



# MILPITAS MATTERS

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## MESSAGE FROM CITY MANAGER STEVEN G. MCHARRIS

August is **National Wellness Month**. It is a nationally recognized month dedicated to self-care, creating health routines and stress management. In the midst of a pandemic, it has become even more important for all of us to manage our mental, physical and emotional well-being. From balancing work and homeschooling to worrying about our own children and older relatives' health, our spirit has been put to the test. There are also so many mixed feelings among parents and kids about going back to school. On one hand, there is a lot of excitement about the benefits of in-person learning, not only because so many students have struggled academically, but because school is really important for their development. On the other hand, families are fearful about safety and anxious over the potential disruption of classes in the event a classmate tests positive. A lot of things seem to be out of our control right now, but experts agree that we do have the power to change our mindset. There is no consensus around a single definition of wellness but conceptually there is 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, I am happy to share that our Recreation and Community Services

Department has curated a list of fun virtual activities, safe outdoor events, and various community resources such as arts and crafts, music and dance, mental health and stress relief workshops, etc. You can check-out the array of activities [here](#). I want to remind all of you that we are here for you. We are available to help you and your family stay physically, mentally and emotionally healthy during this difficult period. Additionally, we have a full-time Social Service Coordinator with more than 20 years of experience in case management and social services programming, managing programs to serve culturally diverse populations, families going through hardship, and others with unique needs. She has in-depth experience in developing resource events, and partnerships with schools, libraries, clinics, public agencies and non-profits to serve the community. Please reach out to Charu Aggarwal by calling 408-586-3405 or emailing [caggarwal@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:caggarwal@ci.milpitas.ca.gov) to request help for yourself or a friend, family member or neighbor in need. Your well-being is fundamental to the overall health of our City. My hope is that with the proper tools and support we can overcome challenges and succeed together. Please take care of yourself and your loved ones.

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## MILPITAS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On August 3, neighborhoods in Milpitas took part in National Night Out (NNO). It's a national community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. NNO is a way for neighbors to connect and get to know one another, while keeping their neighborhoods safe in the process. Milpitas Police Officers, City Council and Staff mingled with residents to promote safe communities by working together to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support and participation in local neighborhood watch programs, strengthen the partnership between the Milpitas community and police, and inform criminals that neighborhoods are connected and fighting back. A total of 37 National Night Out parties were held throughout the City. Thank you to everyone who hosted and/or attended a party. Your commitment to your Milpitas community is much appreciated!



## COVID-19 PROTOCOL UPDATES IN MILPITAS

In line with current safety measures, the City is updating workplace protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19. According to the [Center for Disease Control's Level of Transmission Map](#), Santa Clara is classified as one of the areas with "substantial" transmission. Additionally, new evidence shows that while fully vaccinated individuals are protected against severe disease from the Delta variant, they can transmit it to unvaccinated individuals more easily than other strains of the virus.

The City is requiring all employees at work and visitors to City facilities to wear face coverings in indoor settings, regardless of vaccination status. The City is also requiring all employees to wear face coverings at work in outdoor settings when social distancing is not possible. The masking requirement took effect on Thursday, July 29 and will continue until further direction from the City Manager's Office. Staff who are not fully vaccinated or who cannot show proof of vaccination will be subject to weekly COVID-19 testing. A start date in August is still being determined. In line with what other large employers have done, the City is working towards requiring mandatory testing of unvaccinated employees and will also be exploring mandating vaccinations in the future.



## FREE COVID-19 TESTS AT THE MILPITAS COMMUNITY CENTER

Doctors are encouraging everyone, regardless of vaccination status, to get tested if they're feeling sick. Worried about the Delta variant? Free COVID-19 tests are available *every Thursday* at the Milpitas Community Center, 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.



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## GET DROUGHT READY

Due to dry summer conditions, the City is asking residents to conserve water. Get #DroughtReady with these water-saving tips. For more water-saving tips and to learn more about the City's Water Waste restrictions visit <http://www.savewatermilpitas.org/>

## SAVE WATER, SAVE MONEY!

Is Your Toilet Running? Then you'd better catch it! Faulty toilets cause over 95% of all water waste and leaks in the home. A moderate toilet leak can waste about 6,000 gallons of water a month. If your toilet starts running randomly when you have not just flushed it, you probably have a leak. The most common cause is a worn-out flapper in the tank, which is easy and inexpensive to fix.

Use Valley Water's free Water Wise Indoor Survey to help you check for leaks in your toilet and around your home <https://bit.ly/waterwiseindoorkit>

Learn more water saving tips at <http://www.savewatermilpitas.org/>

## FREE TRADE 101 WEBINAR

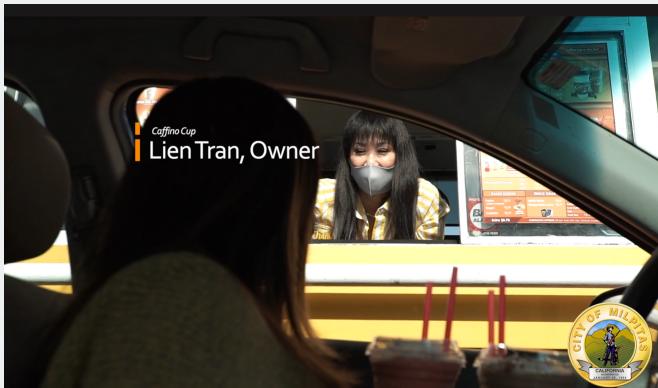
The Office of Economic Development's International Trade & Commerce Program will continue its free webinar series in partnership with Mission College Small Business Institute. Join us for the Export and Import Finance Webinar on Thursday, August 12 from 10-11am to learn more about the costs of exporting. We will be joined by international trade expert Dr. Raj Shea and Mission College Director of Business and Workforce Engagement Rob Gamble. If your business is looking to expand into international markets or attract foreign investment, this webinar will be a great place to learn more and ask questions. We look forward to seeing you .

Click here to register: <https://missioncollege-edu.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcvdyqqjgoG9w6mB8s6D12PRH1LNUJu0y>



## SPOTLIGHT VIDEOS

The City of Milpitas launched the **Milpitas Small Business Spotlight Program** to sustain and grow the local economy by supporting diverse businesses. The program is designed to assist small businesses affected by the pandemic through promotions and marketing. Two recently completed video productions feature *Caffino Cup* and *Hair Plus*. You can access all the produced small business videos through the [City's YouTube Channel](#), Office of Economic Development [website](#) and social media channels.



**Caffino Cup**  
[Milpitas Spotlight: Caffino Cup - YouTube](#)



**Hair Plus**  
[Milpitas Spotlight: Hair Plus - YouTube](#)

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## TEMPORARY OUTDOOR DINING PROGRAM

Local Milpitas restaurants may extend the use of temporary outdoor dining areas through September 30, 2021, provided that adequate space is available and all state and local safety and access requirements can be met. Restaurants that want to take advantage of the summer months and continue providing outdoor dining as an option for their customers may do so on a temporary basis under the existing program with no new permit or fee required.



Visit [www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/planningdepartment](http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/planningdepartment) for more information.

## NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP EVENT - AUGUST 28

Have unwanted items piling up? We have a Clean Up event on August 28 at Cardoza Park. This will be open to all Milpitas residents.

Get added on the waitlist by e-mailing [MilpitasRecycles@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:MilpitasRecycles@ci.milpitas.ca.gov). Due to COVID-19 restrictions, you will be required to register in advance on the City's website in order to limit the number of participants at the event at any given time. Staff involvement at the Neighborhood Clean Up Day events will be limited to verifying the Milpitas residency of attendees and directing traffic flow and vehicles to specific debris containers. Staff will not be physically assisting residents in unloading items.

### TRASH & JUNK ACCEPTED

Residents will be able to dispose of items such as cabinets, appliances, and scrap wood. For E-Waste and tire collection at the events, staff is partnering with the San Jose Conservation Corps and Charter School.

### NOT ALLOWED

Household Hazardous Waste (such as batteries, light bulbs, used paint, etc.) will not be accepted. Please visit the Santa Clara County Household Hazardous Waste Program website for more information about scheduling a drop-off appointment for these items.

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/rwr/hhw/Pages/hhw.aspx>

For more information about Neighborhood Clean Up Days, please visit: <https://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/milpitas-large-item-pickup-and-cleanup/>.

## CITY OF MILPITAS COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Ready to serve your City? Apply to be considered for appointment as a City of Milpitas Commissioner! The City of Milpitas seeks applicants for: Arts Commission, Economic Development & Trade Commission (Representing Real Estate), Energy & Environmental Sustainability Commission, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission, Science Technology and Innovation Commission, and Youth Advisory Commission.

\*The application period will remain open until 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 3, 2021\*

Click [here](#) for more information about these Commissions. Questions? Email or call [cityclerk@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@ci.milpitas.ca.gov) 408-586-3005.

Need to trash items that you can't recycle, reuse, or fit in the weekly trash collection cart?

**Neighborhood Clean-Up Day**

Open to all Milpitas residents (proof of residency, ID, and reservation required). To participate, you MUST sign-up—we will assign you a time slot. Email us at [MilpitasRecycles@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:MilpitasRecycles@ci.milpitas.ca.gov) or call (408) 586-3342.

Items accepted:	Items NOT accepted:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Large/bulky items (furniture/applications, mattresses)</li><li>E-Waste</li><li>Tires</li><li>Construction and demolition (no dirt or concrete)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Household Hazardous Waste (batteries, light bulbs, paint, household chemicals, etc.)</li><li>Yard trimmings</li><li>Expired medications</li><li>Overflow household weekly trash</li></ul>

\*Limit to one pick-up truck load per household. You must unload your own vehicle.\*

**Can't Make it to the Neighborhood Clean Up Day?**  
Schedule a Bulky Item Pick-Up from your curb! Single-family residential customers in Milpitas are entitled to four FREE bulky item/clean ups during a rolling 12-month period (must be scheduled at least 8 weeks apart). This pick-up service works for one large item (such as a mattress, piece of furniture, or an appliance) or you can fill 2 1.5 cubic yard white bags for loose items. Call Milpitas Sanitation at 408-988-4500 to set-up a convenient pick-up time.



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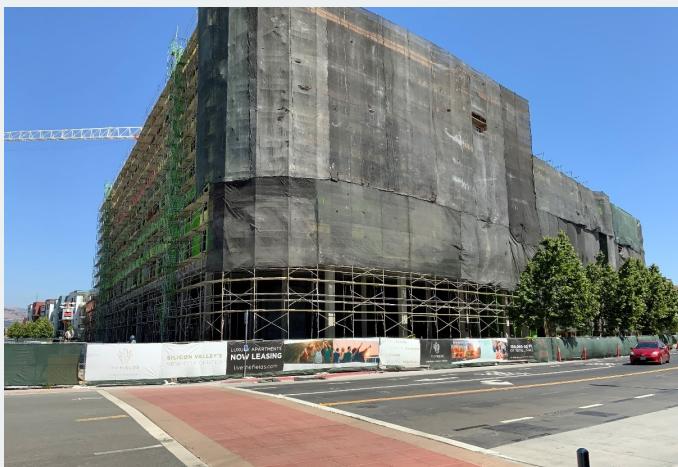
## DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

**Lantana**, 1675 S. Milpitas Blvd., a 5-story, 216-unit multifamily residential with commercial development. Photo on the right shows rooftop equipment being loaded onto the roof. Stucco is being applied to the building exterior. Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing work is being installed and inspected in the residential units and amenities locations.

**260 S. Main St.**, a 25-townhome residential with commercial development by Castle Company. The photos below show the building frontage facing S. Main St. nearing completion. Interior work in the commercial spaces is in progress.



**District Lot 4 (Gideon)**, 1400 McCandless Dr., an 8-story mixed-use project with commercial retail space and 213-unit apartment, wrapped around a 7-tier parking garage by Lyon Communities. The construction of the building framing has reached up to level 8, the top of the structure. See the first photo taken from the corner of McCandless Dr. and Market St. and the second photo showing the north elevation.



**Electrical Training Alliance of Silicon Valley**, 1873 Barber Ln. To allow an earlier start of construction, a temporary permit was issued for an electrician apprenticeship training center at this new facility.

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## BUILDING PERMITS AND OCCUPANCY

*Building permits were issued to:*

**McCandless Park**, phase 1 for site improvement of a new 4- acre city park located at 1650 McCandless Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$9M.

**Parkside at Tarob Ct (Phase III) Townhomes by Toll Brothers Inc.**, for the construction of the first two buildings consisting of 18 units out of the 89-unit townhome residential development located at 551 Lundy Pl., at an estimated construction cost of \$5.1M.

**Robson Homes Finch Hollow**, for the construction of another 10 single-family homes and 4 solar photovoltaic permits associated with the development located at 1005 N. Park Victoria Dr., at an estimated construction cost of \$3.84M.

**Headway Technologies**, designer and manufacturer of recording heads for high performance hard disk drives, for tenant improvement at its facility located at 463 S. Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$2.5M.

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**Indian Metro**, for tenant improvement of an Indian grocery store located at Milpitas Town Center at 699 E Calaveras Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$500,000.

**District Lot 4 (Gideon)**, for construction of swimming pool and spa on the 8th floor above the garage structure of the mixed-use development by Lyon Communities located at 1400 McCandless Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$379,000.

**Artful Musings, Inc.**, for tenant improvement to convert an industrial space to an art studio located at 1819 Houret Ct. at an estimated construction cost of \$248,000.

*Building permit applications were submitted by the following:*

**KLA Tencor**, a semiconductor manufacturing company, for tenant improvement at its facility located at 5 Technology Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$6.3M.

**Lockheed Martin**, for tenant improvement at its new facility located at 565 Sinclair Frontage Rd. at an estimated construction cost of \$1.29M.

**Best Buy**, for tenant improvement at the existing store located at 63 Ranch Dr. at an estimated construction cost of \$750,000.

**Aeva Technologies Inc.**, a LiDAR-sensor manufacturer for tenant improvement at this new facility located at 1096 Pecten Ct. at an estimated construction cost of \$400,000.

**Corning Inc.**, for interior demolition to prepare for new tenant improvement at its new facility located at 840 N. McCarthy Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$300,000.

**Milpitas Charity Bingo**, for tenant improvement for an expansion at its existing facility located at 461 S. Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$255,000.

**City of Milpitas Senior Center**, for installation of two solar canopy structures located at 40 N. Milpitas Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$250,000.

**City of Milpitas Community Center**, for installation of one solar canopy structure located at 457 E. Calaveras Blvd. at an estimated construction cost of \$200,000.

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

**Loved and Lashed**, a facial and eyelash extension beauty salon located at 1468 N. Milpitas Blvd.

**Pretty BBY Beauty**, a cosmetic, skin and hair care retail store located at the Great Mall.

**Yin Ji Rice Noodle Roll**, an Asian restaurant located at 1832 N. Milpitas Blvd.

**Mariner Finance**, a financial office located at 65 N. Milpitas Blvd.

**NVZN Labs**, a technology development and manufacturing company located at 800 Tasman Dr.

**M&N Hair Salon**, a salon located at the 780 E. Capitol Ave.

**Valor Sports LLC**, a taekwondo center located at 1535 Landess Ave.

**ASEPCO**, an engineering, customer service, and distribution support business for an array of stainless-steel products that relocated from Mountain View to 1161 Cadillac Ct.

**Under Armour**, a retail store at the Great Mall.

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## WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US



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