Her collaborative approach complemented the panel's shared vision, helping create an engaging conversation that highlighted the strong alignment among Silicon Valley's cities.



# MILPITAS NEWS



## EMPOWER SEMICONDUCTOR EXPANDS IN MILPITAS

Empower Semiconductor, a global leader in powering AI-class processors, has expanded its operations with the opening of its new global headquarters at 888 Tasman Dr, Suite 200, Milpitas, CA 95035. The purpose-built facility will support significant growth in the company's R&D, applications, product engineering, and reliability teams, enabling rapid development of next-generation vertical power-delivery technologies essential to AI and high-performance computing.

Empower's expansion underscores the strong demand for industrial and R&D space in Milpitas and reinforces the City's role as a center for advanced manufacturing and semiconductor innovation. Located in the Business Park-Research & Development (BPRD) zoning district, Empower's decision to grow in Milpitas highlights the City's strategic position in attracting and retaining next-generation technology companies.

## SAVE THE DATE! MILPITAS FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

The Milpitas Fire Department's Annual Christmas Toy Drive returns on Saturday, December 20, at the Milpitas Community Center. This long-standing program supports more than 600 children in Milpitas and Alviso each year, ensuring every child receives gifts personally selected for them and that families leave with everything they need to make the holidays special.

This community-driven effort is made possible entirely through local generosity. Every dollar donated, from residents, businesses, and community organizations, goes directly toward purchasing gifts and essentials for families in need. The Toy Drive's impact continues beyond the holiday season. The program also provides immediate assistance to families displaced by fires, delivering essential items to help them begin rebuilding their lives.

For more information or to register, please visit [milpitastoydrive.org](http://milpitastoydrive.org).



## MILPITAS AT YOUR SERVICE: SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM COORDINATOR DANIEL C.

The latest installment of the Milpitas at Your Service video series highlights one of the City's most energetic and community-focused team members: Daniel Clark, Program Coordinator with the Recreation and Community Services Department. Daniel plays a key role in bringing some of Milpitas' most beloved community events to life, from large celebrations like the July 4th festivities to year-round programs that keep families connected, active, and engaged.

Learn more by watching the full video at [milpitas.info/DanielC](http://milpitas.info/DanielC).

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DANIEL C.

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Recreation & Community  
Service Department

Listen to Daniel's  
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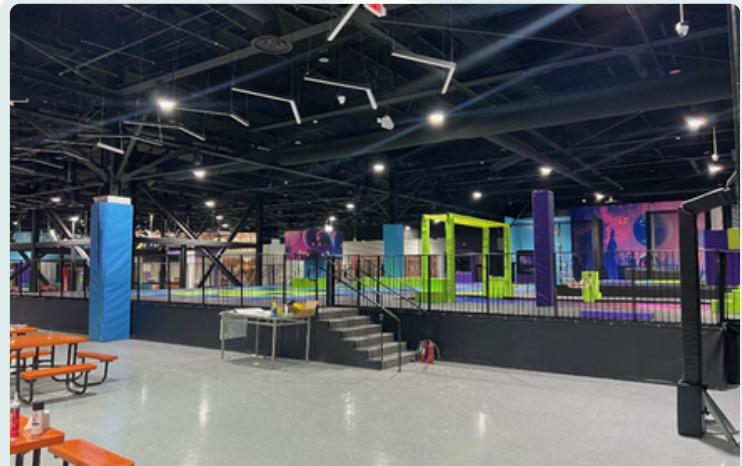
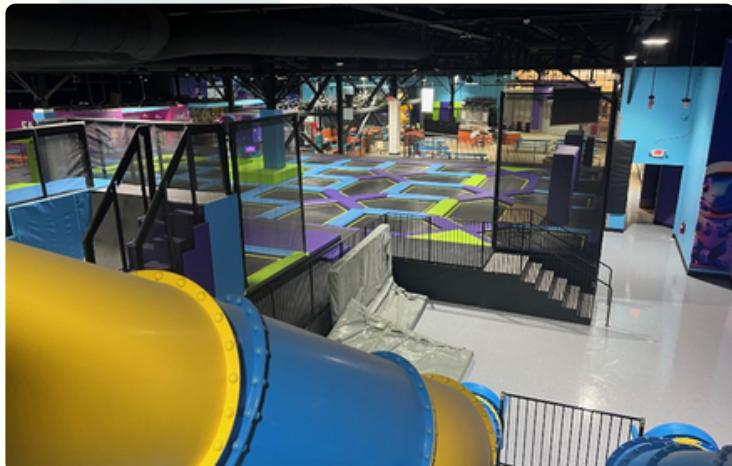
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# DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

**308 Sango Court Apartments**, 308 Sango Ct., five-story over one-level parking 85-unit affordable housing development by The Pacific Companies. Work is progressing at 308 Sango Ct. with corrections at floors 2 thru 6 being completed. See photos below.



**Altitude Trampoline Park**, 147 Great Mall Dr, a new indoor trampoline park by AVAA INC. Construction is almost complete, and they are preparing for final inspections. See the photos below.



**Main Street Palace**, 1316 S Main St., a 4-story (3 over podium), 18 unit's condominium development over 1-level of garage by SJ Main St LLC. Installation of the roof covering has begun. See the photo below.



# DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

**Pinnacle Townhomes**, 1752 Houret Ct., eight three-story buildings consist of 56-unit townhome-style condominiums with 24 ADUs residential development by City Ventures

At Building 2, a nine-plex with three ADUs has been finalized and residences can now occupy. Building 3, a five -plex and Building 6, a six-plex with six ADUs are in preparation for final inspections. Building 7, a 12-plex has finished framing and is beginning mechanical, electrical & plumbing work. Building 8, a five -plex is framed up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. See photos below.



**Rise at the District Townhomes**, 1355 California Circle, eight four-story buildings consisting of 96 stacked townhomes/condos out of total 131 units residential development by Pulte Group. The model units for the Rise development have been completed and furnished for viewing. See photos to the right.



**Toll Brothers at South Main Townhomes**, 612 S Main St. nine three-story buildings consisting of 57 townhomes residential development by Toll Brothers. Three buildings are now in the framing stage and two other buildings are at foundation stage at the development site. See the photo below.



# BUILDING PERMIT AND OCCUPANCY

## Building permit applications were submitted by the following:

**Cisco**, for replacement of existing roof-mounted chillers, cooling towers, pumps at their existing facility located at 725 Alder Dr at an estimated construction cost of \$2 M.

**Supermicro**, for tenant improvements at their existing facility located at 1801 McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$2 M.

**Apple Inc.**, for tenant improvements at their existing facility located at 260 S Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$400,000.

**KLA Plus**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvements at their existing facility at 1 Technology Dr. at estimated construction cost of \$385,000.

**Sunglass Hut**, tenant improvements for a new eyewear retail store located at 516 Great Mall Dr at an estimated construction cost of \$300,000.

**Ace Hardware**, for tenant improvement for a new hardware retail store located at 395 Jacklin Rd at an estimated construction cost of \$289,950.

## Building permits were issued to the following:

**Prologis Inc.**, for construction of a new 1-story tilt up shell building, proposed use for warehouse, light industrial, research development & office located at 475 Sycamore Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$22.4M.

**Prologis Inc.**, for tenant improvement to make it market ready for future tenant move-in in a new 1-story tilt up warehouse building located at 475 Sycamore Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$4M.

**Toll Brothers at South Main Townhomes**, for construction of the fourth building, a three-story 6 plex townhome building by Toll Brothers located at 612 S Main St at an estimated construction cost of \$2.2M.

**Pinnacle Townhomes by City Ventures**, for the construction of the final building, a 3-story building consisting of 5 townhome-style condominiums out of 56 units with 24 ADU unit's residential development located at 1752 Houret Ct. at an estimated construction cost of \$1.2M.

**Venture Enterprise Innovation Inc.**, for installation of 1792 panels, 1075.20 KW photovoltaic roof mounted solar at their existing facility located at 1621 Barber Ln at an estimated construction cost of \$743,917.

**Sunnyhill Apartments**, for installation of heat pump mini splits to replace existing furnaces in 30 units located at 1724 Sunnyhills Dr at an estimated construction cost of \$570,000.

**Johnson & Johnson**, for tenant improvements at their existing facility located at 510 Cottonwood Dr at an estimated construction cost of \$350,000.

**KLA Plus**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvements at their existing facility at 5 Technology Dr. at estimated construction cost of \$200,000.

**KLA**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for reroof of their existing facility located at 601 McCarthy Blvd at an estimated construction cost of \$200,000.

# BUILDING PERMIT AND OCCUPANCY

The following businesses have received final inspection and are now open for operation:

**5 Stars Hair & Nails**, a hair and nail salon located at 191 W Calaveras Blvd.

**Empower Semiconductor**, a semiconductor company located at 888 Tasman Dr.

**Global Advisors LLC**, an office providing tax preparation, financial, immigration, legal, and life insurance services located at 168 S Hillview Dr.

**Health Care & Service Industries Inc**, an office for staffing registry, recruitment, and training located at 16 Corning Ave.

**Health Link**, an office for home healthcare located at 860 Hillview Ct.

**Idly Express Milpitas**, new ownership and name change of current Indian restaurant located at 131 Ranch Dr.

**Puff City Smoke Shop**, a retail store located at 1225 Jacklin Rd.

**Pure Wellness**, a health and wellness spa located at the Great Mall.

**Pushpika Investments LLC, DBA Mr. Briyani Den**, new ownership of existing Indian restaurant located at 1469 Landess Ave.

**Mook Art Gallery LLC**, retail store for the sale of art painting relocating within the Great Mall.

**Mystical Headquarters**, a retail store selling crystal, psychic and healing gifts located at 615 S Main St.

**Slice House**, a pizza restaurant located at 1286 Great Mall Parkway.

**Torrent Laboratory Inc.**, an environmental testing laboratory located at 1652 Watson Ct

**We're Dos Tea & Co. DBA Tea Top**, new ownership of an existing boba tea, smoothie and coffee business located at 82 Ranch Dr.

**Other Building Related Updates:**

**Supermicro**, located at 1801 McCarthy Blvd. To allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit for Supermicro, Information technology company was issued for interior non-structural work and rough mechanical, electrical and plumbing work.

**Vehicle Impact on Hidden Creek Lane**, The Office of Building Safety responded to a request from the Fire Department at a residence on Hidden Creek Lane that was struck by a vehicle on Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**The Vet Clinic**, located at 105 Serra Way. To allow an earlier start of operation, a temporary occupancy permit for The Vet Clinic was issued.

**Victoria Secret**, located at 217 Great Mall Dr. To allow for an earlier start of operation, a temporary occupancy permit was issued to allow for stocking of merchandise and opening of the store.

# AT YOUR SERVICE



## DOWNLOAD MILPITAS SMART!

Milpitas SMART is a convenient on-demand rideshare service that gets you around Milpitas quickly and safely. Residents and visitors can also utilize this service for local daily trips to work, school, shopping, and other needs around town!

Learn more at [milpitas.gov/smart](http://milpitas.gov/smart).

## SOLID WASTE SPOTLIGHT

Do you have stuff you need to get rid of? Did you know there are several FREE convenient waste disposal services available to Milpitas residents?

### **Self-Haul Voucher Program**

Request up to two self-haul vouchers per year to dispose of bulky items at the Zanker Material Processing Facility. Each voucher allows the disposal of one vehicle load (up to 3 cubic yards) of approved items. Call Milpitas Sanitation at 408-988-4500 for more details about what is accepted, and to request a voucher.

### **Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Drop-off**

Safely dispose of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) such as old paint, pesticides, and cleaners by scheduling a drop-off appointment at a Santa Clara County hazardous waste collection facility. To make an appointment, visit [HHW.org](http://HHW.org) or call 408-299-7300. Proper disposal of HHW helps protect the environment and keeps harmful materials out of the waste stream.

For questions about any of the programs listed above, call Milpitas Sanitation at 408-988-4500.

## DOWNLOAD THE MYMILPITAS APP!

MyMilpitas is a free app hosted on the SeeClickFix platform. Use it to report non-emergency quality-of-life issues within the City of Milpitas, such as streetlight problems, potholes, tree limbs, and other maintenance issues. There is an option to upload a photo with each service request.

Learn more at [milpitas.info/myapp](http://milpitas.info/myapp)



### **BULKY ITEM BLITZ!**

Are you a single-family dwelling with bulky items you need to get rid of? Milpitas Sanitation's FREE Bulky Item/On Call Clean-Up Program can help!

#### **Interested? Here's what you need to do:**

1. Contact Milpitas Sanitation to make an appointment.
2. Place up to 3 bulky items OR 2 white bags (provided by Milpitas Sanitation) OR up to 14 household 32-gallon garbage bags at your curb before 6:00 AM on your scheduled collection day.
3. Make sure the items don't block the street or access to garbage/recycling carts.

Single-family dwellings have 4 free pick-ups per rolling year, and the scheduled appointments should be made no less than 8 weeks (2 months) apart.

# AT YOUR SERVICE



## SIGN UP FOR NOTIFY ME!

Want to be notified of news, events, emergency alerts, and so much more in Milpitas?

Don't miss out on important announcements and community initiatives and sign up for *Notify Me!* to receive regular updates directly to your inbox or phone. Please check out the video below for a full guide on how to sign up!

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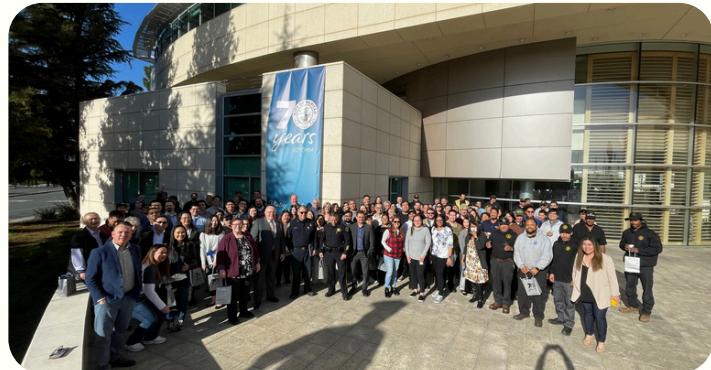
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## COME WORK WITH US!

Looking for a chance to make an impact? Explore exciting job opportunities with the City of Milpitas! Join a team that's dedicated to shaping a vibrant, thriving community. Whether you're passionate about public service, innovation, or growth, there's a place for you to contribute your skills and make a difference.

Visit our Job Opportunities page today and take the first step toward a fulfilling and rewarding future!

<https://www.milpitas.gov/240/Job-Opportunities>



## COMMISSION RECRUITMENT

The City of Milpitas is accepting applications for open seats on its City Commissions year-round. When a deadline is announced, submitting by that date ensures your application will be considered in the current review cycle.

All applications should be submitted to the City Clerk. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 408-586-3001 or via email. Learn more and apply: [milpitas.info/commvacancy](https://www.milpitas.info/commvacancy)