



MILPITAS MATTERS

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MESSAGE FROM CITY MANAGER STEVEN G. MCHARRIS

August is a nationally recognized month dedicated to self-care, creating health routines and stress management. It is also a very important reminder for all of us to manage our mental, physical and emotional well-being. There is no consensus around a single definition of wellness. However, there is a general understanding that wellness is the absence of negative emotions such as depression and anxiety and the presence of positive feelings such as satisfaction with life and fulfillment.

In Milpitas, we do our best to provide many helpful services towards wellness. In fact, the Recreation and Community Services Department has curated a list of valuable resources including workshops to assist residents in a variety of ways. These include financial assistance programs like the Milpitas Assistance Program, which includes subsidies for recreation fees, water/sewer services, some residential permit fees, and childcare.

The City also offers health services and classes such as the domestic violence 101 class, caregivers outreach program, youth mental health first aid program and so much more. Moreover, the City hosts a variety of fun activities and outdoor events such as arts and crafts, music and dance, mental health and stress relief workshops, etc. You can check-out the array of Fall activities through our [guide](#).

We also have a full-time Social Service Coordinator, Saul Gonzales who has more than 20 years of relevant experience working with South Bay non-profits, serving underprivileged and/or immigrant families and people of all ages. Please reach out to him by calling 408-586-3405 or emailing sgonzalez@milpitas.gov to request help for yourself or a friend, family member or neighbor in need. *I want to remind all of you that we are here for you and will always be available to help you stay physically, mentally and emotionally healthy.*

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AMBULANCE SERVICE IS NOW AVAILABLE IN MILPITAS

The City's Ambulance went into service on August 1. The ambulance will be used for critical patient transport to supplement the County's ambulance transportation system and augment the fire service call response system. With Council approval in August last year of dedicating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for hiring the new recruits, staff went through an extensive recruitment process. Seven recruits had to complete a 20-week fire academy, which ended on July 8, 2022. In preparation for the deployment of the new service, staff across many departments worked together procuring the ambulance and related equipment, earning Santa Clara County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) accreditation/approval for Fire Department ambulance transport, training of Firefighter/Paramedics and Dispatchers, remodeling at Fire Station 1 to accommodate additional personnel, and contracting for an ambulance patient transport billing contract.



THIRTY-ONE MILPITAS NEIGHBORHOODS JOIN ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT (NNO)

This year, 31 neighborhoods throughout the City hosted the National Night Out event. The Annual National Night Out is a crime and drug prevention event designed to (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. It was a great opportunity to meet and reconnect with the Milpitas community!



BUILD-IT-GREEN'S UPCOMING CERTIFIED GREEN BUILDING PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

The City of Milpitas is partnering with *Build It Green* for their upcoming Certified Green Building Professional Training. This is a great opportunity for building professionals to develop an understanding of fundamental green building principles and learn holistic approaches to designing and building healthy, cost-saving, and environmentally-friendly homes. Graduates of this course will earn a professional certification that demonstrates their knowledge and credibility in this fast-growing, in-demand sector.



This partnership is made possible by the City's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) workforce development grant to support those most impacted by COVID-19. We want this impactful program to engage as many Milpitas building professionals as possible.

Please find the Eventbrite registration link [here](#).

Certified Green Building Professional Training

Sign up to...

- ✓ Learn green building fundamentals
- ✓ Earn a professional certification

Training Dates and Times: August 9-17, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 4-8pm Pacific Time

Exam: Following the 16-hour course, attendees will take a one-hour, multiple choice, open book exam. They must pass with 80% or higher to receive the certification.

Fees and Registration

- For Milpitas residents: Free for the first 25 registrants, \$599 otherwise

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CITY OF MILPITAS WINS AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION (APA) CALIFORNIA NORTHERN SECTION AWARDS

The City of Milpitas' Planning Department won two 2022 American Planning Association California Northern Section Awards! Milpitas received an award for the 2040 General Plan because of the City's creative and sustainable approach to accommodating growth. The second award is associated with the Development Review Handbook, which includes a step-by-step explanation of the City's development review process including an introduction to planning. Milpitas is one of only two cities to win an award in multiple categories. The City is always on a mission to improve the community's quality of life!



THE PUBLIC DRAFT MILPITAS OBJECTIVE DESIGN STANDARDS IS NOW AVAILABLE

The Public Draft Milpitas Objective Design Standards is now available for public input through August 20, 2022. The Milpitas Objective Design Standards will provide clear and quantifiable design requirements for all new multi-family housing projects and mixed-use developments with a residential component. The Milpitas Planning Department welcomes your input on this important project to ensure that new development improves Milpitas' neighborhoods and communities. Visit [here](#) to access additional information. You may submit comments or questions to Planningdepartment@milpitas.gov. Please write "Comment for Objective Design Standards" in the subject line.

The Milpitas Objective Design Standards Public Draft

is now available for public input through August 20, 2022.

Visit: <https://www.milpitas.gov/planningdepartment/ods>



FY22-23 BUDGET IN BRIEF DOCUMENT AND BUDGET TRANSPARENCY TOOL ARE NOW AVAILABLE

With the release of the [FY 2022-23 Adopted Budget](#) document approved by the City Council on June 7th, 2022, the City launched a Budget Transparency Tool and has published the FY 2022-23 Budget-in-Brief document.

The [Budget Transparency Tool](#) provides residents and businesses with many views of the City's FY 2022-23 Adopted Budget and prior year budget and actual revenue and expenditure data. The City encourages viewers to explore trends in revenues and expenditures over time; drill down into expenses by fund, department, or account type; display the data as graphs or charts; download data into Excel; and send comments directly to the City online.

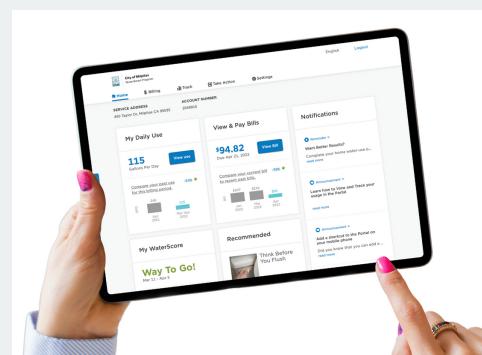
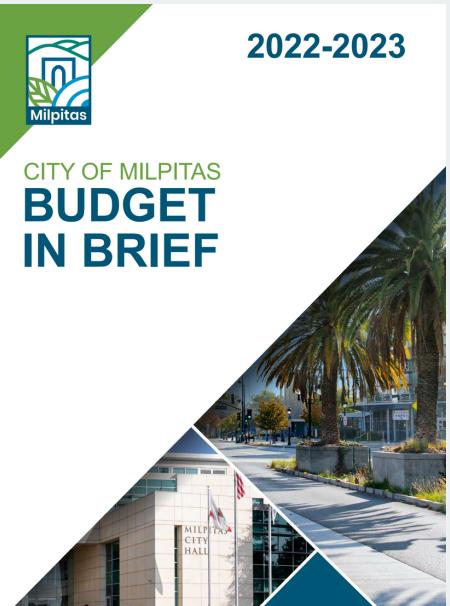
The 15-page [Budget-in-Brief](#) document highlights major investments being made in the City of Milpitas for this fiscal year and provides facts about the City. It presents the major sources of funding and the services provided by the City, including the infrastructure it constructs and maintains. For questions and comments regarding the City's budget, please email us at budget@milpitas.gov.

THE CITY'S NEW WATERSMART WEB PORTAL IS HERE!

Do you know how much water you use, when you use it, and the best ways for you to save? The City's new WaterSmart Web Portal helps you track and analyze your near real-time water use online.

Watch this [video](#) to learn more.

Sign-up today at <https://milpitas.watersmart.com/>



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NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP IS ON AUGUST 20TH

The next Neighborhood Clean-Up is on August 20th. You can dispose of unwanted items for free upon proof of residency, ID, and sign-up reservation. Each household is limited to one pick-up truck load and participation at one event for the year. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, you must unload your own vehicle. Milpitas staff will be present to direct traffic flow and vehicles to specific debris containers. The Sign-Up Genius registration links for each event will be released about a month prior to each event.



If you would like to participate in the August event, register [here](#).

Event full? You can sign-up on the waitlist [here](#). For more information about Neighborhood Clean-Up Events, please click [here](#).



REPORT ABANDONED SHOPPING CARTS IN MILPITAS

Help keep Milpitas beautiful and safe. If you see an abandoned shopping cart, submit and receive updates on your service request through [MyMilpitas App](#). Alternatively, you can call the City's Abandoned Shopping Cart Hotline: 408.316.8682 or 408.677.1313.



MILPITAS POLICE SUMMER TEEN ACADEMY

The Summer Teen Academy was held on July 26-28 and was a great success. The program built a positive connection between Milpitas teens and members of the Milpitas Police Department. The participants shared and discussed issues facing teens, and learned how the police department operates.

THE CITY OF MILPITAS RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE IS HERE!

Fall is right around the corner! The Milpitas Recreation and Community Services' Activity Guide is overflowing with a bountiful harvest of new events, activities, and services for your family. We are happy to introduce three new events funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to help reunite our community after COVID-19. We hope you will join us at the Lantern Festival in September, ArtWalk in October and Diá De Los Muertos in November. Also new this season, we are piloting Saturday morning hours at the Senior Center and a pickleball program at Gill Memorial Park and Hall Memorial Park! We're also offering new Parent and Me cooking classes and kids chess club and bringing back breakdance.



We are also excited to share that we have a new Social Services Coordinator, new ARPA funded childcare subsidy program and new support group for people caring for elderly relatives. We're listening to what you're hungry for, Milpitas! Fill your family's plate with all we have to offer and join us at the table with your neighbors and friends in our awesome community!

Click [here](#) to view the guide.

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DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Apple, Inc., 260 S. Milpitas Blvd., to allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit was issued to Apple, Inc. for tenant improvement for factory use.

Sango Court Apartments, 355 Sango Ct., (2) 4-story residential buildings of wood modular construction above first floor concrete podiums with a steel bridge connecting the two buildings providing 102 affordable housing units by Resources for Community Development.

The development is progressing nicely with a large amount of concrete scheduled for placement next week. Below photo showing the progress made so far on the rebar installation for large matt slabs.



Headway Technologies, located at 463 S. Hillview Dr., to allow an earlier start of operation, a temporary occupancy permit for the installation of tools in the cleanrooms for Headway Technologies was issued.

BUILDING PERMITS AND OCCUPANCY

Building permits were issued to the following:

Corsair, a developer and manufacturing company of high-performance gear and technology for tenant improvements under phase 2 at their existing facility located at 115 N. McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$4.1M.

Rainbow Child Development Center, for tenant Improvement for childcare center located at 154 S. Main St. at an estimated construction cost of \$200,000.

Building permit applications were submitted by the following:

Headway Technologies, designer and manufacturer of recording heads for high performance hard disk drives, for installation of various equipment at its facility located at 497 S. Hillview Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$653,000.

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

Opus Commercial Inc., an office for real estate brokerage located at 1158 Cadillac Ct.

Milpitas Orthodontics, an orthodontic dental office located at 432 E. Calaveras Blvd.

Raw ASF, a plant-based café located at 1679 N. Milpitas Blvd.

Mr Chau's dba Thaibodia/Intl kitchen, a Thai restaurant located at 338 S. Main St.

Nsfocus Inc., a network appliances and services business relocating from Santa Clara to 690 N. McCarthy Blvd.

Indian Metro Hypermarket, a new Indian grocery store located at 699 E. Calaveras Blvd. The new store is expected to open in a month after stocking and training is complete.

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