



## CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE JUNE 16, 2017



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending June 16, 2017.

### **CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

The Food Truck Thursdays event at the Antioch Community Center parking lot on Lone Tree Way was a huge success with lots of folks coming out to enjoy good food and company. Running weekly through the rest of the summer, this is just one of the new and exciting things happening in Antioch.

The ribbon cutting and grand opening of the new Prosserville Park playground and picnic area was a well attended event that the neighborhood kids went crazy over. Working collaboratively with First 5 of Contra Costa, the City Council took the initiative to invest in this downtown neighborhood and install a beautiful playground structure that will be enjoyed by families for many years to come. A special thanks to Mike Bechtholdt and Rhea Laughlin for their efforts to put on a very positive and memorable event.

The free State of the City Event sponsored by the Antioch Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday evening at the Antioch Community Center was an opportunity for members of our community who were not able to attend the first State of the City presentation held on May 26<sup>th</sup> to hear Mayor Wright's, Chief Brooks' and my vision for the City. For anyone who was not able to attend either event, CCTV recorded Wednesday night's version, which was different from the May 26<sup>th</sup> version in that it included a 15-minute Q & A from the audience at the end. The presentation can be viewed on DeltaTV on 6/29 at 12:00 p.m., 7/1 at 10:00 a.m., 7/4 at 7:00 p.m., 7/6 at 12:00 p.m., 7/8 at 10:00 a.m. and 7/18 at 7:00 p.m. on East Contra Costa County Comcast channel 24 and AT&T Universe channel 99. A big thanks to everyone who took the time out of their evening to attend.



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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS

Antioch Community Center Parking Lot  
4703 Lone Tree Way



Food Truck Thursdays began at the Antioch Community Center! The Foodie Crew had a line-up of trucks including BBQ, gyros, pasta, and desserts. This is a food truck market that will take place every Thursday night from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. through the end of September, and possibly through the end of October. This event is sponsored in part by the City of Antioch Recreation Department and is presented by The Foodie Crew and United Bites Food Truck. After seeing and experiencing successful food truck events in other local cities,

United Bites Food Truck owner and local Antioch resident, Adam Gross, approached City staff with a vision of bringing a food truck event into his town. He selected the Antioch Community Center Parking Lot for its visibility to the many southeast residents that travel Lone Tree Way. He planned logistics and coordinated details with City staff. Please come out and support this new event. If you are interested in having your Food Truck or Dessert Truck at this event, or if you are a non-food vendor, please email: [info@foodiecrew.com](mailto:info@foodiecrew.com).

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/311496855945551/>

### Newest Downtown Business:

Rivertown Treasure Chest  
306 G Street  
(925) 238-0090

Rivertown Treasure Chest is a retail co-op offering new and old gift ideas including antiques, vintage, collectibles, a small snack area, media room and garden/seasonal items. Thirteen sellers occupy the space and include retail items, sewn crafts, repurposed goods such as painted furniture, jewelry, and other treasures.

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/RivertownTreasureChest](http://www.facebook.com/RivertownTreasureChest)



**Rivertown Treasure Chest**  
*Downtown Antioch's Newest Shopping Experience*  
 Gifts of all kinds, Collectibles, Furniture, Plants, Pet Clothing, Candy Shop, Blue Mountain Greeting Cards, Jewelry, Hats, Garden Decorations, Glass Wares, Art, And So Much More  
**Don't Miss our Sidewalk Sale June 17th**  
**Ribbon Cutting June 30th - Grand Opening Celebration July 1st. & 2nd**  
**306 G St. Tuesday - Sunday 10am-5pm 925-350-0297**  
*Something for all ages from all decades*



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### Celebrate Antioch Foundation – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event:



On Tuesday, July 4, 2017, join us for an Old Fashion Hometown celebration. The Parade begins in Downtown Antioch at 11:00 a.m. The evening festival begins at 4:00 p.m. at the Contra Costa Fairgrounds (10<sup>th</sup> & L Streets).

- Parade will start at 11:00 a.m. at West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and E Street.
- Contra Costa Fairgrounds will open at 4:00 p.m. for evening activities.
- Car show, Kids Zone, with family games and prizes.
- Live entertainment.
- Fireworks show starts at 9:30 p.m.

### Southern Café 400 G Street

Starting Friday, July 7, hosted by Tony Sculfield of the KBLX Morning Crew, First Friday Funnies will take place at Southern Café. Doors will open at 8:00 p.m. and comedy starts at 9:30 p.m. Come early to listen to music, enjoy good food, and mingle with some great people. For more information call (213) 394-6997, or visit them on their websites at [www.triple3t.com](http://www.triple3t.com) or [www.ongotickets.com](http://www.ongotickets.com). Music will be brought to you by Chunky Beat DJ's.



Summer Concerts are set to start July 8<sup>th</sup> – August 26<sup>th</sup> every Saturday from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the improved Waldie Plaza across from City Hall. Come and explore downtown, the river, merchants, and enjoy this family event.

Website: [http://art4antioch.org/Summer\\_Concerts\\_2017.asp](http://art4antioch.org/Summer_Concerts_2017.asp)



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### **Moveable Feast is Set to Join the Summer Concert Series Downtown:**

The City of Antioch is scheduled to add a food truck event to its Downtown Antioch Summer Concert series. Moveable Feast is scheduled to start food truck programming alongside the Summer Concert series. A first for downtown, this event will be located at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street public parking lot between I and G Streets. This event hopes to draw more people into Antioch’s downtown, increasing foot traffic in the area. Truck lineups are being put together in the coming weeks that will include a variety of foods. Food Truck Saturdays are scheduled to take place every Saturday evening from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., July 8<sup>th</sup> through August 26<sup>th</sup>. This event will give people an opportunity to walk just a few feet away from Waldie Plaza, where Summer Concerts are located, to grab a bite to eat. Moveable Feast will also include seating, games and other activities. If you are interested in having your Food Truck at this event, please email: [info@mvblfeast.com](mailto:info@mvblfeast.com).



**El Campanil Theatre**  
602 W. Second St.  
Downtown Antioch  
(925) 757-9500  
Tickets: [www.ElCampanilTheatre.com](http://www.ElCampanilTheatre.com)

### **International Film Showcase**



**Belle and Sebastian (France)**  
Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2:00 pm

A six-year-old boy and his dog look to foil a Nazi effort to capture French Resistance fighters.

This story takes place high up in the Alps where the snow is immaculate, chamois chase marmots, and the summits touch the clouds. This takes place high up in a peaceful village – until the day the Germans arrive.

It is the story of a lonely boy and a wild dog. It is the story of Sébastien who tames Belle. It is the adventure of an indestructible friendship. It is the extraordinary tale of a resourceful and appealing child in the middle of World War II. It is the odyssey of a little



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boy searching for his mother, an old man searching for his past, a member of the Resistance searching for love, a young woman looking for adventure, and a German lieutenant searching for forgiveness. It is the life of Belle and Sébastien...

Country: France

Language: French | German

English Subtitles

**Tickets:** Adults: \$8, Seniors: \$7, Students: \$7

**Buy Tickets Online:** <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/Belle-And-Sebastian.html>



### Kevin Blake

Illusionist, Magician and Mentalist

**Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 8:00 pm**

Kevin Blake is a master showman and "illusionist of the mind." Blake is known for his theatrical magic shows and blink-and-you'll-miss-it close-up conjuring. A favorite at private galas for companies like Google and Square, he's brought his immersive and interactive magic to L.A., London and nearly everywhere in between. He even opened for Third Eye Blind at The Fillmore.

In his newest performance, Blake combines tall tales, wonders of the mind, witty banter and brilliant illusions that will leave you scratching your head. Prepare to spend countless hours wondering, "How did he do that?!" after this show.

Reserved Seating

(Cabaret Style Seating - Orchestra Level Only)

**Ticket Prices:** Adults: \$20, Youth: (12-17) \$10

**Buy Tickets Online:** <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/kevin-blake.html>

### Freshest Cargo Downtown Tuesdays

Located at the Senior Center Parking Lot - 415 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street



**Website:** <http://freshapproach.org/freshestcargo/>

**FB Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/FreshestCargo>



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### **Do you have Economic Business News to share?**

Please email [lzepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us](mailto:lzepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us) for submittals and to share pictures, stories, links, or media releases on our social media outlets.

### **Chamber of Commerce Events**



@AntiochCAgov

<https://www.facebook.com/cityofantiochca/>

### **CITY CLERK**

The Annotated Agenda for the June 13, 2017 City Council Meeting is posted on the City's Website. To view the agenda information, please click on the following link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/> and then click 'City Council.'

City Council Meetings are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m. The first Council Meeting in July is cancelled due to Summer Break.

The City Clerk's office is accepting applications for one (1) Alternate Board of Administrative Appeals vacancy. Any interested resident is encouraged to apply. To be considered for these volunteer positions, a completed application must be received in the Office of the City Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on June 30, 2017. Applications are available at [www.ci.antioch.ca.us](http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us) and at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 200 H Street, Antioch, CA 94509, (925) 779-7009, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Your interest and desire to serve our community is appreciated. A completed application and resume can be emailed to [cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us), faxed to (925) 779-7007, sent by mail, or dropped off at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk. Appointees are required to file a FPPC Form 700 "Statement of Economic Interests" within 30 days of their appointment by the City Council.

City Clerk Arne Simonsen attended the League of California Cities' policy committee meetings held in Sacramento on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. He serves as a Presidential appointee on the Housing, Community & Economic Development Policy Committee and the Governance, Transparency & Labor Relations Policy Committee. Prior to each day's



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committee meetings, the League staff provided updates on the State Budget, how revenue will be split with the recently passed increase in gasoline/diesel tax and vehicle registration fees, and legislation in the State Capitol which the League supports and those it opposes.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

#### Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- Art Lucero and Ed Padilla were hired as Lead Water Distribution Operators for the Public Works Department on June 11, 2017.
- Brandy Brooks was hired as a Cross-Connection Control Specialist II for the Public Works Department on June 11, 2017.
- Jennifer Liu was hired as an Assistant Engineer for the Public Works Department-CIP Division on June 12, 2017.
- Camillo Vasquez-Cardenas and Nicholas Wilson were hired as Water Distribution Operator I for the Public Works Department on June 12, 2017.

Please join us in welcoming these employees to their new positions with the City of Antioch.

There are always exciting career opportunities with the City of Antioch. The City's open recruitments can be found on the Human Resources page of the City website: <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the job Position, click on Apply.

### RECREATION

This week the Water Park began its first session of summer swim lessons. Over 90 participants are enrolled and actively engaged in learning safety in and around the water. The Antioch Water Park offers swim lessons to every level and ability. Sign up for a future session today and come ***splash with us!***

As the hot weather sets in throughout the region this weekend, the Antioch Water Park is your place to cool down. Come ride a slide, float in the pool, and enjoy a snack at our concession stand!





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The Antioch Council of Teens (ACT) is planning on volunteering for the Stand Down on the Delta event. The suggestion is for the ACT to serve one meal in collaboration with Antioch Rotary. The event will start on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup> through Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

On Wednesday, the State of the City Address was held at the Antioch Community Center where residents came to hear updates from Mayor, Sean Wright, City Manager, Ron Bernal, and Police Chief, T. Brooks. Delta TV will replay the State of the City Address on Comcast channel 24 and AT&T U-verse channel 99.

On Friday, the Antioch Senior Center (ASC) put together an activity for our seniors to enjoy. A "Guess Who" activity was put together by ASC Board members and ASC Staff. 40+ seniors brought in pictures of themselves in their youth and everyone guessed at the identity of each picture. Seniors truly enjoyed this activity with more like to come.

On Monday, the Antioch Senior Center celebrated Filipino Independence Day. Over 300 lumpias, along with free refreshments were served to over 150 people in attendance. A Filipino history lecture was provided and Filipino dances were performed.

Over the last week, 360 affordable, healthy meals were served through the CoCo Café. This program helps prevent heart attacks, depression, asthma and congestive heart failure. No membership or income requirements are required to eat at the CoCo Café. All supplies are provided by the County for participating cafés.



<https://www.facebook.com/antiochrecreation>

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**Planning Division.** The Planning Division maintains a Project Pipeline, which is a table containing all of the active and recently-approved projects in the City of Antioch. The table contains links to many of the approved plans and can be found at:

<http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/CommDev/PlanningDivision/docs/Project-Pipeline.pdf>.

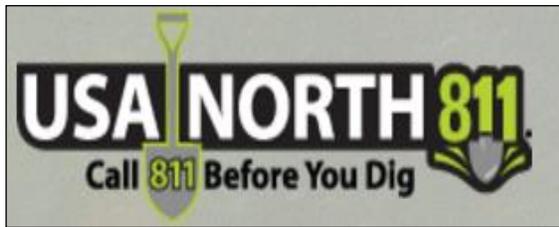
**Code Enforcement Division.** Our Code Enforcement Officers attended a training in Brentwood this week called Emotional Intelligence & Micro-Expressions. This is a CACEO sponsored training and provided eight hours of continuing education.



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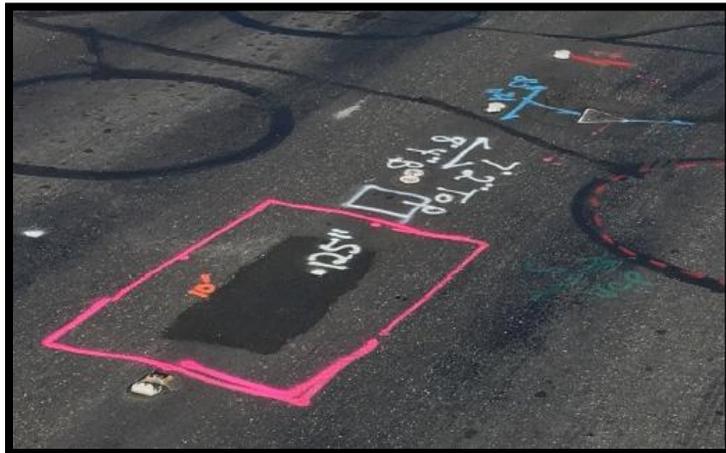
## PUBLIC WORKS



**Don't Dig Into Trouble!** Call **811**, before you dig to alert utilities to mark their underground lines. State law requires that **ALL** residential and commercial excavations are called into the **Underground Service Alert (USA) North 811** call center 2-14 days prior to the excavation start date. This vital public safety

service is **FREE** and required by law of everyone who will be digging, blasting, trenching, drilling, grading or excavating.

The area to be excavated is marked in white paint by the person performing the dig. The other paint colors indicate the utilities that exist in the vicinity of the excavation site as listed in the chart below. These markings are not permanent and will fade over time.



Public Works is responsible for marking the following City utilities:

- Water mains, valves, hydrants, backflow prevention devices, ARV's (air relieve valves), blow-offs, sample stations and service lines up to the water meter are marked in blue paint.
- Sewer mains, manholes, rodding-inlets and laterals up to the PCO (proper clean-out) are marked in green paint.

**Color Code for:**  
Marking Excavation Sites & Underground Facilities

PROPOSED EXCAVATION	TEMPORARY SURVEY MARKINGS
ELECTRIC	GAS-OIL-STEAM CHEMICAL
COMMUNICATION CATV	WATER
RECLAIMED WATER IRRIGATION SLURRY	SEWER STORM DRAIN

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Call before you dig.  
California and Nevada  
Call Two Working Days Before You Dig!  
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- Storm drains, catch basins, manholes and culverts are also marked in green paint.

To learn more follow this link: <http://usanorth811.org>.



**What a Fun Day at the Prosserville Park Ribbon Cutting!** The City of Antioch and First 5 East County Regional Group (ECRG) partnered together to put on an amazing event. The First 5 Team organized all kinds of fun events from face painting to cultural dancing with some *smooth* moving Zumba in between.

Antioch PD was also on hand to provide some “How to Climb the Play Structure” by Chief Brooks and his entourage of children following him. The entire City Council and most of the Park and Recreation Commission attended this event and did a great job in meeting with the community and promoting how we can all work better together.

To finish off the event we had an informative and entertaining K9 demonstration. Today We Built a Stronger Community! Thank you all for attending and/or supporting this event.

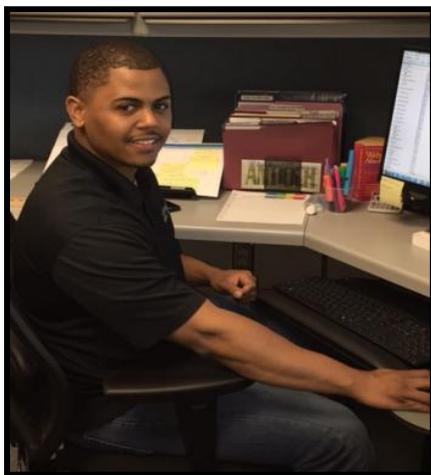




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**12 years ago** a shy 17 year-old young man (Brandon Peters) was being dropped off by his mother at the Public Works Building as an intern for the newly formed Geographic Information System (GIS) program. Fast forward 12 years later, and this young man has flourished in the City, seeing promotions from intern to Part-Time GIS Assistant, GIS Technician, GIS Specialist and most recently, GIS Coordinator. Brandon put himself through college, while working full time through these various positions, and received a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Ethnic Studies. This month Brandon graduated from Cal State Hayward, earning a Master's Degree (MPA) in Public Administration with an emphasis on Public Management and Policy Analysis. Brandon is also a lifelong East County resident.



Brandon is credited with bringing the newest community engagement program the See-Click-Fix platform at <https://en.seeclickfix.com/antioch> to the City of Antioch. His current mission includes being a key member of the team to take Public Works and the City to a higher level of efficiency and productivity, with an emphasis on transparency, through the use of technology (GIS). Specifically, he is working with our Utilities Divisions, Water Distribution and Collection Systems (Sewer and Storm Drainage), to automate such operations as our Close Circuit TV program for the City's sewer system. Instead of crews transferring the information manually from the truck to the Computer Maintenance



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Management System, this work will be automated through innovative technology, saving a great deal of labor, time and resources each week. He is, and will also continue to be, responsible for identifying all of the City's utility infrastructure and assets, which is extremely important to our success and sustainability.

Visit the GIS website at <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/PublicWorks/GIS/> to view online maps of the City and learn more about the City's GIS Division.

"We are so proud of you, Brandon!" **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

**Capital Improvements Division.** A-S Pipelines, Inc. is performing repairs to damaged and deteriorated sanitary sewer facilities on West 2<sup>nd</sup>, West 3<sup>rd</sup> and West 4<sup>th</sup> Streets as part of the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. Traffic patterns and street parking will be affected during this work. For the safety of our residents and the workers, please adhere to all construction signage.



<https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Antioch-Public-Works-566519033543711/>

### **POLICE**

Last week, Contra Costa County Health Services was awarded a three-year, \$5,984,000 state grant to implement "CoCo LEAD Plus," an innovative program intended to break the cycle of repeated incarceration for people with mental illness or substance use disorders in Antioch. This funding, from the California Board of State and Community Corrections, was part of a total \$103 million statewide grant received by only 23 applicants whose rehabilitative programs were deemed the most promising.

Funded by the statewide savings generated from Proposition 47, a voter-approved initiative passed in November 2014, CoCo LEAD Plus is a partnership of Contra Costa County's Behavioral Health Services, the Antioch Police Department, the Contra Costa Housing Authority, the Contra Costa Health, Housing, and Homeless Services Division, and community-based organizations.

The program will implement new arrest-diversion protocols and intensive, coordinated services for people with behavioral health issues who have been repeatedly arrested for a broad array of low-level, non-violent charges. Start-up activities will begin this summer, with services beginning by the end of 2017.



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The Antioch Police Department is excited to announce the **82<sup>nd</sup>** installment of the Neighborhood Cleanup Program. This is a collaborative community effort which involves active participation from The Antioch Police Department Crime Prevention Commission, Neighborhood Watch Program, Volunteers in Police Service, community volunteers and the Public Works Department.

Collectively, **“We”**, everyone who works and lives in the City of Antioch, can make a difference and improve the quality of life. It's our community and it's our chance to make a difference.

The City of Antioch Neighborhood Cleanup program is not just for residential neighborhoods. It is a program that changes venues on a monthly basis and includes business and commercial areas, as well. Neighborhoods that are free of trash and refuse are inviting, and instill a sense of community pride.

The **82<sup>nd</sup>** Neighborhood Cleanup event will occur on **Saturday, July 1 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** We will be cleaning the neighborhoods from 16<sup>th</sup> Street to Merrill Drive, between Marie Avenue and A Street. Volunteers will meet at Kimball Elementary School on August Way.

Volunteers will receive instructions and necessary equipment. The targeted area is within walking distance. Excluding inclement weather, future Neighborhood Cleanup events are scheduled for the first Saturday of every month and the locations will be announced in advance.

Remember, cleaning up your neighborhood can make life better for your family, your neighbors and your community!



<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochPolice/>

**WE CARE  
NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP**



**OUR COMMUNITY  
LETS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**



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**Animal Services.** Spring has sprung and Animal Services has been busy, busy, busy. 278 animals came into the shelter during the month of May. Well over 60% of them have found their way back home, been adopted into new homes, or gone to one of our amazing rescue partners. Spring inevitably brings kittens and puppies. Thanks to our amazing fosters and rescues, these helpless orphans have landed softly in homes until they are ready for adoption. The breed of the month for May was the “German Shepherd” and there were many wonderful specimens, young and old, waiting to find homes at Antioch Animal Services. One of these wonderful German Shepherds left with five other dogs on the last day of May for a cross country trip to Idaho, thanks to Paws Crossed Dog Scouts and our rescue partner in Wood River.

Also, we want to thank the following groups for rescuing animals from our shelter during the month of May 2017:

Animal Rescue Recon  
Animal Shelter of the Wood River Valley  
BAARC  
Berkeley Animal Care Services  
Contra Costa Rabbit Rescue  
Dogma  
East Bay SPCA  
EBARR  
First Responders Animal ResQ  
Goldie & Papis  
HALO  
K911  
K9PPR  
Lily's Legacy Senior Dog Sanctuary  
Tony LaRussa's Animal Rescue Foundation



<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochAnimalServices/>