

## New Norwalk Law Enforcement Team Hits the Ground Running

Please join City Council in welcoming our new special assigned Norwalk Sheriff's Team Leader Lieutenant Noe Garcia. His two new sergeants and team of six deputies will work closely with the Public Safety Department and members of the community to actively address neighborhood and community concerns.



than 27 years, Lieutenant Garcia is a proven law enforcement leader with a record of success working with community members and effectively addressing community policing concerns. Lieutenant Garcia and his new law enforcement team have hit the ground running, working with the City team to establish priorities and develop

The City selected Lieutenant Garcia for the position because of his ability to understand and embrace the City's comprehensive community policing model. Predicated on his experience with the Sheriff's Department serving several communities in various progressive supervisory and leadership roles for more

strategies to meet the community's immediate law enforcement and public safety needs and expectations. We are confident the commitment of Lieutenant Garcia and his team will be an asset in achieving the public safety goals of our City leaders and our community.



*El Líder del Equipo especial asignado al Departamento del Alguacil de Norwalk, el Teniente Noe García y sus dos nuevos sargentos y el equipo de seis policías trabajarán en extrema colaboración con el Departamento de Seguridad Pública y la comunidad para enfocarse en vigilancia policial comunitaria.*



### Approved Lower Trash Service Rates for Residents

*Comenzando en agosto, Athens Services proporcionará servicios de colección de basura en Norwalk. Las tarifas para las residencias unifamiliares disminuirán \$4.04 por mes, y las personas de avanzada edad pagarán \$5.60 menos por mes.*

After a lengthy evaluation process of over two years, Norwalk City Councilmembers selected Athens Services as its new service provider at a Special City Council Meeting in April, directing staff to finalize the solid waste franchise agreement. Athens will serve as Norwalk's single solid waste hauler beginning in August.

The new agreement, approved by City Council in May, includes rate reductions for residential customers. Standard residential collection service rates will be \$16.75, a reduction of over 19%. Beginning with August service, rates for senior citizens will decrease 57% to \$4.19. Residents in single family homes will have the ability to pre-arrange collection of up to five oversized or "bulky" items, such as furniture or electronics, up to 52 times a year, with residents in multi-family dwellings able to call in up to twelve times a year.

Among the enhancements offered by Athens are \$5,000 in scholarships for Norwalk students pursuing college or university education and a 10% discount for Norwalk residents on active military duty and residents who are Los Angeles County Sheriff's deputies or firefighters assigned to Norwalk.



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### New 4<sup>th</sup> of July Regulations - Celebrate Responsibly!!

The City of Norwalk wants everyone to enjoy a happy Fourth of July holiday. In order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all residents and visitors during Independence Day celebrations, we are providing important new fireworks rules and regulations.

Effective May 31, 2018, individuals will be held accountable for the discharge, possession, storage and sales of dangerous (illegal) fireworks on property they own, rent, lease or are in immediate control of. This means that if illegal fireworks are found or used at a residence or property you have control of, you will be considered in violation and subject to fines of up to \$1,500 per violation.

Find more info online at [Norwalk.org/firework-safety](http://Norwalk.org/firework-safety) or by calling 562-929-5732.



#### Regulations you should know:

- Only Safe and Sane fireworks may be discharged in Norwalk.
- No one shall possess fireworks at any time other than the hours of 10 a.m. July 1 through 10 p.m. July 4
- Fireworks are prohibited from being discharged on any days other than July 1- 4 between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m.
- Minors under the age of 18 in possession of fireworks and not directly supervised by an adult 21 years of age or older can have those fireworks confiscated by any law enforcement officer, Fire Department employee or adult. Confiscated fireworks must be delivered to the Fire Department within one hour of confiscation.
- No one shall possess or discharge fireworks on City property, including City parks, streets and sidewalks, unless a permit has been issued.
- Fines for first offenses range from \$500-\$1,500, and subsequent violations can reach \$3,000. The City of Norwalk is committed to ensuring the community's safety and will take a "zero tolerance" approach to any and all violations.

#### Norwalk City Hall Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Alternating Fridays 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Saturday & Sundays Closed

Phone 562-929-5700

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Get Involved

## A Chance to Connect w/ City Leaders

On Thursday, June 21, City Council travels to St. John of God Church, 13819 South Pioneer Boulevard to discuss important topics and hear from residents in the second Community Forum of 2018. The first, held at Lakeland Elementary School on Bombardier, included presentations on public safety and economic development. The event is open to the public and is part of City Council's mission to engage the community in meaningful conversation. Meetings are held at 6 p.m. in venues away from City Hall to make attending easier and more convenient. Refreshments and Spanish translation will be available on site.



*Conéctese con la policía local y el personal de Seguridad Pública con una taza de café el 7 de junio de 9 – 11 a.m. en Ella's Café.*




**Thursday, June 7  
9-11 a.m.**

**Ella's Café  
13220 San Antonio Drive**


### FREE Independence Day Pageant

July 3 • 6-9 p.m.  
Civic Center Lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd



Celebrate Independence Day early in Norwalk! Show your patriotism, and enjoy the afternoon's pageantry and entertainment leading up to a spectacular fireworks show. Live musical performances, crafts, games, and food booths open at 6 p.m., followed by our fireworks display beginning promptly at 9 p.m. For more information, please call 562-929-5702.

## RABIES CLINICS



**\*Thursday, June 14 • 4-7 p.m.**  
**\*Thursday, July 12 • 4-7 p.m.**

Norwalk City Hall Lawn  
12700 Norwalk Blvd.

**Rabies Vaccination: \$6**

Dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers. Individual Vaccines, microchipping and flea control products will also be available.

Residents can also renew dog licenses. Please bring renewal letters.

For additional information, contact the Dog Licensing Dept at 562-929-5711.



*Conéctese con el Concejo Municipal en el próximo Foro de la Comunidad el 21 de junio a las 6 p.m. en la iglesia St. John of God. Se proporcionara refrescos y traducción en español.*

CITY OF NORWALK RECREATION & PARK SERVICES DEPARTMENT

**FREE!**

# SUMMER Concert Series

Wednesdays, June 13 - August 8 • 7-9 p.m. • City Hall Lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.



June 13  
Scot Bruce  
(Elvis Tribute)



June 20  
The Society Band  
(Today's Hits)



June 27  
Mariachi Angeles de  
Pepe Martinez Jr.  
(Mariachi)



July 11  
Raise Your Glass  
& Prismatic  
(Pink/Katy Perry Tribute)



July 18  
Knight Ryder  
(Flashback '80s)



July 25  
\*The Hodads  
(\*70s Disco)



August 1  
L.A.vation  
(U2 Tribute)



August 8  
\*\*Soto  
(Latin R&B)  
(National Night Out)

**For details, please call 562-929-5702.**

*\*Concert sponsored by the Los Angeles County Arts Commission*  
*\*\*Norwalk Chamber of Commerce Business Expo & Health Fair - featuring local businesses and their products as well as health and wellness services available to the community*

**Parks Make Life Better!**

**CITY OF NORWALK**  
A Connected Community

## ENERGY corner

### Summer Sun = Pool Fun

Summer is approaching, which means time by the pool keeping cool all day and enjoying a relaxing swim at night. Keep your pool temperature at an optimum level for day and night swimming, by using a natural gas heater.

Natural gas heaters use less energy and heat water faster than electric heaters.

**You can also save money and energy by following a few simple steps.**

- Lower pool and spa heaters temperature setting
- Install a time clock for preset and minimize heating hours
- Reduce pool filtering and automatic pool sweeping time and schedule for off peak hours
- Use a pool cover to help prevent heat and water loss.

For more information visit: [www.socalgas.com/save-money-and-energy/energy-saving-tips-tools/tips-for-your-home](http://www.socalgas.com/save-money-and-energy/energy-saving-tips-tools/tips-for-your-home)



*El uso de un calentador de gas natural para su piscina ahorra energía y dinero.*

## Brighter Lights in Streets & Parks

In keeping with City Council's commitment to the safety of our community, the City will be purchasing approximately 4,000 street light poles from Edison. Ownership will allow the City to retrofit existing high pressure sodium light fixtures to brighter, more efficient LED fixtures throughout Norwalk to provide greater visibility for residents, law enforcement and staff in neighborhoods and City streets. The purchase of the street light poles will be completed within the next two months, and the replacement of light fixtures will begin as soon as the City takes ownership of the poles. City Council approved the purchase of the poles, financing and retrofit to LED fixtures last fall. The overall project will cost approximately \$4.2 million and the City will benefit with significant energy savings on current electricity bills.



Luces LED más brillantes llegaron a Norwalk para mejorar la seguridad en las calles y los parques.

## NTS Riders to see Electric Buses

On April 5, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced that approximately \$264 million in funding would be granted for projects that improve the safety and reliability of America's bus systems and enhance mobility for transit riders across the country. Norwalk Transit System (NTS) has been selected for \$1,206,518 in funding as part of a joint application with the Anaheim Transportation Network (ATN).

NTS' portion of the grant funds will assist in the acquisition of two 40', low floor, zero emission battery electric buses (BEBs), from BYD Bus, to add to its current 33 buses. These new buses are expected to be placed on the road by the end of 2019, to service NTS Route 7, which carries nearly 300,000 passengers annually. Route 7 provides critical connectivity to workplaces and other destinations including the Norwalk Green Line Station, El Monte Bus Station, as well as hospitals, high schools, colleges, and shopping centers. The electric buses come with zero emission technology and a lower maintenance cost compared to the diesel buses.

NTS is dedicated to finding new ways to reduce its carbon footprint by means of electric bus technology.

For more information on NTS services, please contact our Customer Service Department at 562-929-5550 or e-mail: [transportation@norwalkca.gov](mailto:transportation@norwalkca.gov).

*El Departamento de Transportación de la Ciudad de Norwalk utilizará una subvención del FTA (agencia federal) de \$ 1.2 millones para comprar dos autobuses eléctricos.*



## Fifth Annual Arbor Day Celebration

The City's fifth annual Arbor Day event was held on Saturday, April 28 from 8 to 10 a.m. at Sara Mendez Park. Approximately 50 volunteers, including Norwalk residents and members of the Norwalk Lions Club, parishioners from New Harvest Christian Church, Teen Alliance Program (TAP) participants and members of the Church of Latter Day Saints came out to help Public Services Department staff plant 50 trees in the park. The event also included activities and face painting for children. West Coast Arborists, Inc. also joined the event, setting up an information

booth on the importance of trees. AY Nursery and Starbucks made generous donations of plants and refreshments. As part of the City's Arbor Day celebration, ASB students from Morrison Elementary School assisted Public Services staff with planting 14 trees in the parkway along Maidstone Avenue on May 10. These students also participated in an "I Love Trees Because..." poster contest depicting the benefits of trees. Volunteers at the Arbor Day event at Sara Mendez Park voted for the top three entries, with winners recognized at the May 15 City Council Meeting.



## Center Offers Information to Help Veterans with Benefits, Education and More



*El Centro de Recursos para Veteranos, ubicado en la Biblioteca de Norwalk, brinda información y ayuda sobre los beneficios de salud, vivienda y empleo.*

On May 14, officials cut the ribbon on the Veterans Resource Center located inside the Norwalk Library. This program, run by trained volunteers, provides free counseling and information on health, housing and educational resources. Benefits coaches are available Mondays 6-9 p.m., Tuesdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursdays, 1-3 p.m. and Saturdays noon to 2 p.m. Print and digital resources are available during library operating hours. No appointment necessary. Norwalk Library is located at 12350 Imperial Highway, for details call 562-868-0775.



# Voting to Become More Accessible in Los Angeles County

The Los Angeles County Registrar/Recorder County Clerk is in the process of updating the voting experience in Los Angeles County. They have been working with many groups and voters throughout the last several years to design a new voting system that can accommodate the millions of voters in the county and are nearing deployment of the new system.

The Registrar/Recorder's office is excited to announce that a Vote Center Placement Project (VCP) website is officially live and available to the public! They've also launched an Open Access Platform, which is being called the Vote Center Placement Portal. Members of the public can now suggest vote center locations across the County using this interactive site.



Crear una mejor experiencia de votación visitando la página web del Proyecto de Ubicación del Centro de Votación <http://vsap.lavote.net/vote-center-placement-project/>

To access the VCP site, please visit <http://vsap.lavote.net/vote-center-placement-project/>. Once you're on the site, you can click on the "Suggest a Vote Center" link or you can access it here.

## Career and Technical Training Scholarships

The City of Norwalk knows the importance of education and training in building successful futures. We will be offering scholarships available to assist low income residents with the cost of technical training in health sciences and medical technology or welding/metal fabrication. Training is offered through the Norwalk-La Mirada Adult School (NLMAS) with funding provided by the Community Development Block Grant program. Applications will be available starting June 4 at City Hall, Room 12.

The City will pay for the cost of tuition (class fees). Depending upon the program, the amount of assistance ranges from \$1,000 to \$4,050. The student is responsible for the cost of books, uniforms, background checks, and/or exams. Funding for the program is limited.



La ciudad de Norwalk ofrecerá becas para ayudar a los residentes de bajos recursos con el costo de la capacitación técnica en ciencias de la salud, tecnología médica o soldadura / fabricación de metales.

Number in Household	Income Limit	Number in Household	Income Limit
1	\$54,250	5	\$83,700
2	\$62,000	6	\$89,900
3	\$69,750	7	\$96,100
4	\$77,500	8	\$102,300

The deadline to submit a completed application is 6 p.m. on Monday, June 25. For more information, contact the Housing & Neighborhood Development Division at 562-929-5951.

### To qualify:

- You must be a Norwalk resident. Proof of residency is required.
- You must be 18 years of age or older.
- You must submit a completed application and essay during the City's application period.
- Your total combined household income cannot exceed the following income limits:

## New Transfer Procedures & Norwalk Transit System Commemorative TAP Cards

### Transfer on 2<sup>nd</sup> Boarding via TAP Card

Beginning July 15, 2018, transfers between L.A. County Municipal Transit Agencies will be exclusively on the Transit Access Pass (TAP). The new "Transfer on 2nd Boarding" policy eliminates the need for using existing paper transfers for customers transferring between transit agencies. Instead of purchasing paper transfers on the first boarding, customers will need to have a pre-loaded Stored Value TAP card in order to transfer.

Transfer fare will automatically be deducted from the Stored Value TAP Card when boarding a second transit agency's bus within a 2½ hour window from the first boarding. Customers will benefit from faster boardings and will no longer need to carry exact change.



A partir del 15 de julio, los pasajeros que se transfieran entre las Agencias de Tránsito del Condado de Los Angeles experimentarán un servicio más rápido utilizando la Tarjeta TAP de Valor Almacenado.

### Commemorative TAP Card

This year, Norwalk Transit System (NTS) will be participating in the Commemorative Transit Access Pass (TAP) Card Program in keeping with implementation of the new L.A. Countywide Interagency Transfer on 2nd Boarding; effective July 15, 2018.

NTS will receive 10,000 Commemorative TAP Cards as part of its marketing campaign and strategy for distribution to residents, school districts, L.A. County library, and at major bus transfer locations; plus various customer service agencies. Also, Metro and NTS ambassadors will be available at key bus stop/transfer points to distribute free TAP cards.

If you have any questions or to find out how to get a NTS Commemorative TAP card, please contact Customer Service at 562-929-5550 or e-mail: [transportation@norwalkca.gov](mailto:transportation@norwalkca.gov).

Descubra cómo obtener una tarjeta TAP conmemorativa gratuita (no precargada con valor monetario) llamando al 562-929-5550 o por correo electrónico a [transportation@norwalkca.gov](mailto:transportation@norwalkca.gov).

## Senior Center Events

14040 San Antonio Drive • 562-929-5580

### Green Tea Week 2018

Monday, June 4 – Friday, June 8

Green Tea Week at the Norwalk Senior Center is a week where health and wellness are celebrated! During the week, various free seminars, screenings and demonstrations will be taking place to help seniors learn how they can be healthier and have a better sense of well-being. This year's theme is "A Healthy Outside Starts From the Inside." – Robert Ulrich

### Cooking Demonstration

Monday, June 4 • 10–11 a.m.

As part of the Green Tea Week festivities, come and find out how to prepare a nutritious and tasty dish. This demonstration will also cover the basic components of nutrition and how seniors can make them a part of their diet.

Sponsored by: *Cooking on The Fly*

### "Strength and Balance" Seminar

Tuesday, June 5 • 10–11 a.m.

Strength and balance are very important as we get older. As part of our Green Tea Week festivities, staff from Regal Medical Group will talk about how you can improve your strength, and by doing so, improve your balance. They will also teach simple exercises to maintain good balance.

Sponsored by: *Regal Medical Group*

### Fitness Demonstration: Senior Zumba

Tuesday, June 5 • 1–2 p.m.

Staff from Regal Medical Group will lead this demonstration on Senior Zumba as part of the Green Tea Week celebration. Seniors will have an opportunity to actively participate in this demonstration.

Sponsored by: *Regal Medical Group*

### HICAP

Wednesday, June 6 and 20 • 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

HICAP stands for Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program and is provided by trained/certified counselors through the Center for Health Care Rights. A HICAP Counselor will provide seniors with free education, counseling and advocacy regarding their Medicare and related health insurance issues. An appointment is required.

## Social Services Center Events

11929 Alondra Blvd • 562-929-5544

### Derma Scan Screening

Thursday, June 21 • 9–11 a.m.

Free derma scan screenings will be offered to seniors. A screening of the face will provide information to identify skin damage, possible skin abnormalities. This screening is available on a first come basis.

Sponsored by: *Senior Health Advocates*

### AARP Drive Safety Seminar

Thursday, June 28 • 9–11 a.m.

This seminar, sponsored by AARP, provides seniors an overview on safe driving and driving efficiently to maintain their independence. This seminar is free and available to seniors.

### Mammogram Screening

Thursday July 12

Time: By appointment

Sponsored by Watts Health Care Corporation, free mammograms are available to women 40 years and older who are low income, uninsured or on Medi-Cal. Registration currently taking place. Call 562-929-5544 for appointment.

# May 2018 City Council Meetings Photo Highlights

