



CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE SEPTEMBER 8, 2017



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending September 8, 2017.

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I attended the Mayors' Conference at the City of Oakley with Mayor Wright and our entire City Council. Deborah Gonzalez of the Public Policy Institute of California provided a very informative presentation on several of the many bills being acted on by the State legislature at the end of their session on September 15th. Senator Glazer and Assemblymember Frazier both spoke on their commitment to fiscal responsibility and fighting for local control which continues to be eroded by decision makers at the State level. Affordable housing, the environment, possible increases in bridge tolls and efforts to reinvest those funds in the East Bay where most commuters originate, as well as marijuana and the significant additional funds being made available through SB 1's gas tax and vehicle registration increases were also discussed.

Next week Mayor Wright will be in China as a part of a delegation sponsored by China Silicon Valley where he will be networking with business leaders about the benefits and opportunities Antioch has to offer. I will be attending the League of California Cities Annual Conference in Sacramento with Council Member Ogorchock and City Clerk Simonsen where many of the legislative items mentioned in the segment above will be discussed and how they will impact our cities.

I had meetings and spoke with several residential developers/home builders who are seeing a continually improving Antioch new housing market and interested in discussing ideas on how they can move existing vacant land and lots forward as well as infill opportunities.

Staff also met with the engineers designing the sewer and water improvements for the Northeast Annexation Area along the Northern Waterfront and Viera Lane areas. We expect to bid this work this winter with construction scheduled to begin in Spring 2018.



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Fall Family Campfire is Friday, September 15, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the Antioch Community Center Amphitheater. Naturalist Mike Moran from Big Break Visitor Center will provide a nature story and there will be songs, skits, and even s'mores! This family event is for all ages and there is no charge for admission. Skewers and s'mores provided. See you around the campfire!



The 19th Annual Delta Blues Festival is Saturday, September 16, 2017, from noon to 7:30 p.m., in the heart of downtown at Waldie Plaza on 2nd Street, across from City Hall. This event is family focused, alcohol free, with lots of shade available to enjoy the music, food, and crafts. This is a free event! If you are interested in becoming a food or [craft vendor](#), please see their [vendors](#) page.

Website: <http://www.deltabluesfestival.net/>

For up to date information on FB:

<https://www.facebook.com/Long-Live-the-Delta-Blues-Festival-114488355232644/>



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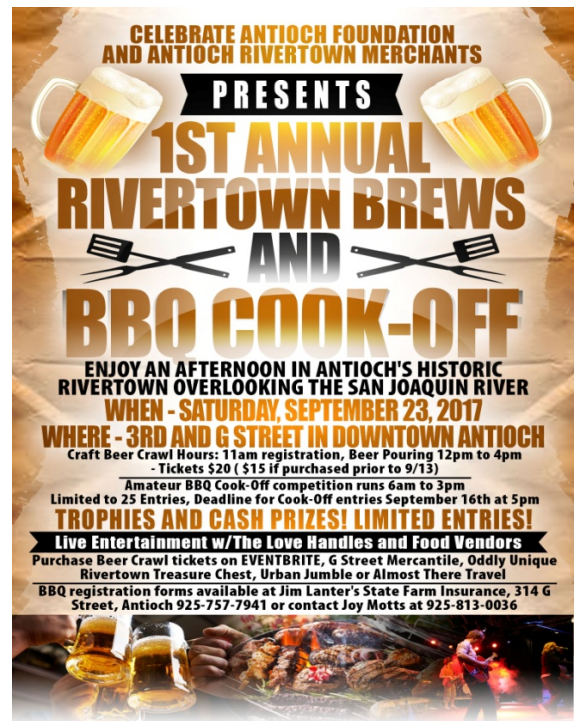


Saturday, September 23rd, Maaco of Antioch presents their 1st Annual Car Show. Open to all car models and categories! This is a family friendly fun event. There will be music provided by Big Happy Sunday Souldies, food, a bounce house for children, raffle, and awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The entry fee is \$10 per vehicle. Stop by anytime from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Location:

Maaco of Antioch
1610 West 10th Street

Sign up today to enter the amateur cook-off at the 1st Annual Downtown Rivertown Brews and BBQ Cook-Off. This event will be on Saturday, September 23rd, on 3rd & G Streets. It is limited to 25 entries and the deadline to enter is September 16th at 5:00 p.m. The Craft Beer Crawl will have you visit 10 local Rivertown Merchants pouring beer from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 before September 13th, or \$20 after that date. There will be entertainment, food vendors and prizes. To enter there is a \$50 entry fee for BBQ teams or individuals. This year only Chicken and Ribs will be judged. You will be cooking for judging only and no BBQ will be sold to the public. Get your tickets online at Eventbrite or hard copy tickets are available at G Street Mercantile, Oddly Unique, Rivertown Treasure Chest, Urban Jumble and Almost There Travel stores downtown. BBQ registration forms are available at 314 G Street. For more information, call (925) 757-7941 or (925) 813-0036.





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Food Truck Thursdays had another successful event 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. to 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. 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, email info@foodiecrew.com.



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



El Campanil Theatre
602 W. Second St.
Downtown Antioch
Tickets: www.ElCampanilTheatre.com or (925) 757-9500

**James Garner's
Tribute to Johnny Cash
Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.
Reserved Seating**

For the past 10 years, Garner and his band have faithfully recreated Cash's biggest hits with stunning accuracy in this not-to-be-missed musical event. From a special concert airing on PBS to shows at Folsom and San Quentin Prisons, it is easy to see why this is the premier tribute to the "Man in Black." The show is a fun, toe-tapping trip down memory lane honoring Johnny Cash's life and music, and the boom-chicka-boom sound of his longtime backing band, the Tennessee Three.

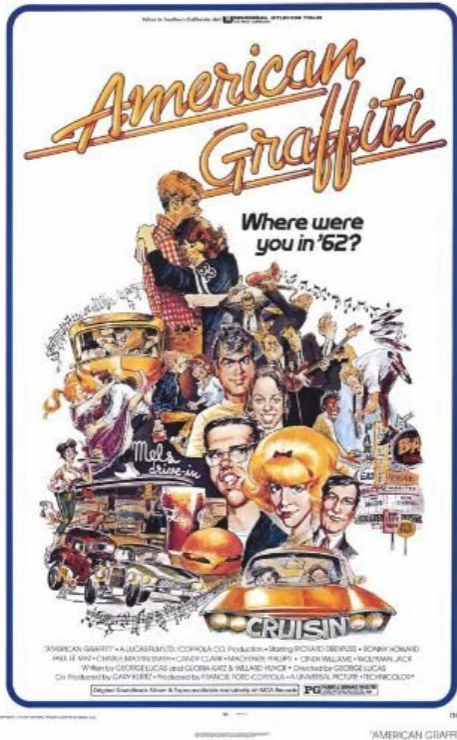


Adults: \$27, Seniors (62 & Over): \$25, Youth (under 18): \$10

Information/Buy Tickets: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/cash-tribute-show.html>



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**El Campanil Theatre Classic Film Showcase
American Graffiti (1973)
Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 2:00 pm**

WHERE WERE YOU IN '62?

Nominated for 5 Academy Awards. Won Golden Globe Best Film.

It is the proverbial end of summer in 1962 in a small southern California town. It is the evening before best friends and recent high school graduates, Curt Henderson and Steve Bolander, are scheduled to leave town to head to college back east. Curt, who received a lucrative local scholarship, is seen as the promise that their class holds. But Curt is having second thoughts about leaving what Steve basically sees as their dead end town. Curt's beliefs are strengthened when he spots an unknown beautiful blonde in a T-bird who mouths the words "I love you" to him. As Curt tries to find that blonde while trying to

get away from a local gang that has him somewhat hostage, Curt may come to a decision about his immediate future. Outgoing class president Steve, on the other hand, wants to leave, despite meaning that he will leave girlfriend, head cheerleader and Curt's sister, Laurie Henderson, behind. Steve and Laurie spend the evening "negotiating" the state of their relationship.

The ensemble cast, including so many that went on to become hugely successful in Hollywood like Ron Howard, Cindy Williams (well, with Laverne & Shirley at least), Richard Dreyfuss and, of course, Harrison Ford (not to mention Lucas himself) is handled with great skill from such a young director.

Runtime: 112 min

Rated PG

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

Lots of great looking classic cars will be downtown and from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. cruisin' around. Downtown merchants will be open. Come enjoy the day.

Information/Buy Tickets/Watch the Trailer at:

<https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/american-graffiti.html>



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BART is hiring for East Contra Costa County eBART jobs: Would you like to live and work in Antioch? BART is hiring various positions for the Hillcrest Station and other eBART stations. The new track is a 10-mile stretch estimated to take riders 10 minutes to transfer. The facilities building is a LEED-certified building. Five BART officers and four community officers will be assigned to the area. New cars are diesel with a capacity to hold 200 riders in each section. New trains are quiet with most of the mechanics on top or on side panels of the trains for easy maintenance. 70 people will be staffed to operate multiple shifts with a 22-hour, 7 days a week operation based out of the facilities building. For new positions, please go to BART's website, search Jobs, keyword "eBART": <https://www.bart.gov/about/jobs>.

Current eBART Postings

Assistant Superintendent, Systems & Track, eBART
Systems Maintainer, Track and Civil, eBART (SEIU) Pool Posting
Superintendent of Systems, eBART Pool Posting
Signal and Communication Maintainer (SEIU), eBART Pool Posting
Group Manager, Project Controls (Non-Rep) Pool Posting
Composite Vehicle Maintainers (SEIU), eBART Pool Posting

The Somersville Towne Center and the Midnighter's Car Club team up to host a Car Show every Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Somersville Towne Center
2550 Somersville Road
Macy's Parking Lot





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Freshest Cargo Downtown Tuesdays located at the Senior Center Parking Lot: 415 W 2nd Street



Website: <http://freshapproach.org/freshestcargo/>
FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/FreshestCargo>



For more information about Business mixers, events, or memberships check out the website calendar at:
[Chamber of Commerce Events](#)



HISPANIC
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Power Hour Networking CCC EAST

FREE EVENT

Building Valuable Business Relationships

Bi-weekly every
1st & 3rd Wed.
8:30 am - 10 am

Lone Tree Golf Course
4800 Golf Course Rd
Antioch, CA 94531

RSVP:
Eventbrite

Networking
Presentations
Business Training
Fun Social Atmosphere



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Check out our marketing videos for Antioch this is just the start our beautiful City has so much to offer.

[City Marketing Videos](#)



We are currently working on the 2017 City Report. Do you have a story you think is worth writing about? Let us know and we will consider adding it to the report!

[2016 City Report](#)

Economic Business News to share?

Please email: izepeda@ci.antioch.ca.us for submittals and to share pictures, stories, links, or media releases on our social media outlets.



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

CITY CLERK

City Council Meetings are held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 p.m.

City Council Agendas, including Staff Reports for the September 12th Council Meeting, are posted onto our City's Website 72 hours before each Council Meeting. To be notified when the agenda packets are posted onto our City's Website, simply click on this link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/notification-systems/> and enter your e-mail address to subscribe. To view the agenda information, please click on the following link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/> and then click 'City Council'.

The regularly scheduled Board of Administrative Appeals meeting was held on September 7, 2017.



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The City Clerk's office received numerous applications for the following Boards/Commission Vacancies:

- One (1) Board of Administrative Appeals (partial term) – 2 applications received
- One (1) Economic Development Commission (partial term) – 6 applications received
- Three (3) Planning Commission (full terms) – 6 applications received

HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- Matthew Koch was promoted to Sergeant on September 3, 2017.
- Matthew Harger was promoted to Corporal on September 3, 2017.
- Joseph Parra was hired as a Water Distribution Operator I in the Public Works Department on September 3, 2017.

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

Current Open Recruitments:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Dispatcher Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (part-time)
- Assistant/Associate Development Services/Engineering Technician
- Collection Systems Supervisor
- Junior Engineer/Assistant Engineer/Associate Civil Engineer

Promotional Opportunities Open to Current City of Antioch Employees:

- Marina Maintenance Worker I/II

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's website: <http://ci.antioch.ca.us/Human-Resources>. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the job Position, click on Apply.



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RECREATION

Over Labor Day weekend, 20 youth hardball teams from all over the Bay Area invaded Antioch Community Park with the sole purpose of being crowned champions in the All World Sports Organization "King of the Dirt-Bay Area" tournament. Teams comprised of 11 and 12 year old boys from Petaluma, Benicia, San Leandro, Fairfield, Vacaville and Martinez, to name just a few, enjoyed their experience here in town and at the sports complex.



On Sunday, 28 adult soccer teams participated in the COPA Bud Light 6 on 6 soccer tournament at the turf soccer fields in Antioch Community Park. Half of the teams came from outside the region, and the players and their families added to the energy of a full and busy park over the holiday weekend. The Antioch Chamber of Commerce provided local host duties including refreshments.

The Antioch Water Park hosted more than 2,500 guests during the Labor Day weekend and nearly 1,000 visitors took advantage of the "half-price" admission days. With the heat index off the charts, the Water Park was the place to stay cool and splash all day. Swimming lessons continue until October.

On Thursday, 18 senior citizens participated in Humana's presentation on "Positive Thinking," an educational class that promotes a positive state of mind through the practice of meditation, positive "self talk," an introduction to coping skills during hardships and times of stress, and developing strategies which promote a positive outlook.

This week, the CoCo Café was closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day; nonetheless, 289 healthy, affordable meals were served through the 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>



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Commission. On Wednesday, September 6th, the Planning Commission held two public hearings. The first was the consideration of a Preliminary Development Plan for the Alder Ranch project. This unique project includes 301 Active Senior Housing Units with an Assisted Living Facility on 96 acres in the Sand Creek Focus Area. This project is very early in its review process and this was a first look at the concept. The Planning Commission and public offered comments and productive direction for the applicant.

The Planning Commission also hosted a Scoping Session for the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for The Ranch, a proposed 1,307-unit housing project in the Sand Creek Focus Area. The public was invited to identify areas of study for the City to consider in the EIR. This project is also in its very early stages of review and there will continue to be opportunities for public participation.

The staff reports and plans for these projects are available at:

<http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/PC/090617.pdf> and
<http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/CommDev/PlanningDivision/docs/Project-Pipeline.pdf>

Proactive Code Enforcement Team. On August 22nd, the City Council approved an amendment to the consultant contract with TRB, increasing the number of contracted Code Enforcement Officers to two. The purpose of this amendment was to provide the Code Enforcement Division with the necessary resources to begin proactive Code Enforcement activity on the City's main thoroughfares, business corridors, and residential neighborhoods. Proactive Code Enforcement activity began August 23rd.

During the period of August 23rd – 31st, 54 Code Enforcement cases were created due to proactive Code Enforcement activity. Proactive Code Enforcement activity for the period of September 1st through September 6th resulted in an additional 29 Code Enforcement cases being created. A total of 83 new Code Enforcement cases have been created since August 23rd, solely from the Code Enforcement Officers assigned to proactively patrol the city.

Any questions regarding this program can be directed to Curt Michael, Code Enforcement Manager, at cmichael@ci.antioch.ca.us. The Code Enforcement Division can be contacted at (925) 779-7042 or visit the web page at: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/CommDev/Code-Enforcement>.



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Coastal Clean-Up Day. For more than thirty years citizens of all ages have joined together one day each year to clean the coast and waterways that are a big part of California's landscape. It is the state's largest annual volunteer event – California Coastal Cleanup Day – and this year it takes place on Saturday, September 16, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Antioch has three sites where individuals, families, and groups can pitch-in to pick-up litter and other debris that ends up on our shoreline and in our creeks: the **Antioch Marina, Antioch Water Park, and Fulton Shipyard Road** at the Red Caboose.

On Friday, September 15th, volunteers will be cleaning the river shoreline from **kayaks and canoes**. Pre-registration is required if you want to reserve a kayak. The event will start at 8:30 a.m. and we will be launching from the new kayak launch inside the Marina. Bring your own boat or rent a kayak from Delta Kayak Adventures for \$10 per person. This boat based cleanup has limited space so anyone interested in helping with the kayak pre-cleanup is encouraged to contact Julie Haas-Wajdowicz at (925) 779-7097.



Cigarettes and cigarette filters are the number one garbage items picked up every year, followed by food wrappers, plastic bags, cups, and beverage containers. Coastal Cleanup Day is about much more than picking up trash. It's a chance for Antioch residents to join people around the world in expressing their respect for our oceans and waterways. This is an opportunity for our community to demonstrate its desire for clean water and healthy marine life. This is also a moment to share with neighbors, family, and friends coming together to accomplish something vital and worthy on behalf of our environment.

How Do I volunteer? Pre-registration is not required, but in order to insure that we have enough supplies on hand, please [Sign Up Here](#). You can also drop in at one of the sites and complete your registration on the day of the event. It's that easy!

Safety is our first priority for any volunteer clean up. Even the cleanest-looking area can hide dangers. Nails, broken glass, hypodermic needles and more have been found during California's annual Coastal Cleanup Days!



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Everyone that joins us for a waterfront trash removal is required to sign the **Volunteer Waiver Form**. School groups, scout troops, and any person under the age of 18 will need a signature from a parent or guardian to participate in the cleanup. The waiver in both English and Spanish is available below in PDF. Volunteer Waiver Forms are also available at cleanup sites on Coastal Cleanup Day.

[Antioch Coastal Clean Up English Waiver](#) | [Antioch Coastal Clean Up Spanish Waiver](#)

Antioch residents have participated in the Coastal Cleanup since the beginning, and every year they contribute to the preservation of more than 2,000 miles of coastal and inland shoreline. For more information, please go to:
www.ci.antioch.ca.us/Environment/Coastal-Cleanup-Day/.



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PUBLIC WORKS

Labor Day Fuel Sales Top Expectations! The Antioch Marina proudly reported record fuel sales over Labor Day Weekend. The Marina sold almost four TIMES as much gasoline and diesel this year compared to last year. Well Done James and Darren!

Our Marina's new self automated passive fuel system combined with our low fuel prices allow the boaters to enjoy a quick and easy fill up. According to James there were lots of people out enjoying the waterfront during the holiday weekend.





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The fuel dock hours are open from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., 7 days a week. Our current prices can be found by going to: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/antioch-marina/index.php/weather-fuel-prices>, or by calling (925) 779-6957.

Capital Improvements. Southwest Pipelines and Trenchless Corp. will be continuing the installation of cured-in-place pipe liners within many of the existing sanitary sewer pipelines in the downtown area in association with the Downtown Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation project. The liners are cured with steam which is expelled near adjacent manholes. The Interruptions to individual sewer connections may be necessary when the rehabilitation is performed adjacent to a property. The contractor will notify residents and businesses prior to any planned interruptions. Traffic patterns and street parking will be affected during this work. For the safety our residents and the workers, please adhere to all construction signage.

The City has applied for a Proposition 1 Water Desalination Grant in the amount of \$10,000,000 for the Brackish Water Desalination project. This project would include modifications to the City's River intake and conveyance infrastructure, new reverse osmosis units, and brine disposal facilities. The new facility would allow the City to draw water directly from the River and treat it year round. Currently we buy water from Contra Costa Water District when the chloride concentration at our intake is too high for conventional treatment and distribution to the public. The proposed facility will provide protection during drought years and long-term changes to Delta water management. The State's initial decision on the allocation of funding is expected in November.



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

POLICE

On September 6th, the Antioch Police Department's Traffic Unit, along with traffic officers from the Pittsburg Police Department and Brentwood Police Department, participated in a multi-agency enforcement day in the City of Pittsburg. The officers focused on three areas of Pittsburg that have a high volume of traffic-related issues, with the goal of increasing driver safety and





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reducing traffic collisions. The Traffic Officers issued a total of 75 citations for hazardous moving violations that they observed throughout the day. Stanley Roberts from KRON 4's "People Behaving Badly" came along for the ride. A similar enforcement day was held in Antioch last month and there will be more to come in the future.

Officer McDonald and his partner, K9 "Leroy," Officer Fachner and his K9 "Kane," and Officer Ramirez and his K9 "Enzo," all took time out of their training day to do a short presentation to kindergarteners at Kimball Elementary School. As the class is split with English and Spanish-speaking students, Officer Ramirez provided the information to students in both languages so all students could enjoy the day and learn a little bit about the APD K9 program.



We are HIRING!!!! Have you ever thought about being a police officer? There is no time like the present. The Antioch Police Department is recruiting all categories of police officers. Do you or someone you know work as a police officer for another agency and commute long hours? With a very competitive starting salary and an excellent benefits package, why travel to distant cities to go to work when you can stay close to home? Worried about the expense or the time required to attend the Police Academy? The Antioch Police Department is also recruiting entry level officers, where we pay for your academy, all of the required equipment **AND** pay an hourly wage **PLUS** benefits!

Alexa is not quite ready, are you?



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Animal Services.

Some of our wonderful volunteers took it upon themselves to clean up and secure the small space that is at the side of the shelter and often forgotten. Now it is weed free, escape proof and puppy friendly. It has been dubbed “The Puppy Play Yard” – a great space to socialize our underage and under-vaccinated pups that need to get exercise and very valuable play time. Twilight (pictured below) approved of the décor.





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7 kittens found forever homes this week and then we had a Siamese kitten invasion.....6 little bundles of cuteness that will be available on Saturday!

The \$25 adoption fees special continues in the month of September. The fee includes spay/neuter, microchip and age appropriate vaccinations.



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