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HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR FROM ALL OF US AT THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER



(Staff and officials: [left to right] Sgt. P. Pham, Chief D. Lenyi, Vice Mayor C. Manzo, Councilman T. Do, Interim City Manager C. Cordon, Interim Assistant City Manager A. Ozaeta, Deputy Chief C. Knauerhaze, Comdr. A. Iwashita, Councilman C. Nguyen, Mayor T. Ta)

On behalf of the City of Westminster, we would like to wish you a Happy Lunar New Year as we celebrate the Year of the Tiger. May you and your loved ones be blessed with good health, prosperity, and good fortune in the coming year.



2022 LITTLE SAIGON TET PARADE

The Little Saigon Tet Parade, presented by the Little Saigon Tét Parade Association, will take place Feb. 5, 2022 along Bolsa Avenue from east of Magnolia Street to Bushard Street. Opening ceremonies begin at 9 a.m. at the corner of Weststate Street and Bolsa Avenue.

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TÊT PARADE STREET CLOSURE NOTICE

2022 TÊT Parade • Little Saigon • Westminster

littlesaigontetparade.com • 9361 Bolsa Ave. Suite 106, Westminster, CA 92683 • Tel: (714) 512-6612 • littlesaigontetparade.com

IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION

THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER IS MAILING THIS NOTICE ON BEHALF OF THE TÊT PARADE ORGANIZER – LITTLE SAIGON TET PARADE ASSOCIATION

EVENT: 2022 TÊT Parade – Saturday, February 5, 2022

1ST ORGANIZER CONTACT: Mr. Richard Bui (951)733-8844

2ND ORGANIZER CONTACT: Mr. Long Nguyen (310)381-9629

TÊT PARADE STREET CLOSURE NOTICE

THERE WILL BE NO PARKING ALLOWED ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE OF BOLSA AVENUE BETWEEN MAGNOLIA STREET AND PURDY STREET ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022

THE PARADE WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022 AT 10:00 a.m. (Brief program at 9:00 a.m.) THE FOLLOWING STREETS WILL BE CLOSED AT THE TIMES LISTED BELOW:

- On the morning of **Friday, February 4, 2022**, the Southern Bolsa Avenue Frontage Road between Purdy Street and Neece Street will be closed to through traffic. The area will be used as the parade staging area for TET Parade floats. Access from the Frontage Road to the ABC Market Shopping Center will not be allowed.

STREET CLOSURE TIMES FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022

6:00 a.m.

- Bolsa Avenue between Newland Street and Magnolia Street (Parade Staging Area)

7:30 a.m.

- Bushard Street between Bolsa Avenue and Bishop Place
- Bolsa Avenue between Magnolia Street and Bushard Street
- Magnolia Street between Greenville Avenue and Bolsa Avenue
- Magnolia Street between Bolsa Avenue and Gables Lane
- Bishop Place between Bushard Street and Belgrade Street

The following street segments will be available for local access only:

7:30 a.m.

- Magnolia Street between Hazard Avenue and Greenville Avenue
- Magnolia Street between Bishop Place and Gables Lane

Residents, business owners, and employees in the Little Saigon area requiring access to the north side of Bolsa Avenue must enter the area by 7:30 a.m. Access to the south side of Bolsa Avenue will be available throughout the event via Bishop Place. Our goal is to restore all traffic operations to normal at the conclusion of the event. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Richard Bui at (951)733-8844 or Mr. Long Nguyen at (310)381-9629 for additional information.

Get the vaccine news you need

COVIDVACCINEFACTS.com 

The COVID-19 vaccine is available to everyone ages 5 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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**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:

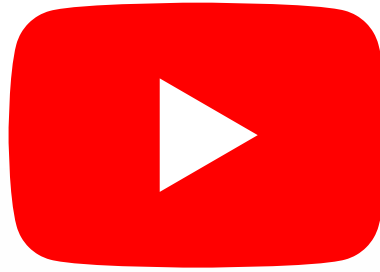
- Network Engineer
- Little Saigon Outreach Coordinator
- Administrative Analyst

...and more!

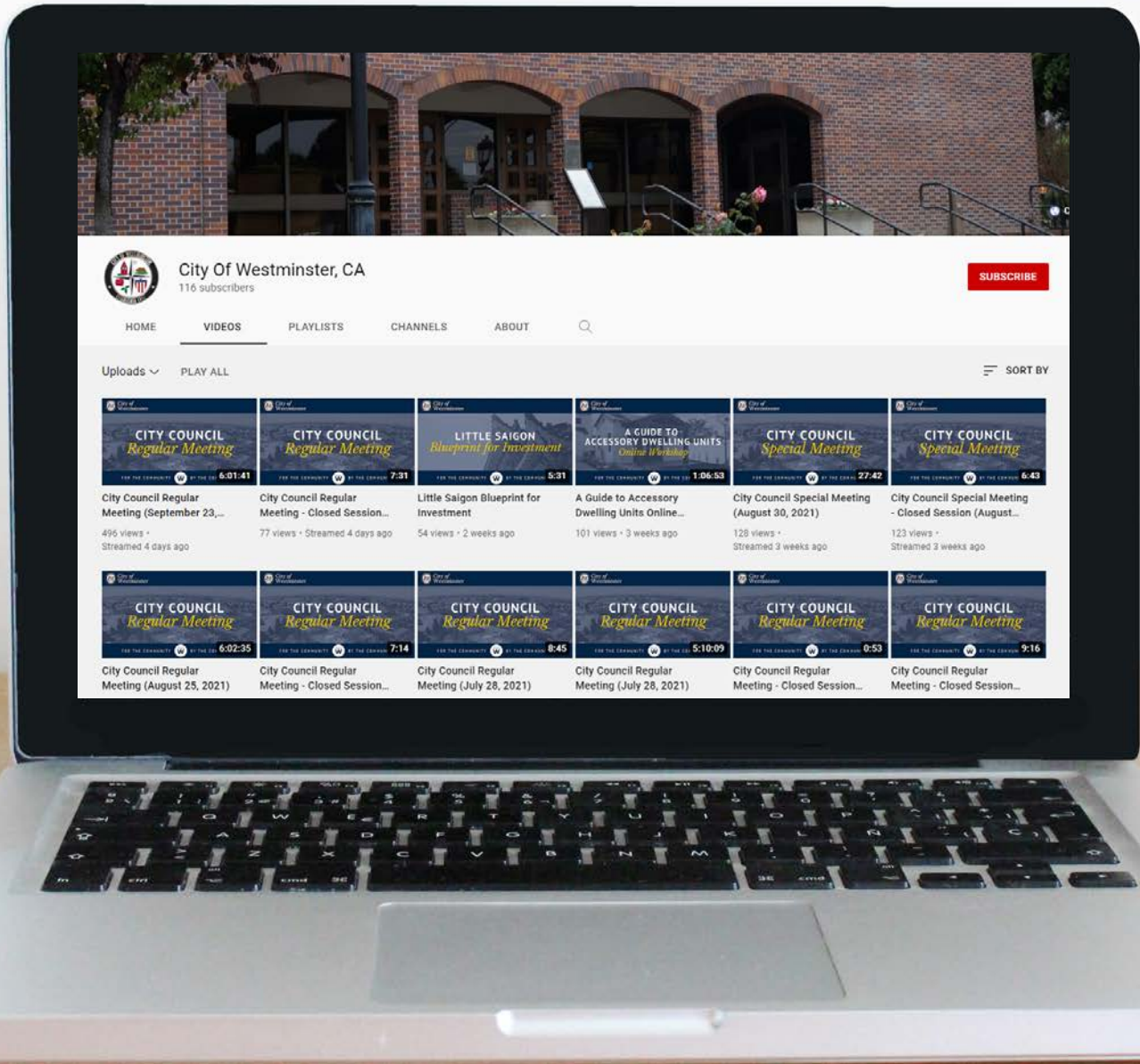


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BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

2021-2022 Review

This report contains information on resources for the first quarter of FY 2021-22, which is the period between July 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021.

Top Revenues

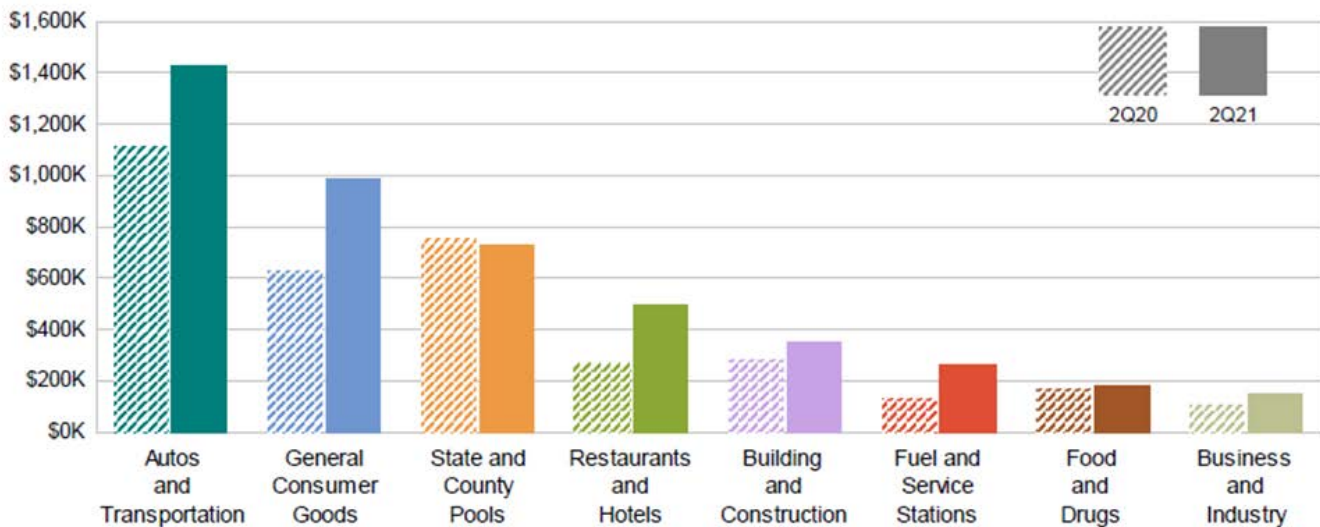
The top revenue sources for the City's General Fund are sales tax, transaction use tax, property tax, utility user's tax and charges for service which combined make up 88% of total General Fund revenue. Current projections for FY 2021-22 are in line with budgeted. FY 2020-21 revenues are budgeted at \$66.7 million and we have received \$5.3 million or 8% through September 2021..

Sales Tax/Transaction Use Tax

Year-over-year comparison show most categories with positive growth when comparing Q2 2020 to Q2 2021. April through June receipts were 23.7% above the second sales period in 2020. The 2nd quarter of 2020 was the most adversely impacted sales tax period related to the Covid-19 pandemic and Shelter-In-Place directive issued by Governor. The 2Q21 comparison quarter of 2Q20 was the lowest since 2Q14 due to pandemic restrictions; therefore, dramatic percentage gains for 2Q21 were realized. The only category that decreased from the prior year 2nd quarter was the state and county pools due to the impacts of tax dollars previously distributed through the countywide pools to specific local jurisdictions that operate in-state fulfillment centers. 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

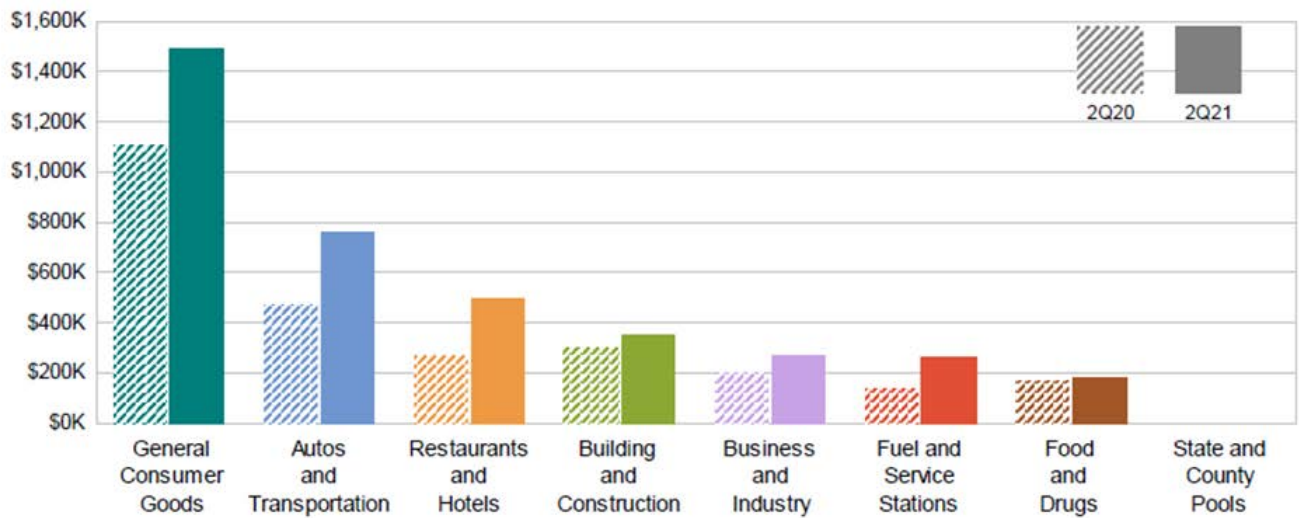
2Q20 Compared To 2Q21



BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (CONT'D)

Transaction Use Tax (Measure SS)

2020 Compared To 2021



Sales tax and transaction use tax receipts are remitted to the City in arrears so the quarter totals shown in the chart below represent one month of receipts from the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA). Early projections from the City’s sales tax consultant, HdL, anticipate FY 2021-22 receipts to be comparable with the actuals received for FY 2020-21 which is in line with budgeted amounts. This is a very early estimate as we have only received the one month advance for FY 2021-22. We will continue to actively track this important revenue source.

	Budget 2021-22	YTD Q1 Actual 2021-22	% of Budget	Prior Years Q1 Actual 2020-21	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Sales and Use Tax	\$ 17,413,000	\$ 1,936,230	11.1%	\$ 1,478,661	\$ 457,569
Transaction Use Tax	13,729,000	1,161,724	8.5%	1,156,138	5,586
	\$ 31,142,000	\$ 3,097,954	9.9%	\$ 2,634,799	\$ 463,155

Property Tax

Property tax revenue is trending slightly higher than the prior fiscal year. Based on the estimates from the County of Orange tax ledger, this revenue source will come in as budgeted. Again this is very early on in the fiscal year as most of the revenue from property tax receipts come in December and April.

	Budget 2021-22	YTD Q1 Actual 2021-22	% of Budget	Prior Years Q1 Actual 2020-21	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Property Tax	\$ 18,077,800	\$ 41,121	0.2%	\$ 34,175	\$ 6,946

BUDGET UPDATE: JULY 1, 2021 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 (CONT'D)

Utility Users Tax

Utility users tax is also slightly more than the prior year but in line with the budget.

	Budget 2021-22	YTD Q1 Actual 2021-22	% of Budget	Prior Years Q1 Actual 2020-21	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Utility Users tax	\$ 4,300,000	\$ 763,171	17.7%	\$ 677,529	\$ 85,642

Charges for Service

Charges for service are tracking on budget for FY 2021-22. This is partly due to the Cost Recovery Study originally adopted in FY 2019-20 updated in August 2021 and the development activity within the City.

	Budget 2021-22	YTD Q1 Actual 2021-22	% of 2020-21 Budget	Prior Years Q1 Actual 2020-21	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Charges for Service	\$ 5,184,981	\$ 1,089,559	21.0%	\$ 1,138,575	\$ (49,016)

Expenditures

General Fund expenditures are tracking on budget. Expenditures for FY 2021-22 Quarter 1 are \$1.5 million over the prior fiscal year at the same time. This is primarily due to the increase in PERS costs and OCFA contract costs.

	Budget 2021-22	YTD Q1 Actual 2021-22	% of 2020-21 Budget	Prior Years Q1 Actual 2020-21	Increase/ (Decrease) from PY
Expenditures	\$ 67,989,080	\$ 26,896,349	39.6%	\$ 25,390,723	\$ 1,505,626

At this time, revenue and expenditures are tracking within budget so no budget adjustment is necessary. The next update will be provided after six months of revenue and expenditures, for the period of July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

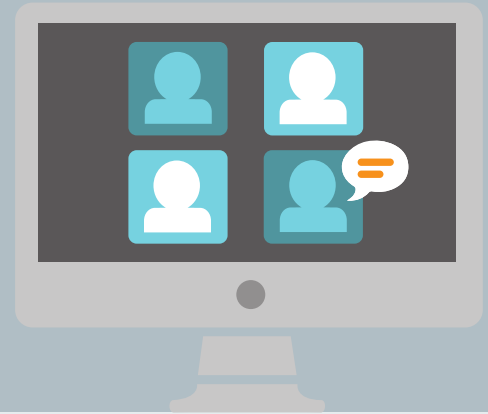
If you have any questions or concerns please contact Erin Backs, Finance Director, at ebacks@westminster-ca.gov or (714) 548-3185.

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.

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.**



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**.

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**.





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 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**

On Wednesday, January 26, 2022, the City of Westminster's City Council adopted the proposed 2021-2029 Housing Element. Watch the videos below to learn more.



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. [Learn more](#)



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



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATHWAY TO SERVICES

MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

When an individual experiences a mental health emergency or crisis situation, they can be assessed by the Crisis Assessment Team (CAT) staff who provides 24-hour mobile response services to anyone experiencing a mental health crisis. Crisis assessment services are also available at the Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Outpatient Clinics during business hours or at the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) 24 hours per day.

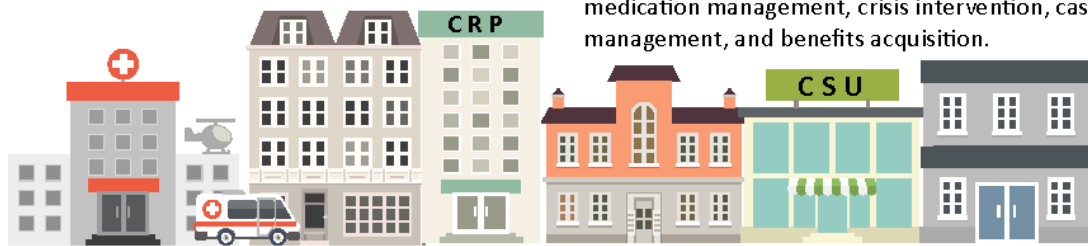


Crisis Assessment Team (CAT) provides crisis intervention and can initiate involuntary holds for hospitalization when needed. CAT staff are also assigned to ride along with law enforcement officer partners to address mental health-related calls in assigned cities. This program is known as the Psychiatric Emergency & Response Team (PERT). PERT teams may be called into service by CAT Dispatch as well as their assigned City's Dispatch.

In a mental health emergency, call CAT (866) 830-6011 or 911.

After assessment, the individual is referred to one of the following:

- 1 Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU)** provides emergency psychiatric and crisis stabilization services that include crisis intervention, medication evaluation, consultation with significant others and outpatient providers, as well as linkage and/or referral to follow-up care and community resources.
- 2 Hospitalization** CAT/PERT staff facilitate evaluation and treatment at a psychiatric hospital.
- 3 Crisis Residential Programs (CRP)** are voluntary short-term programs for children, transitional age youth and adults who need additional support to avoid hospitalization. They provide stabilization and linkage to long-term support services.
- 4 BHS Outpatient Services** provides assessment, individual/group/family therapy, substance abuse/educational/support groups, medication management, crisis intervention, case management, and benefits acquisition.
- 5 Outreach & Engagement Services (O&E)** are offered to homeless individuals or those at-risk of homelessness of all ages with behavioral health conditions ranging from mild to moderate to severe and chronic mental illness. Staff frequents known gathering places for the homeless including food banks, shelters, and public areas such as parks and libraries to build trust and link them to behavioral health services and housing.



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES (BHS) OUTPATIENT SERVICES

After inpatient or stabilization services or outreach follow-up, outpatient services are available. These services are based on a participant's level of impairment.

- 1 BHS Outpatient Clinic Services**
provides mental health or Substance Use Disorder services obtained through walk-in or appointment.
- 2 Full-Service Partnerships (FSP)**
provides intensive outpatient and field based services with a focus on special populations such as individuals with a severe mental illness and/or co-occurring substance use issue who are homeless or involved with the criminal justice system.
- 3 Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT)**
provides intensive outpatient and field-based services for individuals who have not been able to benefit from traditional outpatient programs.
- 4 Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)**
provides court-ordered treatment for individuals with severe mental illness who are resistant to obtaining treatment.

ORANGE COUNTY ONE-STOP MOBILE UNIT

BUSINESS & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

FEBRUARY 10 & MARCH 10

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!**



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WFRC
family resource center

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

WESTMINSTER

Newsletter & Recreation Guide

Winter
2022

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OC PUBLIC LIBRARIES PRESENTS

ZOOM
into
StoryTime

January 11 - May 28



Space is limited. Register today!
Email: 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
(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



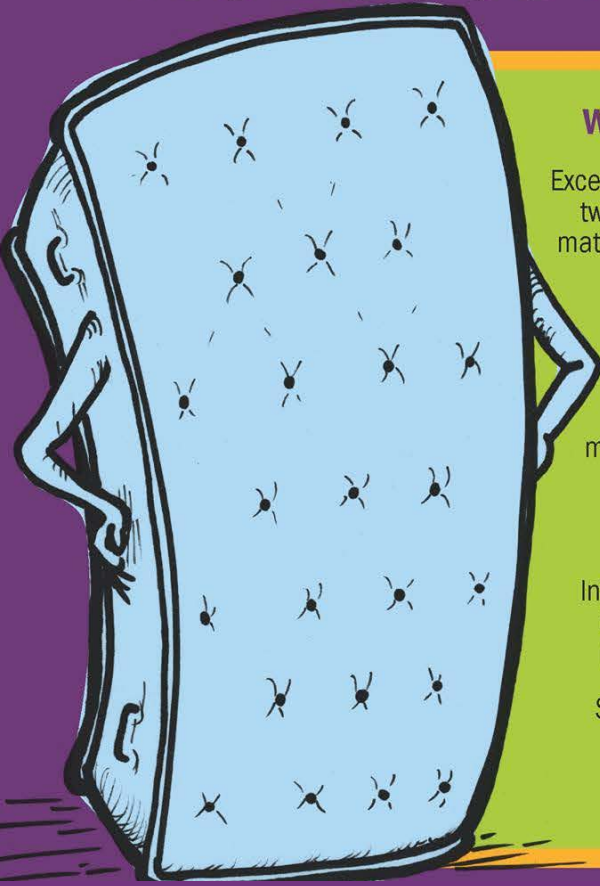
- “Youth Ride Free Fare” pass will be a free magnetic stripe OC Bus pass, good for six months.
- A multilingual “parental request form” will be available through schools, the OCTA store, and at [OCbus.com/YouthRideFree](https://ocbus.com/YouthRideFree).



Orange County Transportation Authority

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Orange, CA 92863-1584
(714) 560-OCTA
www.octa.net

No-Cost Mattress Recycling



We do not accept:

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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
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A Program of the Mattress Recycling Council®

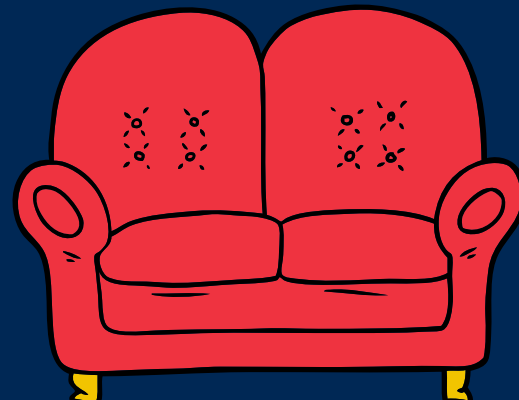


For more details, please call (714) 893-3553 or visit www.midwaycitysanitarydistrict.com/bulky-item-service.

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

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](#).

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BURN SAFETY



A burn is damage to the skin caused by heat. Burns and scalds can occur from certain tools, appliances, hot water, or the sun. Every 60 seconds, someone in the United States sustains a burn serious enough to require treatment.



In 2018, roughly 70,000 people went to the emergency room because of contact burns. About one-third of these patients were children under the age of 5.



**Orange County
Fire Authority**

(714) 573-6200
ocfa.org



Types of Burns

First Degree (Minor)

- First degree burns usually result in redness and mild pain.

Second Degree (Moderate)

- Second degree burns are usually bright red with a moist or blistered appearance.

Third Degree (Severe)

- Third degree burns usually appear charred or ashen and are black or brown in color.
- These burns can result in devastating injury including the loss of function, loss of limbs, disfigurement, reoccurring infection, and sometimes death.

How to Treat a Burn

- Turn off the heat source and make sure the surroundings are safe.
- Remove clothing and jewelry near a burn, but do not peel off clothing stuck to the burn.
- Run cool water (not cold or icy) on the burn for 5-10 minutes until the pain subsides.
- Apply an antibiotic ointment or dressing to the burn to keep it moist. Do not use creams or greasy substances like butter, toothpaste, or eggs. These can cause infection.
- Call 9-1-1 if you have a burn that affects your mobility or sensation, for any burn larger than your hand, or if the burn affects the feet, face, eyes or genitalia.

Burn Prevention Tips

- Create a safety zone of at least 3 feet around hot objects or appliances.
- Do not leave hot objects unattended and unplug tools when not in use.
- Keep hot objects away from counter edges and out of the reach of children.

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!
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