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Don't Just Throw Away Your Personal Information—Shred It

On Saturday, October 8, the Adolfo Camarillo High School Recycle Club and the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District will host a secure paper-shredding event at the Camarillo Community Center, 1605 Burnley Street, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Thanks to a partnership with RSI Shredding, this free program is available to all City residents and businesses.

Discarding personal and confidential information with your trash is a dangerous practice that can lead to identity theft. Shredding documents that contain Social Security numbers and other identifying information, including credit card statements, applications, receipts, medical records, bank statements, tax and other legal documents, is one of the best ways to protect your personal and confidential information.

A per-customer maximum of six boxes or 12 grocery bags of paper—no trash, please—will be shredded at no charge. There will be a \$4 charge for each additional box. Documents will be shredded on-site in a specially marked RSI shredding truck before delivery to a recycling center. Customer boxes will be returned to participants for reuse after their paper is collected. For more information on this program, please call Susan Belluschi at (805) 278-0162.

If You've Got E-Waste, We Want It!

Mark your calendar and get ready to clear out those closets, cupboards and the garage where you may have stored a decade's worth of obsolete computers, printers, fax machines and other electronic equipment. On Saturday, September 24, the Pleasant Valley Recreation and Park District will host an electronic waste (e-waste) collection event at the Camarillo Community Center, 1605 Burnley Street, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This free event, which will be held rain or shine, is available to all City residents and businesses, free of charge, and no appointment is needed.

Electronics shouldn't be disposed of in landfills because many of their components, such as circuit boards, batteries, and cathode-ray tubes (CRTs), may contain hazardous materials which can be released into the environment. Proper handling is necessary to ensure that toxins such as lead, mercury, and chromium can't pose a threat to human and animal health. That's where this collection event can help.

In addition to computers, printers and fax machines, the following recyclable items will be collected: DVD players, all scientific and IT electronics, MP3 players, power supplies, server cabinets, stereo equipment, TVs, walkmans, pagers, printers, speakers, telephone equipment, vacuum cleaners, wireless devices, monitors, scanners, video game systems, audio/visual equipment, cellular phones, copiers, digital cameras, and computer components.

Sorry, light bulbs, alkaline batteries, household/commercial appliances such as refrigerators, washers and dryers, or any hazardous materials (such as paint) are not acceptable. For more information about this event, please call the event operator at (805) 499-0050.

Don't Miss This Bin and Barrel Sale!

On Saturday, October 22, the County of Ventura and City of Camarillo, along with other area cities, will host a backyard compost bin and rain barrel truckload sale at the County Government Center, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, in the Hall of Administration parking lot. The Earth Machine Compost bins will sell for \$43 each and System rain barrels will cost \$57 each. The sale is from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and quantities are limited, so it's a good idea to arrive early.

Compost bins have been promoted for years as a tool to help residents reduce the amount of yard clippings and food waste they set out at the curb. Composting yard clippings at home is a more energy- and resource-efficient way to handle the waste than transporting, processing, and selling compost commercially.

Rain barrels are a great way to reduce water consumption. They connect to downspouts on your house, capture the rain falling on your roof and store it for later use. Before draining into the 55-gallon barrel, the water is screened to prevent leaves and twigs from getting in. The screen also stops mosquitoes from breeding in the stored water. Properly constructed and maintained rain barrels have lids screwed or bolted down to prevent children and small animals from getting into them. When your plants get thirsty, just attach a hose to the bottom of the barrel and let gravity push the water out.

For more information, please visit www.wasteless.org.



Ready for Rain? Slopes and Drains Must Be Maintained!



V-ditch in need of vegetation removal.

City of Camarillo residents are encouraged to get ready for the coming rainy season by ensuring that slopes on their property are maintained and drainage facilities are properly cleaned out and kept clear of debris. Failing to maintain private slopes or drainage facilities, such as V-ditches, drain inlets and lines, may result in damage to the homeowner's property as well as to downhill neighbors.

The sediment and various pollutants that erode from slopes or that come out of private drains, end up in the storm drain system. Once there, they find their way into our creeks and end up in the ocean without treatment, thus impairing the water and possibly harming aquatic life.

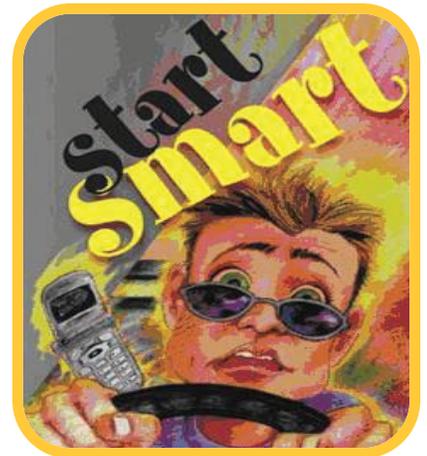
For additional information regarding stormwater pollution and erosion control, or to report potential stormwater problems, please call the City's Stormwater Program Manager at (805) 383-5659.

"Start Smart" Class for Teenage Drivers

Classes are forming now for the "Start Smart" program, a driver safety education class hosted by the Camarillo Police Department, which targets new and future licensed teenage drivers between the ages of 15 and 19. Start Smart is a cooperative effort of the California Highway Patrol, Camarillo Police Department, teenage drivers, and their parents.

Start Smart is designed to help young drivers and their parents/guardians understand the responsibilities associated with driving a motor vehicle. The program will demonstrate how a poor choice behind the wheel can change the lives of everyone involved. The goal is to raise awareness and to reduce the number of teen-related injuries and deaths caused by traffic collision.

This free class, which is limited to 20 students and their parents, will take place at the Camarillo Police Station, 3701 E. Las Posas Road. For more information, or to reserve your spot, please call the Camarillo Police Department's Community Resource Unit at (805) 388-5155.



New drivers need to Start Smart.
Enroll your young driver in a
Start Smart program today.

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS FISCAL YEAR 2011/12 BUDGET

All Funds - \$113.1 Million

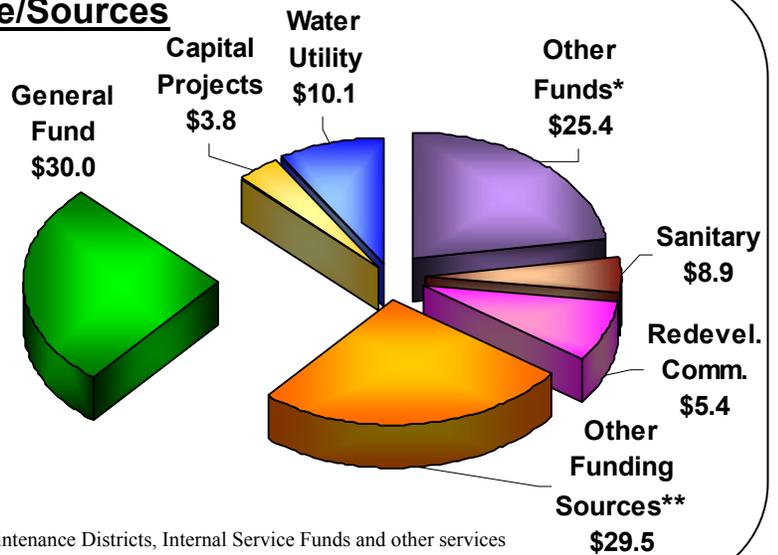
GENERAL FUND \$30.0 Million

CITYWIDE \$113.1 Million

(\$ in millions)

Revenue/Sources

Revenues	
Sales Taxes	\$ 12.7
Property Taxes	9.4
Franchise Taxes	2.4
Transient Occupancy Tax	1.6
Business Tax	1.3
Building Permits	0.5
Development Services	0.4
Investment Income	0.3
Motor Vehicle Fees	0.2
Other Revenues	1.2
Total Revenues	\$ 30.0

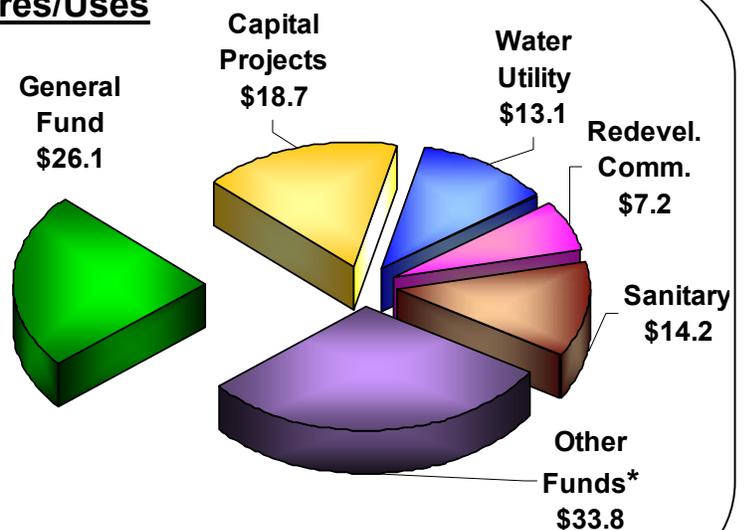


*Includes Solid Waste, Transit, Library Operations, Lighting/Landscape Maintenance Districts, Internal Service Funds and other services
 **Includes accumulated fund balance for Capital Improvement Projects

Expenditures

Police Services	\$ 15.4
City Administration	2.8
Community Development	2.2
Public Works	1.9
Finance	1.3
Cultural Arts	0.9
Code Compliance	0.7
Building and Safety	0.6
Economic Development	0.3
Total Expenditures	26.1
Net Transfers	18.0
Reserves	(14.1)
Total	\$ 30.0

Expenditures/Uses



*Includes Solid Waste, Transit, Library Operations, Lighting/Landscape Maintenance Districts, Internal Service Funds and other services

\$19.8 Million Planned Capital Improvement Projects for 2011/12

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:

Sanitary System Improvements - Initiate sewer main improvements, and sewer pipeline construction/replacement to upgrade the system. Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation to improve safety and high pump capacity.

Conference Center - Construct drainage improvements to facilitate a more useable parcel configuration.

Annual Streets Overlay/Slurry Maintenance Program - Continue the annual Pavement Management Plan to restore and maintain pavement to minimize major reconstruction.

Bike Trail Phase 4 - Extend the Calleguas Creek Bike Trail from Adolfo Road to Mission Oaks Blvd., crossing the US101 Freeway and joining with Village at the Park bike path improvements.

Fall Programs at the Camarillo Library

Special Events

Writing and Publishing Series co-sponsored by the **California Literary Arts Society** - Thursdays in September at 7 p.m. in the Community Room. 9/1: Self-publishing; 9/8: Freelance writers' panel; 9/15: Memoirs; 9/22: Blogging; and 9/29: Two steps to publishing success.

Monthly Special Saturdays return on 9/17 at 10 a.m. in the Community Room with the **Rafael & Katia Pirate Magic Show** to celebrate the annual **Talk Like a Pirate Day**. Sponsored by the Friends of the Camarillo Library.

September Genealogy Classes - Genealogical Society volunteers conduct classes on genealogy resources. Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the second floor Tech Lab.

Friends of the Library Sunday Programs - 9/18, 2 p.m.: **Native Plants for Native Birds**; 10/16, 2 p.m.: **Edgar Allen Poe: One Man Show**.

Celebrating Ventura County's Maritime History in October - 10/8, 10 a.m., Community Room: Bill Conroy from the **Ventura County Maritime Museum** will discuss history at sea as part of Special Saturdays. 10/15, 10 a.m., Community Room: Learn the history of the **United States Coast Guard** from members of our own Coast Guard Station Channel Islands. 10/27, 6:30 p.m., movie screening: **Soul Surfer**.

October is Latino Heritage Month! 10/3, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Miguel Rivera plays **Latin Music**. 10/6, 6:30 p.m., Community Room: a screening of documentary "**The Other Side of Immigration**." 10/10, 6 p.m., Community Room: Frank Barajas, Associate Professor at CSUCI, offers a lecture titled "**Aggressive in Spirit: Ventura County Mexican American Activism in an Age of Protest, 1960-1973**."

Ongoing Events

Esper A. Petersen Homework Center will re-open 9/6. Tutors work one-on-one with K - 8th graders, Monday and Wednesday, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Thursday, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Storytimes: Morning Storytimes at 10 a.m. return 9/12. **Toddler Storytime** Monday, and **Preschooler Storytime** Tuesday and Wednesday. **Family Storytimes** continues every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Book Buddies resumes Tuesday, 9/13, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., with Kiwanis members reading in the Pirate Ship.

PAWs for Reading moves to Monday and Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Story Corner.

The **Teen Writer's Club** meets Wednesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **Teen Advisory Board** will meet on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning 9/6, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Teen Games** will continue on the first and third Saturday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Young Adult (YA) area, to play new and classic board games.

New! Manga/Anime Club: Bring your favorites and share what's new in the Manga/Anime world. We meet in the YA area at 2 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month, beginning 9/17.

New! Teen First Saturdays! Join us on the first Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. in the YA area. This month we'll craft something unique out of duct tape!

Computing with Confidence Drop-in Computer Help – Wednesdays, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., second floor Tech Lab.

What and Where - Search the Library Online Catalog Tech Workshop - Fourth Sunday of every month, second floor Tech Lab. **Pre-registration is required.** Sign up at the reference desk or call (805) 388-5811.

Book Clubs meet in the conference room: **First Tuesday evening** at 7 p.m.; **second Tuesday morning** at 11 a.m.; and **fourth Thursday evening** at 7 p.m.

Genealogy: Volunteers are available to assist on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The library will be closed Monday, 9/5 for Labor Day. The library is open daily, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Contact us at (805) 388-5222, or visit us on-line at www.camarillolibrary.org. The library is located at 4101 Las Posas Road.



September 2011

- 3, 10, 17, 24 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
8 A.M.-NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 4 **MUSIC FESTIVAL & CHILI COOK-OFF**
NOON TO 5 P.M., CAMARILLO RED BARN
201 CAMARILLO RANCH RD, 389-6870
- 7, 14, 21, 28 **CAMARILLO COMMUNITY BAND**
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M., COMMUNITY CENTER PARK
1605 E. BURNLEY STREET, 484-8050
- 9, 10 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ON-LINE
WWW.CI.CAMARILLO.CA.US
- 10 **CONCERT IN THE PARK**
RAYMOND MICHAEL
A TRIBUTE TO ELVIS
7:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
601 CARMEN DRIVE, 987-7847
- 17 **COASTAL CLEANUP DAY**
9 A.M. TO 12 NOON, CAMARILLO
FOR INFORMATION, CALL 388-5385
WWW.VCCOASTALCLEANUP.ORG
- 23 **CAMARILLO OLD TOWN CRUISE NIGHT**
5 P.M. TO 8 P.M.
2220 VENTURA BLVD., 443-9219
- 24 **CAMARILLO ART AND JAZZ FESTIVAL**
10 A.M., CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, VENTURA BLVD
WWW.CAMARILLOARTANDJAZZ.COM

October 2011

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET**
SPONSORED BY CAMARILLO HOSPICE
8 A.M.-NOON, CAMARILLO OLD TOWN, 482-1507
- 2 **OKTOBERFEST & CLASSIC CAR SHOW**
11 A.M. TO 4 P.M., CAMARILLO RANCH HOUSE
201 CAMARILLO RANCH RD., 389-8182
WWW.CAMARILLORANCH.ORG
- 7, 8 **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF**
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, 987-0717 OR ON-LINE
WWW.CI.CAMARILLO.CA.US
- 8 **PAPER SHRED EVENT**
9 A.M. TO NOON, CAMARILLO COMMUNITY CENTER
1605 BURNLEY ST., 278-0162
- 22 **COMPOST BIN AND RAIN BARREL SALE**
9:30 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M., CONSTITUTION PARK
800 S. VICTORIA AVE, VENTURA
- 23 **ADOLFO CAMARILLO BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**
NOON TO 4 P.M., CAMARILLO RANCH HOUSE
201 CAMARILLO RANCH RD., 389-8182
WWW.CAMARILLORANCH.ORG

Emergency Expo – September 17, 2011



On Saturday, September 17, the City of Camarillo and Camarillo LDS Church will co-host an Emergency Expo for residents, from 9 a.m. to

4 p.m., in Constitution Park and on the large field at the church adjacent to City Hall. The Expo will have something for everyone, including emergency responders, supplies, exhibits, demonstrations, and activities for children. Participants will include the Ventura County Fire and Sheriff's departments, VC Emergency Medical Services, DART and CERT programs, a scheduled landing by a VCFD helicopter, and much more! The first 200 people who attend the Expo (and visit exhibits) will receive a free T-shirt and a *Ready Ventura County* bag. For more information, please call (805) 388-5349.

Camarillo Art & Jazz Festival

Camarillo Old Town is proud to host the Camarillo Art & Jazz Festival, Saturday, September 24. The historic district comes alive beginning at 2 p.m. and attendees will be able to listen to live music all afternoon while browsing the artists' studios at Studio Channel Islands Art Studios. This year's musical event will include the annual Evening Under the Stars Concert, a wine garden, beer garden and gourmet food for patrons.



Bobby Caldwell and Blue Moon Swamp Band, a Creedence Clearwater Revival tribute band, will co-headline the concert. Beginning at 6 p.m, led by Dan McGuinness, Blue Moon Swamp treats audiences to a powerful, authentic musical journey through some of the best American rock 'n' roll music ever recorded. McGuinness' remarkable ability to take the best of John Fogerty and make it his own adds incredible depth and richness to the concert experience, making Blue Moon Swamp a dynamic and visually entertaining live event for all audience types.

Bobby Caldwell's live performance, beginning at 8:15 p.m., will be electrifying! Drawing from his vast repertoire of R&B, smooth jazz, and big band songs, Bobby entertains fans of all ages.

Tickets are \$25 presale or \$30 at the gate and include festival seating, so bring your blanket or lawn chairs. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.camarilloartandjazz.com.

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Time Warner:	888-892-2253	Animal Services	388-4341
Verizon:	888-553-1555	Building & Safety	388-5395
City Cable TV Representative:	388-5349	Camarillo Area Transit (Dial-A-Ride)	988-4228
Economic Development:	388-5349	Camarillo Library	388-5222
Trash Collection (E.J. Harrison):	647-1414	Fire Department (non-emergency)	389-9710
Recycling & Hazardous Waste:	388-5392	Graffiti Reports	388-5338
City Hazardous Waste Appts.	987-0717	Police Department (non-emergency)	388-5100
City Clerk	388-5316	City Website	
Finance	388-5320	www.ci.camarillo.ca.us	
Accounts Payable:	388-5352	City E-mail Address	
Business Licenses:	388-5330	cityhall@ci.camarillo.ca.us	
Utility/Customer Service:	388-5325	Camarillo Library Website	
Community Development	388-5360	www.camarillolibrary.org	
Code Compliance:	383-5660	Social Services Hotline, 211	
Public Works	388-5380	Camarillo Government Channel	
Streets:	388-5338	Channel 10 (Time Warner customers)	
Water:	388-5373	Channel 29 (Verizon FiOS customers)	
Engineering:	388-5340		
Traffic:	388-5340		
Water Reclamation:	388-5332		

