

THE CITY OF POMONA

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: ANITA D. GUTIERREZ, CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - Thursday, September 5, 2024

ADMINISTRATION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING REMINDERS

Lity Council Meeting: Monday, 9/9/2024

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

City Council Meeting: Monday, 9/16/2024

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

All public meeting agendas are posted on our website.

CITY CLERK

CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS- UPCOMING MEETINGS

- September 9, 2024 Pomona Public Finance Authority
- September 10, 2024 Fairplex Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee
- September 10, 2024 Police Oversight Commission
- September 11, 2024 Planning Commission
- September 12, 2024 Board of Parking Place Commissioners (VPD)

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COMMISSIONER/COMMITTEE VACANCIES

If interested, fill out an <u>application</u> and email it to <u>cityclerk@pomonaca.gov</u>. For more information, please visit the Boards, Commissions, and Committees <u>webpage</u>.

Current Vacancies:

Citizens Oversight Committee – 2 openings Community Life Commission – 1 openings Fairplex Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee – 2 openings Historic Preservation Commission – 1 opening Planning Commission – 1 opening

NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION

On November 5, 2024, Council Seats for District 1, 4, and 6 will be open for election.

The following are the candidates that finished in the top two spots during the March 5, 2024 Primary Election, and will therefore be the only council seat candidates on the November 5, 2024 General Election Ballot:

- District 1: Debra Martin and John Nolte
- District 4: Guillermo Gonzalez and Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole
- District 6: Lorraine Canales and Miranda Sheffield

COMMUNITY SERVICES

SUMMER KARAOKE RECAP

Community Services was thrilled to host its first-ever Summer Karaoke Night on Saturday, August 31, 2024 at Palomares Park. Thirteen community members attended and 18 signed up to sing! It was a wonderful opportunity for family and friends to enjoy an evening of singing, laughing, and socializing. Thank you to *Prototypes*, *Day One*, and *Bright Prospects* for tabling and providing information on valuable resources. We are excited about the possibility of hosting this event again. To keep up to date on upcoming Community Services' events and activities, please follow us on <u>Instagram</u>.

OUTDOOR & ACTIVE KICKS OFF FALL SPORTS SEASON

Outdoor & Active is excited to announce the official start of its fall sports season for Pomona Unified School District (PUSD) students. With over 200 students already registered, the football and volleyball sports program aim to be an exciting and engaging experience for youth. Both sports offer an opportunity for kids to stay active, build teamwork, and develop their athletic skills in a fun and supportive environment. Registration is still open, and we encourage families to sign up soon to secure their spot. For more information or to register your child, visit bit.ly/pomonarecreation or call 909-620-2321.



AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION PROGRAM

The After School Recreation Program was busy this week offering a variety of fun and educational activities for youth ages 7-17. Participants at Philadelphia Park got creative with an interactive STEM activity, making their own glow-in-the-dark slime. At Garfield

Neighborhood Center, kids made handmade corn tortillas, and turned their tortillas into quesadillas, creating a delicious dish. These enriching activities provide students with opportunities to explore new skills, express their creativity, and develop healthy habits. For more information or to register your child, visit bit.ly/pomonarecreation or call 909-802-7730.



WESTMONT PARK LAUNCHES INTRO TO CHEER PROGRAM

Last week, Westmont Park hosted an information night to introduce families to this exciting addition to our recreational programming. The Intro to Cheer program kicked off its 8-week session on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, with its first cheer practice. The program is designed to teach participants the fundamentals of cheerleading, basic moves, chants, and team spirit. The program aims to build confidence, teamwork, and physical fitness in a fun and supportive environment. For more information or to register your child, visit bit.ly/pomonarecreation or call 909-802-7730.



CULTURAL ARTS

CHALK ART FEST | T-SHIRT CONTEST

Be on the lookout for information about this year's Chalk Art Festival! A past tradition of this Festival was hosting a **T-Shirt Contest**. If you would like to enter you can submit your design online or in-person at City Hall.



More information can be found on our website! Pomonaca.gov/culturalarts

CALL FOR ART - HAMILTON PARK AND THE GAREY UNDERPASS

The City of Pomona is seeking public artwork for two identified locations with specific themes. We are currently seeking submittal of Qualifications for all interested Artists until October 3, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. PDT! Check out website for all the information regarding these Calls \rightarrow Pomonaca.gov/culturalarts



FINANCE

FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 ADOPTED BUDGET DOCUMENTS

The Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Operating Budget and the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Adopted Capital Improvements Program Budget are available for everyone to view on the <u>City's website</u>. The hard copy edition will be made available for the public view at both the Library and City Clerk's Office the week of September 9th. If you have any questions, please contact the <u>Finance.Department@pomonaca.gov</u>.

HUMAN RESOURCES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Are you interested in pursuing a career in local government? If so, the City of Pomona is an excellent option to consider! The City offers a generous benefit package that include medical, dental, life, and disability insurance, vacation leave and paid holiday, as well retirement benefits. Please browse our <u>current job openings</u> to see if a position is right for you. If you need assistance locating your ideal job, please fill out a "Job Interest Card." You will receive automated email notifications for job openings that match your preferred job categories within the City of Pomona. Don't hesitate to <u>apply today!</u> Explore the current job opportunities:

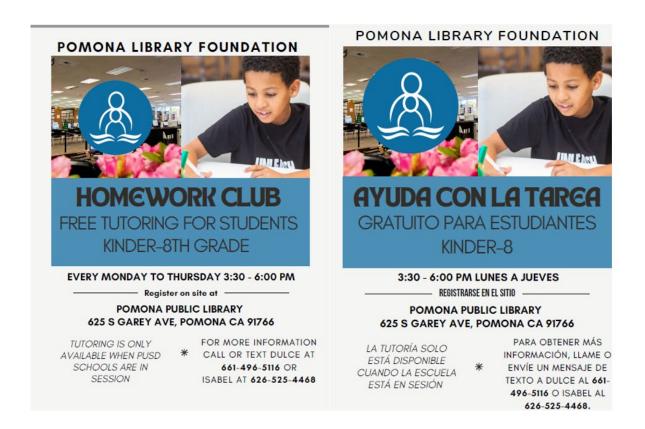
Job Title	Job Type	Salary	Filing Date
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Assistant/Associate Planner Closing Soon!	Full-Time	See Position Description	09/09/24
Community Service Specialist I - Recreation Leader Closing Soon!	Part-Time	\$18.15/Hour	09/09/24
Community Services Officer I	Full-Time	\$4,108.00 - \$4,995.00 monthly	09/15/24
Community Services Specialist I (Youth Sports)	Part-Time	\$18.15/Hour	09/16/24
Community Services Specialist II - Site Manager (Senior Programs) Closing Soon!	Part-Time	\$19.97/Hour	09/09/24

Community Services Specialist II - Site/Center Lead Closing Soon!	Part-Time	\$19.97/Hour	09/09/24
Crime Scene Investigator (Non-Sworn)	Full-Time	\$6,408.00 - \$7,790.00 monthly	09/29/24
Engineering Intern (Public Works)	Part-Time	\$18.00 - \$24.13 hourly	Continuous
Housing Analyst	Full-Time	\$6,408.00 - \$7,790.00 monthly	09/16/24
Lateral Police Officer	Full-Time	\$7,964.00 - \$9,723.00 monthly	Continuous
Plans Examiner	Full-Time	\$7,614.00 - \$9,260.00 monthly	Continuous
Police Dispatcher I	Full-Time	\$5,259.00 - \$6,393.00 monthly	09/15/24
Police Officer Recruit New!	Full-Time	\$6,896.00/Month	09/29/24
Senior Police Records Specialist	Full-Time	\$4,766.00 - \$5,792.00 monthly	09/15/24
Senior Water Resources Engineer New!	Full-Time	\$10,758.00 - \$13,082.00 monthly	Continuous
Technical Specialist I (Music Program Instructor)	Part-Time	\$20.00 - \$30.00 hourly	09/23/24
Water Utility Crew Leader	Full-Time	\$6,098.00 - \$7,413.00 monthly	Continuous

LIBRARY

HOMEWORK CLUB IS BACK - STARTING MONDAY, SEPT. 16!

Join us for free after school tutoring at the Library, available to students Kindergarten – 8th grade! Starting Monday September 16th, tutors will be available Monday – Thursday from 3:30-6pm (except for PUSD holidays and other PUSD closure days). No appointments needed, drop-ins are welcome, and sign ups are available in person anytime Homework Club is in session. Thank you to the Pomona Public Library Foundation for their ongoing and generous support of this program! Contact the Library for more information at **909-620-2043** or library@pomonaca.gov



POLICE

POMONA OPTIMIST CLUB HONORS OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Pomona Optimist Club honored Officer Michael Varnum as the recipient of their Officer of the Year award. Officer Michael Varnum has been a member of the Traffic Services Bureau as a Motor Officer since 2016. He has been instrumental to the success of the Traffic Bureau; more specifically, the development of the Pomona Police Department's Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT). Officer Varnum has demonstrated dedication not only to the Pomona Police Department but also to the community. The community has benefited from his expertise and his ability to conduct thorough and professional traffic collision investigations. Further, his efforts assist in bringing closure to families who have lost a loved one in a traffic collision. Officer Varnum's commitment is commendable and should be recognized as an effort to go above and beyond the basic functions of his assignment within the Traffic Services Bureau. Congratulations Officer Michael Varnum and thank you to the Pomona Optimist Club for honoring him with this award!



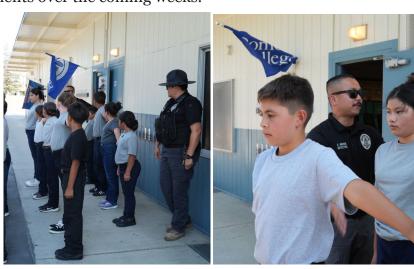
AREA D POLICE CHAPLAIN MEETING

On September 3rd, the Pomona Police Department hosted a quarterly Area D Police Chaplains meeting. We were honored to support our local partners from the police departments of Glendora, Baldwin Park, Covina, and Los Angeles. Police Department Chaplains are dedicated to providing for the spiritual, moral, and personal needs of the Department personnel, their families, and our community members. There has been a dramatic increase in the use of police chaplains in both large and small agencies across the United States. Area D Police Chaplains are dedicated to supporting each other and sharing their law enforcement experience to better serve our police personnel and our communities.



COPS 4 KIDS PROGRAM BEGINS AT WESTMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Junior Cadet Students from Westmont Elementary School began their Cops 4 Kids journey with the Pomona Police Department. Cops 4 Kids is a Police Department program for students, ages 9-13 years old. It takes place at various elementary schools within our City. It consists of a 10-week program in which police officers work with students to build confidence, encourage positive life choices, and promote the importance of self-discipline and leadership. Junior Cadets are also encouraged to give back to their community. We wish all junior cadets well and look forward to celebrating their achievements over the coming weeks.



PUBLIC WORKS

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARK PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT

Construction is scheduled to begin at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park on Monday, September 9, 2024 to replace the existing playground equipment and rubberized surfacing. This area of the park will be closed during construction; it is scheduled to reopen later this Fall.

A specific priority and goal of the City Council is the activation of the City's parks. Parks play a critical role in supporting the community's overall health, including encouraging physical activity and promoting a strong sense of community and belonging.

The project is noted in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget as: Martin Luther King, Jr. Park Playground Equipment Replacement, Project No. 428-71099.



ATTACHMENT

1. Upcoming Pomona Events

Date	Event	Time	Details	Location
Housing Rights Center Daily Events	Housing Rights Workshop, Clinics and Live Q&A	Various	Visit their Facebook page for more info.	facebook.com/HousingRigh tsCenter
Tri-City Wednesday/Thursday	Virtual Gardening	Various	Join TCG/ Tri-City to practice mindfulness. Lean 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 In Person Fitness		Exercise (Yoga, Zumba, etc.), Nutrition and Healthy Cooking, Health Education, and Children's Classes.	View calendar here
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.	Los Primos Tacos #1
Pomona Chamber Last Friday of the Month	Coffee Connections	9 a.m. – 12:30 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	1013 San Bernardino Ave.
DPOA Every 2 nd Saturday	Downtown Pomona Artwalk	5 p.m. – 10 p.m.	Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more.	119 W 2 nd St.
DPOA 1 st & 4 th Saturday 2 nd & 3 rd Thursday	Downtown Pomona 909 Open Market	5 p.m. – 9 p.m. Sat. 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Thurs.	Art vendors, food, music, craft vendors and more.	490 E 4 th St.
County of LA Public Health	Wellness Center Cafecito Hour	2 nd Tuesdays of the Month 1 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
PCS Family Services	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
AMOCA	<u>First Friday</u> <u>Pay-what-you-can</u>	First Friday of the month 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Thanks to generous support from AMOCA's Board of Directors, Museum admission for First Fridays at AMOCA is pay what you can (while tickets last). Each month, visit the Museum and choose your own ticket prices!	American Museum of Ceramic Art 399 N Garey Ave.
Pomona Valley Certified Farmers Market	Pomona Farmers Market	Every Saturday 8 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Farmers & Crafters Market with a big heart. Come support small businesses. Lots of vendors, from crafts, produce, tamales, bread, and honey!	Pearl St. & Garey Ave.
Community Services	Senior Social	Tuesdays 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Crafts, activities, exercise and fun!	Washington & Palomares Park Senior Center
Community Services	Senior Activities – Bingo	Tuesdays & Thursdays 11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Senior Activities – Bingo	Washington & Palomares Community Center
Community Services	<u>Lawn Bowling</u>	Mondays & Wednesdays 10 a.m.	Pomona Lawn Bowling Club	451 E Arrow Hwy.
Lopez Urban Farm	<u>Pay-What-You-Can</u> <u>Take-What-You-Need</u>	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Market night Wednesdays, Harvest Day Saturdays, and Bodega open daily.	1034 W Mission Blvd.
For the Love of Giving	Basic Essentials Distribution	Last Wednesday of the	Distribute household items like diapers, cleaning products	Alliance Community

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		month 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.	and toiletries.	Cultural Center 406 W 2nd St.
Abundance Living Family Church	Food Pantry	4th Saturday of the month 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. While supplies last	ALFC Food pantry. Distribution of prepackaged, non-perishables food boxes. Each family receives 2-3 boxes.	490 E La Verne Ave.
LA Care Health Plan	Free Food Pantry	Last Friday of the month 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.	In partnership with God's Pantry, distribution of free grocery items on a first come, first served basis. Free groceries, Free resources, everyone is welcome.	Pomona Community Wellness Center 750 S. Park Ave.
Pomona Community Wellness Center	Free Produce Distribution	Every 2 nd Wednesday 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.	Come and get your fresh produce, while supplies last.	750 S Park Ave.
Historic Society of Pomona Valley	Ebell Museum of Local History	1 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Open to the public, free of charge, on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays	585 E Holt Ave.
Tri-City Mental Health Services	Father's Group	3 rd Thursday of Every Month 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.	Hang out and connect with other parents while watching live sports games and popular movies.	Tri-City Wellness Center 1403 N Garey Ave.
Tri-City Mental Health Services	Baby & Me	Every Wednesday 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.	A support group for parents and their children to improve bonding and foster social skills through fun and interactive activities. Come have fun and explore with your child, ages 2-4. Please wear comfortable shoes.	Tri-City Wellness Center 1403 N Garey Ave.
Tri-City Mental Health Services	Let's Talk Student Wellness Series	3 rd Thursday of Every Month 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Open to educators, service providers, parents, caretakers and community.	https://bit.ly/TCMH-lets-talk
Tri-City Mental Health Services	Autism Empowerment Connection	Every Wednesday 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.	A safe, friendly and inclusive support group for youth and your adults on the autism spectrum. Ages 16-25	Tri-City Wellness Center 1403 N Garey Ave.
Sonic	Pomona Cars & Coffee	2 nd Saturday Every Month	Explore a distinctive exhibition featuring beautiful cars, each with its own compelling narrative and rich history. Don't miss out on our Cars & Coffee—mark your calendar and join us for an unforgettable experience. ALL MAKES & MODELS WELCOMED!! More info	Sonic Drive-In 40 Rio Rancho Rd.
Pomona Concert Band	7 th Annual Summer Concert Series	July 11- Aug 29 7:30 p.m. Thursday evenings	Admission to all the concerts is free. Those attending are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. There will be a concession stand, but people may also bring their own picnics.	Ganesha Park
Veritas Healthcare	Full-Service Go-To Clinic for PUSD Child Development	During Summer Break M-F 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Primary Care, childhood immunizations, sports physicals, COVID testing and many more services. Appointments	Village @ Indian Hill 1444 E Holt Ave.
Pomona Wellness Center	Pomona Wellness Community (PWC) Events and Programs		Take advantage of wellness and nutrition classes offered by the Pomona Wellness Community	More info here.
Sunday, September 8	Palomares Adobe & Gift Shop Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the restored 1854 Palomares Adobe! Book now \$5.	491 E Arrow Hwy.
Monday, September 9	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting. Read the agenda <u>here</u> . Watch on Spectrum/FiOS Ch. 29 and at <u>Pomona Live Streaming</u> .	City Council Chambers

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Sunday, September 15	The Barbara Greenwood Kindergarten		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the lovely craftsman built to suit the smaller stature of younger students! Book now \$5.	322 W McKinley Ave.
Tuesday, September 17	District 3 Area Commander Meeting	6 p.m.	Police updates for D3 Community. Speakers: Pomona PD Dispatch, H.E.A.R.T. Team & Traffic Bureau.	Philadelphia Park Community Center
Saturday, September 21	Clean Up Events	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Athens Services is providing Pomona residents with a series of clean-up collections events for bulky items, electronic waste, and shredding services at no charge. These events are for Pomona residents only, must show ID, proof of residency or utility bill.	Palomares Park
Saturday, September 21	Recycle Used Motor Oil & Filters	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.	This event is sponsored by CalRecyle, and WM Curbside will be handling the collection and proper disposal of Used Oil and Filters collected.	Palomares Park
Sunday, September 22	Phillips Mansion & Currier House Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the home everyone has been talking about. Built in 1875, with piped gas for heat and lights, the Phillips Mansion was the first red brick building built anywhere near the Pomona Valley! Book now \$15.	2640 Pomona Blvd.
Saturday, September 28	Food Pantry: Abundant Living Family Church (AFLC)	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. While supplies last	AFLC is hosting a Food Pantry	490 E La Verne Ave.
Sunday, September 29	Spadra Cemetery Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley for The historic Spadra Cemetery Tour which is one of the oldest cemeteries in the Pomona Valley! Book now \$10.	2850 Pomona Blvd.
Thursday, October 3	United Steps for a Safer Pomona Community Walk	4 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Join House of Ruth and Compassionate Pomona. The walk aims to raise awareness and support for three critical issues: Gun Violence, Domestic Violence, and Youth Violence.	City Hall to House of Ruth
Saturday, October 5	4th Annual Kindness Carnival	2 p.m. – 5 p.m.	4th Annual Kindness Carnival	Washington Park
Saturday, October 5	4 th Annual Gayla	6 p.m. – 10 p.m.	Join Pomona Pride for their 4th Annual Gayla! It will be a night filled with live entertainment, delicious food, a fashion show, and more. Purchase tickets here.	The Sheraton Fairplex & Conf. Room 601 W McKinley Ave,
Sunday, October 6	Casa Primera Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the adobe that the Palomares family was living in while they built the larger Palomares Adobe! Book now \$5.	1569 N Park Ave.
Saturday, October 12	Free Compost	8 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Free compost for residents of Pomona. More info here.	Palomares Park
Sunday, October 13	Palomares Adobe & Gift Shop Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the restored 1854 Palomares Adobe! Book now \$5.	491 E Arrow Hwy.
Saturday, October 19	Spooktacular Celebration	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	Join the Pomona Police Department for this celebration. Costume contest, treats and a petting zoo.	490 W Mission Blvd.

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Sunday, October 20	Phillips Mansion & Currier House Tour		Join the Historical Society of Pomona Valley and tour the home everyone has been talking about. Built in 1875, with piped gas for heat and lights, the Phillips Mansion was the first red brick building built anywhere near the Pomona Valley! Book now \$15.	2640 Pomona Blvd.
Saturday, October 26	Food Pantry: Abundant Living Family Church (AFLC)	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. While supplies last	AFLC is hosting a Food Pantry	490 E La Verne Ave.
Thursday, October 31	Annual Evening Spradra Cemetery Tours		HSPV offers tours of the Spadra Cemetery a few times a year; we're there every Halloween, giving tours and protecting the cemetery from vandals. If you'd like to be notified of upcoming tours, click here for information.	2850 Pomona Blvd.
Saturday, November 2	Clean Up Events	8 .m. – 12 p.m.	Athens Services is providing Pomona residents with a series of clean-up collections events for bulky items, electronic waste and shredding services at no charge. These events are for Pomona residents only, must show ID, proof of residency or utility bill.	Palomares Park
Monday, November 11	City Hall Closed		In observance of Veterans Day	
Saturday, November 16	Food Pantry: Family to Family Abundant Living Family Church (AFLC)	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. While supplies last	Join ALFC who will be giving out 500 Turkeys and gift cards for up to 500 families.	490 E La Verne Ave.
Saturday, November 23	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Christmas on Columbia Decorating Day	Join your community and volunteers! A light breakfast, and full lunch will be provided. Great opportunity to earn volunteer hours. And meet your neighbor. (street will be closed 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. to traffic)	400 Block of W. Columbia Ave.
Thursday, November 28	City Hall Closed		In observance of Thanksgiving	
Saturday, December 7	4 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Christmas on Columbia Kick-Off Event	Join your community for a festive kick off to the holidays. Street will be closed from 1 p.m. – 10 p.m. to traffic, due to vendors and entertainment.	400 Block of W. Columbia Ave.
Saturday, December 21	Food Pantry: Gifts from the Heart - Abundant Living Family Church (AFLC)	9 a.m. – 12 p.m. While supplies last	Join ALFC for their Annual Toy Distribution. Registration required.	490 E La Verne Ave.
Tues. Dec 24 - Wed. Jan 1	City Hall Closed		In observance of the Holidays	