



THE WEEKLY COUNCIL INFORMATION REPORT

June 9, 2023

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES KICKS OFF SUMMER PROGRAMS

Into the Wild Summer Wilderness Program

The Parks & Community Services team recently kicked off the first week of the Into the Wild Summer Wilderness Program at the Rossotti Ed-Zoo Cation Center. Youth participants had a great time, took trips to Applegate Zoo, went on nature walks, and learned about nature-based activities.



Honesty Integrity Teamwork Sportsmanship USTA Tennis H.I.T.S. Program

The Tennis H.I.T.S. program started this week at Applegate Park.

Ms. Celeste, Mr. Daniel, and Ms. Alana welcomed participants and introduced the fundamentals of tennis, which included the serve, forehand, backhand strokes, and volleys. During introductions, everyone agreed that honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, and teamwork will always be essential skills.

Participants will team up throughout the workshop, use their new skills, practice volleys, and cheer for their teammates.

During the H.I.T.S. program, these young athletes will meet new friends while learning new activities and valuable life skills to carry with them.



Junior Giants Baseball Program in Full Swing

Junior Giants is a youth baseball program for boys and girls. The lineup of this eight-week program will teach players the fundamentals of baseball, leadership, teamwork, confidence, and integrity.

Every week, players and coaches will focus on skill development and sportsmanship. June 21st is opening game day and includes fun festivities and the mayor's honorary first pitch of the season.

All games will be at the Nannini Sports Complex at 1800 Wardrobe Ave in Merced.

Junior Giants empowers youth to be GIANTS on the field, in the classroom, and the community.



Public Works at the Merced County Fair



National Donut Day

This week, the Challenged Family Resource Center team surprised the Merced Police Department with delicious donuts on National Donut Day.

The team from the Resource Center provides support to families by working with community-based agencies to offer services for the growth and development of children. The group includes parents who support family members with disabilities.



Torch Run for Special Olympics

Join the Merced Police Department for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics. This year's 3.5-mile run takes place on June 15th at 7 AM, with line up at 6:45 AM. This year's run starts and finishes at Bob Hart Square.

People shouldn't be intimidated by the word "run" – this is not a uniformed run or a race. Everyone is welcome to join.

This incredible event supports Special Olympics Northern California, enriching the lives of nearly 26,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities and their communities through sports, education, and athlete health. Every \$500 raised allows an athlete to train and compete for a year. Join the Merced PD and community members to support this incredible cause.

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Special Olympics Northern California

JOIN US!
June 15th, 2023

Run will start & end at Bob Hart Square

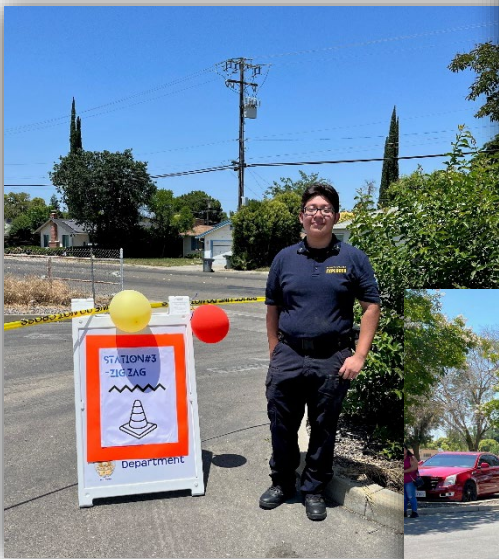
- Start time 7am
- 3.5 miles
- T-Shirts will be available for sale \$10 & \$20!
- Event is FREE!

Merced PD Bike Rodeo

Merced Police Department recently held a successful Bike Rodeo. Merced PD Chaplain, C-Flo, hosted the event.

The Christian Life Center donated three bikes that were raffled at the event. In addition, Adventum Bike and Lisa Kayser-Grant from the Merced Bicycle Coalition supported the event.

Our local Baskin Robbins store donated four flavors of ice cream for all participants. The Department's Explorers set up obstacle courses and helped at bike stations.



Merced PD at the Merced County Fair



Get Involved



The Merced County region is developing a multi-jurisdictional housing element (MJHE) for the sixth cycle housing element update. Jurisdictions participating in the joint effort are the County of Merced and the cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos, and Merced. The Housing Element is a policy document that provides a comprehensive strategy for promoting the production of available, affordable, and adequate housing within the Merced Region.

To ensure that the Housing Element includes policies that represent the values and ideas of the cities' diverse populations, residents and community members are encouraged to participate in a 10-minute survey. To access the survey, visit <https://mercedmjhe.com/get-involved/>.

Housing Element

The MJHE is a policy document that provides a comprehensive strategy for promoting the production of available, affordable, and adequate housing within the community. It serves as a strategy to address housing needs across the economic and social spectrum. State law requires that cities and counties update their housing elements every eight years. The Housing Element will cover the period of January 31, 2024, to January 31, 2032. The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) must certify the Housing Element by a pre-determined deadline, February 18, 2024, for Merced County.

What is a Housing Element?

The Housing Element is a comprehensive assessment of current and future housing needs for all residents of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos, Merced, and Merced County, as well as programs for meeting those needs. The primary focus of the Housing Element is to ensure decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing for current and future residents of unincorporated areas, including those with special needs.

For more information, visit <https://mercedmjhe.com/>

FREE VOLLEYBALL CLINIC WITH COACH TERI

EVERY WEDNESDAY IN JUNE
STARTING JUNE 7TH
ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

AGES: 5TH - 8TH GRADE
TIME: 6:30PM - 8:00PM

LOCATION: MCCOMBS GYM
615 W. 15TH STREET MERCED, CA

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PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
AT (209)385-6235

PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

City of Merced Parks & Recreation Presents

MOVIES in the PARK

 June 9th Applegate Park (MOAT) W. 26th & O St.	 June 23rd Joe Herb Park 2200 Yosemite Parkway	 July 7th McNamara Pool & Grass Field 1040 Gains St.	 July 21st Bob Carpenter Park Parsons Ave & Silverado Ave	 August 4th Nannini Youth Sports Complex 1800 Wardrobe Ave
 August 18th Rudolph Merino Park Pacific Dr & El Redondo	 September 8th Merced Center Garage Rooftop M & 18th St	 September 22nd Applegate Park (MOAT) W. 26th & O St.	Parks Make Life Better! For more information or about Sponsorship opportunities Please call (209) 385-6235	

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CITY OF MERCED PARKS AND RECREATION

TENNIS H.I.T.S.

Honesty. Integrity. Teamwork. Sportsmanship.

HITS 1 (Beginner) Session 1: June 6th-15th Session 3: July 6th-13th	HITS 2 (Intermediate) Session 2: June 20th-29th Session 4: July 18th-27th
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SUMMER SESSIONS
9 AM - 12 PM | TUES. & THURS. | AGES: 6-10YRS
1045 W. 25TH ST. MERCED, CA 95340
(NEXT TO THE BASKETBALL COURT)

FREE

PARKS & RECREATION OFFICE
(209) 385-6235 • 632 W. 18th ST
MONDAY-FRIDAY • 9AM-12PM & 1PM-5PM

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FREE BASKETBALL Clinic

K-6TH GRADE

EVERY MONDAY | **LOCATION MCCOMBS GYM** | **TIME 6:15PM-8:00PM**

615 W. 15TH STREET
MERCED, CA

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SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

MUST BE IN HIGH SCHOOL TO VOLUNTEER

Summer Volunteer Opportunities

- Summer Wilderness Camp (K-6th)
 - Monday-Friday, June & July
 - 8am-12pm
- NFL Flag Football
 - Referees & coaches
 - August - September
- Movies in the Park
 - June -September
 - Assist w/ activities and setup
- Tennis HITS
 - June & July
 - Tennis assistant coach
- Jr. Giants Coach
 - June & July
 - Coach/Assistant Coach
- Kiddieland Opportunities:
 - May-October
 - Ride Operator



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