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A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER OF THE CITY OF LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE

SUMMER 2024

Fiesta Days Schedule

La Cañada Flintridge residents are invited to spend their Memorial Day weekend at the City's annual Fiesta Days celebration. Hosted by the Chamber of Commerce, this weekend-long event will take place Saturday, May 25, through Monday, May 27.

The City of La Cañada Flintridge is not only a sponsor but is also in charge of the public safety component of the event. The City, County Sheriff, County Fire and countless other personnel prepare for the event to ensure that everyone is safe during the festivities.

Fiesta Days festivities will kick off with a french toast breakfast at Memorial Park, followed by weekend activities, including a vintage car show, picnic, live music, run and fireworks show. **Please note that the Fiesta Days Run will follow a new route this year, starting and finishing at Olberz Park.**

Learn more: CityofLCF.org/Annual-Fiesta-Days-Special-Event/



Saturday, May 25

- 8 – 11 a.m.** French Toast Breakfast
Memorial Park
- 8 – 11 a.m.** Vintage Car Show
Memorial Park
- 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.** Farmers Market
1346 Foothill Blvd.
- 2 – 5 p.m.** Tournament of Roses
Assn. Open House
4524 Hampton Road
- 6:30 – 9 p.m.** Family Bingo Night &
Ice Cream Sundae Bar
Community Center of
La Cañada Flintridge

Sunday, May 26

- 12 – 4 p.m.** Lanterman House
Summer Picnic
& Ukulele Rendezvous
4420 Encinas Drive
- 6 p.m.** Dinner
- 6:30 p.m.** Music
Family Dinner &
LCHS Jazz Band
Memorial Park
- 8:45 p.m.** Fireworks Show
Memorial Park

Monday, May 27

- 7:30 a.m.** YMCA of the Foothills
Fiesta Days Run
Olberz Park
- 9 a.m.** Memorial Service
Memorial Park
- 10:30 a.m.** “America the Beautiful”
Parade
Memorial Park
- 12 – 3:30 p.m.** Afternoon in the Park
Memorial Park
- 4 p.m.** Music in the Park
Memorial Park

Housing in La Cañada Flintridge

Other Notable Updates

As part of implementing the Housing Element, the City adopted a zone change to rezone all identified parcels outside and within the Downtown Village Specific Plan. This change will help increase density, implement objective design standards and reduce development standards to make housing more easily developed.

On March 19, Director of Community Development Susan Koleda presented the Annual Report on the Housing Element to the City Council. The report identified submitted and approved planning entitlements associated with housing, submitted and issued building permits, the total number of housing units, all adopted housing programs and the actions taken on each.

The City created a webpage on post entitlement permits for housing. Post entitlement permits are for housing projects that create additional dwelling units and do not apply to additions or alterations to existing residences or commercial permits. For more information, visit [CityOfLCF.org/Housing](https://www.cityoflcf.org/Housing)

The City created a webpage on removing antiquated, unlawful and discriminatory restrictions that may still appear in older property records, titles and grant deeds. For more information, visit [CityOfLCF.org/Covenants](https://www.cityoflcf.org/Covenants)

Coming soon is a new webpage dedicated to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), including explanations on the different ADUs, zones ADUs are permitted in, a step-by-step guide to applying for an ADU building permit and the development standards that apply to the different types of ADU.

In March of this year, a court ruling found that the City of La Cañada Flintridge should process the proposed development at 600 Foothill Blvd. as a Builder's Remedy project. Builder's Remedy is a legal provision of the State Housing Accountability Act that prohibits cities from disapproving development proposals inconsistent with local zoning and general plan requirements if a city does not have a State-certified Housing Element. The City's position is that the Builder's Remedy application for the development was invalid because the City had a "substantially compliant" housing element when the application was filed.

The ruling affirmed that the City of La Cañada Flintridge did not act in bad faith. Moreover, the Court denied the petitioners' causes of action claiming that the City had violated California's Density Bonus Law and the Subdivision Map Act.

The City of La Cañada Flintridge is committed to supporting statewide efforts to tackle the high cost of housing. The City has repeatedly demonstrated its willingness to work with the community, stakeholders and the State to ensure that the City can fulfill its share of the State's much-needed housing. The City stands ready to implement its identified housing programs and partner with the community and the State on this critical mission.

For more information, visit [CityOfLCF.org/Legal-Cases](https://www.cityoflcf.org/Legal-Cases).



LCF's Crime Prevention Diagram

A Blueprint for Safety

The City of La Cañada Flintridge is proud to announce the release of a crime prevention diagram for residential buildings. Developed in collaboration with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Los Angeles County Fire Department, this visual checklist equips homeowners with the necessary steps to safeguard their properties against potential security threats and enhance overall community safety.

The creation and distribution of the diagram underscores the City's commitment to providing proactive crime prevention strategies for residents to foster a secure environment for all. Key features of the diagram include:

Exterior Security Measures: Tips on securing entry points such as doors, windows and garages to deter unauthorized access.

Interior Security Measures: Guidance on securing interior belongings and utilizing technology to remain alert, even when residents are not home.

Landscaping Tips: Recommendations for maintaining landscaping to improve visibility and discourage hiding spots for intruders.

Home Lighting: Suggestions for adequate exterior lighting to enhance visibility during nighttime hours.



The City encourages all residents to utilize the diagram as part of a regular safety assessment and to share it with neighbors and community members.



Get your copy today by visiting CityOfLCF.org/CrimePrevention.

For questions or more information, please get in touch with the City's Public Safety Coordinator, Jennifer Burghdorf, at jburghdorf@lcf.ca.gov.



Highlights from the 2023 City Manager's Report

City Manager Dr. Daniel Jordan presented the City Manager's Annual Report to the City Council on February 6. A compilation of activities for each of the City's departments, the report reflects the City's efforts and achievements during the 2023 calendar year.

Highlights from the 2023 report include:

- Launched the City's e-newsletter, the LCF Bulletin
- Completed citywide Street Resurfacing Program under budget
- Continued electronic gift card stimulus program to encourage local shopping
- Launched ActiveLCF, the new online recreation reservation system
- Funded a security camera rebate program for residential properties

2023 By-The-Numbers



615

Parking permits issued



18,956

LCF free shuttle service rides



80

Field permits processed and issued



210

Summer Beach Bus program riders



1,453

Business licenses issued



2.8

Street resurfacing (miles)



Scan the QR Code to view the report

CERT Program Prepares Residents for Emergencies

To strengthen community preparedness and resilience, the City of La Cañada Flintridge partnered with the Los Angeles County Fire Department to offer residents an eight-week Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training course.

The CERT program equips residents with essential skills and knowledge to respond effectively to emergencies and disasters within their communities. During the in-person training sessions, participants learned various aspects of disaster response, such as fire safety, life-saving skills and more, through interactive, hands-on training experiences.

The CERT training empowers residents to take proactive steps in safeguarding their neighborhoods and provides opportunities to gain knowledge to prepare for times of need.

Are you interested in learning more about this program? Visit [Fire.LAcounty.gov/Community-Emergency-Response-Team](https://www.fire.lacounty.gov/Community-Emergency-Response-Team) to learn how to get involved and enhance your community's preparedness today.



Voters Approve Measure LCF

Current Sales Tax Distribution Breakdown



Passed LCF Essential Services Measure 100% to LCF



\$2.6M estimated annual revenue

In response to escalating costs, potential budget shortfalls and the critical need to uphold priorities such as public safety and infrastructure maintenance, the City of La Cañada Flintridge presented Measure LCF, the La Cañada Flintridge Essential Services Measure, to voters on the March 5 ballot.

With a 59% approval rate, the .75% cent sales tax measure is projected to yield approximately \$2,625,000 annually and is scheduled to take effect in October of this year, with the City receiving revenue beginning in December.

The City's sales tax currently stands at 9.5%, with only a fraction of the revenue staying within City limits. A significant portion is claimed by the State of California (6%) and Los Angeles County (2.5%). Implementing the approved 10.25% sales tax will add an additional .75% in locally controlled funds to enable the City to support vital services.

Given limited revenue streams and escalating needs, these supplementary funds will be instrumental in sustaining essential services, ensuring swift emergency response times, preserving roads and infrastructure and fortifying the community against natural disasters.

For more information on the measure, visit [CityOfLCF.org/City-Services](https://www.cityoflcf.org/city-services).

Sister Cities Friendship Path Now Open

In December 2023, the City of La Cañada Flintridge announced the start of construction of its Sister Cities Friendship Path, funded by the Regional Park and Open Space District. The project included creating a more accessible trail for the Cherry Canyon trail system near Descanso Trail.

LCF hosted an opening ceremony on Earth Day to celebrate the project's completion. Residents and City staff joined in the festivities, marking a significant milestone in the City's commitment to prioritizing the quality of LCF's resources and facilities.

The ceremony featured speeches from 5th District Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Mayor Davitt and LCF Trail Council President Tom Reynolds. It was followed by a hike along the new path that features LCF's beautiful scenery and open spaces. The morning concluded with a reception in the Descanso Gardens.

With the Sister Cities Friendship Path now open, LCF welcomes all residents and visitors to explore this updated trail!



Music in the Park Schedule

Memorial Day kicks off LCF's Music in the Park summer concert series. Enjoy free concerts and warm weather in Memorial Park every Sunday through September 1. Featuring a variety of genres and bands, these evenings have something for everyone. Be sure to bring a picnic basket, blanket, chairs and dancing shoes for a summer you will never forget!

MAY

Monday, May 27 | 4 – 6 p.m.
**CAPTAIN CARDIAC
 & THE CORONARIES**
Rock-n-Roll Oldies

JUNE

Sunday, June 2 | 6 – 8 p.m.
WHEELHOUSE
Current Pop Tunes

Sunday, June 9 | 6 – 8 p.m.
MISPLACED PRIORITIES
Classic Rock

Sunday, June 16 | 6 – 8 p.m.
SOUL3SIXTY
Motown

Sunday, June 23 | 6 – 8 p.m.
RHYTHM KREWE
Blues, Soul and Rhythm and Blues

Sunday, June 30 | 6 – 7:30 p.m.
THE FUNKY HIPPEEZ
Disco and Funk



Sunday, June 30 | 8:30 p.m.
**MOVIE IN THE PARK:
 "THE SUPER MARIO
 BROS. MOVIE"**
Family

JULY

Sunday, July 7 | 6 – 8 p.m.
**HOT AUGUST NIGHT - A TRIBUTE TO
 NEIL DIAMOND**
Neil Diamond Tribute

Sunday, July 14 | 6 – 8:30 p.m.
THE JACK LANTZ BIG BAND
Big Band Swing

Sunday, July 21 | 6 – 8 p.m.
KAYLN AND THE NEW FRONTIER
Top 40, Dance Pop

Sunday, July 28 | 6 – 8 p.m.
**STEVE ROTH - A TRIBUTE TO
 ELVIS PRESLEY**
Elvis Presley Tribute

AUGUST

Sunday, August 4 | 6 – 8 p.m.
PULP VIXEN
Top 40, Dance

Sunday, August 11 | 6 – 8 p.m.
**BRIAN LYNN JONES
 & THE MISFIT COWBOYS**
Country

Sunday, August 18 | 6 – 8 p.m.
THE LAUREL CANYON BAND
Southern California 60s and 70s

Sunday, August 25 | 6 – 8:30 p.m.
THE PISTOL BLONDE
Country

SEPTEMBER

Sunday, September 1 | 6 – 8 p.m.
90S ROCKSHOW
90s



Scan the QR Code to print out a full schedule.



Clean Power Alliance Partnership Update

Earlier this year, the City of La Cañada Flintridge hosted a town hall to discuss its new shift to electricity provider choice, either Southern California Edison (SCE) or Clean Power Alliance (CPA). The Clean Power Alliance is an electricity provider specializing in renewable energy. Switching to CPA allows residents to choose their electricity provider, CPA or SCE.

On March 20, CPA informed the City that the California Public Utilities Commission approved the CPA's Implementation Plan with the transition of service to occur October 1, 2025, or later. In the coming months, City staff will continue outreach to residents and businesses about the service transition. For more information, visit CityOfLCF.org/CleanPowerAlliance.



CITY INFORMATION

The City Council meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, One Civic Center Drive, La Cañada Flintridge, CA 91011. City Hall will be closed Monday, May 27, for Memorial Day Thursday, July 4, for Independence Day..

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Michael T. Davitt – Mayor
Kim Bowman – Mayor Pro Tem
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Public Safety

Sheriff's Station: (818) 248-3464
Fire Station 82: (818) 790-4686
Fire Station 19: (818) 249-1562

City Hall Hours: Mon – Thurs: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fri: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Building & Safety Hours: Mon – Thurs: 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., Fri: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Website: CityOfLCF.org

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