

CITY MANAGER'S BI-MONTHLY UPDATE



ANTIOCH CARE TEAM



Emerging within the context of Police Reform discussions, the Antioch City Council directed staff to design and deliver a **customized program** for community crisis intervention in Antioch. The program is a pathway for reducing law enforcement **engagement** when the call type does not necessitate police presence. The approach places high value on trauma-informed, de-escalation and harm **reduction techniques** and has been broadly embraced by our Council and the Antioch Police Department.

The City selected and engaged Urban Strategies Council in late July of 2021. Urban Strategies Council is a research and **advocacy organization** dedicated to social, economic, and racial equity. The organization's mission and experience with **local adaptations** of community crisis intervention models aligned with the City's intent to design a program that recognizes Antioch's diverse needs.

Urban Strategies Council will present the program design for the Antioch Care Team (ACT) at tonight's City Council Meeting. Potential action includes proceeding from the program design phase to **launching** the procurement process.

UNHOUSED RESIDENT SERVICES UPDATE

The City is looking to partner with Contra Costa County at the Delta Landing Interim Housing site (formerly Motel 6) in Pittsburg. The City Council is considering a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to initiate referrals for a maximum of 15 bed nights at any one time. **Wrap-around support services** include benefit assistance, medical services, behavioral health services, as well as case management, housing navigation, and rapid rehousing assistance.

The City's proposed effort to address unhoused resident needs was recently announced at a press event, at which time it was referred to as **Antioch's Louie Rocha Emergency Housing Program**. The proposal was unveiled by the Transitional Housing Ad Hoc Committee, comprised of Mayor Thorpe and Council Member Barbanica (D2). The MOU is being advanced with the committee's recommendation to approve.

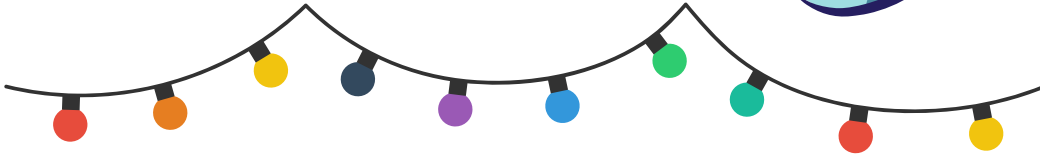
City staff recently focused outreach activities on the dangers of encampments in and around the railroad tracks in response to the tragedy involving unhoused resident Louie Rocha. An abbreviated intake process was offered that allowed for placement on the City's interest list for **future resources**. At this time, the City's interest list comprises more than 50 people. The City will work in coordination with CORE to refer, assess and place participants as appropriate.



ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT

GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday is a **global generosity** movement that unleashes the power of people and organizations to transform their communities and their world. A very special thank you to everyone who came out and **donated** at Giving Tuesday! We were able to collect a lot of gifts for our community.



INCREASED HOLIDAY PATROLS

APD officers will be increasing patrols of **retail businesses** and shopping centers for the holiday season to address recent crime trends in our region. You can help us by reporting suspicious activity to our Dispatch Center by calling **(925) 778-2441** or 9-1-1 if you think it's an emergency.

Be prepared to give the location, description of individuals and/or vehicles, and license plates. APD is working with our **neighboring cities** to make East County an unattractive place to do crime -- join us in keeping our **community safe** and helping all to have a joyous holiday season!





RECREATION DEPARTMENT

FALL FIELD AND GYM USE



As the year comes to a close and the rainy season sets in, all outdoor natural grass fields have been closed for the winter. City Sports Facilities were used **more than ever in 2021**. Since outdoor field rentals were approved for organized team use on May 1st, **Antioch Community Park**, which comprises three baseball fields and two **artificial turf soccer** fields, has been rented by user groups on 237 out of a possible 244 days. These rentals have resulted in \$154,935 in revenue over eight months.

The **basketball gym** at the Antioch Community Center was occupied by user groups on 225 out of a possible 244 days during the same time frame. These rentals resulted in \$33,791 in revenue over eight months.

The Recreation Department is accepting **Sports Facility Applications** for reservations taking place through June 30, 2022. Turf field and basketball gym rentals remain open during the winter months. If you are interested in **renting a facility**, please contact Recreation Supervisor Troy Faulk at tfaulk@antiochca.gov.

ANTIOCH SENIOR CENTER'S HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Who says you cannot **have fun** while still adhering to mandated safety protocols? Whether you live alone or with family - there is no shortage of **safe activities** for seniors to enjoy this holiday at the Antioch Senior Center! **Join us on Fri., 12/17 at 10 am!** Must reserve Café Costa lunch by Wednesday, 12/15 – **Call (925)757-7325**.



ADULT DROP-IN SPORTS!

This January, adult **Drop-In Volleyball** and **Basketball** are returning to the Antioch Community Center! Both programs cost **\$5** per visit per guest. Drop-in volleyball takes place on Tuesday nights from 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., beginning 1/4. **Drop-in Basketball** takes place on Sunday mornings from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. starting 1/9. Masking at all times and **proof of vaccination** or a **negative covid test** dated within the prior three days are required for entry.



ANIMAL SERVICES



PET FOOD EXPRESS HOLIDAY SHOPPING SPREE FUNDRAISER

Now through January 2nd, Pet Food Express will be collecting contributions for 105 of our most **active and impacted rescue** and shelter partners. No matter what level of commitment is right for you, your gift will help care for **adoptable pets** all year long.

Last year, Antioch Animal Services received nearly \$4,000.00 in pet food and supplies from the Pet Food Express Holiday Shopping Spree. Pet Food Express has set a goal of raising \$500,000.00 in donations to the **participating shelters** and rescues, with 100% of contributions being passed on to participating nonprofit animal rescue and shelter partners. Learn more about how the Pet Food Express Holiday Shopping Spree supports local rescues and shelters and **contribute** today at the link here: <https://www.petfood.express/shopping-spree/> #petfoodexpress #holidayshoppingspree

HUMAN RESOURCES

HIRES/RECLASSIFICATIONS/PROMOTIONS

- **Maraea Melander** was hired as an Animal Control Officer for Antioch Animal Services on December 13, 2021.

Please join me in welcoming Maraea to the Antioch family.

Currently open recruitments include:

- Police Officer Lateral (continuous)
- Police Academy Graduate/Student (continuous)
- Police Trainee (continuous)
- Water Treatment Plant Superintendent
- Administrative Assistant

Please check our website for the following future recruitment:

- Human Resources Technician
- Senior Water Treatment Plant Operator (Internal Recruitment)
- Fleet Leadworker (Internal Recruitment)

The City's open recruitments can be found on the Human Resources page of the **City website here**. Click on Job Opportunities or Promotional Opportunities, click on the job Position, click on Apply.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WILD HORSE MULTIFAMILY PROJECT UPDATE

At the December 1st Planning Commission meeting, the Planning Commissioners recommended approval of the Wild Horse Multifamily Project. The project is located on a triangular parcel at the end of **Wild Horse Road** and next to State Route 4.

The project applicant is seeking approval of an Environmental Impact Report, General Plan Amendment, Rezone to Planned Development District, Vesting Tentative Map, **Final Development Plan**, and Design Review to develop a 126 multifamily unit project that includes a small private park and landscaped open spaces and walkways. The project will go to the City Council for final approval in early 2022.



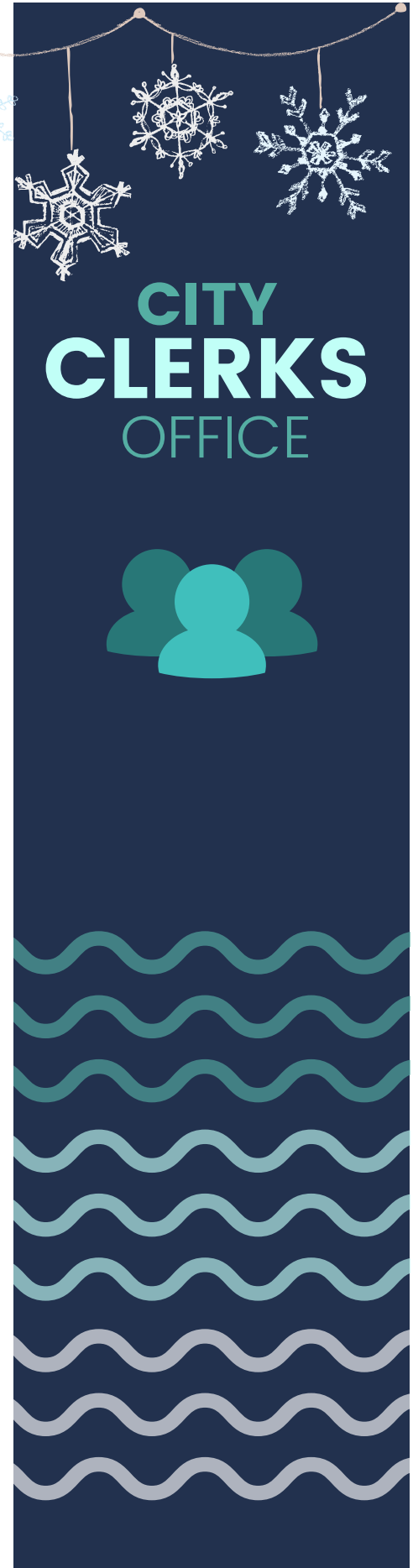
DRAFT AMC UPDATE FOR SOLID WASTE AND RESOURCE RECOVERY AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

These updates are required as the City works towards **compliance** with the new state regulations related to Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SB 1383). Significant changes to the AMC include:

- Require subscription to the **3-sort** (trash, organics and recyclable materials) program provided by Republic Services for ALL generators (residential, commercial and industrial)
- Require all generators to correctly use the 3-sort program and not put items that can be placed in the Recycling and Organics containers into the **Trash containers**
- Require all property owners to educate employees and tenants on the 3-sort program at time of move in/hire AND annually
- Employers will require employees to place materials in the correct containers.
- Require **Food Recovery** agreements/programs for qualifying generators

The proposed AMC updates are now available for public review and comment. Comments or questions can be submitted here or by calling our Environmental Resource Line at (925) 779-6137. If you would like to schedule a presentation or group discussion regarding the proposed updates please call or email Julie Haas-Wajdowicz at (925) 779-7097 or jhaaswajdowicz@antiochca.gov. The first reading of the ordinance is on the agenda for the **December 14, 2021**, City Council meeting on, 2nd reading on January 11, 2022 with the Ordinance taking effect Feb 10, 2022.





CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

In-Person City Council Meetings have resumed! Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. For upcoming and past meeting information, visit: www.antiochca.gov/government/city-council-meetings/



BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Antioch Needs Your Voice.

Antioch Youth ages 14-17 can apply to serve on one of Antioch's Boards and Commissions!

The City of Antioch **encourages residents** to become involved in their local community. One way to do so is to serve in an **advisory capacity** on one of the various commissions, boards and committees. For more information and to check openings, visit: www.bit.ly/ApplyAntioch

CITY COUNCIL REDISTRICTING

Redistricting determines which neighborhoods and communities are **grouped together** into a district for purposes of electing a councilmember.

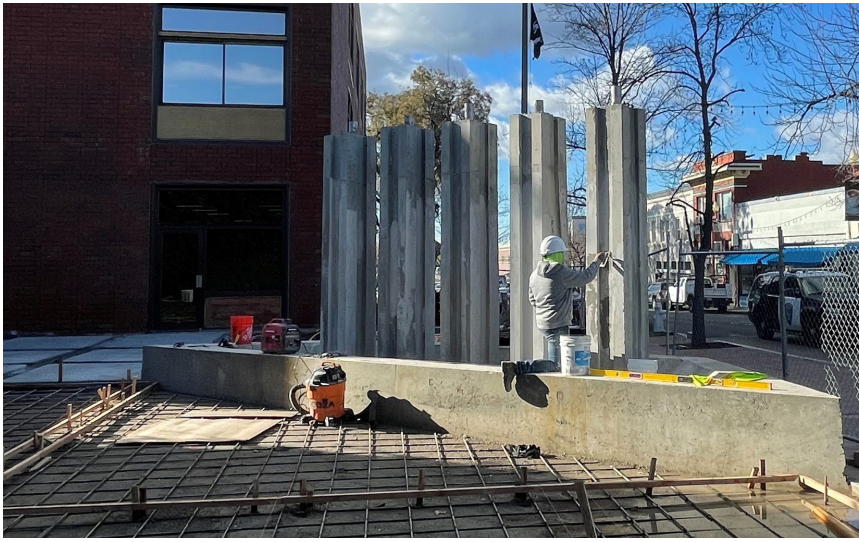
The City of Antioch is redistricting after the 2020 Census count. The City Council will be holding hearings to receive public input on where district lines should be drawn. Share your specific thoughts, draw a map, or attend a workshop to **get involved!**



- Tuesday, December 14

Learn more: antiochca.gov/districtelections

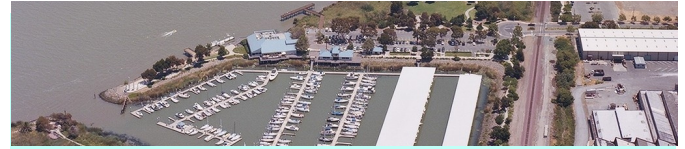




LEO FONTANA FOUNTAIN

"The City's contractor, Mercoza, is working diligently to erect the Leo Fontana Fountain just outside the **northern entrance** of City Hall. The original fountain structure, which included steps, planter, planting area, and related brick and concrete paving, had to be demolished and completely removed to present a **different design**.

Construction of the new fountain will include stone cladding and installation of all related electrical and plumbing, new on grade and above **grade planters** with requisite waterproofing, drainage, irrigation and soils, including new steps and handrail. Once complete, the fountain will be re-dedicated to Leo Fontana for his contributions to our community."



THE ANTIOCH MARINA

The Antioch Marina has so much more to offer including a harbor master office, berths, boat launch area, **non-motorized sports area**, restrooms, fish cleaning station, tidelands trail, small park area, ample parking, **self-fuel station**, amazing veteran murals and a state-of-the-art, trendy, happening restaurant (open year-round)! To inquire, please call (925) 779-6957, visit us at 5 Marina Plaza, Antioch, CA, or check out our website [here](https://www.antiochca.gov/marina).

WATER DISTRIBUTION

Crew members are raising water valve boxes after a recent paving job at **Mesa Ridge Drive and Golf Course Road**. Water valve boxes are covered in asphalt during the paving process. After the paving job is complete, our Water Distribution crews raise the valve boxes to street grade. This work must be **performed quickly** after a paving job because we use these valves to control water distribution to our neighborhoods. Raising a valve box begins with crews jackhammering the old asphalt and concrete, then bringing the **valve box** up to grade with the asphalt in the street.

The last step for our Water Distribution crew is to re-concrete the valve box in place. After the valve box has been successfully raised, the **Street Maintenance crews** repave the area around the valve boxes with permanent asphalt.





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FIP)

The Economic Development Department is proud to announce that **applications are available** for the Façade Improvement Program (FIP). The citywide FIP provides building and business owners with an opportunity to improve their storefront. The program is for eligible improvement projects made to the first floor or street level of a commercial building/unit/suite(s). The funding for this program is based on receipts of the actual improvement and then **reimbursed to the applicant** after the project is completed. For more details and application, visit the FIP page **HERE**.

Please Note that City Hall 3rd floor Economic Development offices are currently closed due to construction. For any questions, please email staff at: econdevelopment@Antiochca.gov

OPEN REWARDS PROGRAM

Bludot and the **City of Antioch** have partnered to launch Open Rewards, a city-wide rewards program to incentivize consumers to shop local in the City of Antioch! An App for consumers is **here** to download! How it works? When you shop at Antioch, participating small businesses in the program, consumers will earn 5% credit. Consumers can spend their accumulated rewards at any participating business in Antioch! The App shows a list of **small businesses** that are part of the program. We have over 45 businesses participating in the program.

For Customers Phone App for Open Rewards download for:

- [Apple Store](#)
- [Google Play](#)

If you are a business, please register for the entire program **HERE** and be listed as a participant.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (EDC)

The City of Antioch's Economic Development Commission held its meeting on Tuesday, December 7th via Zoom. The agenda included staff updates, chair **updates**, and small verbal updates from the subcommittees. Commissioners nominated a **new Chair** and Vice-Chair for the 2022 year. Daniel Herzberg will be the new EDC Chair, and Kelly Kalfsbeek will continue to be the Vice-Chair. The next regularly scheduled meeting for EDC will be **February 1st, 2022**.



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BART UNVEILS EXPANDED PARKING AT ANTIOCH STATION

On Tuesday, November 30th, BART officially opened an additional 850 parking spaces at the BART Antioch station. The station now offers **plenty of parking** with no wait list for monthly parking, an **easier way to pay** for parking, and the addition of **station agents** in response to feedback from riders who wanted more staff presence at the station. The new lot and the ability to purchase long term parking, without requiring a paper print out of a permit, comes **just in time for holiday travel**.

Happy Holidays

As we **celebrate** this holiday season, we want to **thank you** all for making this a wonderful year for the City of Antioch. Whether you are a new resident, a long-time resident, a business owner, an employee, a developer, a community partner, or a City teammate; together, you are all part of what makes **Antioch amazing**.



EL CAMPANIL THEATER

602 W. 2nd St. Antioch, Ca 94509

Top Shelf: Motown Holiday Revue

Wednesday, December 22, 2021 | 2:00 pm
Adults: \$32 | Seniors: \$29 | Youth: \$15

Looking for an unparalleled holiday celebration for the whole family? Look no further! Join El Campanil and Top Shelf Entertainment for a hit-filled holiday musical journey through the classic sounds of Motown.



Best Of SF Comedy Competition

Saturday, January 15th at 8:00 p.m.
Orchestra: \$30 , Loge: \$25, Opera: \$20

The legendary San Francisco Stand-Up Comedy Competition will return to El Campanil in a big way during 2022, kicking things off Saturday, January 15th, with performances by three past winners of the event and a recent finalist, special guest Chelsea Bearce.

For more information on events contact:
Phone: (925) 757-9500
<https://www.elcampaniltheatre.com/>

