



Downtown Vallejo

Central Core Restoration Corporation

Promoting a safe, clean and vibrant downtown Vallejo

July 2019

District Services

SVT Security - Upsurge in Auto Burglaries

Our district security ambassadors, Michael George and William Oropeza are again warning residents and shopkeepers about an upsurge in auto burglaries throughout the downtown district. They would like to remind everyone that auto burglaries are most often a crime of opportunity and recommend the following tips:

- Always lock your vehicle
- Never leave belongings in plain sight
- Roll your windows all the way up.

If you see something that doesn't look right, call them at 507 703-4018. They patrol downtown five days a week, Tuesday – Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

“Our mission is to revitalize Historic Old Town Vallejo as the main street of commercial and cultural activity that promotes shopping, working, dining, and living in a secure and progressive environment.”

Downtown Beautification

Our downtown maintenance ambassadors, Gregg Goins and Rick Weyrich continue to do a great job at keeping the downtown looking good and working smoothly. Despite all their hard work, trash continues to be the number one challenge. Unsecured bins are a major source of loose trash in the alleys and streets, and cigarette butts remain the most littered item. CCRC is looking into having several cigarette butt receptacles installed in areas that are the most problematic and we are working with Recology on getting additional trash pick-up.

2019 Sponsorship Awards

Each year in April, CCRC opens its sponsorship program to provide financial assistance to individuals and organizations who wish to host a program or event that promotes a vibrant, positive image of the Downtown CCRC District.

We are delighted to announce this year's Sponsorship awardees:

2nd Friday Food & Art Walk	\$2,000
Hyperion Community Partners	\$4,286

For more information, please visit: downtownvallejo.com

Pacific Coast Farmers Market Association

With a lineup of more than 50 vendors, the Downtown Farmers Market is the perfect chance to stock up for summertime meals, parties and celebrations. Shoppers can also select from an assortment of handcrafted items including locally produced honey, salsa, cheese, and breads. Need to brighten up a space at home or the office? Check out the vendors who sell freshly cut flowers or visit one of our local artists who have set up shop at the market.

If you are interested in having a table at the market, contact Chong Thao:

Phone: 925 825-9090 x 9101

Email: chongthao@pcfma.org

Tree Trimming & Tree Lights

This year, CCRC is partnering with the City of Vallejo for its bi-annual tree trimming. The City will be performing all safety pruning of approximately 140 trees in the downtown district. CCRC will be removing and replacing the decorative lights in the trees on Georgia Street with energy efficient LED lights. We are also exploring specific technologies that create different lighting effects as well as artistic computer controlled light shows.

2019 Board Members

Buck Kamphausen, President

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Janet Sylvain

Don Harris, Esq.

Mike Brigandi

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Philippe Cumia

Annette Taylor, City of Vallejo

Board meetings are open to the public and are held the second Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. at 301 Georgia Street, conference room 200. Free parking is in the rear of the building.

Contact information:

Phone: 707 557-6762

Fax: 707 557-6040

Email: ccrcvallejo@gmail.com

Mail: 301 Georgia Street, Suite 290,
Vallejo, CA 94589

List Your Rental Property

Send us your vacancy information in the following format: 200 characters or less; no pdf flyer format; include one image sized 263 x 161 pixels (jpg).

Please do not use all caps

City Hall

Parking Update

Waterfront Parking Fees Increase – Effective July 1, 2019, the City has implemented its third and final tier of the Waterfront fee schedule increase.

Daily fee: \$8.00 (24 hours)

Monthly fee: \$50.00 (per calendar month)

Downtown parking Fees and Residential Limited Parking Fees – There are no scheduled fee increases.

Lot G – Effective July 1, 2019, Lot G, located next to SolTrans Transit Center, at 410 Sacramento Street, will no longer be operated by the City of Vallejo.

Parking Payment Software Transition – The Parking Division continues to work to transition parking payment services from Parkmobile to Passport.

For more information:

Phone: 707 648-5407

Website:

<http://www.ci.vallejo.ca.us/living/transportation/parkvallejo>

City of Vallejo rolls out the *UNITE Vallejo Initiative*

Unite Vallejo is an initiative to implement the City Council's goals and priorities and address a range of community concerns that will bring the community together. The movement aims to celebrate the many activities that unite the community, whether it is supporting youth, encouraging business development, or strengthening police and community relations. The City is asking you to share your photos or short videos that capture what unites you in Vallejo.

To submit your entries go to Vallejo Unites Share Wall at:

<http://www.ci.vallejo.ca.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=13506&pageId=15784069>

Envision Vallejo – New Zoning Code

The City of Vallejo has begun working on the last element of the Propel Vallejo Initiatives, which is to rewrite the Zoning Code.

The key objectives of this process is to make it more user-friendly, to incorporate regulations in existing specific plans, to ensure it is consistent with the General Plan, and to incorporate innovative, flexible and modern ways to ensure that the physical changes fit and enhance our City's character. The City has already held two

Community Open House and Planning Commission Study Sessions (aka Modules). Module three is scheduled on two days, one on September 23rd and the other October 7th. Both days will cover **Citywide Regulations:** Parking, Landscaping, Short-term Rentals, and Non-conforming Uses. The next module will take place on December 16th and will cover **Permit Procedures:** Permit Types, Application Process, and Public Hearings.

The City encourages citizens to attend and participate in this process.

For a quick overview of how it works click on the link below.

How it Works - A Microscale Analysis

Or for more information visit:

www.propelvallejo.com

SolTrans

System-Wide Service Improvements

SolTrans has been working on a comprehensive operational analysis for the routes 1 – 8, 20 and their general public Dial-A-Ride service to better meet the needs of riders and to allow for faster more efficient trips. As of June 30, 2019, routes 1, 2, 3, and 7B will provide 30-minute frequency throughout Vallejo, and routes 1 and 2 will provide coordinated, 15-minute frequency along Sonoma Boulevard from Valle Vista Avenue to Mini Drive. In addition, routes 7A and 7B will provide bidirectional (east/west) connections through central Vallejo and major transit destinations.

In September 2019, SolTrans plans to extend all weekday local route service to 9:00 p.m. In addition, the route 20 and Benicia general Dial-A-Ride will be replaced with a subsidized Lyft program. The Lyft program will expand both the service area and service hours in Benicia.

To learn more visit:

www.soltrans.org

Participatory Budgeting Cycle 7

The City of Vallejo would like to invite all Vallejo residents and stakeholders to share your cycle 7 ideas. **Deadline for submission is October 6th.**

For more information:

http://www.cityofvallejo.net/city_hall/departments_divisions/city_manager/participatory_budgeting

Need Volunteers?

Cal Maritime is holding a *Fall Community Partner Expo* on Tuesday, August 27th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., location TBD.

This event is designed to introduce Cal Maritime students to all the wonderful volunteer opportunities available to them during the upcoming semester. There will be snacks, music, and prizes and students will have an opportunity to visit your table to sign up. They encourage attendees to have pictures and information about their events and activities.

The deadline for registering is August 12th.

If you are interested in participating in this event, contact JoEllen P. Myslik.

Email: JMyslik@csum.edu

Fundraising Events

Robbin Mackbee Firefighter/EMS Youth Academy

On August 24, 2019, the Robbin Mackbee Firefighter/EMS Youth Academy will be hosting a fundraiser in honor of former Assistant Fire Chief John Wells (3/24/36 – 3/19/17).

Proceeds from this event will go toward the John Wells Safety Scholarship Fund, established to provide youth with the financial support necessary to complete the pre-employment training and education required to become an EMT, paramedic, firefighter or nurse.

The event will be held at the Empress Theater, 330 Virginia Street. There will be a VIP pre-concert reception at 6:00 p.m. Guests will be treated to fine hors d'oeuvres, wine, and jazz by the Bryan Girard Quartet and will receive preferred seating to hear the easy listening and world-fusion jazz sounds of the Bay Area's own *Five Ten* music.

To purchase tickets:

Phone: 707 552-2400

Visit: www.empresstheater.org

Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum

Mark your calendars for another fabulous fundraising event at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum. This year's theme is **Vallejo Bandstand**.

You can buy your tickets at the bargain price of \$65, if purchased before July 31st. Call Today!

When: November 2, 2019

Where: 734 Marin Street

Phone: 707 643-0077

Business Developments

Legendary Ops Tactical Laser Tag

Owners Eric Mitchell and Chris Abene have opened a mobile laser tag gaming company which will host private, public, and corporate laser tag events.

Owner Eric commented, while all laser tag is fun, tactical laser tag differs from traditional laser tag in that it is more mission based and strategy oriented. This game is intense, fun, and a great team building and leadership building experience. Eric and Chris also plan on holding public open play sessions, fundraisers, tailgate parties, and tournaments for the public as well as a Halloween Haunted House laser tag walk.

For more information:

Website: www.legendaryops.com

Email: contact@legendaryops.com

Revolutions at 350 Georgia Street

Porter Venn and his business partner Keven Scott, former hosts of Decades Dance Party at 350 Georgia Street, are planning to open a live entertainment venue that offers a variety of events including DJ's, salsa and swing dancing, live music, comedy, poetry night, karaoke, and open mic night. Their venue will also be available for private parties, special events, and fundraisers.

Between Porter and Keven, they have nearly 3 decades of experience promoting and hosting promotional and special events in the San Francisco Bay Area. Their vision is to not only create a profitable business but also to raise awareness of the many offerings and businesses in Downtown Vallejo and to add some much needed vibrancy through dance, music, and celebration.

CCRC supports Porter and Keven's efforts and wishes them great success!

Things To Do Around Town

Shakespeare in the Park

Saturday, July 27th from 3:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.

Vallejo Shakespeare in the Park is an annual play festival where residents of all ages and economic backgrounds are invited to come together for a **free**, professional outdoor theater in Vallejo. Location: Hanns Park, 198 Skyline Dr. Vallejo. **For more information:**

<https://www.vallejoshakespeare.org/venues>

8th Annual Obtainium Cup Steampunk Festival and Art Car Rally

Sunday, July 28th from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The festival is **free** and features motorized and pedal powered art vehicles, food trucks, vendors, and entertainment at the Rotunda at Alden Park, located at the corner of 8th and Walnut Street on Historic Mare Island.

For more information:

<https://www.obtainiumworks.net/general-info>

Solano SBDC Presents: Where's the Money? Meet the Lenders Event

Tuesday, July 30th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

At this **free** live event you'll hear from a panel of banks, credit unions, and other small business lenders including Travis Credit Union and Working Solutions. You'll have an opportunity to learn first-hand from the lenders themselves what they have to offer to small businesses and the type of information they need from borrowers in order to fund loans. The event takes place at Cal Maritime's Anchor Center 253 Georgia Street. **To register, click below:**

<https://www.solanosbdc.org/events/wheres-money-meet-lenders-event>

GVRD's 75th Anniversary Celebration

Rock the Block Party

Saturday, September 21st 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

This **free** community event will feature food trucks, live entertainment, class demos, photo booths, vendors, games, prizes, a kid zone, face painting, and more. Located at Florida and Amador Street.

For more information: www.gvrd.org

August 9, 2019

2nd Friday Food & Art Walk

Vallejo Food & Art Walk is a monthly event that takes place in the Downtown Vallejo Arts District. Most locations are in the central core of the downtown and are very walkable but a few are spread out a block or two in either direction. Come down and enjoy great food, music, art, poetry, and children's activities.

For more information or to get involved: Website: www.vallejoartwalk.com

