



Congratulations Juan Olmos Deputy Director of Public Works

We are thrilled to announce the well-deserved promotion of Juan Olmos to the position of Deputy Director of Public Works.

With a rich history dating back to 2004, when Juan first joined the City as a temporary maintenance worker and transitioned to a full-time role in January 2005, Juan continues to demonstrate dedication and passion for our community.

Having served in various capacities, including Public Works Supervisor of Streets and, most recently, the Public Works Manager of Tax Services, overseeing maintenance districts, community facilities, parks, trees, streets, and sweeping, Juan has accumulated a wealth of knowledge and experience.

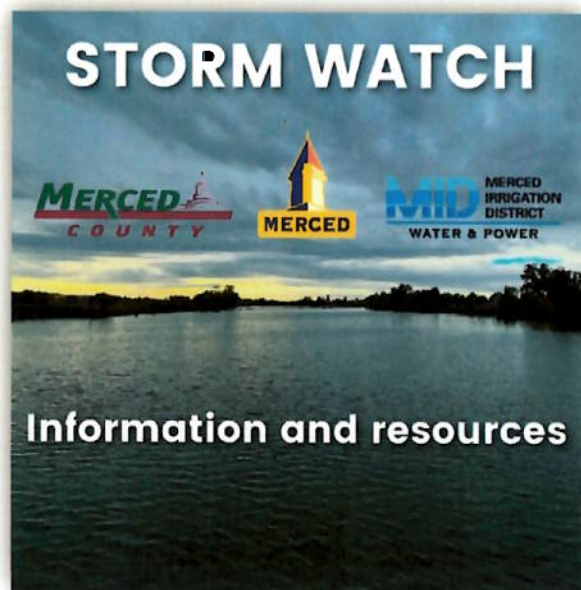
We are confident that Juan's many years of expertise will be a tremendous asset in his new role as Deputy Director of Public Works. The City of Merced and its residents are fortunate to have someone knowledgeable about our city, dedicated to his role, and committed to the positive growth of our community.

Weather Watch

The City of Merced, Merced County, and the Merced Irrigation District maintain a Storm Watch webpage, which provides links to key weather and stream information in preparation for winter weather. The webpage also includes winter preparedness tips and contact information for potential high-water issues that may arise during the winter months.

Visit the webpage:

<https://mercedid.org/merced-storm-watch/>



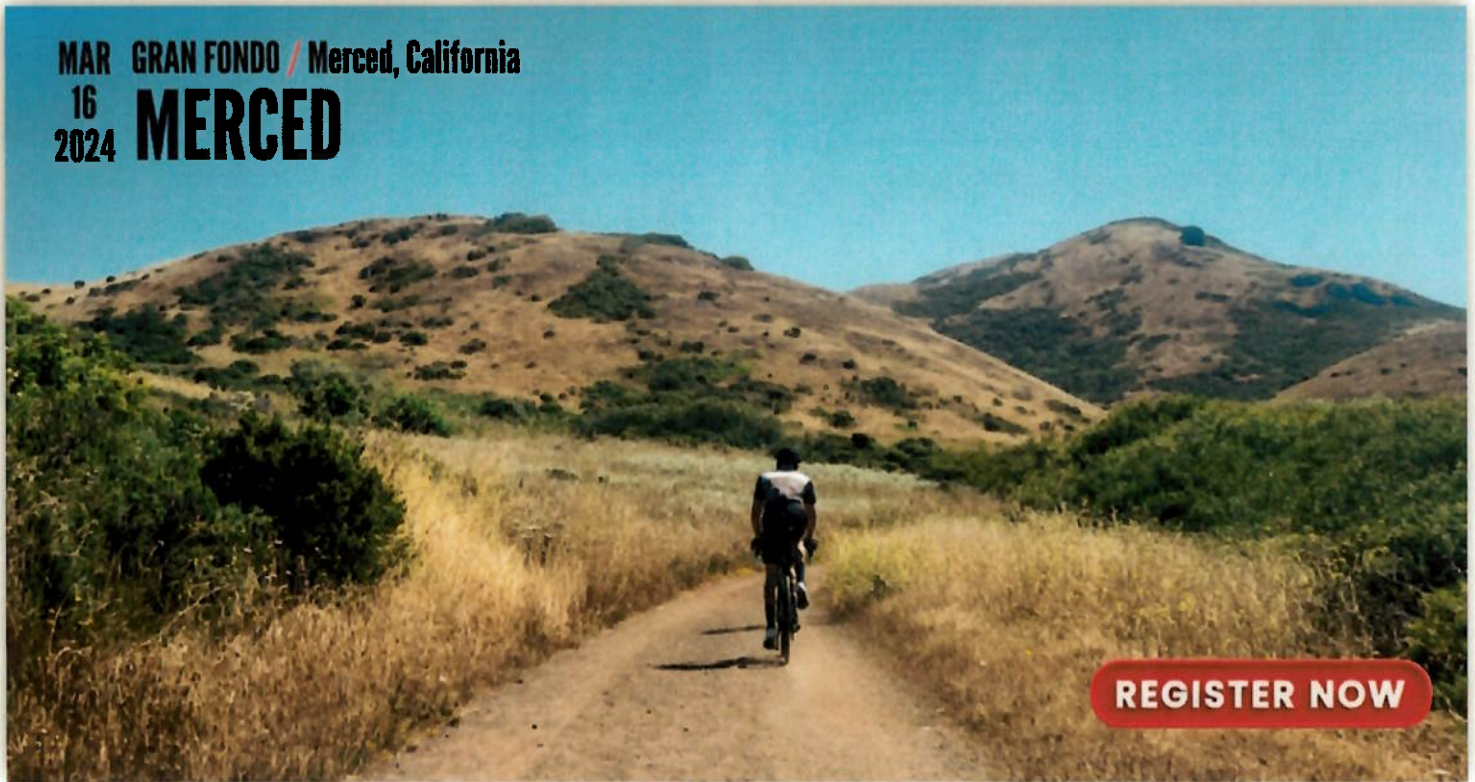
Merced PD's Successful Steering Wheel Lock Giveaway

On Saturday, January 27th, the Merced Police Department demonstrated a proactive approach to curbing vehicle theft by distributing 200 steering wheel locks to residents in Merced who own Hyundai and Kia vehicles. This initiative showcases the department's commitment to community safety and emphasizes the importance of preventative measures in reducing auto-related crimes.

The successful steering wheel lock giveaway reflects the department's dedication to fostering a secure environment for Merced residents.



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Gran Fondo Hincapie is coming to Merced on March 16, 2024

The Gran Fondo Hincapie gravel ride is a cycling celebration with scenic routes and family fun. Choose between a shorter Piccolo (2 hours), a mid-length Medio (60 miles), or a longer Gran ride (84 miles) on one of the scenic routes mapped and tested by the Hincapie Team. The event is a chance to connect with other cycling enthusiasts and indulge your passion for cycling, no matter your skill level. For more information, visit www.hincapie.com/pages/gran-fondo-merced.

If you want to learn more about the event, visit www.hincapie.com/pages/gran-fondo-hincapie#section-event-faqs

Cyclists under 18 can register and ride free.

You don't have to be a seasoned cyclist, but you'll need a bicycle!



Second 2024 Merced City Council Community Town Hall A Success

On Monday, January 29th, the City Council hosted its second successful community town hall of 2024 at Tenaya Middle School, where residents engaged with city staff and council representatives. Attendees used the platform to pose questions and voice concerns regarding vital city programs and services. This event not only facilitated direct communication between the community and local representatives but also reinforced the city's commitment to transparency and responsiveness to the needs of its residents.

The third community town hall will be at Chenoweth Elementary School on Thursday, February 15th, from 6 to 8 PM.



GUARDE FECHA

Ciudad de Merced

Reuniones Anuales del Ayuntamiento 2024

Jueves, 15 de Febrero 6 - 8 PM
Chenoweth Elementary School
3200 N. Parsons Ave

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CONOZCA A LOS REPRESENTATES DE SU CONSEJO



SAVE THE DATE

City of Merced

2024 Annual Town Hall Meetings

Thursday, February 15th 6 - 8 PM
Chenoweth Elementary School
3200 N. Parsons Ave

YOUR VOICE MATTERS
ASK QUESTIONS
MEET YOUR COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

The Great Bear Creek Community Clean Up

The City of Merced is grateful for the incredible turnout at Stephen Gray Park for another successful community clean-up. Thank you to everyone who joined. Together, we're making a positive impact!

Save the date for the March 23rd event at McNamara Park.





A promotional poster for a Valentine's Day event. At the top, there are several red heart-shaped balloons and the Merced Police Department badge. A red banner across the middle reads "COFFEE & BAGELS WITH M P D!". Below the banner, it says "Limited edition Valentine cards and stickers will be available! While supplies last." The event details are: "February 12th 10AM-12PM Bagel Tyme 3040 Park Ave Unit D Merced CA 95348". There are illustrations of a coffee mug, bagels, and a police car.

Fostering Community Connections

Join the Merced Police Department for Coffee and Bagels on Monday, February 12th, from 10 AM to 12 PM. This informal gathering invites residents to join local law enforcement for a cup of coffee and a bagel, providing a great chance to engage in conversations, ask questions, and build crucial relationships.

Celebrate the season of at Applegate Zoo

Every Saturday and Sunday throughout February, from 10 AM to 3 PM, weather permitting. These events feature scavenger hunts, Valentine's themed crafts, and decorations. Don't miss the chance to create memories.



A colorful poster for Valentine's Day at Applegate Zoo. It features illustrations of a brown bear named Allie and a white cat named Sparky. The text says "Valentine's at the Merced Applegate Park Zoo" and "Join us every Saturday and Sunday in February 10am - 3pm". It lists activities: "Scavenger hunt! Find this sign of Allie and Sparky!" and "Free weekly craft". There is also a section for "Name a Zebra Finch" with prices: "\$5 for 1, \$7 for 2, \$10 for 3" and "Can be purchased in gift shop". The Merced Applegate Zoo logo is in the bottom right, and the address "1045 W. 25th St. Merced CA" is at the very bottom.