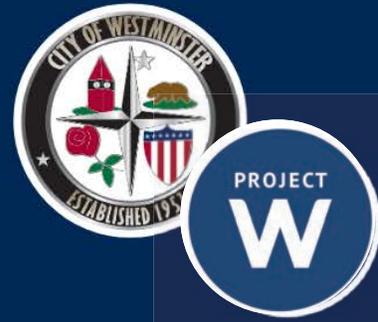


# the Westminster Insider News



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## CITY RECEIVES \$1.5 MILLION FOR MENDEZ HISTORIC FREEDOM TRAIL



The City of Westminster and the Orange County Department of Education have received \$1.5 million from Sen. Tom Umberg to assist in the completion of the Mendez Freedom Trail, located along Hoover Street.

The trail is part of the City's efforts to honor the legacy of the historic Mendez v. Westminster case, which notably led to the desegregation of California's public schools.

The 2-mile project will introduce safety enhancements to the Hoover Street Corridor with the installation of a protected bikeway, safety improvements near schools, and pedestrian crossings.

[Read the full press release here.](#)

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Get the vaccine news you need

COVIDVACCINEFACTS.com 

*The COVID-19 vaccine is available to everyone ages 12 and older. Parents can visit the State's Safe Schools for All Hub to find key resources and information related to COVID-19 and schools, including a parent portal and answers to frequently asked questions about K-12 school guidance.*

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OTHER  
**VACCINE  
RESOURCES**  
IN ORANGE COUNTY

## COVID-19 HOTLINE

**(714) 834-2000**

The OC COVID-19 Hotline is available to answer questions about vaccine-related issues, including booking appointments, or assistance with transportation. Live operators are available Mon-Fri from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



## NOW HIRING:

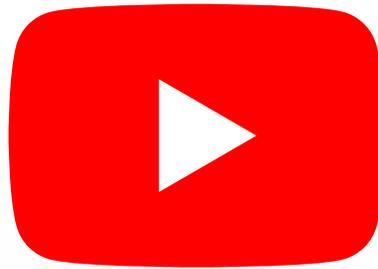
- Administrative Analyst (Communications & Marketing)
- Human Resources Analyst
- Part-Time Family Support Advocate

...and more!

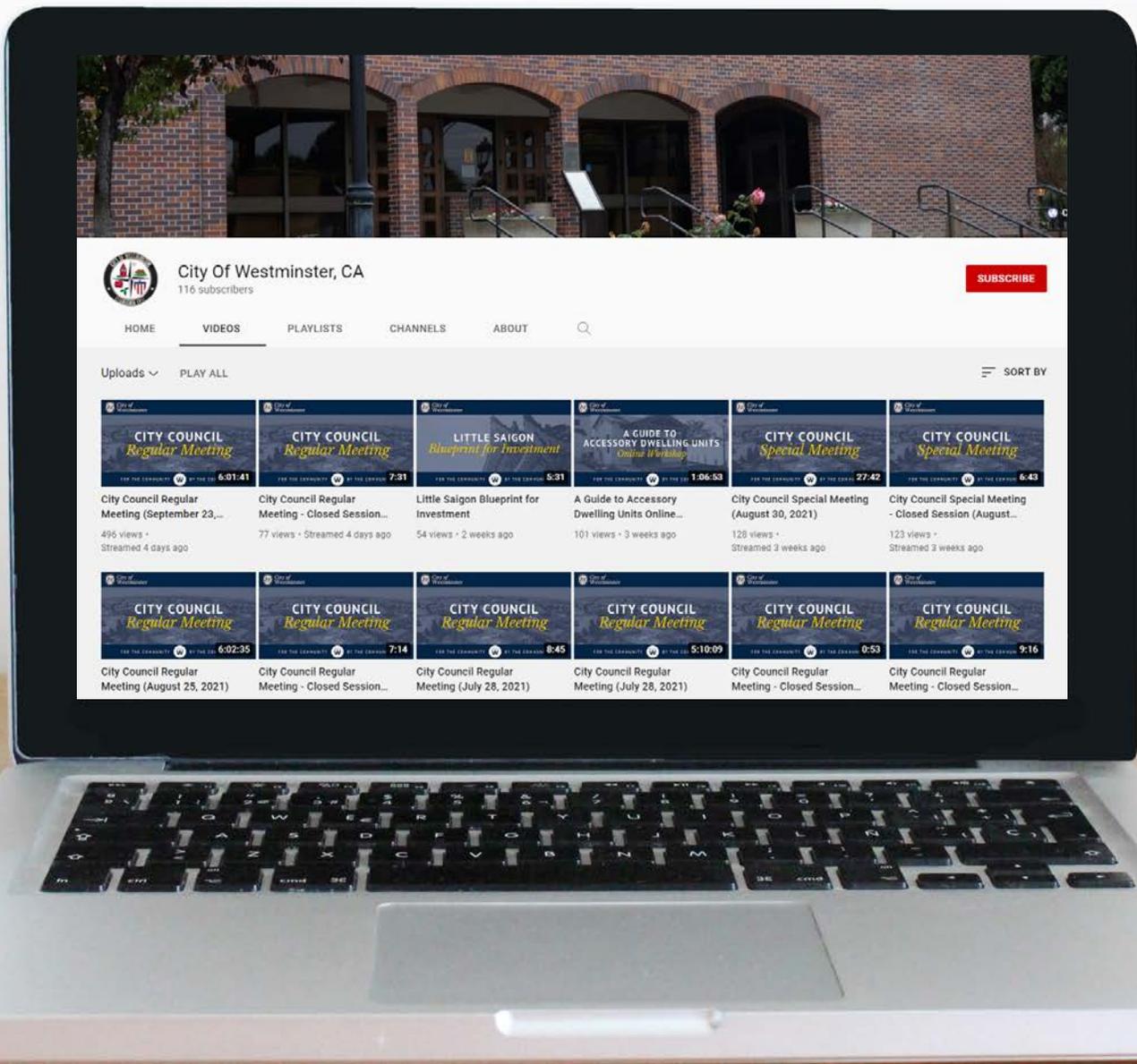


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# BUSINESS RESOURCES



## ***OUTDOOR DINING SUPPORT GRANT***



**Applications Now Open!**

  
Up to  
\$5,000 for  
outdoor dining  
support to local  
businesses suffering  
negative impacts from  
the COVID-19 pandemic.

[www.westminster-ca.gov/  
outdoor-dining-support-grant](http://www.westminster-ca.gov/outdoor-dining-support-grant)



Check out our "[Local Business Resources](#)" page for information and resources available through local agencies and non-profit organizations!



# BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2020 - MARCH 31, 2021

## 2020-2021 Review

This report contains information on resources through the 3rd quarter of FY 2020-21, which is the period between July 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.

## Top Revenues

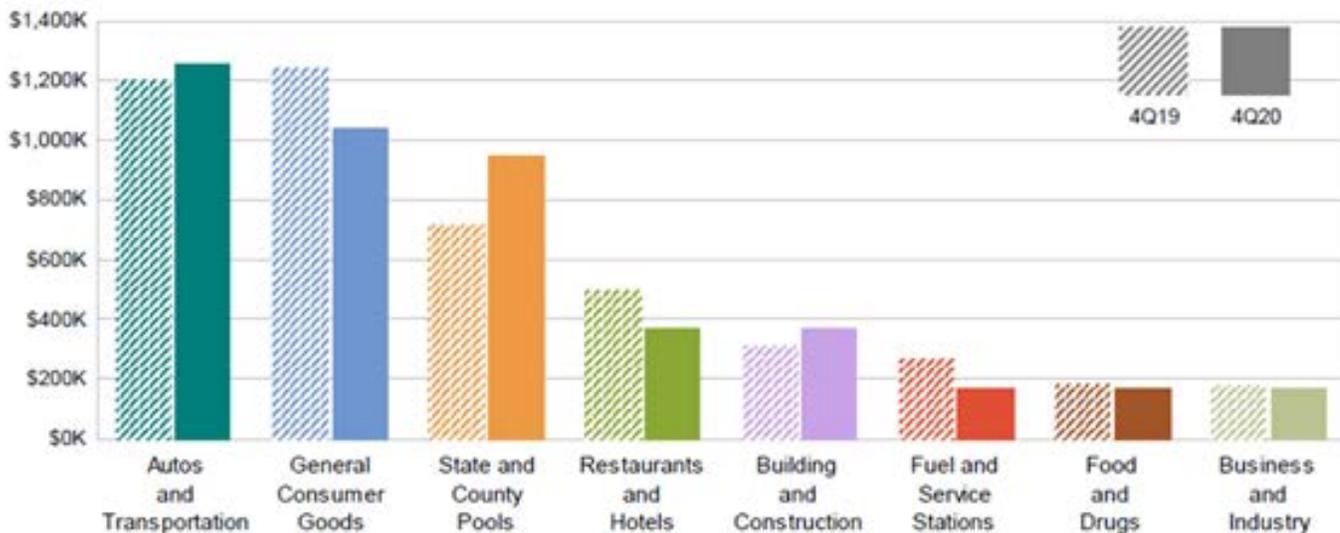
The top revenue sources for the City's General Fund are sales tax, transaction use tax, property tax, utility users tax and charges for service which combined make up 89% of total General Fund revenue. Current projections for FY 2020-21 are in line with budgeted numbers with the exception of sales tax/transaction use tax which is projected to be higher than budgeted. FY 2020-21 revenues were originally budgeted at \$60.2 million with a current revised budget of \$61.7 million adjusted to include already received COVID Cares funding of \$1.5 million. Through the 3rd quarter, we have received \$39.8 million in revenue in the General Fund or 64.5% as of March 31, 2021.

## Sales Tax/Transaction Use Tax

The following charts, from the City's sales tax consultant HdL, represent 4th quarter calendar year sales, July 2020 through December 2020. Year-over-year comparison show Westminster's receipts down 2.3% from the fourth quarter sales in the prior period. The major drops are due to the impacts of COVID-19. Consumer spending increased as more retail stores re-opened, but revenues are still below pre-pandemic levels and consumers continue to prefer online shopping. As you can see in the first chart, there is a large increase in the State and County pools which are online sales. The second chart shows the category changes for the transaction use tax. As you can see in the second chart, there is no category for pools because the transaction use tax generated from online sales is allocated directly to the City. Westminster's share of the taxes generated from online purchases of our residents stay within the City.

### Sales and Use Tax

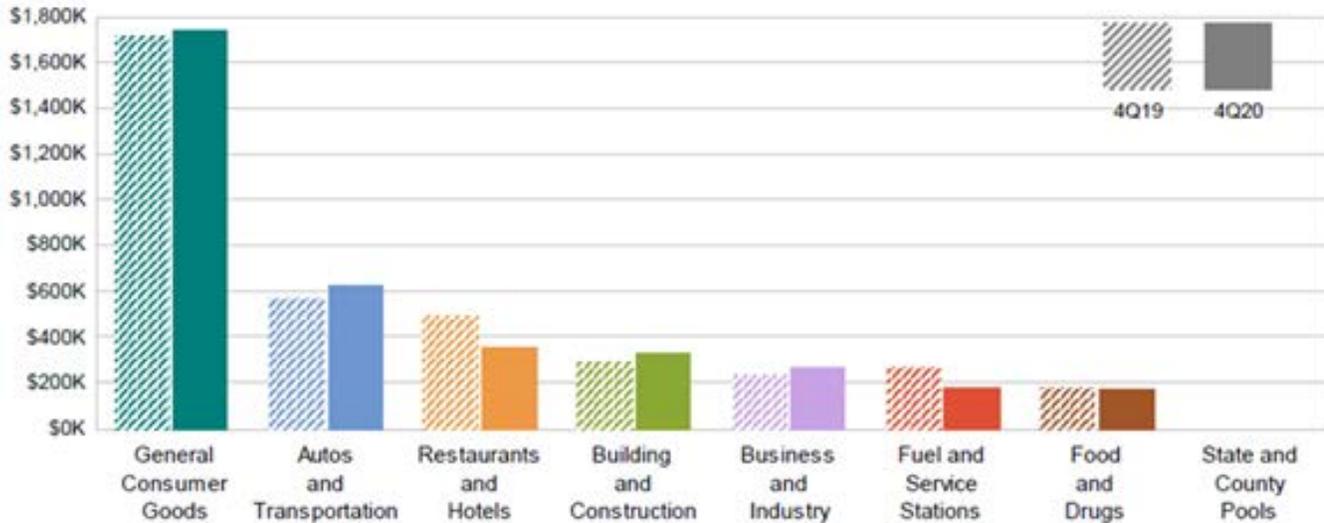
4Q19 Compared To 4Q20



# BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2020 - MARCH 31, 2021 (CONT'D)

## Transaction Use Tax (Measure SS)

4Q19 Compared To 4Q20



Sales tax and transaction use tax receipts are remitted to the City in arrears so the quarter totals shown in the table below represent seven months of receipts from the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA). Projections from the City's sales tax consultant, HdL, anticipate FY 2020-21 receipts to be slightly above the actuals received for FY 2019-20. This is still an estimate as we have only received the 7 months of receipts for FY 2020-21, however, the increase would be \$2.3 million higher than budgeted. We will continue to actively track this important revenue source.

	Budget 2020-21	YTD Q3 Actual 2020-21	% of Budget	Prior Years Q3 Actual 2019-20	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 15,133,600	\$ 9,944,616	65.7%	\$ 10,080,046	\$ (135,430)
Transaction Use Tax	11,883,000	8,159,367	68.7%	8,177,090	(17,723)
	\$ 27,016,600	\$ 18,103,983	67.0%	\$ 18,257,136	\$ (153,153)

## Property Tax

Property tax revenue is trending slightly higher than the prior fiscal year. This estimate is pretty close to actual as most of the revenue from property tax receipts come in December and April.

	Budget 2020-21	YTD Q3 Actual 2020-21	% of Budget	Prior Years Q3 Actual 2019-20	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Property Tax	\$ 17,624,000	\$ 9,261,321	52.5%	\$ 8,750,040	\$ 511,281

# BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2020 - MARCH 31, 2021 (CONT'D)

## Utility Users Tax

Utility user's tax is slightly more than the prior year but in line with the budget.

	Budget 2020-21	YTD Q3 Actual 2020-21	% of Budget	Prior Years Q3 Actual 2019-20	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Utility Users Tax	\$ 4,200,000	\$ 2,989,622	71.2%	\$ 2,940,503	\$ 49,119

## Charges for Service

Charges for service are looking positive for FY 2020-21. This is partly due to the Cost Recovery Study adopted in FY 2019-20 and the development activity within the City. Receipts to date are lower than the same time last year however, overall projections to year end are favorable.

	Budget 2020-21	YTD Q3 Actual 2020-21	% of 2020-21 Budget	Prior Years Q3 Actual 2019-20	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Charges for Service	\$ 4,495,061	\$ 3,810,783	84.8%	\$ 4,090,093	\$ (279,309)

## Expenditures

General Fund expenditures are tracking on budget. Expenditures for the 3rd quarter of FY 2020-21 are \$482 thousand over the prior fiscal year at the same time. This is due to the increase in PERS costs and OCFA contract costs.

	Budget 2020-21	YTD Q3 Actual 2020-21	% of 2020-21 Budget	Prior Years Q3 Actual 2019-20	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Expenditures	\$ 64,507,329	\$ 49,763,179	77.1%	\$ 49,281,500	\$ 481,678

***At this time, revenue and expenditures are tracking within budget so no budget adjustment is necessary. The next update will be provided after nine months of revenue and expenditures, for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.***

***If you have any questions or concerns please contact Erin Backs, Finance Director at [eback@westminster-ca.gov](mailto:eback@westminster-ca.gov) or (714) 548-3185.***

# Virtual Meetings



In an effort to protect public health and prevent the spread of COVID-19, in lieu of attending the meeting, members of the public may view the meeting live in one of the following ways:

- [City of Westminster YouTube Channel](#)
- [City of Westminster Streaming Video Online](#)
- Westminster WTV: Spectrum Channel 3, Frontier FiOS Channel 42, and AT&T UVerse Channel 99



To view the meeting via zoom, submit e-comments to address the city council, or submit a speaker request, visit [www.westminster-ca.gov/virtual-meetings](http://www.westminster-ca.gov/virtual-meetings).

## Council Meeting Schedule



*\*Meetings are still being conducted virtually via teleconference/web conference. [Click here to view agendas.](#)*



**[Missed the last meeting? Get the quick recap here.](#)**

# RESOURCES FOR RENTERS

## Eviction Protection After September 30, 2021

To avoid eviction for unpaid rent after September 30, 2021, you must **apply for rent relief**. Your landlord cannot evict you if you've applied and are waiting to find out if you're eligible. This protection lasts until March 31, 2022.

If you get a notice from your landlord demanding rent payment, make sure you apply within 15 days. If you owe rent and do not apply for rent relief, your landlord can evict you. Your landlord must apply for rent relief before they can evict you for unpaid rent. **[Read more here.](#)**

 **HOUSING IS KEY**



Tenants



Homeowners



Landlords



Partners



## 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](http://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](mailto:info@fhfca.org).





## **California's Eviction Protections Changed October 1: Renters and Landlords Impacted by COVID-19 Should Still Apply for Rent Relief**

The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program covers 100% of unpaid rent and utilities for eligible renters and their landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19. The program will continue accepting applications until all funds are exhausted. Beginning October 1, 2021, state eviction protections changed, and a renter should apply to the program if they haven't already, to prevent eviction.

As of October 1, 2021, landlords seeking an eviction based on non-payment of COVID-related debt or of rental debt incurred between October 1, 2021 and March 30, 2022, must prove that they have applied to the COVID-19 Rent Relief program, and that the application has been denied or the renter has failed to complete their section, before a legal eviction can take place. Eligible renters who are at risk of eviction are urged to apply, even if their landlord has not applied.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

To check eligibility and apply, visit [HousingIsKey.com](https://HousingIsKey.com) or call **833-430-2122**. For assistance in another language, or to verify eligibility, get help with an application or upload paperwork, applicants are encouraged to schedule an appointment with a local organization by calling 833-687-0967.

### **WHO CAN APPLY?**

**Renters:** Eligible renters who have unpaid rent due to COVID-19 and are at risk of eviction should apply for the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program as soon as possible. As of October 1, 2021, if an eviction notice is received, a renter has 15 business days to apply for the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program AND must notify their landlord that they've applied. Renters do not need to wait to receive an eviction notice before applying for the program. The sooner a renter applies for rent relief, the sooner they will be protected from eviction for non-payment of COVID-related debt.

**Landlords:** Landlords with tenants who owe unpaid rent due to COVID-19 must apply for the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program before starting an eviction process and should consider submitting a joint application with their tenant. Upon approval, landlords will be paid directly for 100% of an eligible renters' unpaid rent.

Once an application is submitted by either party, both parties will be notified to submit any additional information needed to complete the application process or will be informed of approval and payment processing. All applicant information is kept private and will not be shared. Eligible applicants may qualify regardless of immigration status and will not be required to show proof of citizenship.

If a landlord **does not** participate in the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program, a renter should still apply on their own, notify their landlord of their application, and if approved, will receive 100% financial assistance for their unpaid rent. Once funds are received, the renter must pay their landlord within five business days.

### **WHAT ELSE SHOULD YOU KNOW?**

Assistance from the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program does NOT count as earned income for renters and will NOT affect eligibility for any other California state benefit assistance programs, such as CalFresh and CalWORKS. Applying to the program will not impact your residency status or impact path to citizenship.



# City of Westminster 2021-2029 **HOUSING** ELEMENT UPDATE

The City of Westminster is in the process of updating the 2021-2029 Housing Element. Watch [these videos](#) below to learn more about what a housing element is!



## Why is the City updating its Housing Element?

Each city and county in California is required to have a Housing Element and update it at least every eight years. Updating the Housing Element gives the City a clear picture of housing-related issues such as: housing supply and demand, types of housing available within the City, housing affordability, and homelessness. Once the Housing Element is updated, it must be approved by the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Updating our Housing Element will ensure that we meet State requirements, and make Westminster eligible for State grants and other funding sources. It will also give our elected and appointed officials clear guidance on housing issues facing Westminster. [Click here for more information about our Housing Element Update.](#)

# Draft Housing Element Review Locations

1.

Review the Draft Housing Element online at  
[www.westminster-ca.gov/housing](http://www.westminster-ca.gov/housing)

2.

City of Westminster  
Community Services and Recreation,  
Senior Center, and City Hall  
8200 Westminster Blvd.  
Westminster, CA 92683

3.

Westminster Family Resource Center  
7200 Plaza St.  
Westminster, CA 92683



Submit your feedback or comments to  
**Sandie Kim, Associate Planner** at  
[HousingElement@westminster-ca.gov](mailto:HousingElement@westminster-ca.gov)

ORANGE COUNTY BUSINESS COUNCIL

*11th Annual*



# *Red Carpet*

AWARDS *and*  
RECEPTION



*The City of Westminster is proud to be among an elite group of nominees for Orange County Business Council's 11th Annual Turning Red Tape Into Red Carpet Awards on November 4! The nomination is for the Westminster Crossing Project.*

*Join us for the virtual happy hour celebration to see who takes home the coveted awards!*



**Hours of Operation**

**Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday & Friday**

**9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

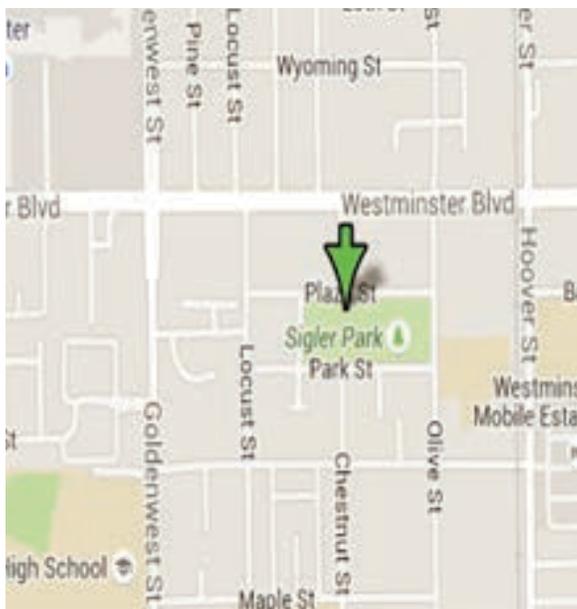
**Thursday**

**11 a.m. - 8 p.m**

**(714) 903-1331**

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**

**Partners**



## HOW TO GET SUPPORT IF YOU ARE LIVING WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS

CLASSES EVERY  
MONDAY  
ONLINE VIA ZOOM

OCTOBER 11 -  
DECEMBER 13, 2021  
6:00PM - 8:00PM

If you are affected by mental illness, you are in a similar situation with many other individuals. **Wondering how to get help?** Peer-to-Peer is a 10-week at no-cost program designed just for you.

### BENEFITS

- ✓ Develop confidence for making decisions
- ✓ Learn how to reduce stress and practice relaxation
- ✓ Enhance communication & coping skills
- ✓ Learn about mental health treatment options

Spots are limited! To sign up, visit [NAMIOC.ORG/PEERS](http://NAMIOC.ORG/PEERS) or contact (714) 544-8488.



StigmaFreeOC



Funded by: OC Health Care Agency (OCHCA), Behavioral Health Services, Prevention & Intervention, Mental Health

# ORANGE COUNTY ONE-STOP MOBILE UNIT

BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

THE OC ONE-STOP MOBILE UNIT WILL BE AVAILABLE  
AT **WESTMINSTER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**

**NOVEMBER 10 & DECEMBER 8**

10 AM to 4 PM

7200 Plaza Street, Westminster, CA 92683

\*Services are available via appointment only. Walk-up services are not available.



## EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES INCLUDE:

- » Recruiting & Pre-Employment Screening
- » Interviewing & Training
- » Career Development Activities
- » Individual Assessments
- » Local Hiring Events **...AND MORE!**



OC Community Services

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WIOA Youth Program

americanjobcenter  
CALIFORNIA

Orange County  
**One-Stop Center**  
Linking Business & People

Orange County Workforce Development Board  
A subsidiary to the County of Orange

westminster  
**WFRC**  
family resource center

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND  
TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT, VISIT  
[OCONESTOP.COM/MOBILE-UNIT](http://OCONESTOP.COM/MOBILE-UNIT) OR  
CALL (714) 480-6500

# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## CITY OF WESTMINSTER NEWSLETTER & RECREATION GUIDE FALL 2021

*Dedicated to improving and enhancing the lives of residents by providing quality programs, supportive services, and a safe environment.*



**Call  
(714) 895-2860  
for more  
information!**

### BLAKEY HISTORICAL PARK & MUSEUM

see page 3 for more info



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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!*

**DOUBLE THE  
FUN ON  
OCT. 29**

# SAFE STREETS & TREATS



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29 | 3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

WESTMINSTER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER  
7200 Plaza St. (Sigler Park)

TRUNK OR TREAT | CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

WEAR A COSTUME TO WIN A PRIZE!



**BOTH EVENTS  
ARE FREE**



CITY OF WESTMINSTER PRESENTS  
**Halloween  
Movie Night**



# HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH  
CIVIC CENTER SUNKEN GARDENS  
8200 WESTMINSTER BLVD.

Movie begins at dusk. Bring your own chair (low back) and blanket.  
Come in costume!

For more information:  
[www.westminster-ca.gov](http://www.westminster-ca.gov) • 714.895.2860



# WOW WIFI ON WHEELS

**DEMILLE ELEMENTARY**  
15400 VAN BUREN STREET,  
MIDWAY CITY, CA 92655  
**TUESDAYS, 9AM-4PM**

**FRYBERGER ELEMENTARY**  
6952 HOOD DRIVE,  
WESTMINSTER, CA 92683  
**WEDNESDAYS, 9AM-4PM**

**SCHMITT ELEMENTARY**  
7200 TRASK AVENUE,  
WESTMINSTER, CA 92683  
**THURSDAYS, 9AM-4PM**

**WILLMORE ELEMENTARY**  
7122 MAPLE STREET,  
WESTMINSTER, CA 92683  
**FRIDAYS, 9AM-4PM**

**WESTMINSTER LIBRARY  
(LAWN ON 13TH STREET)**  
8180 13TH STREET,  
WESTMINSTER, CA 92683  
**SATURDAYS, 9AM-NOON**

**FREE WIFI!**

**GET CONNECTED!**  
[OCPL.ORG/WIFIONWHEELS](http://OCPL.ORG/WIFIONWHEELS)



**Westminster Library is closed until further notice for remodeling.**

**Holdings may be picked up at Garden Grove Main Library (11200 Stanford Ave., Garden Grove, CA 92840)**

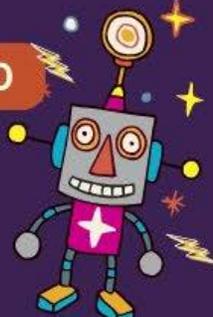


OC PUBLIC LIBRARIES PRESENTS

# ZOOM into StoryTime

**FALL EDITION**

**August 10 – November 20**



**\* NEW! \***

## A Chapter at a Time Storytime

**Wednesdays 4:00pm**

**A NEW ZOOM PROGRAM FOR EMERGENT READERS K-3RD GRADE.**

**Space is limited. Register today!**  
Email: [ocplstorytimes@occr.ocgov.com](mailto:ocplstorytimes@occr.ocgov.com)

# OC BUS YOUTH RIDE FREE PROMOTION



## AT A GLANCE

### AREA OF BENEFIT:

All 34 Orange County cities and the County of Orange

### PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS:

Orange County Youth (Ages 6 – 18)

### FUNDING:

State of California Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)

### WEBSITE:

[OCbus.com/YouthRideFree](https://ocbus.com/YouthRideFree)

### CONTACT:

Ryan Maloney  
[rmaloney@octa.net](mailto:rmaloney@octa.net)  
(714) 560-5451

Fact sheet as of 7/16/21

## OVERVIEW

The Youth Ride Free program is a promotional pass that allows youth 18 and under to ride all OC Bus fixed-route buses for free. The six-month program will start in September 2021 and passes will be valid through February 28, 2022.

Passes and marketing information will be distributed in partnership with Orange County schools, with parents able to request a pass from participating schools, the OCTA store, or at [OCbus.com/YouthRideFree](https://ocbus.com/YouthRideFree).

## BENEFITS

- Offers a promotional free fare for youth 18 and under, providing a reliable transportation option for education, work, and leisure.
- Promotional free pass valid on any OC Bus fixed-route service, including weekends and holidays.
- Supports the economic recovery of Orange County and helps mitigate the financial impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic on low income and diverse populations.
- Allows youth from all over Orange County to equitably re-engage with education and other opportunities following pandemic restrictions.
- Helps introduce new youth riders to public transit, encouraging long term usage.
- Improves mobility options, reduce congestion, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Provides rider feedback and information for future youth program development.

## FUNDING

This Youth Free Fare promotion is grant-funded by the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program through California Climate Investments, a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment – particularly in disadvantaged communities.

## HIGHLIGHTS

AGES 6-18

**YOUTH  
RIDE  
FREE**

FREE RIDE PROMOTION  
Valid until 2-28-22



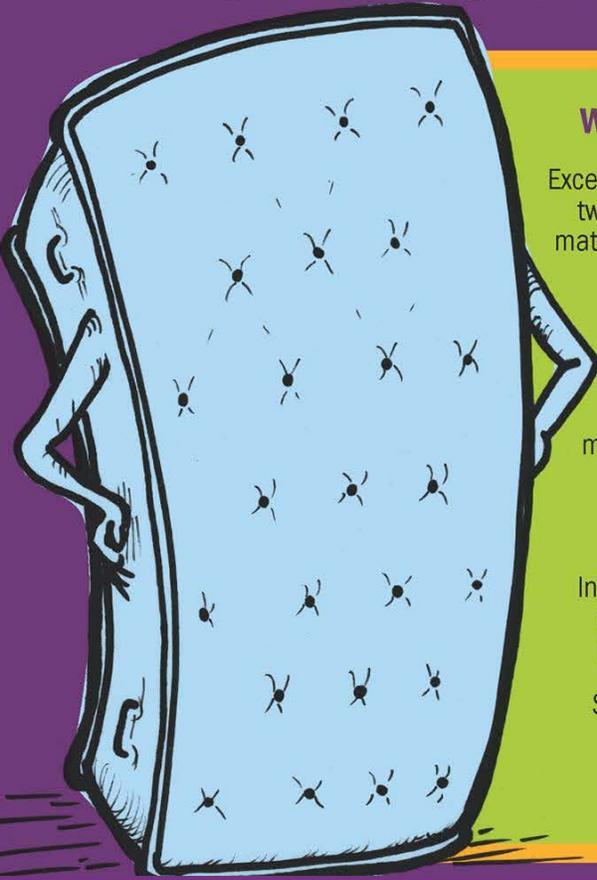
- “Youth Ride Free Fare” pass will be a free magnetic stripe OC Bus pass, good for six months.
- A multilingual “parental request form” will be available through schools, the OCTA store, and at [OCbus.com/YouthRideFree](https://ocbus.com/YouthRideFree).



Orange County Transportation Authority

550 S. Main St  
P.O. Box 14184  
Orange, CA 92863-1584  
(714) 560-OCTA  
[www.octa.net](http://www.octa.net)

# No-Cost Mattress Recycling



## We do not accept:

Excessively wet, damaged, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses or box springs

Items infested with bed bugs

Fold-out sofa beds, futon frames/bases, mattress pads/toppers

Water beds, air mattresses, car beds

Infant & child products, infant carriers, lounge pads or crib bumpers

Sleeping bags, pillows

Other furniture or sleep products

## How do I get rid of my old mattress?

Residents can drop off mattress, box springs, and futon mattresses separated from the base or frame for no-cost recycling.

Midway City Sanitary District

14451 Cedarwood Ave. Westminster, CA 92683

Monday - Friday 8am-4pm



**bye bye  
mattress®**  
A Program of the Mattress Recycling Council®

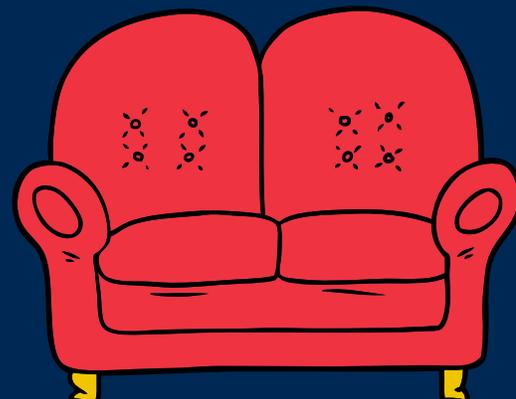


For more details, please call (714) 893-3553 or visit [www.midwaycitysanitarydistrict.com/bulky-item-service](http://www.midwaycitysanitarydistrict.com/bulky-item-service).

## Schedule a Bulky Item Pickup!

The District provides a monthly bulky item service for the disposal of some appliances and furniture, and will collect two such items from each household approximately every thirty days. For more details, please call (714) 893-3553 at least one week in advance.

Normal items that the District will pick up are: furniture, appliances, patio furniture, large plastic toys, lawn care equipment, television sets, computer monitors, and water heaters. The District does **NOT** pickup: carpet, rugs, glass, mirrors, construction materials, wood, fencing, doors, pallets, and exercise equipment. **PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR ITEMS ON THE CURB UNTIL SCHEDULED FOR PICKUP.**





Simple water-saving changes  
can make a big difference!

# EVERY DROP COUNTS

LEARN MORE: [MWDOC.COM/SAVEWATER](http://MWDOC.COM/SAVEWATER)

*After several exceptionally dry winters, the Department of Water Resources has marked 2021 as the third-driest year on record for the State. On July 8, 2021 Governor Newsom called for Californians to voluntarily reduce 15% water consumption. While you can count on clean, safe, reliable water when you turn on the tap, water is not limitless. We must all do our part to continue to use water wisely.*

*For more information, visit [Water Restrictions/Watering Schedule](#).*

IN PARTNERSHIP:



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# PUBLIC SAFETY MESSAGE FROM ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

## 2-1-1 HELPLINE



*If you need help finding non-emergency services in your area, 211 Orange County is available 24 hours a day. 211 is fast, free, confidential and available in more than 150 languages. In addition to calling 211, you can also visit their website at [211oc.org](http://211oc.org).*



*211 is a nonprofit organization that provides information and referrals for thousands of services, including shelter, health care and job placement.*



Orange County  
Fire Authority  
[ocfa.org](http://ocfa.org)

(714) 573-6200



### **211 Programs and Services**

Specially trained 211 operators connect callers with more than 2,000 local government and nonprofit organizations. These agencies have programs dedicated to many personal and family needs, including:

- Food
- Affordable housing
- Rent/mortgage assistance
- Domestic violence shelters
- Prenatal care
- Child development
- After school programs
- Senior services
- Healthcare and insurance
- Job training
- Transportation
- Substance abuse
- Funeral services

### **Calling 211 During Emergencies**

211 also serves as a public information system during disasters or local emergencies, providing information on road closures, emergency shelters, and evacuation.

# *Did you know...*

City Hall, Community Services, and the Westminster Police Department lobby are open Monday - Thursday from 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. for walk-ins (7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. for WPD).

Appointments are still encouraged.  
[Click here to schedule an appointment.](#)

The City of Westminster has a mobile app!  
[Download here](#) for easy access to City information, contacts, and a simple way to report issues.

You can now apply, renew, or pay for your business license online through HdL Companies. For more information, visit: <https://westminster.hdlgov.com> or call (657) 622-0222.

There will be no street sweeping on October 29.

Need to pay your water bill in person?  
Visit our Corporation Yard!

Westminster Corporation Yard  
14381 Olive St.  
Westminster, CA 92683

(714) 894-3796

Hours: Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Be linked to the city on LinkedIn!



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# OTHER NEWS

**Visiting City Hall?**  
**Make an appointment!**



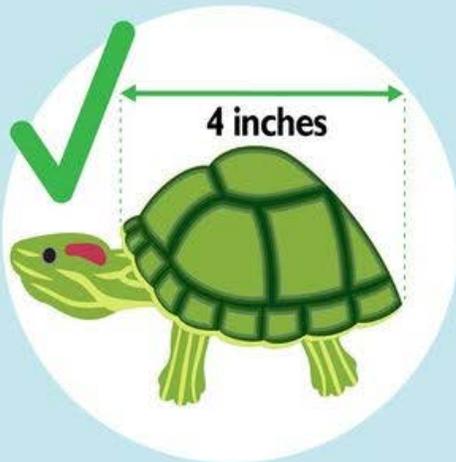
Text (714) 947-2859

**OR click here!**



## DON'T BUY TURTLES WITH SHELLS LESS THAN 4 INCHES LONG.

They are illegal to sell as pets because they caused many *Salmonella* outbreaks and made a lot of children sick.



[www.cdc.gov/HEALTHYPETS](http://www.cdc.gov/HEALTHYPETS)



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## CORONAVIRUS UPDATES & RESOURCES

[www.westminster-ca.gov/coronavirus](http://www.westminster-ca.gov/coronavirus)



## 405 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

[OCTA.NET/405MAP](http://OCTA.NET/405MAP)

