



CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE NOVEMBER 17, 2017



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the City Manager's Report for the week ending November 17, 2017.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

The City Council continues to take bold steps to bolster economic development and quality of life in Antioch. Tuesday night's City Council Meeting saw them take three important actions by approving:

1. The long awaited sale of Humphrey's Restaurant to Sean McCauley Investments (SMI), who will be improving the building and bring in the owners of the quality dining restaurant, Zephyr's Grill and Bar, to the Antioch Marina. This continues our efforts to revitalize historic downtown Antioch.
2. The rezoning and the green light for the construction of Rocketship Charter School. Rocketship will be a K through 5th grade public school with 600 children. The project will invest over \$14M in the Cavallo/East 18th Street area, bringing a much needed boost to this area.
3. In an effort to continue their strong desire to see businesses and jobs brought and expanded in Antioch, Council approved funding for an Economic Development Director. The position will provide an expert in this area who will hunt down companies and employers that would benefit from the many positives Antioch and our region has to offer.

These three actions demonstrate the Council's commitment to seeing Antioch redevelop blighted and underutilized properties, provide jobs and improve our community's quality of life.

In an effort to provide better and easier ways to report problems and code violations in our community, the **SeeClickFix** mobile app now includes Code Enforcement. This is one of the many ways we're continuing to improve access and responsiveness to our residents and businesses.



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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

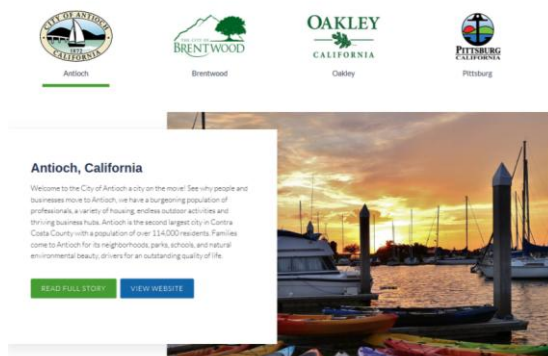
One Marina Plaza Sold for \$1,200,000!

On November 14th the City Council unanimously approved the sale of the old Humphrey's Restaurant at the Antioch Marina to Sean McCauley Investments, Inc. (SMI). SMI is planning to renovate the building and has a tenant for the building with 30 years of restaurant experience. This acquisition by SMI will continue the revitalization of historic Downtown Antioch. This full media release link takes you to the City of Antioch's website update page:

<http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/reports/Updates/one-marina-plaza.pdf>.



Economic Tools. The Economic Development Division has launched two new websites. **EastCounty4You** is geared to attract businesses to the East County area and shows collaboration amongst the four East Contra Costa cities. **InnovateAntioch** is a website link that showcases Antioch's available sites, demographics, and business opportunities. Below narrates what the websites have to offer.



EastCounty4You. The four East County cities have launched a new website that connects businesses, development, and community to the region. The website includes the cities of Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley, and Pittsburg. The four cities collaborated in an effort to attract businesses to the area, showcase individual qualities of life, and its educated and diverse workforce. The four cities along Highway 4 have the unique characteristic of being in the reverse commute direction of most

cities and locations in the San Francisco Bay Area. East County 4 You has everything to meet the needs of your company and employees. From deep water port access, water rights, undeveloped land, educated workforce, market rate housing, and public transportation, East County 4 You has it all. Your employees will enjoy a wide variety of housing, unique restaurant experiences, great schools, recreational amenities, and much more.

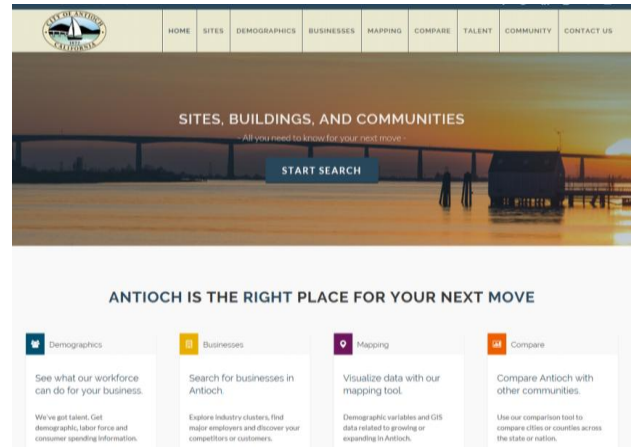
Website Link: <http://www.eastcounty4you.com/>



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Innovate Antioch. The City of Antioch has launched a website for businesses to easily look for commercial and industrial sites in Antioch. This business tool is a great way to market Antioch commercial land. Businesses have the opportunity to find a wealth of information located on one site. Not only are site selectors and business owners looking for property to expand their businesses, they are also looking for information about Antioch's community and this new website is a great source for future prospective development, as well as retaining and encouraging business expansion within our business clusters. Some of the features for this site will include:



1. Available Antioch Sites
 - You can look for buildings or available land.
 - You can filter by square footage, acres, city or county, address or keyword.
2. Demographic Analysis
 - Research labor force, population, education attainment, businesses and employees.
3. Business Reports
 - Use our business database to identify industry clusters and locate customers, competitors and suppliers.
4. Mapping Antioch
 - Build a custom map tailored to your needs. Visualize community assets, workforce and demographic data.
 - Map layers such as education, transportation, energy, and local data.
5. Compare Communities
 - Select a community in Antioch and compare it to any other communities nationwide.
 - The comparison will show population, workforce and education for each community.

This new tool will provide optimum information and encourage startups, expanding and relocating businesses considering an investment in Antioch. Stay tuned for a media release and website link in the following weeks.

Website Link: <http://www.innovateantioch.com/>



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12th Annual Local Artist Collection Exhibit Opens at the Lynn House Gallery

Just in time for the holiday season. The 12th Local Artist Collection opens on Saturday, November 18th, at the Lynn House Gallery with an artist reception (free to the public) from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The exhibit continues through December 2nd on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The exhibit will

feature 35+ local artists and is a diverse, non-themed mixed media exhibit of artwork featuring paintings, multi-media, pottery, photographs and more. The exhibit will provide the community with an opportunity to view and purchase local art.

Location:
The Lynn House Gallery
809 West 1st Street
Downtown Antioch

For more information visit www.Art4Antioch.org
(925) 779-7018 or email Diane@Art4Antioch.org
Art Credits: Bristlecone Pine Tree 4000 Years Old, Linda Pinkston-Sanford and Italian Red, Ann McGill



Tri Delta Transit Celebrates 40 Years of Service with Free Rides.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of local public transportation in Eastern Contra Costa County provided by Tri Delta Transit. To celebrate, the agency will be providing free rides on all weekend routes, every weekend in November. No special coupon will be necessary to receive free rides. Customers simply can board any bus on the weekend and their ride will be free.



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Tri Delta Transit began service in 1977 with only two limited-service bus routes. Since then, service has grown to 18 bus routes including express service to BART and paratransit services for seniors and disabled. Service is provided 365 days a year.

For additional information about Tri Delta Transit, please visit www.trideltatransit.com.



El Campanil Theatre

602 W. Second St.

Downtown Antioch

Tickets: www.ElCampanilTheatre.com or (925) 757-9500

El Campanil Children's Theatre Presents: The Happy Prince

By Oscar Wilde, David Perkin, Caroline Dooley

Friday, November 17, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 19, 2017, 2:00 p.m.

A touching play based on the well-loved story by Oscar Wilde... The golden statue of the Happy Prince stands high above the city looking down on the misery and poverty beneath him. Desperate to bring hope and happiness to the poor people, he asks a swallow to distribute his gold and jewels to them. The generosity of the Happy Prince and the courage of the swallow help to overcome the greed of the powerful mayor and we are shown that the most precious things in life are often the least obvious.



Adults: \$13, Seniors (62 & Over): \$11, Youth: \$9 (General Seating)

Website: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/the-happy-prince.html>



Contra Costa Chamber Orchestra "Mozart Masterpieces"

Saturday, November 18, 2017, 2:00 p.m.

Formed in the late 1970s, the Contra Costa Chamber Orchestra has established a presence throughout the county. The orchestra is comprised of 45 musicians



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ranging in age from 15 to 94 who are music teachers, accountants, students, electricians, mechanics, homemakers, lawyers, retirees, dentists, engineers and computer specialists. Primarily Contra Costa residents, their only remuneration is the stimulation and satisfaction of rehearsing and performing together. In addition to the five-concert season at the Leshner Center, the orchestra also nurtures its dedication to the community by providing affordable performances to the residents of East Contra Costa County at the El Campanil Theatre.

Adults: \$15, Seniors (62 & Over): \$12, Students: \$7 (General Seating)

Website: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/Mozart-Masterpieces.html>



International Film Showcase The King's Choice (Norway)

Sunday, November 26, 2017, 2:00 p.m.

**Norway's Oscar Submission for 2016!
Winner of 12 International Awards**

On the 9th of April 1940, the German war machine arrived in the city of Oslo. The Norwegian King faces a choice that will change his country forever.

Runtime: 133 minutes

Country: Norway

Language: Norwegian | German | Danish | Swedish

English Subtitles

Adults: \$8, Seniors (62 & Over): \$7, Students: \$7 (General Seating)

Website: <https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/The-Kings-Choice.html>



See What is Happening at
Somerville Towne Center
Your Local Mall!

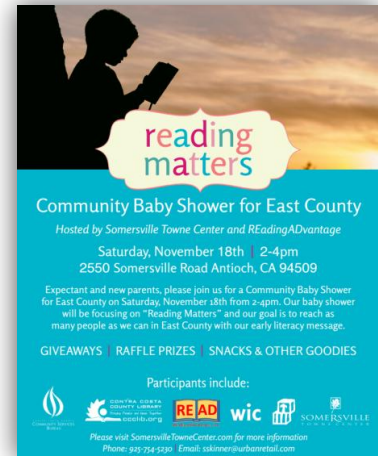


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November 18 Community Baby Shower

Community Baby Shower for East County, hosted by Somersville Towne Center and Reading Advantage, expectant and new parents please join us for a Community Baby Shower. Our Baby Shower will be focusing on "Reading Matters" and our goal is to reach as many people as we can in East County with our early literacy message.



Artisan's & Howliday Pet Adoption Fair Presented by Purrfect Pets Magazine

Saturday, December 9th, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Holiday shopping with a variety of vendors inside and outside the mall! Pet Pictures with Santa from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., a Fashion Show at 12:00 p.m. There will be pet adoptions, pet micro chipping, and a raffle fundraiser.

Information: www.SomersvilleTowneCenter.com

Phone: (925) 754-5230

Email: sskinner@urbanretail.com

***Cancelled – December 2nd Antioch Holiday Expo – 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**



For more information about Business mixers, events, or memberships, check out the website calendar.

[Chamber of Commerce Events](#)





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Stay Connected to Your Community. Did you know the City of Antioch has a variety of ways to communicate? Please check out our social media. We are continuing our efforts to better communicate with our residents.



Antioch on the Move
Antioch, CA Community and Events

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.

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. The next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m.

The Annotated Agenda for the November 14th City Council Meeting is posted on the City's Website. To view the agenda information, click on the following link: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/> and then click 'City Council'.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Hires/Reclassifications/Promotions:

- Meghan Suba was hired as an Assistant Development Services Engineering Technician for the Community Development Department on Monday, November 13, 2017.
- Tracy Tope was hired as a Junior Engineer for the Public Works CIP Division on Monday, November 13, 2017.
- Zoe Meredith was hired as an Associate Planner for the Community Development Department on Thursday, November 16, 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 Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)



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- Human Resource Analyst
- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (part-time)

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.

RECREATION

On Saturday, 240 youth converged in the Antioch Community Center Gymnasium for the annual Junior Warriors Basketball skills clinic. Youth in grades 1 through 8 showed off their skills to the 24 volunteer coaches who were in attendance, and all participants were drafted onto teams later in the day. Practices began on Monday and eight weeks of games will begin on Saturday, January 6, 2018.



Disc Golf Demo Day took place on Saturday! A special thank you to the disc golf volunteer group; they brought discs for beginners to take home, and provided lessons and guidance for people interested in trying the new course. Pictured is the Kessler family with volunteer Gary Nammany as they complete the 9-hole course. Everyone had such a great time, they went out for another round of disc golf.

The Antioch Council of Teens is teaming up with Travis Credit Union to sponsor their Mad City Money event at the Antioch Community Center in the Summer of 2018.



On Thursday, more than 25 seniors participated in the AARP Safe Driver Course. Upon successful completion, participants received course certification. Some insurance companies and groups provide a reasonable discount when they receive a Certificate of Completion from AARP.

Over the last week, 325 affordable, healthy meals were served through the CoCo Café at the Senior Center. 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.



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Congratulations to Black Diamond Mines Naturalist Virginia Delgado! She was recognized by the National Association of Interpretation (NAI) as the *Outstanding New Interpreter* for 2017. In only three years, Virginia Delgado has established herself as an emerging interpretive leader. In her first year at Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve, Virginia led three one-week-long sessions of the Teen ECO Action program. Designed to engage youth from underserved communities, this program uses outdoor exploration and recreational skill development to introduce youth to natural resource careers. The City is honored to have outstanding people working alongside City staff to enhance the quality of life for everyone. Thank you East Bay Regional Park District.



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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Housing & CDBG. Tabora Gardens Senior Apartments, by Satellite Affordable Housing Associates (SAHA) is now accepting applications for senior one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartments located at 3701 Tabora Drive (at James Donlon Blvd.) in Antioch. **All applications must be postmarked by NOVEMBER 21, 2017 (11/21/17) to be considered for the waiting list and lottery.**

This project was partially funded by the City of Antioch Housing Successor Agency, CDBG, and Neighborhood Stabilization Funds (HUD). This beautiful new apartment complex features:

- On-site resident services and property management
- Activity rooms with computers
- Exercise room
- 5 laundry rooms
- Meditation area
- Extensive grounds on 3.2 acre site
- Nearby open space reserve



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Rent is \$938 per unit, with a minimum income of \$22,512 and a maximum income of \$36,550 for one (1) person, \$41,750 for two (2) people, or \$46,950 for three (3) people.

Applications are available online at <http://www.sahahomes.org/apply> or printed copies are available at the City Clerk's office during normal business hours.



Planning Division. On November 1, 2017, the City Council approved the Rocketship Public Charter School project at 1700 Cavallo Road. The school will host 600 students and is expected to open in the Fall of 2018.

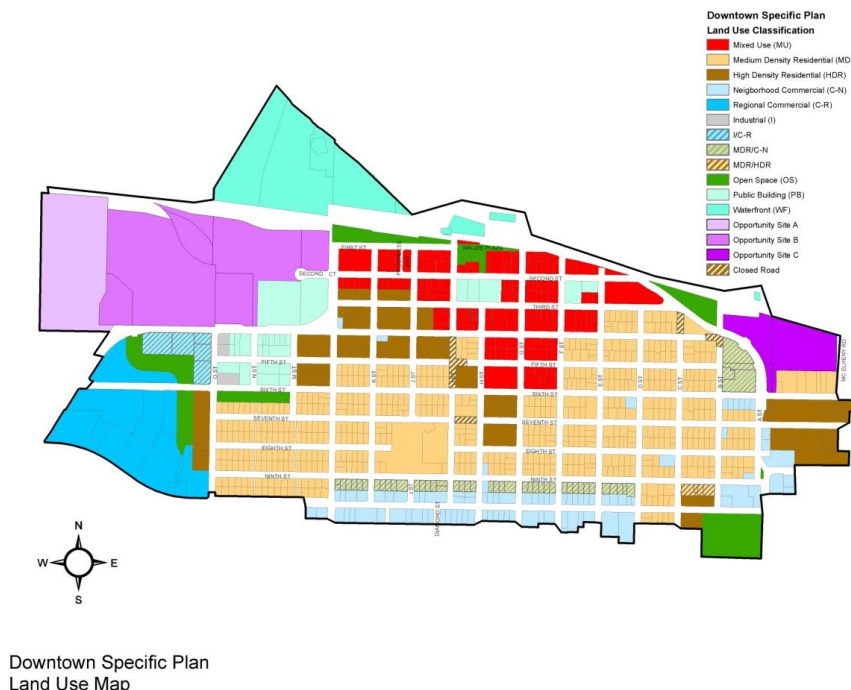




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In addition, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Council approve Citywide amendments to the General Plan Land Use Element. This project is mostly a housekeeping effort and updates the Land Use Element to reflect past council actions, to consider recent regional actions, and to accommodate the Downtown Specific Plan. The City Council will consider this item at its November 28, 2017 meeting.

On November 28, 2017, the City Council will consider adoption of the Downtown Specific Plan, which provides a comprehensive planning strategy for the greater downtown Antioch area. The Plan provides unique policies to spur re-investment in Downtown Antioch's commercial and mixed use districts, and promotes improvements and preservation in the adjacent residential neighborhoods. The Downtown Specific Plan will ease procedural hurdles and provide current and progressive policies to encourage economic development and revitalization Downtown.



New Staff. The Community Development Department is excited to welcome Meghan Suba as our new Development Services/Engineering Technician. Meghan will be working in the Building Inspection Services Division, helping to bring in plans and applications, issue permits and provide information to the public.



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In addition, the Community Development Department welcomes Zoe Meredith as our new Associate Planner. Zoe will provide additional in-house professional services with current planning applications, and will be available to answer questions and help applicants through the City's processes.

With these two new members of our team, the Community Development Department looks forward to expanding our public hours into the afternoon shortly. More news will come as we near that goal.



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

PUBLIC WORKS

Marina. The Antioch Marina continues to impress! Check out our new marketing video; this little gem is right in your own backyard and offers 'The Best Deal on the Delta' https://drive.google.com/open?id=1WiTwcYW1ru_ceNJMtXVHNn7xSetvChpe

The rainy season is upon us and we wanted to share a few tips to help us all be prepared.

Following is a short list of tasks Public Works performs prior to storms:

- Storm Drain Inlets in City Streets Cleaned
- Chainsaws & Equipment – Fueled and Prepared
- Emergency Generators and Pumps – Inspected and Prepared
- Vehicles – Fuel Tanks Filled and Ready to Respond
- Flooded Streets – Barricades Prepared and Ready to Post
- Sand Bag Station – Inspected and at Capacity
- Proactive Pothole Crew – Prior and During Wet Weather
- Nighttime Light Survey for Street Light Outages
- Facility Inspections – Roofs and Gutters



The sandbag distribution site is located at the City's corporation yard at 1201 W. 4th Street; the sandbag station is self-serve and costs \$1.00 per bag. During normal



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business hours come to the Public Works office to pay for the bags. During storms the station is open and available 24 hours a day; after 4:00 p.m. and on weekdays you will enter at W 4th and N Streets. The sandbag station is on the right hand side just before the gate.

For your well being and safety at home, keep a watchful eye for leaves and debris collecting in the curb and gutter to ensure the storm drains remain clear to prevent street flooding. Have battery-operated flashlights and radios with fresh batteries ready. If you have a telephone system that requires electricity to work (such as a cordless phone or answering machine), plan for alternate communication; have a standard telephone handset, cellular telephone or pager ready as a backup. If your property has a history of flooding, take advantage of the City's sandbag station BEFORE the storm hits. The threat of flooding is greatest at high tide. Please use this link to check tide predictions:

<https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/noaatidepredictions.html?id=9415064&legacy=1>

Please contact Public Works to report street flooding, fallen trees or limbs, plugged storm drains or culverts, traffic signals or street lights out, or street signs down. During storms downed trees and limbs will be cleared from the roadway and cleanup crews will return to pick up debris after the storm. Our phone lines can become very busy during major storms, so we ask for your patience and encourage electronic methods of contact for non-emergency issues.

If you see a downed power line, always assume it is energized and keep yourself and others away. Call 911 immediately to report the location of the downed line then 1-800-743-5002, PG&E's 24-Hour Emergency line. Click here for PG&E's outages <https://m.pge.com/#outages> and here for PG&E's emergency preparedness tips https://www.pge.com/en_US/safety/emergency-preparedness/natural-disaster/natural-disaster.page.

The Public Works office is located at 1201 W. 4th Street. We are open to serve the public from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Our emergency Standby crew is on call 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. If the emergency is after hours, please dial (925) 778-2441.

Do not be surprised by the weather; know what is coming at www.weather.gov or www.NOAA.gov.



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Contact Public Works:

Mobile Devices: Download the **SeeClickFix** application on a mobile device.
Email: publicworks@ci.antioch.ca.us.
City website: <http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/PublicWorks/SeeClickFix.htm>.
Phone: (925) 779-6950



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

POLICE

On November 8, 2017, APD Evidence conducted another purge of guns, fake guns, dangerous weapons, and other similar items that were marked for destruction. Some of the firearms dated back to as early as 2001, though the majority of the guns were from 2012/2013 cases that have been adjudicated. The total weight of all items destroyed came out to be an impressive 2,400 pounds! This means a LOT of brass knuckles, knives, swords, pellet guns, fake guns, and real guns will not fall into the hands of those who should not be in possession of such items.





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On November 8, 2017, Antioch Police Officers attended the Contra Costa County Survivors Reunion Luncheon. Sergeant Stenger and Officers McDonald, and Gerber were reunited with a member of the Bonner family who had a potential life threatening medical emergency but since has made a full recovery. Officers responded along with Con-Fire and AMR to assist and provide aid. Sergeant Stenger and Officers McDonald, Gerber, and Adams (not pictured) were awarded medals for their service. We are fortunate to have so many great Officers and EMS partners in Antioch to provide aid to our citizens during their greatest time of need.



On November 11, 2017, several APD Officers, VIPS, and Police Explorers assisted and/or participated in the Veteran's Day Parade providing traffic control. Officers from our traffic unit led the procession. Many of our Officers and VIPS are veterans who have served our country prior to serving our city. We appreciate all of their service to our country and their dedicated service to the City of Antioch.



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



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Animal Services. Demolition has begun! The existing outdated clinic at AAS is on the way out and a progressive surgery suite will soon be here. When the rebuild is complete, our staff and residents will have a modern area to carry out the needs of the shelter. The surgery suite is an area to perform spay/neuter surgeries, monitor recovery, doctors' exams and more. We are excited to watch the old clinic become our new surgery suite!



Long time resident Chardonnay found her forever home! A gentleman was looking for a companion dog to keep his home cozy. We think Chardonnay is just the dog for the job.



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