



## THE CITY OF POMONA

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS**  
**FROM: JAMES W. MAKSHANOFF, CITY MANAGER** *jm*  
**SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – Thursday, December 15, 2022**

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### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING REMINDERS**

✚ **City Council Meeting: Monday 12/19/2022**

No Closed Session Items at Posting  
Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

✚ **City Council Meeting: Monday 1/9/2023**

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

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

#### **ANNUAL EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY PARTY**

On Thursday, December 8th, the City of Pomona hosted its Annual Employee Holiday Party at The Derby Room in Pomona—the first in-person Party event since 2019. More than 250 employees enjoyed amazing food, festive holiday music, a fun photo booth, great raffle prizes, and peer networking. Co-Masters were Ruben Oviedo and Carlos Velarde of the Water Resources Department, whose comedic chops kept us in stitches throughout the evening. This Party stands out as historic record-breaker for being the best attended and for having the highest 50/50 jackpot ever! The grand prize jackpot was worth a jaw-dropping \$2330, with the five smaller jackpots totaling \$466 each! This successful event was coordinated by the City's newly-formed Pomona Employees Appreciation Committee (PEAC), which is comprised of Staff from various City departments. Cheers to the PEAC for a successful event! We look forward to the Employee Holiday Party 2023!





## ***CITY CLERK***

### **CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS- UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- December 19, 2022 City Council
- December 20, 2022 Police Oversight Commission (Canceled)
- December 21, 2022 Board of Library Trustees

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## ***COMMUNITY SERVICES***

### **SENIORS CELEBRATE HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK**

Seniors will be celebrating Holiday Spirit Week on December 19 – 23, 2022 and will have the opportunity to participate in games and festivities during meal site hours at Washington Park from 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. and Palomares Park from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. For additional information about City of Pomona senior sites, please call (909) 620-2324.

Holiday Spirit Week Schedule:

Monday, 12/19	Cozy Flannel Day
Tuesday, 12/20	Wear Holiday Festive Colors (red, green, white, or gold)
Wednesday, 12/21	Cozy Sock Day
Thursday, 12/22	Pajama Day
Friday, 12/23	Ugly Sweater Contest

### **HOLIDAY AT THE PLAZA SUCCESS**

On Saturday, December 10, 2022, an estimated 3,500-4,000 attendees took part in the free and festive holiday experience held at Shaun Diamond Plaza! An outdoor ice skating rink was placed right in the heart of Downtown Pomona. Five hundred forty-nine registered for this fun and FREE holiday activity. Holiday at the Plaza offered holiday music, photo opportunities, and a family-friendly area with arts and crafts and face painting! The Christmas Parade, hosted by Downtown Pomona Owners Association, featured marching bands, floats, and parade entries.

### **POMONA SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM**

In March 2020, the in-person congregate meal program closed due to COVID-19 and senior participants were transitioned to receive home-delivered meals until sites could

safely reopen. In September 2022, the City returned to in-person congregate meals at Washington Park and Palomares Park, while still offering eligible participants, the opportunity to receive home-delivered meals.

Effective November 23, 2022, Community Services announced it would no longer be providing home-delivered meals. City Staff successfully transitioned 60 high need/homebound participants to the YWCA of San Gabriel Valley to continue home-delivered meal service. For additional information regarding YWCA home-delivered meal service, please contact the YWCA Senior Service Message Line at (626) 214-9465.

For additional information about City of Pomona senior sites for in-person congregate meals, please call (909) 620-2324.

### ***Palomares Park Community Center***

Hours: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch is served at 12:00 p.m.

Bingo on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays (11:15 – 11:45 a.m.)

### ***Washington Park Community Center***

Hours: 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch is served at 12:00 p.m.

Bingo on Tuesdays and Thursdays (11:00 – 11:45 a.m.)

## **CITY STAFF COMPLETES MEASURE A PARK INVENTORY**

In 2016, Los Angeles County voters approved Measure A, a landmark park funding measure based on a Park Needs Assessment (PNA). The PNA included a countywide inventory of parks, analysis of park need, and community engagement process. Measure A includes a provision that requires ongoing annual updates of that park inventory.

On Friday, December 2, 2022, Public Works (Facilities) and Community Services Staff tracked the presence of specified park amenities and assessed whether those amenities are in good, fair, or poor condition based on guidelines from LA County. This helps track the overall status of the parks and keeps the City in compliance with Measure A requirements to receive annual funding for park improvements. Since the 2021 park inventory assessment, park improvements included the installation of rubberized playground surfacing at Montvue Park, Memorial Park, and Westmont Park, 10 upgraded replacement water fountains with water-bottle filling capabilities at Montvue (2 drinking fountains), Philadelphia, Jaycee, Palomares, Washington, Ted Greene, Kennedy, Memorial, and Tony Cerda Park, community center roof replacement/repairs, and sports court resurfacing (in progress at Centennial Park).

## **LIBRARY**

### **GRIEF AND LOSS WORKSHOP**

Can you or someone you know use emotional support during the holidays? Join us on Monday December 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. for a [free workshop](#) presented by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health. Attendees will learn about mental health and wellness, and the presentation will cover the five stages of grief, symptoms, tips on how to support yourself and your loved ones, as well as resources and services. Contact the Pomona Library for more information at 909-620-2043 or [library@pomonaca.gov](mailto:library@pomonaca.gov).



## **SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO... THE POMONA PUBLIC LIBRARY!**

Join us for some holiday fun on Wednesday December 21 at 4 p.m. to [visit with SANTA CLAUS!](#) Attendees will receive a mini-polaroid photo (you can also take your own cell phone photos) mini milk and cookies, and a create-your-own ornament craft – All FREE! (while supplies last) Contact the Pomona Library for more information at 909-620-2043 or [library@pomonaca.gov](mailto:library@pomonaca.gov).



## **NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES**

### **GREATER LOS ANGELES HOMELESS COUNT**

On Tuesday, January 24th the City will be serving as a deployment site in collaboration with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) for the [Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count](#). The count provides a critical picture of the trends, progress, and scope of community members experiencing homelessness within the Los Angeles Continuum of Care. Through the Count, we're better able to direct and advocate for vital services to support the needs of our unhoused neighbors. To join us, please visit <http://www.theycountwillyou.org/> and select Pomona's Ganesha Community Center as your deployment site.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Genesis Hernandez at [genesis.hernandez@pomonaca.gov](mailto:genesis.hernandez@pomonaca.gov) / 909-620-2430 or Veronica Perez at [veronica.perez@pomonaca.gov](mailto:veronica.perez@pomonaca.gov) / 909-620-2467.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONIC WASTE ROUNDUPS**

The County of Los Angeles and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County are hosting ["Too Toxic to Trash"](#) – a free event for Los Angeles County residents to dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste and electronic waste.

The event will be held on Saturday, December 17, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Brackett Field, Fairplex Drive and West McKinley Avenue, La Verne, CA. Information for this event is posted on the City's website, on the reader board at the corner of Garey Avenue and Mission Boulevard, and on the City's social media platform. For more information about this and similar future events, please call (888) CLEAN-LA or go to [CleanLA.com](http://CleanLA.com).

A poster for the 'Too Toxic to Trash' event. It features images of hazardous waste items like paint cans, oil, and electronics. The text includes: 'FREE Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste Drive-Thru Collection Event Saturday, December 17 • 9 A.M. - 3 P.M. Brackett Field Fairplex Drive &amp; West McKinley Avenue La Verne, CA 91750'. It also lists COVID-19 precautions and disposal instructions. Logos for the County of Los Angeles, Sanitation Districts, and other partners are at the bottom.

## **WESTMONT COMMUNITY CENTER ENTRYWAY**

The City recently awarded Abigail Electric, Inc. a contract to rebuild the entryway for the Westmont Community Center building. Sufficient funding is budgeted in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project entitled “Westmont Community Center Entryway Trellis,” Project No. 428-71071.

This Project will entail removing the existing deteriorated entryway trellis, modifying the existing raised concrete planter in front of the entryway, installing drainage improvements, and replacing the entryway trellis with solid roofing complemented by new enhanced entryway lighting.

If weather and supply chains allow, this work is scheduled to be completed in January/February 2023. The Westmont Community Center building and restrooms will be closed during this project. Construction dates and times will be made available as we get closer to that phase. Please avoid this building area during construction.

If you have any questions regarding this construction work, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department at (909) 620-2281.

## ***COVID-19 RESOURCES***

### ***General (Updates are highlighted)***

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#### **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](https://PomonaConnect.com). You can sign up for many resources directly, register for updates, and 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!

#### **COVID TEST**

All services are free and can be accessed [here](#).

#### **VACCINES**

**Hendricks Pharmacy @ Royalty Pharmacy - 1902 Royalty Drive STE 110**  
For ages 5+. All three brands of the COVID-19 Vaccine available: Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson (J&J). Boosters available. Flu shots also available. Info [here](#).

#### **The following websites provide up to date information on vaccines:**

- LA County: [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://VaccinateLACounty.com) & [LA Co. Vaccination Appointments Site](https://LA Co. Vaccination Appointments Site)
- California: [California Depart. of Public Health](https://California Depart. of Public Health) & [VaccineFinder.org Site](https://VaccineFinder.org Site)

#### ***Vaccine Appointments in LA County***

- **My Turn** ([myturn.ca.gov](https://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.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Upcoming Pomona Events

## UPCOMING POMONA COMMUNITY EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Details	Location
<b>Housing Rights Center</b> Daily Events	Housing Rights Workshop, Clinics and Live Q&A	Various	Visit their Facebook page for more info.	<a href="https://facebook.com/HousingRightsCenter">facebook.com/HousingRightsCenter</a>
<b>Tri-City</b> 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 <a href="#">learn how to participate</a>
<a href="#">Community Resource Center</a>	Free In Person Fitness	-----	Exercise (Yoga, Zumba, etc.), Nutrition and Healthy Cooking, Health Education, and Children's Classes.	View calendar <a href="#">here</a>
<b>Hendricks Pharmacy</b>	Vaccination Clinic	Make appointment	For ages 5+. All three brands of the COVID-19 Vaccine available: Pfizer, Moderna, and Janssen (J&J). Boosters available. Flu shots also available. Info <a href="#">here</a> .	Royalty Pharmacy 1902 Royalty Dr. Suite 110
<b>County of Los Angeles</b>	Mobile Clinic Vaccine Event	Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Pediatric Vaccines and Flue Shot available. Walk-ins accepted	Pomona USD The Village at Indian Hill
<b>Pomona Chamber</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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
<b>Pomona Chamber</b> 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
<b>DPOA</b> Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	Downtown Pomona Artwalk	5 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more.	119 W 2 <sup>nd</sup> St.
<b>DPOA</b> Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Downtown Pomona 909 Open Market	5 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more.	119 W 2 <sup>nd</sup> St.
<b>County of Los Angeles</b>	COVID-19 Testing	Mon – Sat 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.	COVID-19 Testing. <a href="#">Appointments only</a> .	Fairplex Gate 17
<b>San Gabriel/Pomona Regional Center</b>	COVID-19 Testing	Mon - Thurs 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	COVID-19 Testing. Register <a href="#">here</a> .	75 Rancho Camino Dr.
<b>American Legion</b>	COVID-19 Testing	Mon- Sat 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Free COVID Testing site, no appointment needed.	239 E Holt Ave.
<b>Pomona USD</b>	COVID-19 Testing	Sun – Thurs 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	COVID-19 Testing.	The Village @ Indian Hill Conf. Center Entrance 1
<b>LAC Department Of Public Health</b>	Weekly Conversations with a Doctor	Wed, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. English Wed, 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. Spanish	Join LACDPW invites you to attend weekly sessions to learn about newly released information on COVID-19 and get your questions answered.	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/CovidConvoENG">tinyurl.com/CovidConvoENG</a> <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CovidConvoSPAN">tinyurl.com/CovidConvoSPAN</a>
<a href="#">LA Care Health Plan</a>	Free Food Pantry	Every Friday 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.	In partnership with God's Pantry, distribution of free grocery items every week on a first come, first served basis. Everyone is welcome.	Community Resource Center 696 W Holt Ave.
<b>County of LA Public Health</b>	Wellness Center Cafecito Hour	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the Month 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.	Come enjoy a free cup of coffee. Ask about mental wellbeing, share experiences or concerns you have about the community and get connected with the resources you need to live a healthy life.	Pomona Public Library
<b>Just Us 4 Youth</b>	<a href="#">Youth &amp; Young Adult</a>	Tuesdays & Thursdays	Just Us 4 Youth's is putting on FREE community-	Pomona Public Library

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Date	Event	Time	Details	Location
	<a href="#">Employment Services (YES) Workshops</a>	1 p.m. – 3 p.m.	based programming to equip youth and young adults with the skills and knowledge to succeed in the workforce. Ages 14-24	
<b>Just Us 4 Youth</b>	<a href="#">District 2 Youth &amp; Young Adult Employment Services (YES) Workshops</a>	Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Just Us 4 Youth's is putting on FREE community-based programming to meet the wide variety of needs and interests of Pomona residents in D2.	Pomona Public Library
<b>Just Us 4 Youth</b>	<a href="#">District 2 Youth &amp; Young Adult Employment Services (YES) Workshops</a>	Fridays 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Just Us 4 Youth's is putting on FREE community-based programming to meet the wide variety of needs and interests of Pomona residents in D2.	Just Us 4 Youth Office 363 S Park Ave. # 206
<b>WesternU</b>	<a href="#">Health Career Ladder</a>	Monthly 9 a.m. -12 p.m.	Join <a href="#">each month</a> for a fun and free educational experience in the health professions for parents/guardians and youth,	611 E 2 <sup>nd</sup> St.
<b>Christmas on Columbia Thursday, December 1 – Saturday, December 31</b>	Christmas on Columbia	Sun -Thurs 5 p.m. – 11 p.m. Fri & Sat 5 p.m. – 12 a.m.	Come out and enjoy holiday lights.	400 Block of W. Columbia
<b>PCS Family Services</b>	Youth Anger Management	Tues/ Thurs 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Classes are free. Help with triggers and cues, learn anger reductions techniques and much more! More information 909-620-0688	Zoom Classes
Thursday, December 15	Kudos Childcare Center Grand Opening	11 a.m.	Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting	640 S Garey Ave.
Thursday , December 15	San Gabriel Valley Holiday Fair	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Join for this free family friendly event. Holiday scavenger hunt, free food (while it last), photo with Santa, arts and craft and much more.	696 W Holt Ave.
Friday, December 16	The Pomona Concert Band	7:30 p.m.	Free Concert “Christmas Around the World”	Palomares Park
Saturday, December 17	Too Toxic To Trach	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Free Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste Drive-Thru Collection Event.	Brackett Field Fairplex Dr. & W McKinley Ave.
Sunday, December 18	Christmas Toy Giveaway	5 p.m.	Join Victory Outreach for live play, food and games.	177 W Monterey
Monday, December 19	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <a href="#">here</a> . Watch on Spectrum/FiOS Ch. 29 and at <a href="#">Pomona Live Streaming</a> .	City Council Chambers
Tuesday, December 20	Valle Indoor Swap Meet Toy Giveaway	1 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Valle Indoor Swap Meet Toy Giveaway	Valley Indoor Swap Meet
Sunday, January 1	Kwanzaa Joy Celebration	12 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Kwanzaa Joy Celebration is a one-day event inspired by African celebrations of heritage, new beginnings and cultural unity. <a href="#">Ticket info here</a> .	The Farm at Pomona Fairplex
Monday, January 9	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <a href="#">here</a> . Watch on Spectrum/FiOS Ch. 29 and at <a href="#">Pomona Live Streaming</a> .	City Council Chambers
Sunday, January 15	41 <sup>st</sup> Annual MLK Celebration	6 p.m.	Pomona Inland Valley MLK Project honoring Rev. Dr.	Pilgrim Congregational

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Date	Event	Time	Details	Location
			Martin Luther King Jr.	Church - 600 N Garey Ave.
Monday, January 16	22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast & Tribute	8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Join J.E.T.M.A.C to celebrate Dr. King's legacy for justice, equality, and freedom for all.	Ontario Airport Doubletree Hotel
Monday, January 23	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <a href="#">here</a> . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at <a href="#">Pomona Live Streaming</a> .	City Council Chambers
Monday, February 6	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <a href="#">here</a> . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at <a href="#">Pomona Live Streaming</a> .	City Council Chambers
Monday, February 27	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <a href="#">here</a> . Watch on Spectrum/FIOS Ch. 29 and at <a href="#">Pomona Live Streaming</a> .	City Council Chambers