

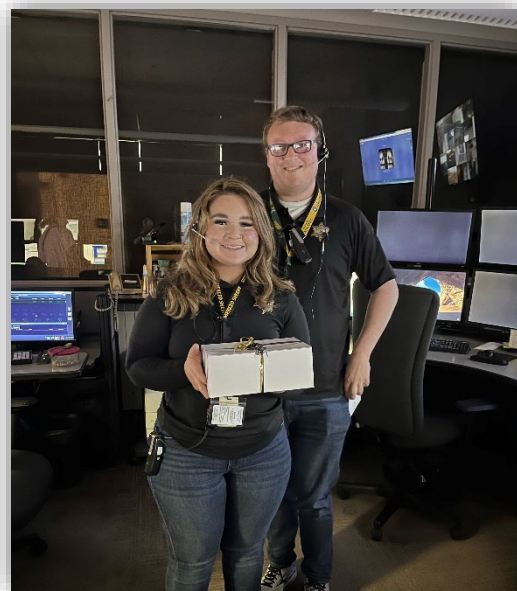


THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

April 14, 2023

Thank you, Merced PD Dispatch Team!

National Public Safety Telecommunications Week (NPSTW), observed every second week in April, has been set aside to recognize and celebrate the work of telecommunicators helping to save lives every day. Without the telecommunicators flawlessly doing their jobs, lives would be lost due to untimely assistance. So, throughout this week and every week, we honor and thank the City of Merced PD's Dispatch Team, who continue to serve in this demanding profession.



Thank You Challenged Family Resource Center
Hello Monica!

I have to say as a parent participating in play group that I appreciate Mrs. Cari, & Mrs. Shavon's consistent energy and understanding of child development. There have been major milestones for my kiddo Gage's overall experiences in children's activities, events, groups, socialization, communications, understanding and physical ability. He continues to learn more and more, and I really contribute a great deal of it to the very specialized education you all provide for us as a family!

Today I believe Gage immediately established class as a safe space. Minutes into the room he took his own socks off and started to adjust and rub his feet onto the floor (Native American grounding to the environment ritual) he proceeded to make sure he spent time interacting and socializing with everyone in a way he had never before done (in a class setting, he is usually very observant and holds back) he almost made sure to give everyone some of his time.

He, for the first time on this level and at his own time started to initiate play touch and socialization with other kiddos at play group. He has never before outside of family and very close friends initiated this kind of contact, behavior or interaction he even went so far as to make contact with their hair which in our culture and in his teachings at home with me is a great very special honor (makes me feel he is in an environment where his culture is not shamed or ridiculed - made me feel safe to discuss some of our beliefs - also makes me feel that him feeling safe and me feeling safe is us sharing another safe space with others outside of home or controlled environment and it feels very healing and helpful as a parent and mother).

Of course, upon making sure to try and accommodate never before boundaries that I felt needed to be made, I was immediately corrected in my "shaming" his exploration of socialization with other children (which I greatly appreciate and was given in a very thoughtful and informative way).

I write this rave about your wonderful staff and Gage's teachers and to you and all of your colleagues and programs to simply say you are all doing a wonderful job and thank you so much for holding a safe and inclusive space and environments where baby gauge can learn, grow explore and even teach.

It's really a privilege for us to be able to have access to such an interactive program it's so much appreciated!!! Thank you thank you all! So much for all you do!

Please let all of Gage's parent teachers & staff know they are a great irreplaceable resource in his life and his parents as well! I'm super excited for what gauges future ability holds in store for him especially again with so many major leaps of learning forward!

Gage's mom.



13th Annual Southeast Asian Mental Health Awareness Day

On Saturday, our Merced Police Department was invited by the Merced Lao Family Community to its 13th Annual Southeast Asian Mental Health Awareness Day. It was a fantastic event, and our Officers were happy to meet everyone that stopped by PD's booth.



Dart Team Update

Merced Police Department's DART team is back in a part time capacity.

Officers are walking and patrolling the downtown area and responding to requests as they come in through the Merced Connect App.

The Department partners with Behavioral Health, APS, and Valley Crisis Center to provide resources to individuals in need.

Thank you, Merced PD!

DART DETAILS

Merced Connect
The Merced Connect app is for citizens to access their government in a single location.

APP STORE
Scan the QR code to download on iPhone

GOOGLE PLAY STORE
Scan the QR code to download on Android

City of Merced citizens can submit service requests directly through their mobile device

Merced Connect enables service requests to be submitted directly to the City of Merced. When it will be automatically routed to the correct department for proper handling.

QUESTIONS?
Scan the QR code to learn more

This week, officers Vazquez and Shaw met with downtown business owners as part of DART.



West Coast Arborists recently started work to remove fallen trees and tree debris from Bear Creek as a result storm events.



The Revival Livestock Show at the Merced Fairgrounds

Are you looking for a family-friendly event this weekend? Then, attend the Revival Livestock Show. April 14 through the 18th. Game night is Friday night, April 14th.

There will be exhibitors from 10 states - CA, OR, WA, ID, AZ, KS, OK, TX, UT, NV and 770 hogs, 480 sheep, and 200 goats.

For more information about the event, visit therevivallivestockshow.com



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COMMUNITY & CAMPUS COLLABORATION

BE A PART OF THE PLANNING AND COLLABORATION FOR FUTURE MERCED COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS

RSVP BY APRIL 7

 (209) 228-4201

 COMMUNITYSERVICE@UCMERCED.EDU



HAPPENING ON

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

NOON

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RSVP by scanning the QR code or by emailing or calling the Community Engagement Center



Community Engagement Center



26th Annual Tea Party

Saturday, April 22, 2023

12:30 - 4:10 p.m.

Merced County Courthouse Museum

Sweet Land of Liber_TEA

Tickets: \$ 18 or \$ 12 (age 10 and under)

Seatings: 12:30, 1:30 (Sold Out)

2:30 (Sold Out), & 3:30

Tickets: Museum Office or Store

Info: (209) 723-2401



Merced County
Veterans
Stand Down
2023

Friday, May 5, 2023 • Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Bear Creek Plaza at the Merced County Fair Grounds
900 Martin Luther King Jr Way, Merced, CA 95341

Resources Available: Dental • Health Screening • Covid Vaccinations • Showers
• Haircuts • Hamburger Cook Out • Representatives from: Veterans Health
• Merced County Veterans Services • DAV • American Legion • VFW • Job Fair



Free
Event!



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MAY
**20 RIDE WITH
THE MAYOR**

Bob Hart Square
Sign in 8:30am • Ride at 9am

Enjoy a leisurely ride on Merced's beautiful bikeways, with Mayor Matt Serratto. Meet at Bob Hart Square in downtown Merced and sign in at 8:30am. Ride starts at 9am and ends with a refreshment stop. Free bike related goodies while supplies last!

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