



THE CITY OF POMONA

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS
FROM: JAMES W. MAKSHANOFF, CITY MANAGER *jm*
SUBJECT: WEEKLY REPORT – Thursday, December 9, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING REMINDERS

✚ City Council Teleconference Meeting: Monday 12/20/2021

Closed Session 5:30 p.m.
 Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

✚ City Council Teleconference Meeting: Monday 1/10/2022

Closed Session 5:30 p.m.
 Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

All public meetings are currently taking place via Zoom Webinar and agendas are posted on our [website](#).

COVID-19 and VACCINATION UPDATES

For updates regarding vaccination and resident and business resources, please see our COVID-19 section at the end of this report on our [COVID-19 resources page](#).

ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

The following streets will be CLOSED for the *Pomona Under the Stars Parade* and the Holiday at the Plaza event this Saturday, December 11, 2021:

CLOSED 2 PM to 11 PM:

2nd St, 3rd St & 4th St
 Park Ave. to Gibbs St.

Mission Blvd.

Park Ave. to Locust St.

2nd St. to Mission Blvd.

Park Ave., Gordon Ave., Main St., Thomas St.,
 Garey Ave., Locust St., Gibbs St.

CLOSED 2 PM to 8:30 PM:

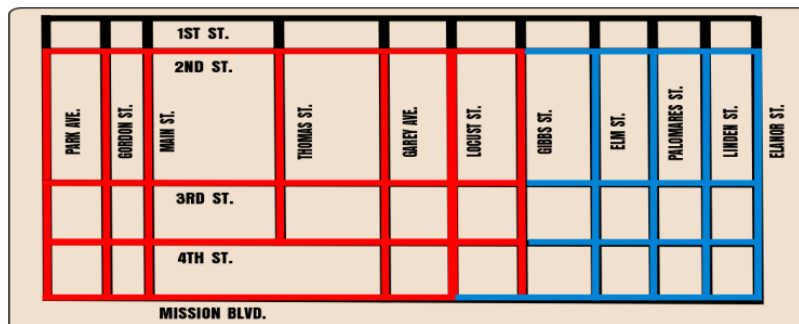
2nd St, 3rd St & 4th St
 Gibbs St. to Eleanor St.

Mission Blvd.

Locust St. to Eleanor St.

2nd St. to Mission Blvd.

Gibbs St., Elm St., Palomares St., Linden St.,
 Eleanor St.



CITY CLERK

CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS- UPCOMING MEETINGS

All meetings are via ZOOM Webinar:

- December 13, 2021 Cultural Arts Citizens Advisory Committee
- December 13, 2021 Cultural Arts Commission
- December 14, 2021 Police Oversight Commission
- December 15, 2021 Board of Library Trustees
- December 15, 2021 Independent Redistricting Commission
- December 16, 2021 Development Plan Review Hearing

All public meeting agendas are posted on our [website](#).

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

IT RECEIVES HIGH NETWORK SECURITY RANKING FROM CISA & HOMELAND SECURITY

The City's IT Network was recently tested for vulnerabilities by the Certified Information Systems Auditor (**CISA**) Division of Homeland Security (**DHS**). The Network fared better than any other city tested. City firewalls and virus security endpoints blocked **100%** of attacks attempted by the Agency. The CISA team indicated that Pomona was the highest performing city tested.

POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL MDT UPGRADE

The Police Department, in conjunction with IT, will be replacing end-of-life MDTs, for several work units. Installation of the new units and docking mounts will be completed over the next several months.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE NEW AND UPGRADES

Pomona IT is scheduling upgrading and repositioning several Police Department perimeter surveillance cameras. Thirteen Community centers will also benefit from camera upgrades and repositioning, to deter theft and vandalism. IT has also arranged for quarterly maintenance for all cameras to ensure that cameras are cleaned, directed and properly adjusted. IT is also enhancing connectivity at each site to enable PD viewing and video downloads remotely from these locations.

STAFF CYBER SECURITY TESTING AND TRAINING

IT is evaluating training and testing software to provide Staff with hands on practice at recognizing and avoiding a wide range of security risks. This enhanced training will better position the City to avoid and combat potential future security threats.

COMMUNITY CENTER COMPUTERS

IT is in the process of installing upgraded computers at the following community center locations to better serve Pomona residents:

Kennedy Park
Kiwanis

La Casita
Philadelphia

Garfield
Westmont

Ralph Welch
Renacimiento

Washington*

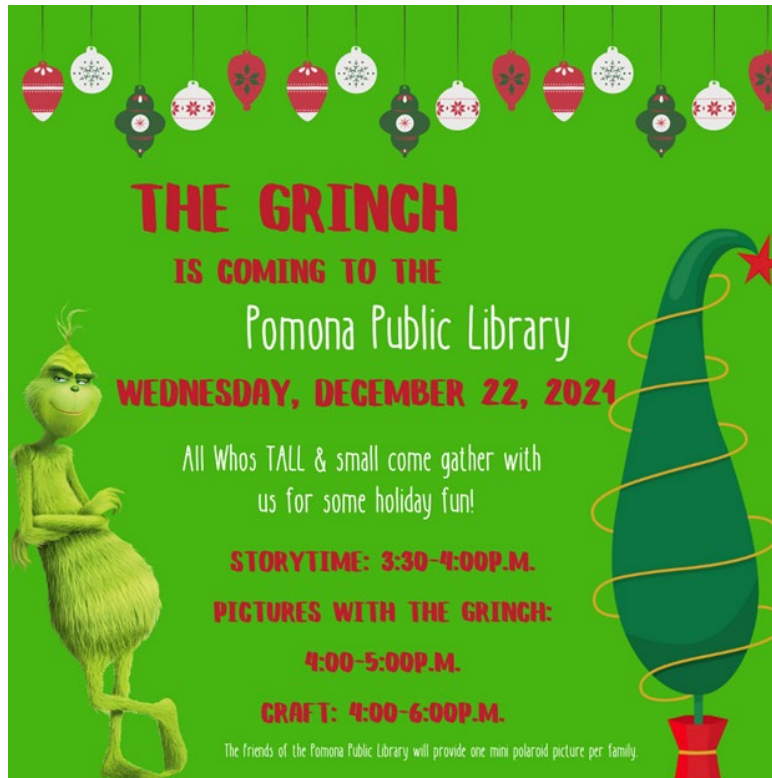
Willie White*

*Installation Pending

LIBRARY

MEET THE GRINCH AT THE POMONA LIBRARY!

Join us on Wednesday December 22nd for a holiday themed Story time, craft, and a chance to take photos with The Grinch! The Friends of the Pomona Public Library are generously sponsoring one free mini-polaroid per family, but feel free to bring your cameras as well! Contact the Pomona Library with any questions at **909-620-2043** or library@pomonaca.gov



NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

2021 HOLIDAY AT THE PLAZA RETURNS!

After a 2020 absence due to COVID-19, Holiday at the Plaza will return to offer a FREE and festive atmosphere on Saturday, December 11, 2021, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Based on previous attendance, it is anticipated that more than 3,000 community members will participate throughout the course of the evening. Each year, this City event coincides with the Downtown Pomona Christmas Parade, hosted by the Downtown Pomona Owners Association. Astronaut Victor Glover will serve as the Grand Marshal for this year's "Holiday Under the Stars" theme. Marching bands, floats, and other parade entries will participate in the parade festivities from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We invite all community members to join us at Holiday at the Plaza Downtown Pomona! Shaun Diamond Plaza will be transformed into a winter wonderland where visitors can enjoy live holiday music, photo opportunities with special seasonal guests, a kids' area with arts and crafts, face painting, snow rides, and a rock-climbing wall! Bring the whole family and celebrate with hot chocolate and cookies. Join in on a free community opportunity drawing, visit City informational booths, and learn about services and resources from community partners.

We look forward to seeing you there!

PLANNING

LATEST PLANNING COMMISSION DECISIONS AND APPEAL DATES LISTED BELOW:

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC) AGENDA ITEMS

| | Project Description | PC Decision | Appeal Ends |
|---|--|--|-------------|
| <p>Address: 501 E. Mission Boulevard Applicant: City Council District: No. 4</p> | <p>Finding of General Plan Conformity (GPC 17348-2021) for proposed alley vacation located between Palomares Street and Linden Street.</p> | <p>GPC 17348 -2021 Approved December 8, 2021</p> | <p>n/a</p> |
| <p>Address: 1561 Via Estrella Applicant: Ecoprana Investments, LLC Council District: No. 6</p> | <p>A request to develop and subdivide a 2.69 acre hillside property with two (2) detached, two story, single-family residential units located within the Mountain Meadows Specific Plan area</p> | <p>Conditional Use Permit (CUP 15779-2021), Parcel Map (PARCELMAP 15780-2021), Variance (VAR 11849-2019), and Environmental (ENV 9676-20118) Continued to January 12, 2022</p> | <p>n/a</p> |
| <p>Address: Citywide Applicant: City of Pomona Council District: Citywide</p> | <p>Recommendation to City Council to approve Pro Housing Pomona, the City's sixth cycle Housing Element update to the Pomona General Plan.</p> | <p>GPA 17271-2021) Recommended Council Approval December 8, 2021</p> | |
| <p>Address: 700 E. Bonita Ave. Applicant: Map Realty Group, LLC Council District: District 6</p> | <p>Request for a Variance from "side yard" building setback requirements (from the required 60-feet to instead continuing the existing 40-feet) for a proposed second-story addition of 10,640 square feet to an existing single-story primary structure of 10,640 square feet located on a 54,407 square foot parcel in the "M" Special Industrial Zoning District and Urban Neighborhood General Plan Place Type with T4-A Transect.</p> | <p>VAR 17049-2021 Directed Staff to prepare findings for denial and Continued to January 12, 2022</p> | |

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| <p>Address: 1125 Sheridan Ave. (along Ringe Ct. within public right-of-way) Applicant: City of Pomona Council District: District 4</p> | <p>City-initiated request to remove one (1) oak tree located within the public rights-of-way adjacent to a residential property.</p> | <p>MAJOTP 17277-2021) Approved December 8, 2021</p> | |
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POLICE

DUI/CDL CHECKPOINT

On Friday night December 17th, the Police Department will conduct a two-direction checkpoint on a major thoroughfare in Pomona. This checkpoint is OTS grant funded and will start at 9:00 p.m.

SANTA COP EVENT

On Saturday, December 18th, from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., the Police Department will be hosting its annual “Santa Cop” event at City Hall. Our Santa Cop event provides extra holiday cheer to families in need within our City. Children for this event have been preselected via referrals from the Pomona Unified School District, City leaders, local organizations and police officers. The children selected to participate in this event will be given the opportunity to choose a gift of their choice. Our goal this year is to provide gifts for 1,000 children and grocery gift cards to 300-400 families in need this holiday season. This year’s theme is “*Winter Wonderland.*” There will be special appearances by Santa Claus, and Frozen’s own Elsa and Anna! Santa Cop would not be successful without the continued support and partnerships within our community.

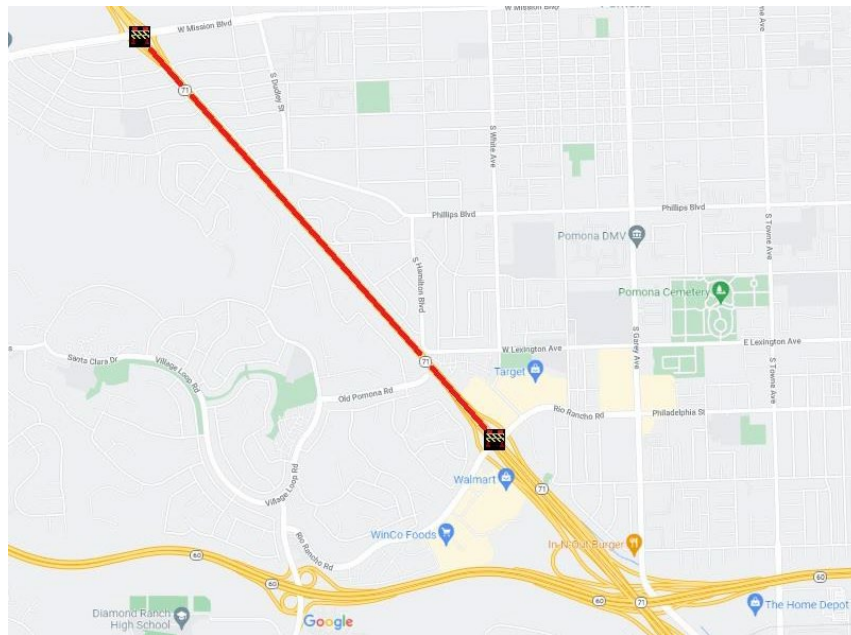
PUBLIC WORKS

STATE ROUTE 71 OVERNIGHT FULL CLOSURE

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will conduct a full road closure of State Route 71 (SR-71) between Rio Rancho Road and Mission Boulevard. The closure will begin at 10:00 p.m., Sunday, December 12th and end at 5:00 a.m. on Monday, December 13, for utility line relocation.

- Full closure of SR-71 between Rio Rancho Road and Mission Boulevard
- Northbound SR-71 Rio Rancho Road on-ramp
- Southbound SR-71 Mission Boulevard on-ramp
- Westbound SR-60 to northbound SR-71 connector
- Northbound SR-71 Garey Avenue on-ramp

Residents and businesses located near the freeway are advised to anticipate noise, vibrations, and dust with construction activities.



COVID-19 RESOURCES

General (Updates are highlighted)

POMONA CONNECT

Through Pomona Connect, the City of Pomona is working to provide a hub for COVID-19 related updates and resources available to the community including vaccine events, rent relief information, food resources, volunteering and more. To find out more about the resources available to assist those in need, please go to PomonaConnect.com. You can sign up for many resources directly, register for updates, find an event in your area to learn about resources in person, or learn how you can spread the word by volunteering. You can also contact Pomona Connect at (909) 620-2435. Reach out and connect with Pomona Connect! Join the next [Pomona Connect Resource Fair](#), Saturday, November 6th.

VACCINES

Every Friday @ WesternU Campus - 795 E. Second St.

Free walk-in clinics, no appointment required. Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines for all individuals aged 5 and above on Fridays. Details [here](#). For question vaccine@westernu.edu

Friday, December 10th – Westland Estates 1401 W 9th Street.

No appointment necessary. Pre-registration recommended. Vaccines for all ages 5 and above. Details [here](#).

The following websites provide up to date information on vaccines:

- LA County: VaccinateLACounty.com & [LA Co. Vaccination Appointments Site](https://LA.Co.VaccinationAppointmentsSite)
- California: [California COVID-19 Vaccine Plan](https://CaliforniaCOVID-19VaccinePlan) & [VaccineFinder.org Site](https://VaccineFinder.org)

Vaccine Appointments in LA County

- **My Turn** (myturn.ca.gov) & CA COVID-19 Hotline 1-833-422-4255.
- **LA Co. Phone Appointments:** 833-540-0473, 7 days/week, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.






Pharmacy Vaccination Sites

| Provider | Registration Details |
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| CVS Pharmacy | cvs.com or call (800) 746-7287 Pomona Location: 150 W. Willow Street |
| Rite Aid | riteaid.com/california or call (800) 748-3243 Pomona Location: 2059 S. Garey Avenue |
| Walgreens | walgreens.com or call (909) 469-9534 (press “1”) Must be a Walgreens Account Holder (can be created online) |
| Albertsons, Vons, Pavilions Pharmacies | Vons: www.vons.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html Albertsons: www.albertsons.com/pharmacy/covid-19.html |
| Ralphs Pharmacy (Kroger) | www.kroger.com/rx/guest/get-vaccinated |

CURRENT HEALTH ORDER/GUIDANCE SUMMARY

(publichealth.lacounty.gov)

8/28/21 – [Responding together at Work and in the Community](#)

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| <p>City of Pomona</p>  | <p>County</p>  | <p>County Public Health</p>  | <p>Federal</p>  |
| <p>COVID-19 FAQ for City Services</p> <p>Department Directory (Make an appointment)</p> | <p>Health Officer Orders</p> <p>LA County Disaster Help Center (Tenant Landlord Business Non-Profit)</p> | <p>Vaccine Info</p> <p>Vaccine Appointments</p> <p>Citas para Vacunas (en Español)</p> | <p>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</p> <p>Travel Guidance</p> |
| | | | <p>State</p>  |
| | | | <p>Unemployment MyTurn.ca.gov</p> |
| | <p>Call 2-1-1 & COVID-19 Case Info Line 1-833-540-0473</p> | <p>Vaccine Appointments 1-833-540-0473</p> <p>8:00 am – 8:30 pm 7 days a week</p> | <p>State of CA COVID-19 Hotline</p> <p>1-833-422-4255 M-F 8 am – 8 pm Sa-Su 8 am – 5 pm</p> |

Business Information

BEST PRACTICES TO PREVENT COVID-19
[Guidance for Businesses and Employers](#)

RESOURCE PAGES

- **LA County Business Info** (Layoff Aversion, etc.) – Click [here](#).
- **Disaster Help Center** – (833) 238-4450 or disasterhelpcenter@lacounty.gov & follow @LAHELPCENTER
- **LA County Consumer & Business Affairs (DCBA)** – (800) 593-8222 & follow @LACOUNTYDCBA
- **WDACS/LACBIZDEV** – Follow @LACBIZDEV
- **LeaseUp Initiative** (Rent to tenants w/ subsidies) – (323) 428-4742 & leaseupla@epath.org. See [Landlord FAQ](#).

FREE BUSINESS PERMITS – ACTIVATE POMONA

FREE Activate Pomona permits are designed to aid business economic recovery. All interested entities may inquire and apply at bit.ly/activatepomona and (909) 620-2191.

Community Information

CA RENT RELIEF PROGRAM NOW OPEN!

At the end of this month, California's eviction protections will expire. Eligible tenants applying for California's COVID-19 Rent Assistance program before September 30 can't be evicted, even if their application is still pending. Get more information, check eligibility and apply at HousingisKey.com today or call 833-430-2122 and press 4 for help in Spanish.

WATCH & SHARE! – VACCINATE WITH CONFIDENCE – Q&A w/ DR. M. HELLEN RODRIGUEZ

The Pomona COVID-19 Action Committee invites the public to watch an informative recorded session, answering many questions regarding myths and doubts that the public may have about the COVID-19 vaccine. Dr. Rodriguez from the Pomona Valley Hospital and Medical Center share fact-based information to help everyone make an informed and confident decision regarding the COVID-19 vaccine. Watch on YouTube in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) and share with your community!

EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT PROGRAM

The [FCC's Emergency Broadband Benefit](#) will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute \$10 to \$50 toward the purchase price. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

APPLY NOW– FEDERAL COVID-19 FUNERAL REIMBURSEMENTS

FEMA is accepting applications for financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020. Please call 844-684-6333 (TTY: 800-462-7585) or visit the [FEMA website](#) for eligibility and the checklist for documents –such as official death certificate, receipts, etc. If you are eligible for funeral assistance you will

receive a check by mail, or funds by direct deposit, depending on which option you choose when you apply for assistance.

AT-HOME & FOOD RESOURCES SUMMARY

-*FREE At-Home Activities* (DIY & Foodie Friday Recipes) - bit.ly/cityofpomonayoutube

-*FREE Virtual Community Center Classes* – bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenterclasses

-*FREE Food Resources* - [Pomona Resources](#) | [County Resources](#) (CalFresh) & at 2-1-1.

-*FREE Wi-Fi Locator* - Dial 2-1-1- or visit findwifi.lacounty.gov!

ATTACHMENT

1. Upcoming Pomona Events

UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Details | Location |
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| Housing Rights Center Daily Events | Housing Rights Workshop, Clinics and Live Q&A | Various | Visit their Facebook page for more info. | facebook.com/HousingRightsCenter |
| Tri-City Wednesday/Thursday | Virtual Gardening | Various | Join TCG/ Tri-City to practice mindfulness. Learn how gardening and nature can have a positive impact on mental health and wellness. | Contact (909) 623-6131 to learn how to participate |
| Community Resource Center | Free On-Demand Classes | ----- | Fitness and Exercise (Yoga, Zumba, etc.), Nutrition and Healthy Cooking, Health Education, and Children's Classes. New classes will be available each week. | https://www.youtube.com/act ivehealthyinformed |
| Inter Valley Health Plan | Virtual Vitality Classes | Various | Join Inter Valley for free and informative live classes. RSVP for login info. | https://www.ivhp.com/vitality |
| WesternU Every Friday | Vaccination Clinic | 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. (age 12+ clinich) 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. (ages 5-11) | Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines for all individuals aged 5 and above Free walk-in clinics. No appointment required. Details here . For questions, vaccine@westernu.edu | WesternU Campus 795 E Second St. |
| Pomona Chamber 2 nd Wednesday | Networking at Noon | 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Join Pomona Chamber to learn about the latest trends and community happenings. | Metro Ale House |
| Pomona Chamber Last Friday of the Month | Coffee Connections | 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Pomona Chamber of Commerce invites you to come out and grab a cup of coffee and join in networking with businesses and community leaders | Starbucks 101 W Mission Blvd |
| DPOA Every 2 nd Saturday | Downtown Pomona Artwalk | 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. | Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more. | 119 W 2 nd St. |
| City of Pomona Ongoing | Virtual Community Center | Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Community Services staff is available to answer your questions and help register you for FREE community classes in their virtual space on Zoom. You may also reach them at (909) 620-2324. Check out classes and register online at bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenterclasses . | Zoom with our Staff: bit.ly/virtualcommunitycenter |
| NAACP Tues, Wed & Fri. | COVID-19 Testing | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Tues. 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Wed/Fri | If you think you or someone in your family has COVID-19, call 909-620-0433 to make an appointment. Anyone with symptoms should be tested ASAP. | NAACP – Solidarity Center 1460 E Holt Ave. (entrance 2 Room 6) |
| County of Los Angeles | COVID-19 Testing | Mon – Sat 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. | COVID-19 Testing. No appointment necessary. | Fairplex Gate 17 |
| San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center | COVID-19 Testing | Mon - Thurs 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | COVID-19 Testing. Register here . | 75 Rancho Camino Dr. |
| Fri, Nov 5 – Sun, Jan 2 | The Elf on the Shelf | ----- | A magical walk-through Christmas experience with a trolley ride, Christmas village with hot cholate, gifts, treats games and more! Ice skating, more lights more music, more magic! Purchase tickets here . | Fairplex |
| Wed, Dec 1 – Fri, Dec 31 | Christmas on Columbia | M-Th 5 p.m. – 11 p.m. F- Sun 5 p.m. – 12 p.m. | Come and enjoy live music, food, and the kick off to the lights on Dec 4 th 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. Bring an unwrapped toy and be entered into a raffle. Toys will be donated to PPD. | 400 Block West Columbia Ave. |

UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Details | Location |
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| The Historical Society December Site Tours | Site Tours | ----- | Pomona Heritage is hosting an on-line home tour this December. They are asking for donations that will go to fund the Old Home Restoration Grant program. The homes are all beautiful examples of craftsman architecture here in Pomona. Visit their Pomona Heritage for more information. | ----- |
| Friday, December 10 | Vaccination Clinic | 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. | No appointment necessary. Pre-registration recommended. Vaccines for all ages 5 and above. Details here . | Westlake Estates 1401 W 9 th St. |
| Saturday, December 11 | Holiday at the Plaza | 4 p.m. – 9 p.m. | Holiday crafts, entertainment, holiday cheer for the whole family. Event subject to change. For updates follow @cityofpomona_communityservices | Shaun Diamond Plaza 195 W Second St. |
| Saturday, December 11 | Holiday Parade | 6 p.m. | Christmas Parade “Holidays Under the Stars” | Downtown Pomona |
| Sunday, December 12 | Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession | 3 p.m. | Join St. Madeleine Catholic Church for “Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession” | St. Madeleine Catholic Church |
| Thursday, December 16 | Holiday For Heroes Luncheon | TBD | Join the Pomona Chamber of Commerce Honoring our Public Safety Offices | Coco Palms 1600 Fairplex Dr. |
| Saturday, December 18 | Kennedy Austin 13 th Annual Toy Giveaway | 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Kennedy Austin Foundation presents their 13th Annual Toy Giveaway. Call 909-620-0912 to be added to the list. | 406 West 2 nd St. |
| Mon, Dec 20 – Tues, Dec 21 | Winter Art Camp | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. @ Palomares 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. @ Westmont | Join Community Services for Winter Art Camp. Register @ bit.ly/pomonarecreation | Palomares and Westmont |
| Monday, December 20 | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda here: bit.ly/pomonaagendas . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at Pomona Live Streaming . | Via Teleconference Zoom Login on Agenda (No public meeting location) |
| Wednesday, December 22 | Winter Craft | 4 p.m. | Join the Pomona Library for Winter Crafts. | Pomona Public Library |
| Wed, Dec 22 – Thurs, Dec 30 | CITY HALL CLOSED | ----- | HOLIDAY CLOSURE | ----- |
| Monday, January 10 | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda here: bit.ly/pomonaagendas . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at Pomona Live Streaming . | Via Teleconference Zoom Login on Agenda (No public meeting location) |
| Thursday, January 13, 2022 | Community Needs Meeting | 6:30 p.m. | All residents are invited to join a Community Needs meeting to share your thoughts on the most important community needs. These meetings will assist in identifying the City’s needs and funding priorities for the CDBG, HOME, and ESG programs. | ZOOM https://zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 699 111 5589 By phone (253) 215-8782 |
| Sunday, January 16 | 40 th Annual Celebration MLK Project | 6 p.m. | 40 th Annual Celebration Pomona Inland Valley MLK Project honoring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. | Virtual |
| Monday, January 17 | CITY HALL CLOSED | ----- | In observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | ----- |
| Monday, January 17 | Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast and Tribute | 8 :30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | Join J.E.T.M.A.C. Inc. to recognize DR. King’s legacy for justice, equality and freedom for all. | Ontario Airport Doubletree Hotel |

UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

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| Monday, January 24 | City Council Meeting | 7 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda here: bit.ly/pomonaagendas . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at Pomona Live Streaming . | Via Teleconference Zoom Login on Agenda (No public meeting location) |
| Saturday, June 18 | 32 nd Annual Pomona Valley Juneteenth Jazz and Arts Festival | TBD | A full day of live entertainment, food vendors, arts and craft vendors, fun for the kids, networking, VIP reception and health fair. | Ganesha Park |