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CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES FOR EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND WELL-BEING

The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak is changing life for all of us. You may feel anxious, stressed, worried, sad, bored, depressed, lonely or frustrated in these circumstances. You're not alone.

There are strategies for managing stress such as:

- Be mindful of your intake of information from news sources about the virus, and consider taking breaks from it.
- Maintain social contact with supportive relationships like friends, family or others, by phone, text, or internet.
- Treat your body kindly: eat healthy foods, avoid excessive alcohol, and exercise as you are able.
- Call your health care provider if your anxiety interferes with your daily activities.
- Learn about additional strategies to [manage your stress](#) for health.

OC WarmLine

Confidential 24/7 telephone support service for anyone who has concerns about mental health, substance use, is lonely or confused, or needs information about available mental health services.



Live Chat:
namioc.org

Phone:

(877) 910-WARM

Text:

(714) 991-6412



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BUSINESS RESOURCES

Economic & Business Recovery Call Center

Orange County Community Services has implemented a call center to meet the needs of businesses impacted by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The Economic & Business Recovery Call Center will offer information and resources to help Orange County businesses navigate the current economic climate. These resources will support businesses with challenges such as lay-off aversion, loans, utility reduction programs, and community resources mapping.

Businesses can call the Economic & Business Recovery Call Center at (714) 480-6500 during hours of operation Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

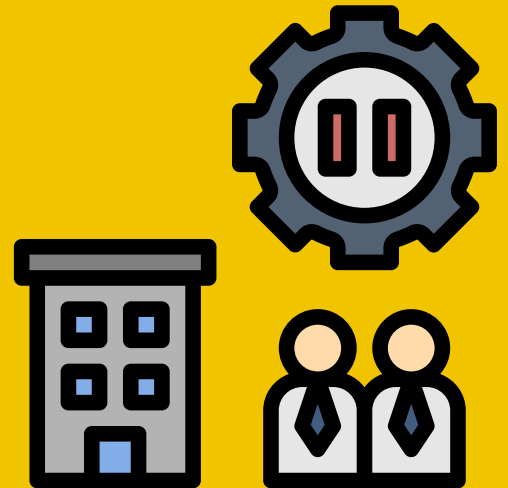


Potential Closure or Layoffs

If you are planning a closure or major layoffs as a result of the coronavirus, you can get help through the State of California EDD Rapid Response program.

Rapid Response teams will meet with you to discuss your needs, help avert potential layoffs, and provide immediate on-site services to assist workers facing job losses.

For more information, refer to the [Rapid Response Services for Businesses Fact Sheet](#) or contact your local [America's Job Center of California](#).



Safety in the Workplace

As California reopens, every business will need to create a safer, low-risk environment. If you own or manage a business, follow the [employer playbook](#) to help plan and prepare your business for reopening. Follow the [industry-specific guidance](#) that applies to your business to protect your workers and customers.

RESOURCES FOR RENTERS

Eviction Moratorium for Residential Tenants

On August 31, 2020 a new California law - [The Tenant, Homeowner and Small Landlord Relief and Stabilization Act of 2020](#) - took effect to provide relief to residential tenants.

If you are unable to pay your rent due to a coronavirus-related hardship between September 1, 2020 and January 31, 2021, you must also pay at least 25 percent of the rent due to avoid eviction.

Beginning February 1, 2021, tenants will have to pay the full amount of rent to be protected from eviction.

Beginning March 1, 2021, landlords can take tenants to small claims court to recover unpaid rent debt regardless of how much the tenant owes. [Read more here.](#)



Affordable Housing

Looking for an affordable rental unit in Westminster? Click below for a list of affordable rental opportunities. All properties are privately managed. To inquire about availability, rental rates and income qualifications, please contact the respective property management team.

[City of Westminster - List of Affordable Housing](#)

For additional affordable housing opportunities throughout Orange County, the County of Orange maintains a list of affordable units which can be found at ochousing.org.

Fair Housing

If you want to learn more about fair housing laws, the [Fair Housing Foundation](#) provides education to tenants, landlords, property owners, realtors and property management companies. The Fair Housing Foundation provides services to cities throughout Orange County, including Westminster.

[Sign-up for virtual workshops](#) to learn more about your rights and responsibilities as a tenant or landlord.

For assistance, call Fair Housing Foundation at (800) 446-3247, or email at info@fhfca.org.





Hours of Operation

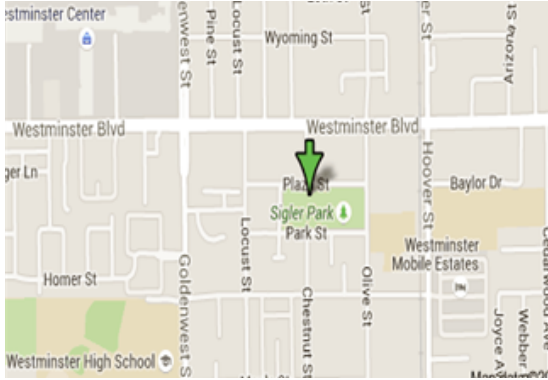
Monday through Thursday

**Walk-Up Hours:
8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**Appointment Only:
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.**

The Westminster Family Resource Center (WFRC) serves low-income families residing in the City of Westminster and surrounding cities in Orange County. The WFRC has become the centralized information and referral point for the community. With the assistance of bilingual staff and various partners, individuals can create linkages with necessary resources such as food trolleys, counseling services, enrichment programs, and other services to help strengthen their families. [Click here](#) for more information regarding programs and services.

Westminster Family Resource Center



**Located at Sigler Park
7200 Plaza St.**

Westminster, CA 92683

**General Information:
714.903.1331**

Partners



Mendez Tribute Monument Park

VIRTUAL GROUNDBREAKING



The case of Mendez v. Westminster broke new ground not just for Orange County, but for our entire nation. Now, more than 70 years later, the Orange County Department of Education and the City of Westminster are breaking ground on a park and monument honoring the legacy of the court case that famously led to the desegregation of California's public schools.

In case you missed it, watch the video below!



[CLICK HERE](#)

INTERSTATE 405 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE



**THE MCFADDEN
BRIDGE IS OPENING ON
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16!**

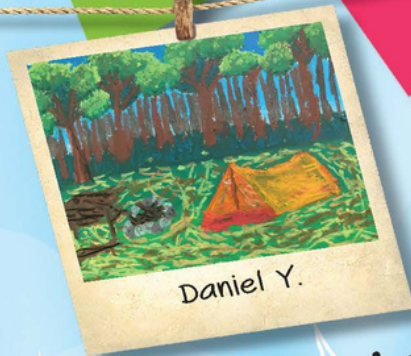
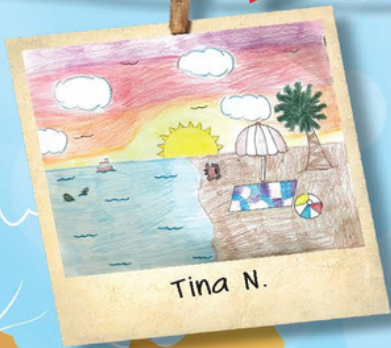


COMMUNITY SERVICES

Fall
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WESTMINSTER

NEWSLETTER & RECREATION GUIDE



**Parks
Make
Life
Better!**

Virtual Art Contest
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and Mendez Freedom Trail**
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Virtual Recreation Center



Your place to find fun resources and activities to keep you and your family entertained, active, and informed!

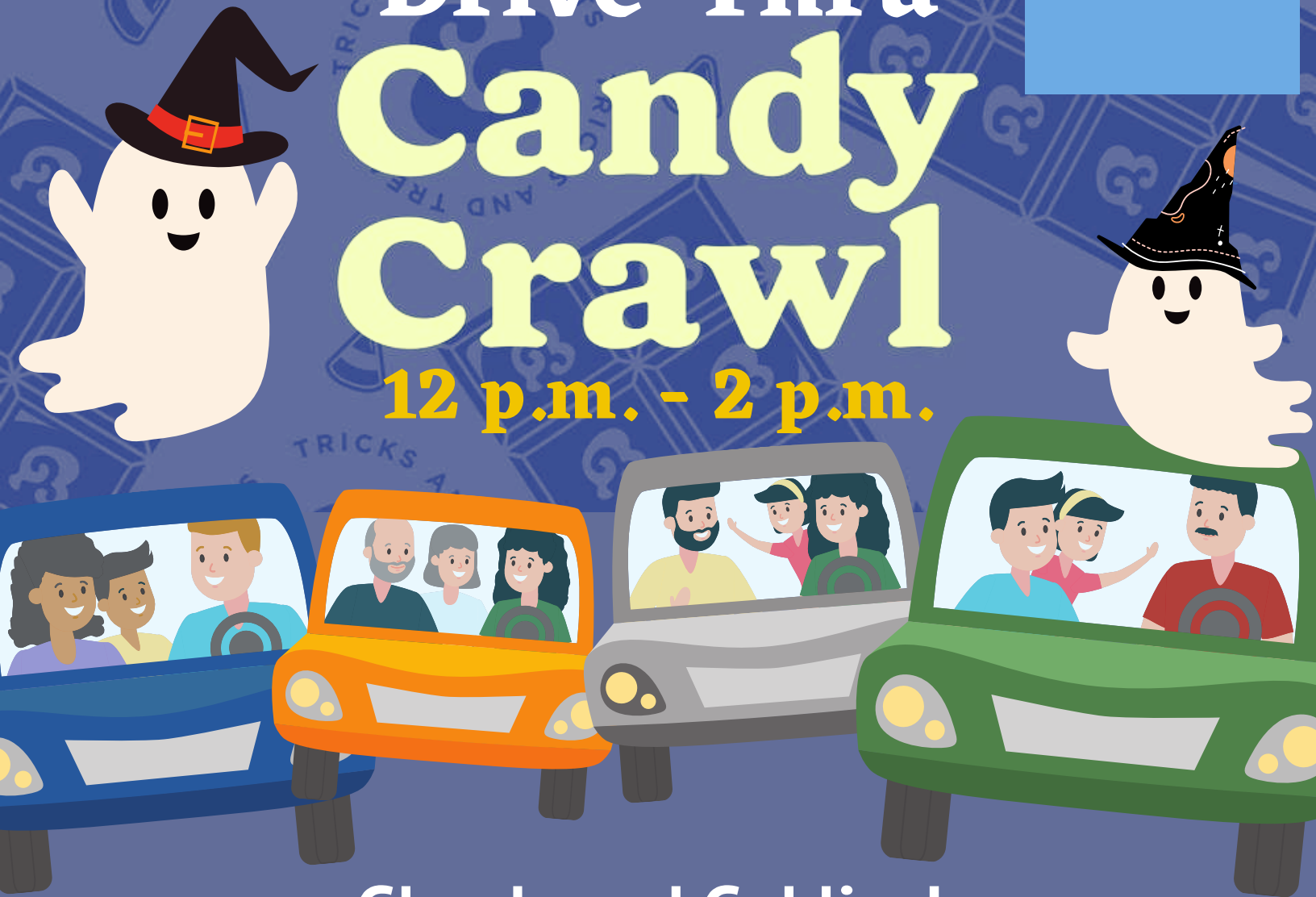
Check back *weekly*
for themed activities!



Halloween Drive-Thru Candy Crawl

WESTMINSTER
MALL

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.



Ghouls and Goblins!

You're invited to join the Westminster Mall for a drive-thru Candy Crawl on Halloween starting at Noon. Stop your car at each Community Day station and receive goodies for all the kids in your car, while supplies last.

You'll need to remain in your vehicle for the duration of the "drive-thru" experience. Don't forget to wear your Halloween costumes!

Event location is in the parking lot between JCPenney and DSW.

[Click here for more information.](#)



WOW

WIFI ON WHEELS

HITTING THE ROAD OCTOBER 27!

 **CONNECT TO WIFI WHEREVER WE ARE**

 **ACCESS INFORMATION**

 **GET A LIBRARY CARD**

GET CONNECTED!

OCPL.ORG/WIFIONWHEELS



Orange County, CA
Public Libraries
Open Doors. Free Access. Community.

**KICK-OFF EVENT!
OCTOBER 20
4 - 7 PM**

Westminster Library
8180 13th Street,
Westminster, CA 92683

Fryberger Elementary

- 6952 Hood Drive, Westminster, CA 92683
- Wednesday, October 28
- 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Schmitt Elementary

- 7200 Trask Avenue, Westminster, CA 92683
- Thursday, October 29
- 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Willmore Elementary

- 7122 Maple Street, Westminster, CA 92683
- Friday, October 30
- 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Sid Goldstein Freedom Park

- 14180 All American Way, Westminster, CA 92683
- Saturday, October 31
- 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS



Fire extinguishers can save lives and property, but should only be used if the fire is small, smoke and heat have not filled the room, and if you have a clear escape route. If you're unsure, evacuate immediately and call 9-1-1.



Since fire grows and spreads rapidly, the number one priority is to get out safely.



Orange County
Fire Authority

ocfa.org

(714) 573-6200



Types of Fire Extinguishers

Multipurpose (ABC) fire extinguishers are recommended for home use. Fire classifications are used to indicate the type of fire they will extinguish.

- A – For use with ordinary materials like cloth, wood, and paper.
- B – For use with flammable liquids like grease, gasoline, oil, and oil-based paints.
- C – For use with electrical equipment that is connected to an outlet.

Before Using a Fire Extinguisher

- Alert others that there is a fire and appoint someone to call 9-1-1.
- Make sure the fire is small, not spreading, and that you have a clear escape route.

The P.A.S.S. Method

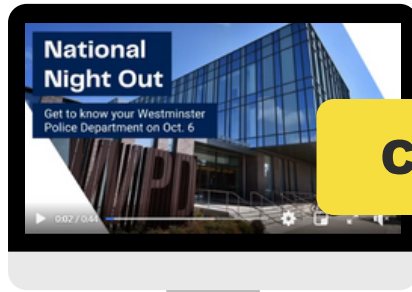
- Pull the pin.
- Aim low. Stand six to eight feet away and point the extinguisher nozzle at the base of the fire.
- Squeeze the lever slowly and evenly.
- Sweep the nozzle from side to side until the fire is completely out.

Fire Extinguisher Maintenance

- Keep your extinguisher in plain view and out of the reach of children.
- Read and follow all instructions on the label and check for dents, corrosion or damage monthly.
- Non-rechargeable fire extinguishers should generally be replaced every five to seven years.
- Fire extinguishers are good for one use only. To dispose of an extinguisher, release the pressure by squeezing contents into a trash can. Let the extinguisher sit for 48 hours and then throw it in a trash can. You can also drop off used extinguishers at any household hazardous waste facility.

Virtual National Night Out Recap

In celebration of National Night Out, Westminster PD released a series of in-depth videos outlining the different units that make up the department. In case you missed it, you can view the Facebook Live videos recorded during the building tour and Q&A session.



CLICK HERE

JOIN WESTMINSTER PD IN THE FIGHT AGAINST BREAST CANCER

Support The Cause

What Can I Buy?

Get your hands on some exclusive merch sold by the Westminster Police Officers' Association.

- ▶ WPD Pink Patch - \$10.00
- ▶ K-9 Pink Patch - \$10.00

How Can I Purchase?

- ▶ Mail a check for \$10 per patch made payable to the "WPOA Memorial Fund"
- ▶ AND you must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Please mail orders to:

Westminster Police Officers' Association
Attn: K. Wells, Property Technician
Westminster Police Department, Bldg. 5
8200 Westminster Blvd., Westminster, CA 92683

Where Will The Proceeds Go?

- ▶ ALL proceeds will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.
- ▶ We've set up a team fundraiser at bit.ly/wdpinkpatch



Follow WPD!



#WPDWearsPink

2020 City Council Meeting Schedule

Meetings begin at 7 p.m.

Visit www.projectwestminster.com/virtual-meetings for more information on how you can participate virtually.



November 11
December 9

Election Information

A General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Westminster on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 for the election of one council member in District 2 and one council member in District 3. Each seat is for a term of four years. There will also be one measure on the ballot pertaining to term limits for elected officials.

[Click here for more information.](#)



Orange County Registrar of Voters - Voting Options

Your Ballot Return Options



BALLOT DROP BOX
ORANGE COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

FIND A BALLOT DROP BOX NEAR YOU!

Secure Ballot Drop Boxes
Click below to view a list of ballot drop boxes, or locate one using our mapping tool.

Locate




1 START HERE

ELECTIONS

DROP OFF YOUR BALLOT IN-PERSON

Vote Center Dropoff
Click below to view a list of Vote Centers to drop off your ballot, or locate one using our mapping tool.

Locate



MAIL

VIEW BALLOT MAILING OPTIONS

USPS
Find your closest USPS Post Office or USPS Mailbox and mail your ballot with no postage required.

Locate

Your In-Person Voting Options




1 START HERE

ELECTIONS

VOTE AT ANY VOTE CENTER

Vote at Any Vote Center
Click below to view a list of all Orange County Vote Centers, or locate one using our mapping tool.

Locate



VOTE HERE

2 VOTE HERE

VOTE AT A POP-UP SITE

Vote at a Mobile Location
Click below to view locations and hours of our convenient pop-up voting sites.

Locate



HONDA Center

VOTE AT OUR SUPER SITE

VOTE CENTER VOTING

Vote at Orange County's Largest Vote Center
Learn more about the Honda Center voting super site.

Info

For more information, visit ocvote.com.

DID YOU KNOW?

City Hall's temporary hours are Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. for walk-ups, or 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. by appointment only. A face mask or covering is required upon visiting City Hall. If you do not have one, staff will supply you with one before entering the building. For general assistance, please call (714) 898-3311.

The Public Health Services Family Health Clinics at 1725 W. 17th Street, Santa Ana will be offering free flu shots Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Appointments are required. To make an appointment, call 1-800-914-4887. For resources and more information about a free flu shot, [click here](#).

The Sigler Park Splash Pad and Liberty Skate Park are currently closed until further notice.

For updates, follow us on [Facebook](#) or visit www.westminster-ca.gov/our_city/find/parks_n_facilities/default.asp.

You can drop off mattresses for free at the Midway City Sanitary District site Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

14451 Cedarwood Ave.
Westminster, CA 92683

For more details, call (714) 893-3553.

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released guidance that outlines safer alternative ways to celebrate upcoming holidays during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. For more low-risk activities, read CDPH's [Guidance for Safer Halloween and Dia de los Muertos Celebrations during COVID-19](#).

Our water division can help you check if your sprinklers are running properly and complete a FREE water use audit! Call (714) 548-3690 to schedule an appointment.

OTHER NEWS

Have a safe and happy Halloween!



Clean Up Event

November 21 @ 9 AM

Buckingham Park (Edwards Street and Homer Street)

**Event ends when bins are full or 4 p.m.
Come early - most events fill by noon.**



Midway City Sanitary District
Serving Westminster & Midway City Since 1939

**Bring your items to the event location
and staff will unload it for you!**

Call (714) 893-3553 for more information.



CORONAVIRUS UPDATES & RESOURCES

[www.projectwestminster.com/
coronavirus-updates](http://www.projectwestminster.com/coronavirus-updates)



405 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

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