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Helmets Save Lives!

Did you know that 80% of bicycle-related injuries could be prevented by proper use of a helmet? That's what studies show. So remember, everyone should—and children must—wear helmets when riding bicycles, scooters, and skateboards.



Camarillo police officers want you and your children to be safe, so please follow the following guidelines:

- Always wear a helmet. Serious brain injury can result even from falls that don't seem very bad at the time.
- Children under age 18 must wear helmets when riding bicycles, scooters, and skateboards. Otherwise a fine of more than \$100 may be imposed under California Vehicle Code 21212.
- Obey all street signs, use hand signals, and avoid hazards on the roadway—and teach your children to do the same. A bicycle is considered a "vehicle" and riders must follow the rules of the road.
- If you or your children are riding at night or at dusk, wear light-colored (reflective) clothing to make yourself visible. Anyone biking at night is also required to have a working headlight.

No budget for safety gear? The Camarillo Police Department has a limited number of helmets and other safety items available free to families dealing with financial hardships.

For assistance, please call the Police Department's Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155.

Help with Aging Gracefully



Do you envision aging gracefully in your own home - or do you know someone who does? If so, the Camarillo Council on Aging (CCOA) is here to help achieve that vision. The CCOA has scheduled four informational and interest-assessment meetings titled **"Want to Stay in Your Home? A New Concept for Aging in Place."** The meeting focuses on empowering older adults to live happily, healthfully, and successfully in their own homes as they age. Interest surveys will be available at the meetings or can be completed online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/camvillage. Meeting times are as follows:

10 a.m., September 12, Camarillo Senior Center, 1605 Burnley St.; 5:30 p.m., Sept. 27, Camarillo Health Care District, 3639 Las Posas Rd.; 10 a.m., Oct. 12, City Council Chambers, 601 Carmen Dr.; and 6:30 p.m., Oct. 25, Camarillo Library, 4101 Las Posas Rd.

The CCOA has also scheduled a panel presentation entitled **"Local Safety Nets for Seniors – To Keep You in Your Home"** on **Oct. 27 at 10 a.m.** in the **City Council Chambers**. Panel members from the Older Adult Services and Intervention System (OASIS), Caregivers, Volunteers Assisting the Elderly, CHCD Caregiver Center & Resources, Interface Children and Family Services (2-1-1), and Ventura County Jewish Family Services will provide information about their services and answer questions.

For more information, please contact the Camarillo Council on Aging at (805) 388-5397.

Street Sweeping 101

When and where: In the City of Camarillo, major streets are swept weekly during low traffic times of the day, typically from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Residential streets are swept every other week between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., the day after trash is picked up.



Why: Street sweeping provides two primary benefits to the City. The more obvious benefit is the removal of paper, leaves, and other visible debris that collect in the gutters. This debris can block stormwater facilities, causing localized flooding during heavy rains. An equally important but less visible benefit is the removal of metal particles and other hazardous waste products left by passing vehicles. Although they are virtually invisible, these particles can be extremely harmful to fish and other wildlife if they reach our creeks, rivers, beaches, and bays. Street sweeping is an effective method of removing both large and microscopic pollutants that collect on city streets, serving as one of our Best Management Practices (BMPs) to control and improve water quality.

How to help: To allow street sweepers access to the curb line, the City asks that you move your vehicles off residential streets on scheduled sweeping days. We understand that this may sometimes be inconvenient, but with your cooperation, the sweeper operators can maneuver much more efficiently. The result will be clean streets for all of us to enjoy.

The City's street sweeping route is available to view and print at www.cityofcamarillo.org. For more information, or to report an area that needs immediate attention, please call the City's Street Division at (805) 388-5338.

Honoring Camarillo's Fallen Vets

As a Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemorative Partner and long-time supporter of the United States Armed Forces, the City has partnered with local veterans' groups to honor the service of Camarillo-based Vietnam Veterans and other vets.

American Legion Post 741, Camarillo, is working on a project to compile the names of armed forces personnel from the greater Camarillo area (Camarillo City, the Heights, the Estates, Somis and the Santa Rosa Valley) who, during or after World War I, were killed in action or fought in a military campaign and are unaccounted for and presumed dead. The American Legion is planning to have these names cast onto a bronze plaque and mounted on the reverse side of the City's Veteran's Memorial Monument located in Constitution Park.

If you know of someone who gave his or her life as described above and who was living in the greater Camarillo area at the time of their deployment, please call Bob Garcia, American Legion Post 741, at (805) 482-3916.

In Case Rainy Season is Ahead - Be Prepared!

After the warm summer months, you may be looking forward to the cooler weather and the rainy days we all hope are ahead. Instead of waiting for rain to be forecast or a storm to start, be smart and prepare your property ahead of time.

If you fail to keep water-flow pathways clear of debris, the result could damage your property or the property of your downhill neighbors. What's more, sediment and pollutants that erode from slopes or private drains can make their way into our storm-drain system, our creeks, and ultimately into our ocean where fish and other sea life must deal with it.

To ensure public safety and protect the environment, as well as prevent erosion and avoid potential flooding, the City of Camarillo strongly urges all property owners to stabilize, repair, and maintain all the slopes, ditches, and drainage facilities on their property. Clean out storm drain inlets, lines, and V-ditches before that first storm comes. Drought-conscious residents who have taken steps to reduce their water consumption by installing drought-tolerant landscaping should apply erosion controls prior to major rain events. Doing so will help prevent loose mulch, woodchips, dirt, or other debris from washing out into the street and into the storm-drain system.



Why wait until it may be too late? Start now and feel confident about the weather changes ahead. For more about stormwater issues or to report potential stormwater problems, call the City's Stormwater Program Manager at (805) 383-5659.

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 SPENDING PLAN

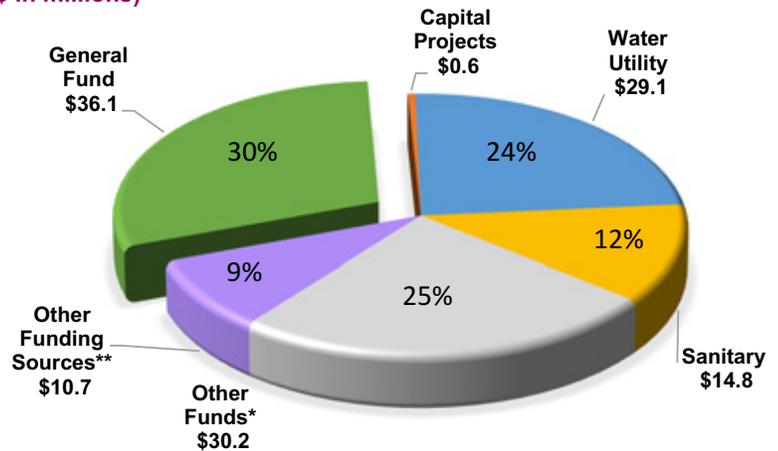
GENERAL FUND \$36.1 MILLION – CITYWIDE \$121.5 MILLION

Camarillo City Council adopted a balanced budget that provides for current service levels and several capital improvement projects. The City's fund reserves are maintained, and as in the past years, it is anticipated that the City of Camarillo will remain in good financial condition throughout the coming fiscal year.

Revenue/Sources

(\$ in millions)

| General Fund Detail | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Sales Taxes | \$ 14.4 |
| Property Taxes | 11.1 |
| Franchise Taxes | 2.7 |
| Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) | 2.3 |
| Other Sources | 2.3 |
| Charges for Services | 1.8 |
| Licenses & Permits | 1.5 |
| Total Revenues | \$ 36.1 |

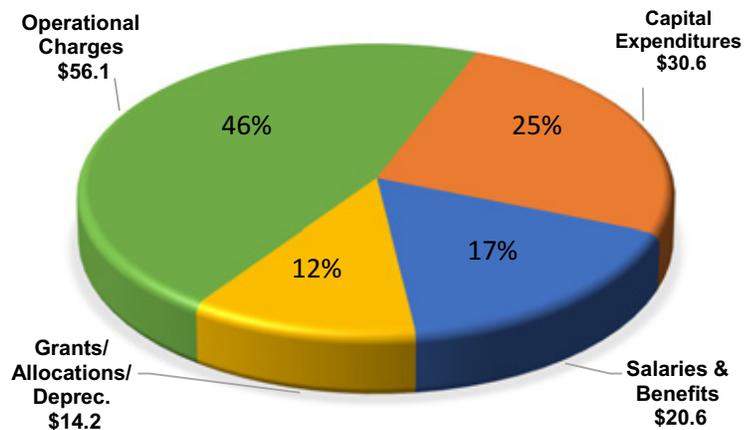


*Includes Solid Waste, Transit, Library Operations, Lighting/Landscape Maintenance Districts, Internal Service Funds and other services. **Includes accumulated fund balance for Capital Improvement Projects.

Expenditures/Uses

(\$ in millions)

| General Fund Detail | |
|----------------------|---------|
| Operational Charges | \$ 20.6 |
| Salaries & Benefits | 5.5 |
| Grants / Allocations | 2.1 |
| Capital Expenditures | 0.2 |
| Total Expenditures | 28.4 |
| Net Transfers | 7.7 |
| Total | \$ 36.1 |



The City prefunds capital projects over a five-year planning period, thus allowing several projects to commence, even in lean years. Some of the planned projects are:

Street Improvements: Several projects to improve City streets are planned, including bike lanes on a portion of Las Posas Road, Annual Street Overlay/Slurry Program, and a traffic signal at Arneill and Dunnigan.

Water Repairs/Improvements: Plans include a recycled water main and reclaimed water storage reservoir.

Sanitary Improvements: Several projects to rehabilitate sewer lines, upgrade Pump Station #3 to improve efficiency, and treatment plant improvements to update pumps.

Autumn Is in the Air at the Library

The library is open Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5, for Labor Day. Contact us at (805) 388-5222 or visit us online at www.camarillolibrary.org. We are located at 4101 Las Posas Road. The following is a list of Autumn programs.

Youth & Family Programs

- **Card Sign-Up Month:** September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month, Snoopy is the Honorary Chair Dog! **Sept. 1 - 30**
 - **Camarillo Kiwanis Club Book Buddies:** Members share stories. Tuesdays beginning **Sept. 6, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
 - **Family Storytime:** Storytellers present stories, songs, and crafts. Join the fun! Tuesdays, **Sept. 6, 7 to 8 p.m.**
 - **Preschool Storytimes:** Preschoolers and families enjoy stories and crafts. Tuesdays & Wednesdays, **Sept. 6, 10 to 11 a.m.**
 - **PAWS for Reading:** Certified therapy dogs listen to children read. Mondays & Wednesdays, **Sept. 7, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
 - **Game Days!:** Play board games, puzzles, & LEGOs with family & friends. Saturdays, **Sept. 10 through Oct. 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
 - **Peace Pole Dedication:** Come together to celebrate with music, food trucks, and crafts. **Sunday, Sept. 11, 1 to 4 p.m.**
 - **Toddler Time with Miss Susan:** Stories and songs for wiggly toddlers. Mondays beginning **Sept. 12, 10 to 11 a.m.**
 - **Storytime Amigos:** Hispanic Heritage Month features stories and songs in Spanish and English. Wednesdays beginning **Sept. 14, 3 to 3:30 p.m.**
 - **Talk Like a Pirate Day:** Cap'n True shares sea tales and shanties in our Pirate Ship. Saturday, **Sept. 17, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**
 - **National Hispanic Heritage Month Storytime:** Bilingual stories with author Amada Irma Perez. Tuesday, **Sept. 20, 7 to 8 p.m.**
 - **LEGO Robotics with Sandbox Computers:** Use LEGO bricks and electronics to build robots. Saturday, **Oct. 1, 2 to 4 p.m.**
 - **Star Wars Reads Day:** Celebrate this 5th annual nationwide event; costumes encouraged. Saturday, **Oct. 15, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.**
 - **Not-Too-Scary Halloween Fun:** Pumpkins, games, and ghosts. Dress up in costumes! Saturday, **Oct. 29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**
 - **Kindermusik with Katie:** Enjoy music, songs, and movement. Dress up in costumes! Monday, **Oct. 31, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**
- Teen Programs (ages 12-18)
- **Teen Makerspace:** 3D Printing. Thursday, **Sept. 15, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.**
 - **Teen Book Club:** Get a free book each month to discuss the following month. Saturday, **Sept. 17 and Oct. 15, 1 to 2:30 p.m.**
 - **Teen Advisory Board:** Have fun while earning community service hours. Saturday, **Sept. 17 and Oct. 15 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.**
 - **Teen Poetry Slam:** Perform and share your own work. Saturday, **Oct. 8, 2 to 4 p.m.**
 - **Teen Makerspace-Brushbots:** Design your own mini-robot, then we'll race them. Thursday, **Oct. 20, 4 to 6 p.m.**
 - **Save the Date-Teen Reader's Conference:** Discover new titles and go home with free books! Saturday, **Nov. 5, 2 to 4 p.m.**

Adult Programs

- **Tuesday Morning Book Club:** A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman. Tuesday, **Sept. 13, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**
- **Camarillo Library Camera Club** welcomes photographers of all ages and experiences. Wednesday, **Sept. 14, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**
- **Volunteer Orientation** at the Camarillo Public Library; join a great team! Thursdays, **Sept. 15 and Oct. 20 at 5:30 p.m.**
- **CSUCI Lecture Series:** "Influenza A Viruses in Artificial Community Water Ponds: Potential for IAV Surveillance." Monday, **Oct. 10 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.**
- **Tuesday Morning Book Club:** The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah. Tuesday, **Oct. 11 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**
- **Richard Senate's Ghosts of Ventura County:** Historian/author talks about hauntings. Wednesday, **Oct. 26, 7 to 8 p.m.**
- **Must-See Movies for Adults, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.:**

Sept. 1 — *Joy* (PG-13)

Oct. 13 — *Whiskey Tango Foxtrot* (R)

Sept. 22 — *Race* (PG-13)

Oct. 6 — *Civil War - Captain America* (PG-13)

Sept. 15 — *Anomalisa* (R)

Oct. 27 — *Young Frankenstein* (PG)

Sept. 8 — *Jungle Book* (PG)

Oct. 20 — *Ghostbusters* (PG)

Russell Fischer Business Collection Presentations

- Do you have what it takes to be a successful entrepreneur? Find out! **Sept. 6 at 6:30 p.m.**
- CSUCI's Professor Doug Lane discusses **entrepreneurial innovation** and the future. **Sept. 7 at 6 p.m.**
- Nicole Radin from WEV shares **how to create your own job**. **Sept. 9 at 9:30 a.m.**
- Michael Veltri teaches business leaders the **Mushin Way to Peak Performance**. **Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m.**
- Find out how to **grow your business** at "Opportunity Knocks, Now What?" **Sept. 21 at 8:30 a.m.**
- Learn strategies for a **successful job search** during this weeklong workshop. **Sept. 26 through 30 at 8:30 a.m.**
- Manage your **transition toward new employment** with Douglas Welch. **Oct. 7 at 9:30 a.m.**
- CSUCI's Professor Jared Barton explores **perceptions of elections** using economics. **Oct. 12 at 6 p.m.**
- Join us for a light-hearted discussion on the **psychology behind web design**. **Oct. 19 at 10 a.m.**
- Kirkland Tibbels explores **challenges we face during a transition**. **Oct. 26 at 9:30 a.m.**

September 2016

- 3, 10, 17, 24 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
8 A.M. - 12 P.M., CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 987-3347

- 4 **CAMARILLO SENIOR ART SHOW**
PRESENTED BY THE CAMARILLO ART CENTER
1 P.M. - 4 P.M., CAMARILLO ART CENTER
 3150 PONDEROSA DRIVE, 445-7061
WWW.CAMARILLOARTCENTER.ORG

- 4 **CHILI COOK-OFF & MUSIC FESTIVAL**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
11 A.M. - 4 P.M., CAMARILLO RANCH HOUSE
 201 CAMARILLO RANCH ROAD, 389-8182
WWW.CAMARILLOCHILICOOK-OFF.COM

- 9, 10 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CITYOFCAMARILLO.ORG

- 10 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
RAYMOND MICHAEL (TRIBUTE TO ELVIS)
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
 601 CARMEN DRIVE, CAMARILLO, 987-7847
WWW.CAMARILLOARTSCOUNCIL.ORG

- 17 **COASTAL CLEANUP DAY**
9 A.M. - 12 P.M., CAMARILLO
 FOR INFORMATION, CALL 383-5659
WWW.COASTALCLEANUP.ORG

- 24 **FREE ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION**
9 A.M. - 1 P.M., CAMARILLO COMMUNITY CENTER
 1605 BURNLEY ST., CAMARILLO (805) 499-0050
WWW.PCRECYCLE.US

- 25 **SUNDAY CRUISE (FORMERLY CRUISE NIGHTS)**
1 P.M. - 5 P.M., 2222 VENTURA BLVD.
WWW.CAMARILLO-OLDTOWN.COM

- 25 **AUTUMN ART SHOW**
PRESENTED BY THE CAMARILLO ART CENTER
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October 2016

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- 14, 15 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
 BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ONLINE
WWW.CITYOFCAMARILLO.ORG

- 22 **NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION TAKE-BACK DAY**
10 A.M. - 2 P.M., CAMARILLO POLICE STATION
 3701 E. LAS POSAS ROAD, CAMARILLO
 FOR INFORMATION, CALL 388-5100

- 23 **ADOLFO CAMARILLO, BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**
12 P.M. - 4 P.M., CAMARILLO RANCH
 201 CAMARILLO RANCH ROAD, 389-8182
WWW.CAMARILLORANCH.ORG

- 30 **GOOD THINGS IN SMALL PACKAGES SHOW**
PRESENTED BY THE CAMARILLO ART CENTER
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Economic Development = Business Assistance



The City is actively and effectively helping our business community. While attracting new businesses to Camarillo is an important part of our economic development efforts, the majority of our work is in assisting existing businesses.

A key function of the City is to connect businesses with resources to assist them. To do this, we interact with business owners and market these programs through the *BusinessScene* newsletter, our government channel, flyers at city hall and business expos, and our Business Visit program. The City visits Camarillo companies to learn about their needs, and to connect them with the appropriate assistance. We understand that running a business consumes a lot of time and energy; this limits the time that business owners have to keep track of resources that are available to them.

The business resources noted include a number of excellent organizations that collaborate with the City. One of these agencies serves both Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties, and is based here: the Economic Development Collaborative of Ventura County (EDC-VC). The EDC-VC is funded by each of the cities in the county, so its experienced consultants are available to all business at no cost. The EDC-VC also has loan programs for businesses that may have difficulty obtaining traditional bank financing. Located in the same office is the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) of Ventura County. The EDC-VC and SBDC work with businesses of all sizes on everything from start-up planning to helping companies experiencing a decline.

In 2015, some 60 businesses in Camarillo benefitted from the EDC-VC and/or SBDC. For more information, the website is www.edc-vc.com; or, please contact Kelly Noble at (805) 384-1800, ext. 21.

In addition to the EDC-VC and SBDC, there are a number of other organizations and programs, that the City collaborates with to assist our business community. Some of these agencies include the Workforce Development Board of VC, the Camarillo Chamber of Commerce, the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GO-Biz), and the Coastal Housing Partnership.

A list of business assistance programs is available on the City website www.cityofcamarillo.org. On the homepage, click on 'Business' near the top of the page, then 'Business Assistance' on the following page. Click on the icon (right) at the top-left of the next page. If you have questions, or would like to schedule a business visit, please contact John Fraser at (805) 388-5349, or jfraser@cityofcamarillo.org.

Business Assistance
Programs





City of Camarillo
601 Carmen Drive
Camarillo, California 93010
(805) 388-5307

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Frontier: (805) 388-5349

City Cable TV Representative: 388-5349
Economic Development: 388-5349
Trash Collection (E.J. Harrison): 647-1414
Recycling & Hazardous Waste: 388-5392
Hazardous Waste **Appt. Line:** 987-0717

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Code Compliance: 383-5660

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Water: 388-5373
Engineering: 388-5340
Traffic: 388-5340
Water Reclamation: 388-5332

Abandoned Vehicles 388-5150
Airport Noise Complaints 947-6803
Animal Services 388-4341
Building & Safety 388-5395
Camarillo Area Transit (*Dial-A-Ride*) 988-4228
Camarillo Library 388-5222
Fire Department (*non-emergency*) 389-9710
Graffiti Reports 388-5338
Police Department (*non-emergency*) 388-5100
Camarillo Post Office (800) 275-8777

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cityhall@cityofcamarillo.org

Camarillo Library Website
www.camarillolibrary.org

Social Services Hotline: 211

Camarillo Government Channel

Channel 10 (Time Warner customers)
Channel 29 (Frontier customers)

