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Median Upgrades Ahead

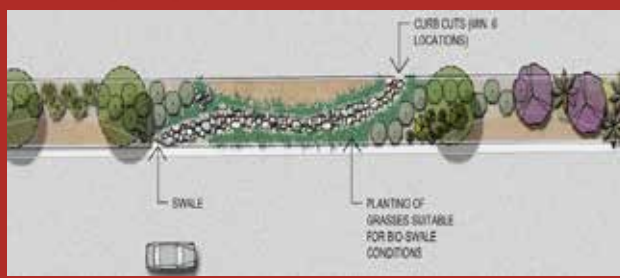
Through the California Natural Resources Agency, grant funds in the amount of \$416,000 were received by the City of Norwalk for our Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program. The City will be utilizing these funds to address dead turf on several center medians and side panels throughout Norwalk. The turf, left unwatered to comply with state water conservation mandates, will be replaced with drought tolerant plants and drip irrigation systems at four locations:

- Pioneer Blvd. from Alondra Blvd. to 166th St
- Imperial Hwy. West of Bloomfield Ave
- San Antonio Dr. from Rosecrans Ave. to south of the 5 Fwy
- Norwalk Blvd. side panels from Imperial Hwy. to Aegean St

Expect to see work start this month, with project completion date currently set for November 2018.



Busque mejoras en los centros de las pistas, que incluyen el reemplazo del césped muerto con un paisaje tolerante a la sequía, que comenzara este mes.



City Council Approves Budget

On June 19, City Council approved a \$140.4 million budget for fiscal year 2018/19. This financial plan for the upcoming fiscal year maintains service levels and enhances services provided by Public Safety and Social Services by taking a multi-departmental approach. This new strategy concentrates on the issues of public safety and health, homelessness and quality of life in our community. Funds have also been allocated to address infrastructure improvements and economic development priorities, while maintaining the General Fund Reserves and adhering to the principles of fiscal responsibility and sustainability.

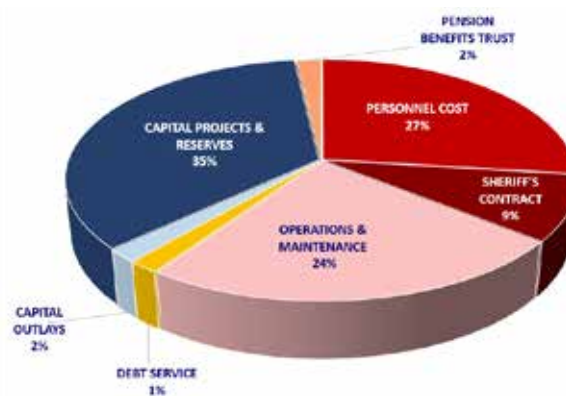
City services are primarily funded from the General Fund's operating budget of \$47.7 million. These services will be enhanced in Public Safety to

provide crime prevention patrols in neighborhood shopping centers, parking control, and greater community visibility to address quality of life issues. Social Services will have an additional \$60,000 to address the nutritional needs of Norwalk's senior population, especially those who are homebound or experiencing health issues, and an additional \$15,000 to provide support to residents in need of emergency assistance.

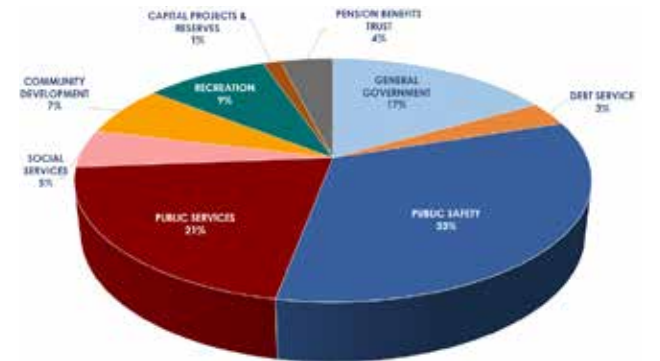
The City will continue improving its infrastructure, primarily through grant and special revenue funds. The capital improvement plan includes 71 projects, varying from streets, traffic, water, sewer, and parks to the improvement of City facilities.

The adopted budget, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 can be viewed online at norwalk.org.

TOTAL CITY BUDGET - \$140.4 MILLION



GENERAL FUND BUDGET - \$50.3 MILLION



El 19 de junio, el Concejo Municipal aprobó un presupuesto que se concentra en temas de seguridad pública y de salud, falta de viviendas, vagabundos y calidad de vida, al igual que desarrollo económico y otras prioridades. Vea el plan financiero en la página Norwalk.org.

New Trash & Recycling Carts Coming Your Way

Beginning Tuesday, July 24 and continuing through Monday, August 20, Athens Services will be delivering new carts to single family and multi-family locations. New carts will be delivered the day before your normal service day to ensure a smooth transition. Monday service day customers will receive their carts on the Saturday before service.

Please see map on page 2 to find your new cart delivery date and follow the directions below:

Process

- On your Cart Delivery Day, indicated on the map on page 2, Athens will deliver your NEW carts. Please put these carts away. Do not place your trash into these just yet!
- On your Trash Service Day, bring out ALL of your current CR&R or Republic Services containers to be serviced one last time, whether they are empty or full.
- After the trash and recycle items are emptied, leave those carts out so that they can be removed by a different truck.

• After the carts have been picked up, you can start using your NEW Athens containers.

Commencing August 1, Athens Services will be the only trash hauler serving Norwalk, regardless if you have a CR&R or Republic Services cart. Athens will service your old trash/recycling containers from CR&R and Republic until your new containers arrive.

Comenzando el martes, 24 de julio al lunes 20 de agosto, Athens Services comenzará a entregar contenedores a viviendas unifamiliares y multifamiliares. Para asegurar una buena transición, los contenedores nuevos se entregarán el día antes de su día de servicio normal. Residentes con servicio de lunes recibirán sus contenedores el sábado antes del día de servicio. Consulte el mapa en la página dos para encontrar su fecha de entrega de contenedores. Para más información llame al 1-800-333-0191.



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

Norwalk City Council

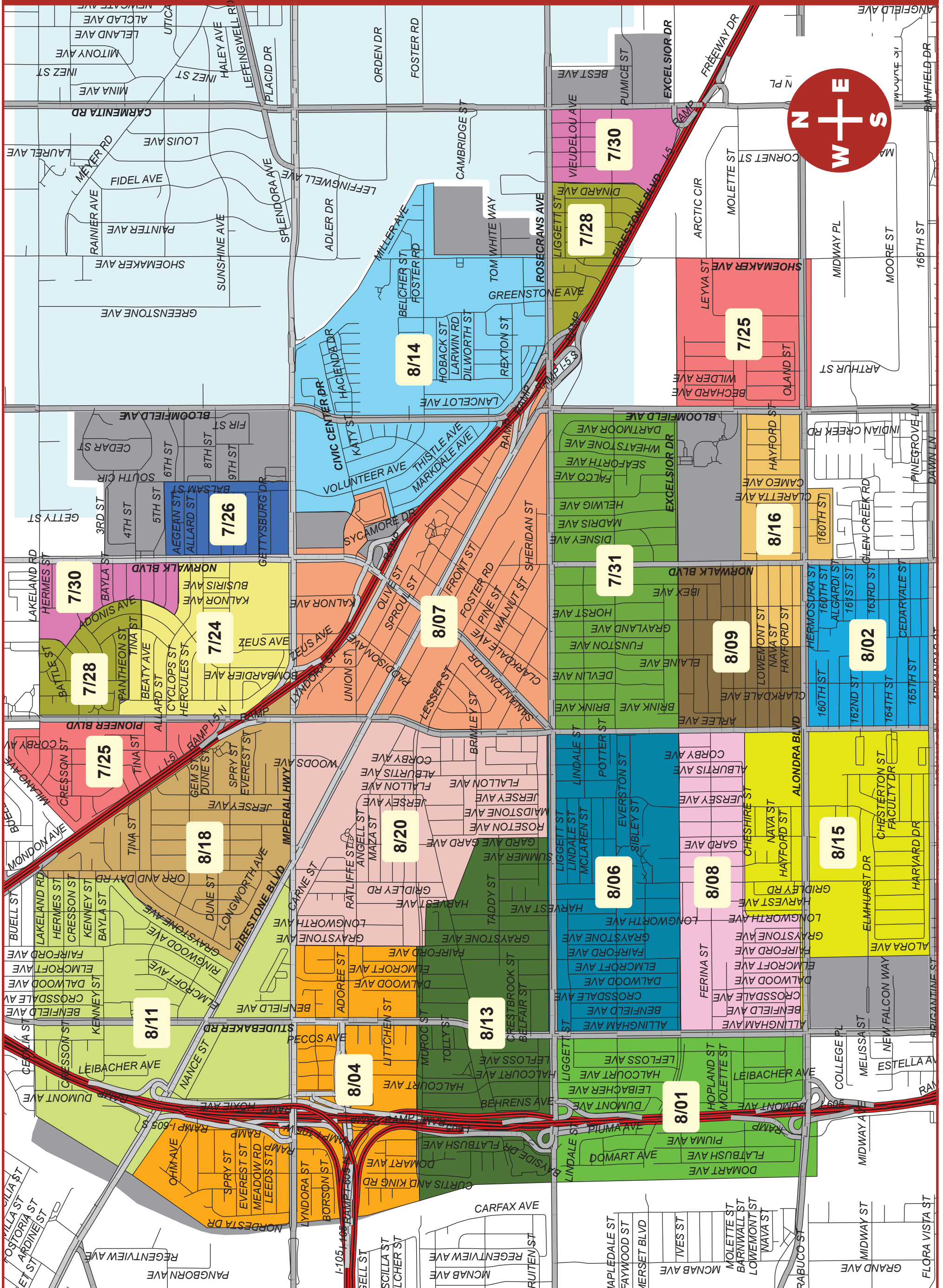
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City of Norwalk – Residential Container Delivery Map & Dates



UPCOMING WORKSHOP: Home Improvement Program

Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 6 p.m.
Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex
Sproul Room
13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Are you a low-income homeowner looking for help with home repairs? The City offers financial assistance to Norwalk property owners who have owned and lived in the property for at least two years and whose household income is within certain limits (see chart below) for certain home improvements. Homes must be owner-occupied, single family dwellings, including mobile homes and condominiums/townhomes, and tenant-occupied 1-4 unit rental properties*.

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

*For rental properties, tenant incomes are used to establish eligibility for the program.

For more info call 562-929-5951 or visit <http://www.norwalk.org/HIP>

La Ciudad ofrece asistencia financiera para reparaciones de viviendas a propietarios de bajos ingresos que califiquen y vivan en Norwalk.



New Median Islands and Paving on Pioneer between Rosecrans Avenue and Alondra Boulevard



Las mejoras a los centros de las pistas y el pavimento en Pioneer Boulevard están casi terminadas.

The \$2.3 million street improvement project on Pioneer Boulevard between Rosecrans Avenue and Alondra Boulevard is nearing completion. New islands with drought tolerant landscaping have been installed, the mile long section of street has been repaved, and new traffic signal equipment has been installed at the intersection of Pioneer and Hopland/Ferina. Southern California Edison is completing the electrical service circuits to energize the signal and complete the project.

Bus Stop Improvements on Imperial Highway at Jersey Avenue

The intersection of Imperial Highway and Jersey Avenue has undergone traffic signal improvements and the reconfiguration of the frontage islands to accommodate bus stops that are now fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. The historical marker incorporated within the new bus stop is a remnant from the stage coach route that passed through this location.



Las estaciones de autobús han recibido mejoras en la configuración de la señal de tránsito y su reubicación.

Hermosillo Park New Playground

Hermosillo Park is getting a new playground! Demolition of the old playground equipment took place on Monday, July 9 and the new playground is anticipated to be installed around the second week of August.



Un nuevo equipo de recreo para niños se instalara la segunda semana de agosto en el parque Hermosillo.

THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL INVITE YOU, YOUR FAMILY & FREINDS

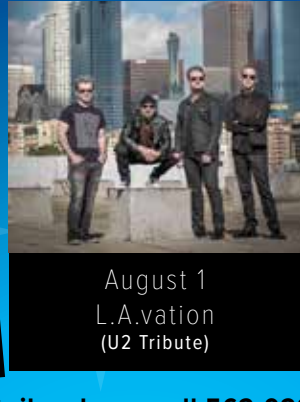
Parks Make Life Better!

FREE! SUMMER Concert Series

Wednesday, June 25 - August 8 • 7-9 p.m. • City Hall Lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.



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

Disfrute de un concierto de verano gratis en el césped de la municipalidad todos los miércoles a las 7 p.m.



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Wednesday, August 8 • 7 p.m.
City Hall Lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

National Night Out is an annual event intended to bring communities across America together to take a stand against crime, drugs and disorder in their neighborhoods.

Join the City of Norwalk, Department of Public Safety and Norwalk Sheriff's Station at this year's Summer Concert Series featuring Soto Band, as we join members of the community in affirming our conviction against crime and disorder.

If you are unable to attend this event, you can still participate at home and in your neighborhood. During the designated time, just turn on your porch light and take a walk around your block; meet at least two neighbors that you have not met before – it's the perfect opportunity!

You can also make a commitment to get involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program. This year-round program brings you, your neighbors, the Department of Public Safety and the Norwalk Sheriff's Station together to help ensure safe neighborhoods and a safe community! Call 562-929-5732 for more information on how you can get involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program and "make a difference!"

PUBLIC SAFETY CORNER

VACATION SECURITY TIPS



August is one of the most popular months for summer travel. Students are gearing up to go back to school and with Labor Day fast approaching, heading out of town to visit relatives, explore the great outdoors, or road trips to theme park destinations are some ways people enjoy the end of summer.

In order to make the most of your time away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, Public Safety offers the following home security tips while you are out of town:



La ciudad ofrece datos importantes para los residentes que salen de vacaciones durante el verano. Cancele su correo durante el tiempo que va a estar afuera, mantenga su césped recortado, sus puertas y ventanas cerradas y establezca buenas relaciones con sus vecinos. Llame al 562-929-5732 para más información.

Mail – Cancel mail and newspaper delivery for the duration of your absence. If you're unable to cancel, have a trusted friend/family member bring in mail daily.

Lights – Use automatic timers on lights; some can even be set to turn lights on/off at random times to make it appear as if you are home. Outside motion detector lights are also beneficial.

Landscaping – Be sure to have your yard landscaped on a regular basis while you're away in order to give the appearance that you are home. Unkempt lawns and overgrown hedges are signs that residents are not home.

Doors & Windows – It is a good idea to have a deadbolt lock on doors that lead into and out of the house. For sliding glass doors and windows, a dowel or steel rod can be placed in the track to help protect against forced entry.

Get to Know Your Neighbors – Establish trust with your neighbors as soon as you move into an area; good neighbors can help keep an eye on your home while you are away and report any suspicious activity.

Public Safety Patrol – Take advantage of the vacation patrols offered by the Public Safety Department. Contact Public Safety at 562-929-5732 to request these patrols.

Questions - If you are unsure on any of these tips, please call our Public Safety Team at 562-929-5732. The Department of Public Safety wishes you a safe and enjoyable summer vacation!

Surviving the Heat

Tips from LA County

In extreme temperatures, it's important to consider these precautions for safety and health:

- Avoid the sun from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Reduce physical activity.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat and light colored lightweight, loose-fitting clothing when you're outdoors.
- Avoid hot, heavy meals that include proteins.
- Set your A/C between 75 and 80 degrees. If you don't have A/C, take a cool shower twice a day.
- Check on elderly neighbors who do not have A/C.
- Drink plenty of fluids. Avoid alcohol.
- Use sun screen with an SPF of at least 15.
- Make sure pets have plenty of water and shade.

Designated Community Cooling Centers:

Alondra Library

11929 Alondra Blvd.
Tues/Wed. 12- 8 p.m.
Thur/Fri 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Norwalk Library

12350 Imperial Hwy. Mon-
Thur 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Fri
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Norwalk Senior Center

14040 San Antonio Dr.
Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sat/Sun 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Norwalk Social Services Center

11929 Alondra Blvd.
Mon-Thurs 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat/Sun 9 a.m. - 5p.m.

Recognize the symptoms of dehydration and heat cramps, which include dizziness, fatigue, faintness, headaches, muscle cramps and increased thirst. For more info, call 211 for LA County.



Did you know...

Construction began on Norwalk's current City Hall in 1963, which was dedicated in April 1965 with over 2,000 guests present. Today's City Hall houses six departments, ten divisions and over 100 employees to serve our community's needs.



ENERGY corner

Keeping Cool this Summer



Summer temperatures can cause your electric bill to rise, but keeping cool doesn't mean paying more. Save energy this summer by taking no/low cost steps to keep your home cool. One easy, cost-effective step that is also environmentally friendly is to plant leafy trees and shrubs around your home. Trees deflect sunlight which reduces the heat island effect caused by pavement and buildings. The leaves on trees absorb and filter the sun's radiant energy, keeping things cool.

In addition, using ceiling fans can help cool your home while saving you money and insulation and weatherization allow you to raise the temperature setting on your thermostat while keeping your home cool.

For more information visit www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/residential/home-energy-guide/Building-Materials-Heating-and-Cooling



Mantenga su factura de electricidad y la temperatura de su hogar baja este verano plantando árboles frondosos o arbustos cerca de su casa para obtener sombra, utilice su ventilador de techo e instale aparatos de climatización y aislamiento contra la intemperie.

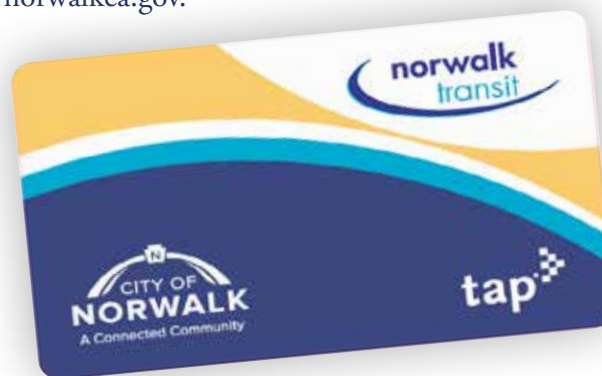
Transferring with your Commemorative TAP Card

As of July 15, 2018, transferring between L.A. County Municipal Transit Agencies, including Norwalk Transit, is now easier with the Transit Access Pass (TAP) Card. The new "Transfer on 2nd Boarding" policy eliminates the need for paper transfers when boarding different transit agency vehicles. The TAP Card, a reusable pass, now acts as your transit fare. When you board a different agency bus within 2 ½ hours of boarding your first bus, the transfer amount will simply be deducted from the Stored Value on your TAP Card. Stored Value is a specified amount of money you load onto your TAP Card to pay for rides and transfers. Just make sure to have any required fares pre-loaded onto your TAP Card prior to stepping aboard any bus.

NTS received 10,000 TAP Cards as part of the Commemorative Transit Access Pass Card Program campaign and has been distributing them since June to residents, school districts, County libraries, and at major bus transfer locations in advance of implementation of the new boarding policy. Metro ambassadors will continue to be available at key bus stop/transfer points to distribute free TAP cards.

The commemorative TAP cards do not have any stored value; however, the cards are valued at \$2, the cost of purchasing one at a transit customer service agency or from a ticket dispenser. Student and Senior TAP Cards will need to be purchased.

Have questions? Want to find out how to get a NTS Commemorative TAP card? Contact Customer Service at 562-929-5550 or e-mail: transportation@norwalkca.gov.



Con la tarjeta TAP (Pase de acceso de tránsito), ya no se necesitan transferencias en papel para los segundos embarques de autobuses.

Photo Highlights: July 2018 City Council Meeting

