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Volunteer Spirit Strengthens Community

Volunteerism at the City of Monterey has increased tremendously since the revitalization of our volunteer program five years ago. Today more than 850 community members, compared to 250 in 1996, donate their time each year to help deliver programs and services that otherwise might not happen. Our volunteers get a deeper appreciation of the City and help become important bridges to the community we serve. Last year alone, City volunteers worked more than 29,000 hours, which equates to a value of \$446,000 of donated service!

Meet some of the people who make a difference and learn why they volunteer. Then discover how you can get the volunteer spirit.

Mission Statement

The Volunteer Program connects the public to the City of Monterey through active volunteer participation with City programs and projects, resulting in a strong partnership between the community and the City to support a safe and enriched quality of life for everyone. For more info, call Volunteer Services at 831.646.3719 (dillemut@ci.monterey.ca.us) or visit online at www.monterey.org/volunteer



Just the Facts

- *Volunteers coached more than 350 kids in soccer programs in 2001. That's 26 soccer teams!*
- *Breathe easier: Volunteers planted 209 trees and rehabilitated 164 tree wells in Monterey last year.*

Celebrate Volunteerism...

Couple Makes Learning Fun

Who: Bob and Shirley Jaster are known for their unfailing good humor and staunch support of the City's Homework Pals program. Each school year since 1996, the Jasters spend their week mentoring elementary school students and assisting with homework.

On volunteering: Bob serves as a Pal to help kids through “rough patches” when they are developing language skills. He strives to show how language and ideas can be exciting to explore. Shirley says homework doesn’t seem like such a chore when a child has someone there working alongside them. They say the one-on-one relationship with the students is the best part. “There’s a magic quality to see the growth in a child week to week and through the years. It’s a thrill to see them grow up, and there’s satisfaction in seeing children who were struggling who now don’t need Pals. It’s a very rewarding experience,” says Shirley.

How volunteers make a difference: Homework Pals Coordinator Dina Stansbury relies on volunteers like the Jasters for their skills in working with children as well as for their suggestions and support of the Homework Pals program. The program is an inter-generational success story, according to Monterey Public Library Director Paula Simpson. And volunteers like the Jasters make it possible. “Bob and Shirley Jaster are model Homework Pals. They clearly love to work with kids, they are dependable and resourceful, and they always keep their sense of humor.”

For more info on becoming a Homework Pal, call 831.646.5604 (stansbur@ci.monterey.ca.us). Or join the next orientation on August 10.

He's Got Time

Terrence Guerin is always ready to jump in wherever he can help and give 110% to the job at hand. He offers the City his most precious resource – his time. Terrence volunteered more than 40 hours a week as a sports counselor during the City’s nine-week summer Volunteer program as well as during school breaks. A multi-talented teenager, he also wrote for the Volunteer newsletter and Web site and hosted interviews for the program’s video project. He then designed the brochure for the [City’s 2002 Volunteer program](#). Each summer teens from throughout the county volunteer at the City for a variety of jobs.

To learn more about the program visit www.monterey.org/volunteer .

Jobs for Volunteers

What can volunteers do? Where do they work? Community members of all ages from around the county support City programs and activities.

- Volunteers at the **Library** assist children with homework, deliver books to the homebound and check bookstacks.
- **Public Works’** volunteers maintain parks, clean the Coastal/Recreation Trail, count vehicle traffic, plant trees and clean beaches.
- The **Police Department’s** Monterey Volunteers in Policing act as extra eyes and ears for the City, fingerprint children at special events and serve as ambassadors in the City’s business districts.
- Once initial disaster training is complete, the **Fire Department’s** Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) members continue to hone their skills at quarterly drills and special assignments.
- Volunteers help the **Presidio of Monterey Museum** run smoothly and at the **Marina** keep an eye on pesky sea lions.
- In **Recreation and Community Services**, volunteers work as coaches and support afterschool and tot programs at community centers, the Sports Center and special events – like July 4.
- Volunteers also support code enforcement efforts, help coordinate the volunteer program and assist with video production and Web design.

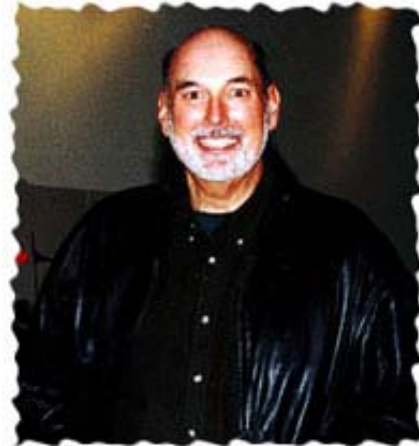
Join the team. Call Volunteer Services at 831.646.3719 or visit the Web site online at

www.monterey.org/volunteer.

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New Challenges Keep Him Coming Back

Who: John Castagna has taken on a wide variety of City projects during the last two years – from scanning maps and historic photos to organizing records and designing a book. John's volunteer work goes hand-in-hand with his interests in photography and history, and it continually leads him in new directions. While scanning and organizing blueprints, he discovered several old photos scattered in the files. "These photos were important records of buildings as they were renovated or demolished. No one knew they existed." John collected and scanned the photos, and now this historic resource can be viewed in the California History Room at the Monterey Public Library.



Why volunteer: It's rewarding. "I feel I'm contributing to the work the City is doing," says John. "I enjoy the sense of community Monterey offers, and the breadth of the facilities – from recreation to historic resources. I enjoy being a part of that."

How volunteers make a difference: "John has added a new dimension to the City's Planning Division," says Associate Planner Kimberly Cole. "He helped streamline research by scanning maps and learned graphic design to support our efforts to publish a history of the lower Mesa neighborhood." In Public Works, John reorganized the map room for the U.S Army and City. As Maintenance Technician PJ Kinzie-Garcia says, "John came into our chaos and made sense of it."

What's Hot on the Volunteer Front

- **July 4 Festivities:** Support the parade by helping with coordination and crowd control.
- **July 5 Beach Clean Up:** Help return the beach to its natural state after the festivities. This is a great opportunity for families/community groups to work together.
- Be a **Homework Pal** and help elementary school students with homework. Call 646-5604 to sign up for the orientation on August 10.
- Survivors wanted! **Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT)** training takes place quarterly and provides free courses in disaster preparedness. To register for the next initial training class, call 646-3719. If you are a NERT member, recommend the course to friends and neighbors.
- Volunteer for **Sea Lion Watch** and help protect our docks. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age.

Call Volunteer Services at 831.646.3719 or visit the Web site online at www.monterey.org/volunteer.

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Just the Facts

- *Monterey Volunteers in Policing (MVPs) help keep homes safe for vacationing residents. Thirty-seven houses were checked 205 times in 2001.*
- *Last year volunteers donated more than 3,300 hours of service to the Monterey Public*

Library. That equals one full-time and one part-time employee at a value of more than \$61,000.

- *Over the summer, 40 teens volunteered more than 3,000 hours in various departments as part of the Volunteer Program.*

Tall Ship Returns

Tour the Guayas - Have Fun, Enjoy Community Festivities

Come see its tall masts, billowing sails, polished brass and wood-paneled quarters. Dance to a professional Salsa band alongside some 180 sailors and officers. The tall ship Guayas from the Navy of Ecuador will dock in Monterey Harbor this month.

Free tours are scheduled daily from June 21 to 25 off Wharf II. A ceremony with activities and fun for community members of all ages is scheduled for Saturday, June 22. The Guayas last came to Monterey in 1999. She is visiting once again to commemorate the 400-year anniversary of the landing of the Spanish explorer Sebastian Vizcaíno in Monterey.

Link to www.monterey.org/harbor or for more info call 831.646.3781.

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Public Service Center Project Moves Ahead in Review Process

What's new with the proposed Public Service Center?

An environmental impact report will be written regarding the Public Service Center project. The analysis will look at how the project will affect issues such as traffic, parking, landscaping, historic preservation and neighborhood character.

In May, the City Council confirmed they want to continue with the project. Also a bell tower or campanile, housing an elevator, will be included in a shorter and simplified version of the original design. The project will continue to go through the City's development review process and be brought before various commissions.

Background on the project ...

The needs of the community and City staff continue to outgrow existing space at the Civic Center, with offices in cramped spaces scattered around City Hall. To address this issue, the City has developed plans to create a "one-stop" public service center. The center is designed to enhance customer service and house essential services under one roof including planning, zoning and construction. There would be plenty of storage for City records, museum artifacts and historic photos. The new facility would reduce staffing and maintenance costs.

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Know More Government

No Shoes, No Shirt Required

See your City in action and hear first-hand about decisions that affect the community – without even putting on your shoes. Watch the Monterey City Council on cable Ch. 25 starting this summer. Now you don't have to leave the comfort of your own four walls to attend Council meetings and participate in the decision-making process. Tune in to the City on Tuesdays at 4 and 7 p.m. and see your City work for you. Watch local media updates and check the Web for start dates.

Visit City on the Web

Don't stand in line; go online. Report a problem, keep up to date on City news and events, make a suggestion or learn the steps you need to take to remodel your home. It's the most convenient way to know your City.



Seniors Save on Taxi Rides to Other Cities

For more info or to see renderings and video animations, link to monterey.org/civiccenter. Seniors Save on Taxi Rides to Other Cities Seniors can now save 50% on taxi trips from anywhere within the cities of Monterey, Seaside, Sand City and Del Rey Oaks.

- ***How do seniors save 50%?***

Through the City's Taxi Scrip Program, seniors can purchase a \$20 booklet of taxi scrip from the City for \$10. Scrip is used like cash to pay for cab fare with the Yellow Cab Co. to travel within the designated cities.

- ***What are the rules?***

Seniors must be at least 65 and live in the Monterey City limits.

- ***Where can scrip booklets be purchased?***

Booklets are available at the Scholze Park Center, Hilltop and Casanova Oak Knoll park centers and at the City's Revenue Office.

For more info call 831.646.3944 (suggest@ci.monterey.ca.us).

Seeing Fire Red Red Engines Make Comeback

Traditional red fire vehicles are back in Monterey, with the addition of two fire engines and a rescue vehicle to the public safety fleet.

Why new fire engines?

The state-of-the-art engines maneuver more quickly through narrow City streets. They have a computer-controlled water pump, hydraulic ladder racks and increased storage space. These vehicles replace two 27-year-old units.

What about the new rescue unit?

A toolbox on wheels, the rescue vehicle carries needed equipment that once had to be stored throughout the City's three fire stations. The new unit allows public safety personnel to respond to many emergencies with a single vehicle that holds all the required equipment.

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New Income Limits Set for Affordable Housing Programs

What City programs are available?

Affordable housing programs at the City include down-payment assistance loans, the City's Home Purchase and Resale Program as well as rental assistance programs.

What are some of the income limits?

A family of three can now earn up to \$48,400 per year and qualify as moderate income. A single person can earn \$45,200 per year and still qualify. Income limits are set by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) based on the median income for the Monterey area. HUD income limits set eligibility requirements for all City housing programs.

To get a copy of all household income limits or for help determining if you are eligible for City housing assistance, link to the Housing Web page at www.monterey.org/housing or call the City's Housing Office at 831.646.3995.

Health Risks from Groundwater Contamination at Airport Assessed

- ***Background:***

We have been closely following the cleanup efforts of the water contamination found some 30 feet under the Monterey Peninsula Airport. Since TCE (trichloroethylene, used to degrease metals) was found in the groundwater, the Army Corps of Engineers has determined the contamination plume extends from the airport through the Casanova Oak Knoll neighborhood to the Safeway supermarket on Fremont Street.

The Corps of Engineers is the lead agency for the analysis and cleanup effort because the contamination occurred while the U.S. Navy had an active air base on land leased from the airport between 1942 and 1989. The contamination does not affect water provided by the California-American Water Company (CAL-AM).

- **What's new?**

Last fall the Corps of Engineers tested air trapped in underground pockets for potential contaminants at eight locations – five homes, the Casanova Oak Knoll Community Center and two airport sites. No chemicals related to the TCE groundwater plume were found in the air at these underground sites. The Corps will also look at other possible ways that people could be exposed to plume contaminants or contaminant releases. They will ultimately determine the health risks associated with such exposure. The Army Corps has hired a toxicologist to perform the assessment. Water treatment systems to cleanup the TCE plumes are also being designed. The systems will operate until the groundwater quality is approved by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, a division of the California Environmental Protection Agency. The systems will operate for a minimum of one year.

- **More info:**

The City's role in this cleanup process is to ensure that information is available, and that the interests and concerns of the neighborhood are addressed by the responsible public agencies.

For added info, call the Army Corps hotline at 1-800-227-0951 or call the City's Public Works Department at 831.646.3920 (jgonzale@ci.monterey.ca.us).

Arts & Culture

Cannery Row Mural Lives On

Neither a decade of wear and tear nor recent windstorms could weaken the spirit of the Cannery Row Mural. Today the mural's spirit of cooperation, creativity and community enthusiasm continues to tell the tale of the Row's lively past.

More than 12 years ago, local artists and the City collaborated to create the 400-foot piece of art that camouflages the stalled hotel development on Cannery Row. The original mural design came from sketches (pictured) by the late Bruce Ariss that depicted the "Row" during its heyday. Ariss had been a close friend to author John Steinbeck and his long-time friend Ed "Doc" Ricketts. Ariss spent much time on Cannery Row sketching and documenting the people and activity.



In 1999, the original, weather-beaten mural pieces were sold at public auction. The City once again asked artists, including many of the original 50 artists, to interpret the infamous life of Cannery Row. Visit the Row and see the stories unfold.

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On Schools...

MPUSD and the City

Children, teens and families are important members of our community. The City is committed to supporting efforts to provide diverse, quality opportunities for young people to learn and thrive in society. In recent months, the economic state of the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District (MPUSD) has received much community attention. As a City within MPUSD's sphere of influence, we are committed to the District's success and have helped support them in many ways throughout the years.

However, it is important to note that it is inappropriate (and illegal) for the City to simply bail MPUSD out of its fiscal crisis. As a district, MPUSD serves the cities of Marina, Seaside, Del Rey Oaks, Sand City and Monterey as well as portions of the unincorporated county. Monterey's partnerships with MPUSD have enhanced a wide range of cultural, recreational and educational programs.

For example, the City invested more than \$875,000 to improve and beautify school campuses in exchange for community-wide access to these recreational areas during non-school hours.

The City also maintains athletic fields at schools and provides MPUSD teams with free access to City athletic facilities that are in high demand by other public and many private organizations. We have also developed a fiber optic "telecommunications" network to carry telephone, data, video and Internet services to school facilities. This new network will save the district hundreds of thousands of dollars in hardware and telecommunication service costs.

In addition, the City funds afterschool programs on school sites, Monterey Public Library programs for school children, free library cards for nonresident students and the Homework Pals, Youth Diversion and School Resource Officer programs.

Look forward to continued collaborative efforts between the City, MPUSD and others to ensure that we have the highest quality education opportunities available for our youth.

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Dog Owners...

Keep Your Dog on Leash - it's the Law

Dogs must be kept on a leash in the City – whether on public or private property.

Or they must be kept in an enclosed area, surrounded by a fence or other physical barrier.

When visiting a park that permits dogs or playing in an open yard, a dog must be kept on a leash that is being held by someone or is fastened to a stationary object.

For more info, see the pertinent City Codes noted below or call the City's Animal Control Officer at 831.646.3820.

Relevant City Codes:

Sec. 6-10 Dogs Running at Large Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person having the charge, care, or control of any dog, whether licensed and vaccinated or not, to suffer or permit any such dog to run at large on any public or private property within the City. Provided, however, this Section shall not extend to private property enclosed by a fence or similar device of which the owner of the dog has lawful

possession, ownership or control. All dogs shall be deemed running at large within the meaning of this Section unless led or restrained by a chain, strap, rope, or cord attached to their collars or harness and actually held by some person or made fast to some stationary object.

Sec. 6-16.1 Dogs Prohibited at Certain Public Events.

No person shall permit any dog in their possession or under their control to be present at any public event or place where the City Council has previously declared dogs to be prohibited and where adequate warning signs are posted.

This provision shall not apply to blind, deaf or physically disable persons accompanied by a service dog.

Fences – What to Know Before Building One in Your Yard

When building a fence, how tall can it be?

- **The basic rule:** fences built in the front yard “setback” can only be 4-feet tall or shorter. Fences built on the remainder of the property can be 6-feet tall or shorter. This rule applies to standard interior and corner lots. See Figure 1.
- **The one exception:** fences built on unique corner lots cannot obstruct the visibility of an intersection and must also be set back from the street. These fences are limited to 4 feet adjoining any street. See Figure 2.

Fences must be built within the property, not in the public right-of-way. Know where your property line is before you build. For more info, call the City’s Planning Division at 831.646.3885 (suggest@ci.monterey.ca.us).

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Providing Places, Programs for Community Enjoyment

Quality recreation and leisure programs and safe, attractive parks and recreation facilities foster a healthy, active community. Here in Monterey, the Parks and Recreation Commission helps develop the top-rate programs, activities and maintenance schedules we depend on.

Seven volunteer commissioners oversee a diverse program that includes camps, parades, community centers, parks, baseball fields, playgrounds and the Coastal/Recreation Trail.

Two priority programs of the Commission are:

- **Completion of the Monterey Sports Center Expansion:**
The expansion plan will add an additional 15,200 square feet to the center, addressing the growing demand for affordable recreation and fitness services. The new Sports Center wing will include a larger cardiovascular room and weight room, a new multi-purpose room, additional fitness testing rooms, more locker space, a larger tot activity room and a snack bar/pro shop. “The Monterey Sports Center is truly a family facility, and I am honored to work to meet the recreational needs of our families,” says Commission Chair Debra Laughton. With construction scheduled to be completed this December, look for a grand-opening ceremony in January 2003.
- **Upgrades to the Monterey Youth Center:** Plans at the Youth Center call for expanding and renovating the facility. This will enable programs geared to meet the changing needs of youth and teens in the community. The center was designed and built more than 50 years ago and is in need of a “facelift.”

The Parks and Recreation Commission meets the first Tuesday of each month at noon and the

third Thursday at 7 p.m.

Baby and Me Rhymetime

Parents and babies – we want you! Join us for Baby and Me Rhymetime on the last Friday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Monterey Public Library. The sounds of language in rhymes and stories help lay the foundation for later reading skills. Get your baby off to a good start at the Library! Preschool age siblings are also welcome.



For more info call the Library's Youth Services Desk at 831.646.3934 (ysdesk@ci.monterey.ca.us).

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For History Buffs Only...

Historic Cementerio El Encinal Tells its Own Community Story

Take a tour through historic Cementerio El Encinal and see for yourself the picture it paints of Monterey's past.

Cementerio El Encinal, translated cemetery of many oaks, is situated in

a park-like setting that overlooks Lake El Estero in the heart of downtown Monterey.

Generations of Monterey families and many of those colorful characters who defined our bayside community now rest amid the sentinel oaks.

Some locals found in this historic setting include: Ed "Doc" Ricketts, long-time companion of John Steinbeck; Flora Adams, infamous "madame" of Cannery Row; and Samuel Powers, bronco buster, stagecoach driver and 17-Mile-Drive gatekeeper.

Other notable figures are Jack Swan, founder of California's First Theater; William Robinson, Monterey's first sheriff; and Emma Johnson, who took her place in the annals of Monterey history simply because her tombstone states "she was always right."

Another interesting figure is Jasper M. Barthelow, whose tall, marble headstone dates from the 1800s. The purchase of his plot is documented in the cemetery's original 19-century record book, which is still in use today.

A brochure is available to guide visitors to the various sites.



Some interesting facts

For decades, the historic 10-acre cemetery has been maintained and operated by the City. The Roman Catholic Church deeded the then grassless property to the City in 1933. The cemetery office was a wooden shed with a wooden floor, a pot-bellied stove and a metal outhouse until 1970. Then the City purchased two structures left over from a local celebration for \$75 each and built a new office. In 1997, a new cemetery office building was constructed, along with a new columbarium, and a new service building and yard.

Today Cementerio El Encinal continues to provide local families with a broad range of burial services and assistance.

For more info on the City's cemetery services, call 831.646.3864. Eye on Monterey, a 30-minute City TV show which airs on cable Ch. 25, will feature Cementerio El Encinal in late June. Eye on Monterey airs on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m.

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Safety Tips

Keep Homes Safer, More Secure

Potential burglars look for an easy mark or "target." Surveys show that a thief will look for a house where they can enter quickly, quietly and undetected. *You and your family can practice some simple safety tips that can help keep your home more secure.*



- Around windows and doors, trim trees and shrubs that might help conceal a burglar.
- Trim trees and shrubs so your home can be seen from the street and neighboring residences.
- Use open metal fencing and gates to prevent access from the street to the side and back of your home. This "see through" fencing will provide a physical barrier, while allowing for natural surveillance.
- Plant roses, cactus or other thorny plants below windows.
- Use landscaping material which clearly defines your private property from the public sidewalk or street.
- Make your address clearly visible from the street.
- Install security lighting, activated by motion sensors, on the sides and back of your home.
- Report all suspicious persons and activities immediately to the police by calling 831.646.3914.

If you see someone breaking into a home, call 911. Stay on the phone and be prepared to provide additional information.

- Stop deliveries and have a trusted friend or neighbor watch your home when you're out of town. Notify the police department and provide the name and phone number of an emergency contact. Police volunteers can make periodic exterior safety checks while you are away.

The Monterey Police Department also provides free security surveys for homes and businesses. To schedule an appointment, call Public Education Officer Adam Costa at 831.646.3819 (costa@ci.monterey.ca.us).

Move Right for Sirens and Lights

Cooperation is the key to making sure emergency public safety vehicles arrive at their destination quickly and safely. **Follow these simple rules to help.**

When drivers hear or see an emergency vehicle, pull over as close to the right edge of the road as possible and stop. Remain stopped until all emergency vehicles have passed. However, don't stop in an intersection. If you are in an intersection when you see an emergency vehicle, continue slowly through the intersection and then pull to the right as soon as possible and stop. Per the California Driver Handbook, "yield the right-of-way to emergency vehicles using a siren and red light." *Remember, in an emergency seconds count.*

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Log into the Library

Request books, find out about new materials, search databases and communicate with your Library – all from the comfort of home. New personalized online services are making it easier for community members to do business at the Monterey Public Library.

How do you log in?

From the [Library page](#) click on **Search the Catalog** then click on **Log into PALS**. PALS is the Web catalog shared by Monterey and Pacific Grove libraries. Once in PALS, update an email address, request that messages be sent by email or regular mail, place material on hold, save searches or have PALS tell you when a new book or audiobook by your favorite author arrives.

For more info click "Why Log in?" on the catalog main page, or call 831.646.3933.

Working for the City

Have you ever considered working for the City of Monterey? City employees serve the public in many ways from maintaining the City's parks and roadways and ensuring public safety to issuing business licenses and building permits. Info about current openings is available at the Personnel Office, 399 Madison Street; on the job hotline 646.3751; or link to our [Jobs](#) page. Applications are accepted for current openings only; however, anyone can fill out an Interest Card for positions not currently open. For more info call the City's recruiters at 646.3765 (jones@ci.monterey.ca.us).

"One-Stop Shopping" for Monterey Pet Owners

Get great pet care at low prices with the City/SPCA partnership.

Where do I take my pet?

Monterey Peninsula College Farmer's Market, every fourth Thursday of each month, 2 to 4 p.m.

What services are provided?

- Microchip: \$12
- Rabies vaccinations, required for all dogs in the city: \$7
- Licenses, required for all dogs in the city: \$9 (if the dog is spayed/neutered) or \$24

Rabies vaccinations protect you and your pet! Microchips and license tags provide added security when a pet is lost or stolen.

For more info, call the SPCA at 373-2631 ext. 224.

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Teens Strain Brain, Win

Check it out!

New interactive info boards loaded with Internet research questions, brainteasers, cool facts along with poems, quotes, cartoons and unique Web sites are now at your local community centers. Great prizes are awarded weekly for coming up with correct answers. Visit the Teen Rooms at Hilltop, Archer and Casanova-Oak Knoll park centers and the Monterey Youth Center.

Old TVs and Computers? Think Recycle

Television sets and computer monitors are hazardous waste, both contain lead and mercury. Please DO NOT throw these items in the trash, recycle them. Single-family residents who pay for standard garbage service can call Monterey City Disposal Service at 372.7977 to request a large-item pickup. Apartment dwellers and business owners can take these items to the Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Center. There may be a charge for dropping off the items, and charges vary according to the item's size. Call 384.5313 for details.

Keep Your Sidewalks Safe, Slip Free

Property owners are responsible for maintaining the area in front of their property and keeping it free of safety hazards. When it rains, or during irrigation, water seeps over sidewalks and forms mossy areas where pedestrians can slip and fall. How to clean your sidewalk: Use a stiff bristle broom to whisk moss and foreign material away. Use biodegradable soap, if needed. Do not use bleach or other cleaners since runoff ends up in the Monterey Bay Sanctuary. For more info, call the City's Construction Management Division at 646.3997 (clement@ci.monterey.ca.us).

Visit the Museum

The Presidio of Monterey Museum is open and easily accessible to visitors. Visitors can enter from Artillery Street or Private Bolio Road and turn onto Corporal Ewing Road before entering the military base checkpoint area. Museum hours are Thursday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

City TV, Cable Channel 25

Eye on Monterey- Tuesdays at 6 pm and Wednesdays at 9 am.

Council Wrap-up & Monterey Up-to-date- Tuesdays at 6:30 pm and Wednesdays at 9:30 am.

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Community Tips

Kids' Life Vests a Must When Boating in the Bay

Free children's life jackets are now available for short-term loan at the boat docks in Monterey. If you would like to borrow a kid's life vest, stop by Monterey Bay Kayaks near Wharf II or Glen's Aquarius II at the breakwater near the Coast Guard Pier. The program is sponsored by the Monterey Fire Department and The Boat U.S. Foundation for Boating Safety.

Loans for First-time Homeowners Available

Looking to become a first-time homeowner? If you live or work in the City, ask about our down payment assistance program. Maximum income guidelines apply to this program. Call 646-3995 Monday thru Friday for more info or visit www.monterey.org/housing

Focus on Trees - Tips for Trimming Monterey Pines

- Trim Monterey Pines in the late fall and early winter. Shorter days and cooler temperatures decrease the possibility of attacks from destructive pine bark beetles.
- Avoid trimming your tree in the spring or summer. Longer days and warmer temperatures stimulate more sap flow and insect activity in pines.

When you trim a tree, "wounds" are created that increase the risk of attack from the bark beetles, which can kill trees. This insect has been known to assist in the spread of the pine pitch canker fungus, which has already destroyed many trees throughout the Monterey Peninsula.

Safety Tips - Rules of the Coastal Trail Road

The Monterey Coastal Trail is a multi-use trail, used for walking, biking, rollerblading and jogging. To help ensure that outings are safe and fun, use these tips on trail etiquette and rules of the road.

- Do not speed or use the trail as a raceway. Bicyclists should travel very slowly around crowded areas.
- Stay on the right-hand side.
- Keep dogs on a leash that is no longer than six feet.
- Pick up after your animal, do not leave animal waste along the trail.
- Skateboarding on the trail between Pacific Grove and the Custom House Plaza is prohibited.
- Be aware if traveling the trail after dark. Carry a cellular phone, if possible, and report any suspicious activity.

Save a Life

Learn how to save a life. Free CPR classes for adults and teens 16 years and older are offered at local community centers. For reservations call 646.3873.

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