

November 2018

MORENO VALLEY CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

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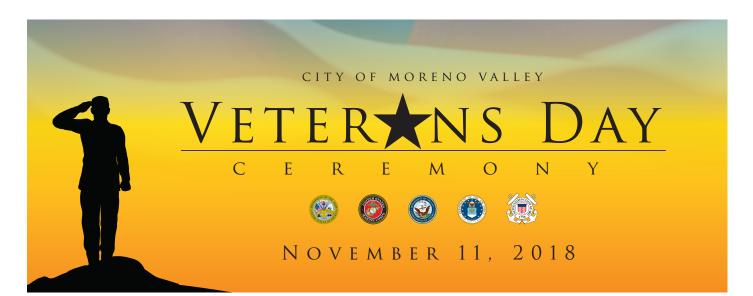
MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS

2018 Veterans Day Ceremony Campaign and Event Coverage

The City of Moreno Valley is a community deeply connected to its military roots. Each year the City honors the current and former members of the armed forces during the Veterans Day Ceremony. The City's Media and Communications Division produced a highly effective campaign to promote the City's special tribute to Veterans. Media and Communication's special campaign consisted of advertisements, news releases, professional graphics, social media efforts, and video/photographic coverage of the event.

If you missed the City's 2018 Veterans Day Ceremony, please watch the video on the <u>City's Facebook page</u>, <u>MVTV-3's</u> <u>YouTube Channel</u>, or check out the links below:

• <u>2018 Veterans Day Ceremony</u>









MAIN LIBRARY

Upcoming Programs

Residents asked for more adult programming at the Main Library and the Adult Services Librarian listened. The library has a host of new and exciting events geared for adults.

Games and Things: adults-only game night that includes card, table, and trivia games.

Author Showcase: features question and answer sessions with authors from the Inland Empire.

Color Out Loud: provides local residents the opportunity to create artwork with colored pencils, gel pens, and markers.

Adultology: a community-led event featuring various topics such as classic movies, financial literacy, and library resource education.

These new programs have been implemented as a result of community feedback.

OUTREACH EVENT	Number of Attendees
Adult Programs	685
Bilingual Storytime	1,175
Family Night	1,006
Preschool Storytime	1,598

MALL BRANCH

Mall Branch Veterans Fair

The Moreno Valley Public Library Mall Branch hosted the Veterans Fair on November 3 to educate library patrons about local services available to veterans. Veterans Connect Volunteer Kelly Robertson worked the Veterans Connect area at the Library to provide resources to local Veterans. This event was made possible by the Veterans Connect at the Library grant in partnership with the California State Library and the Moreno Valley Friends of the Library.



Human Resources Department

RECRUITMENTS	
New Recruitments	7
Ongoing Recruitments	5
Closed Recruitments	11

EMPLOYEES

444 Total

NEW HIRES



Patricia Nevins Planning Division Manager/Planning Official Community Development Department

PROMOTIONS



Claudia Ortega Administrative Assistant City Clerk Department



Joseph Bolognesi Code Compliance Officer I Community Development Department



Alejandro Urbina Maintenance Worker I Public Works Department



Socorro Sandoval Management Analyst Financial & Management Services Department



Community Development Department

ANIMAL SERVICES

Animal Services Division Recognized by Chamber of Commerce

The Animal Services Division was acknowledged as "Member of the Month" by the Chamber of Commerce at its October 24 Wake-Up Moreno Valley meeting.

Results of Pet Adoption Events in October

Home 4 the Holidays pet adoption promotion resulted in positive outcomes for 77 pets!!

BUILDING & SAFETY DIVISION

Tenant Takes Occupancy of New Industrial Building

A Certificate of Occupancy has been issued to United Material Handling (UMH) who will now take up residence in the nearly 100,000 square foot industrial building along the Heacock Avenue corridor, providing increased business and job opportunities for Moreno Valley. UMH is a leader in providing material handling products and services bringing more than 65 years of combined experience solving material handling and storage problems and increasing personnel and warehouse efficiency.

BUILDING & SAFETY ACTIVITY	October 2018
Building Permits Issued	399
Counter Customers	873
Inspections Performed	2,432



CODE & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

CODE & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES	October 2018	October 2017
Cases Initiated	452	568
Closed Case Investigations	395	463

PLANNING

Cannabis Businesses Apply for Conditional Use Permits

As of November 5, six Conditional Use Permit applications for cannabis businesses had been received. The City has approved a limited number of cannabis business applications in each the following categories: retail/dispensary, microbusinesses, manufacturers, cultivators, and distributors. These Conditional Use Permit applications are expected to be considered by the Planning Commission for review and approval beginning early 2019.

PLANNING ACTIVITY	October 2018
Major/Minor Entitlement Applications	22
Plan Check Submittals	91
Counter Customers	437



Economic Development Department

Key Statistics

The following chart details the current statistics published for employment, the housing resale market and employment resources for the City of Moreno Valley.

	September 2018
Employment Rate	96%
HOME RESALE MARKET	September 2018
Home Resale Value	\$340,259
Number of Resale Transactions	166
EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE CENTER	October 2018
Number of Persons Assisted	1,188
Number of Workshops	9
Number of Hiring Events	17



Financial & Management Services Department

Inland Empire Economic Partnership Award

The City's Homeless to Work program was named a finalist for the Inland Empire Economic Partnership's Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet award. This award recognizes public agencies in the Inland Empire for proactively cutting through bureaucratic red tape, opening the door for business growth and success, and working to eliminate barriers to economic growth and support job creation for our region.

ELECTRIC UTILITY DIVISION

Redesigned Website

Moreno Valley Utility launched a completely <u>redesigned website</u>, providing customers with easy access to their accounts, while promoting the advantages of a City utility.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

FY 18/19 Projects Receiving Grant Funding

The City receives approximately \$2 million each year in federal grant funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program, and the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). The funding has been distributed to grant recipients to benefit programs for low to moderate income residents. The City will also use grant funding toward Americans with Disabilities Act improvements for City facilities. Please visit our website for the list of recipients and program descriptions: <u>moval.org/fms</u>

PURCHASING & FACILITIES DIVISION

Senior Center Beautification & Rededication Project

The Senior Center was recently given a modern makeover with new lighting, floors, and paint along with a new open floorplan. These upgrades not only add to the beauty of the building, but also help reduce maintenance time and cost. The custom transformation included removal of six brick light pillars which allowed for 12,161 sq. ft. of new rustic olive vinyl flooring, lighting upgrade with new LED fixtures, painting of interior walls, and new furniture.



Replacement of the Emergency Operations Center Compressor

The Emergency Operations Center compressor was successfully replaced in just three days. The entire project was done in-house, saving more than \$8,000.



Fire Department

FIRE OPERATIONS

Open House

In recognition of this year's Fire Prevention Week, Fire Station 99 hosted an Open House. Firefighters and Fire Explorers provided guided tours of the fire station, arranged fire equipment displays, showcased a children's theatre with fire prevention movies and taught hands on CPR. Sonora Grill and Smart and Final donated food for a pancake breakfast to raise money to support the Fire Explorer program.



FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention Week

On October 2, the City Council presented a proclamation to Fire Marshal Adria Reinertson and the Fire Prevention staff in recognition of Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be Aware. Fire Can Happen Anywhere," effectively serves to educate the public about three basic, but essential steps to reduce the likelihood of having a fire, and how to escape safely in the event of a fire.



OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

CERT and LISTOS

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) held its seventh and final Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Basic Training Course in 2018. CERT focuses on disaster preparedness, basic disaster response skills, fire safety, light search and rescue, and disaster medical operations. Community members learn how to prepare for emergencies to ensure protection and safety for their families and their neighbors.

The Alerta y Preparar LISTOS was developed to provide Spanish-language disaster preparedness education. The LISTOS curriculum emphasizes targeted recruitment and Spanish-language presentations. The core of the LISTOS design is based on building sustainable relationships and partnerships with local businesses, community leaders, and non-profit organizations. OEM has successfully completed three classes in 2018 and looks forward to providing more training in the upcoming year.



Police Department

COMMUNITY SERVICES UNIT

Operation Juice Box

On November 20th, officers from the Moreno Valley Police Department had the privilege of visiting Naomi and her family. Naomi is 7 years and battling Leukemia, and in good spirits. The family was provided a Thanksgiving meal donated by Operation Juice Box and Officer Brooks. Operation Juice Box is a non-profit organization bridging the gap between Law Enforcement and the community one juice box at a time.



PATROL

Patrol Officers responded to 11,391 calls for service during the month of November.



Public Works Department

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation Project

A comprehensive street repair project to overhaul 105 residential streets and six major thoroughfares across the City neared completion. The project also added nearly eight miles of bike lanes to provide residents with an even safer way to bike.

These repairs are partially funded by Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. This legislative package invests \$54 billion over the next decade to fix roads, bridges and freeways in communities across California and puts more dollars toward transit and safety.

Crews recently completed major repairs to six arterial streets and are in the process of painting lane markings on the newly renovated streets.

The project included rehabilitating:

- Westbound Cactus Avenue, from Graham Street to Heacock Street
- Alessandro Boulevard, from Elsworth Street to Frederick Street
- Kitching Street, from Iris Avenue to Lurin Avenue
- Eucalyptus Avenue, from Kitching Street to Lasselle Street
- John F. Kennedy Drive, from Heacock Street to Indian Street
- Iris Avenue, from Perris Boulevard to Kitching Street

Crews are continuing to slurry seal the selected residential streets to provide residents and visitors with smoother roads. The repairs are expected to be completed over the next few months.

MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS

Free Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Collection Event

Nearly 30,000 pounds of household waste including cleaning products, motor oil, and electronics was collected during the City's free Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Collection event in October.

Public Works hosted the event in collaboration with Riverside County Department of Waste Resources. The event took place at the City's Corporate Yard and was funded by a grant received from the State of California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (Cal Recycle).

The City holds Household Hazardous Waste events in the fall and spring. The next event will take place in April 2019.







Parks & Community Services Department

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ride MoVal

The City of Moreno Valley's Parks and Community Services Department, in collaboration with Inland Empire Biking Alliance, held the 6th annual Ride MoVal on October 28 with 96 participants. In a post-event survey, 97% of riders gave Ride MoVal a rating of "good" or better.



Day of the Dead/ArtFest

More than 2,000 people attended the City's Day of the Dead/ArtFest on November 2 at the Conference and Recreation Center. The event consisted of food vendors, altars, and ArtFest exhibitors. Entertainment included traditional folklorico dancing, Mariachi Soloist and the band Latin Nation.



<u>C-X-C Challenge – International Cyclocross</u>

More than 800 people watched two days of bike racing action at the C-X-C Challenge – International Cyclocross on November 17 and 18 at March Field Park. The event, held in collaboration with SoCal Cyclocross, also included a CXC dirt duathlon and 5K and 10K runs.

