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CUPERTINO VOLUNTEER FAIR 2019

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 10350 TORRE AVE.

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- Government



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For more info visit: cupertino.org/volunteerfair

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Public Works - It Starts Here



The theme for Public Works Week 2019 is "It Starts Here." The City's Public Works professionals are committed to providing the citizens of Cupertino exceptional service, ensuring that current and future generations will enjoy the City's safety, integrity, beauty, and innovation. Take a look at what Public Works is doing in the community.

1 TRANSPORTATION

- Oversees the operation and maintenance of the City's 60 traffic signals, including eight traffic signals owned by the State of California.
- Maintains the fiber optic traffic signal communication infrastructure which allows monitoring of the street network from the City's Traffic Operations Center.
- Regularly coordinates with the Cupertino Union School District, the Fremont Union High School District and the Santa Clara County Sheriff Department to focus efforts on student safety and congestion relief around the City's 14 public schools through the Safe Routes to School Program.

2 TREES & RIGHT OF WAY (MEDIANS, PUBLIC PEDESTRIAN AREAS)

- Maintains 27,153 trees and 53.5 acres of medians and right of way areas. They are also responsible for median renovations.
- The team of 16 also coordinates with the Streets Maintenance Division on root inspections of effected trees.
- Actively engages in community outreach, including tree planting events.

3 STREETS

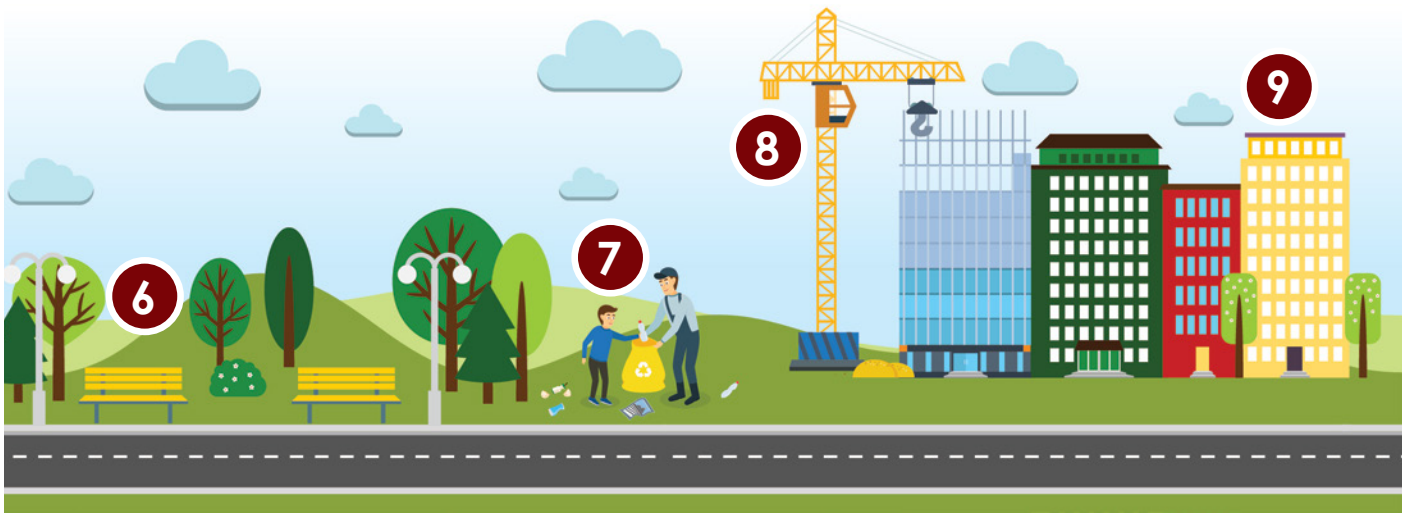
- Maintains 142 center lane miles of streets.
- The 11-person team maintains sidewalks, curbs, and gutters - including 2,200 storm drain inlets.
- Maintains 9,645 traffic related signs in addition to 3,200 streetlights and 480 park / parking lot lights.
- Manages the street sweeping contract and maintains all environmental compliance materials.

4 FACILITIES & FLEET

- Maintains 45 buildings (205,000 sq. ft.), 102 vehicles and 600 pieces of equipment.
- The team of 11 maintains the Blackberry Farms pool, Civic Center fountains and coordinates small tenant improvement projects.
- Supports maintenance operations, Recreation and Community Services, and Corporation Yard programs.

5 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP)

- Consists of a 7-person team (4 full-time and 3 part-time) and is responsible for delivering all Capital Improvement projects.
- Capital projects can be either new construction or renovation of existing improvements or buildings. Projects range in size from small ADA Improvements to large multi-million projects.
- This Division delivers multiple high value projects on an annual basis.



6 GROUNDS

- Maintains Cupertino Union School District Athletic Fields for youth sports programs as well as all playgrounds in accordance with California Playground Safety Requirements.
- 20-person team responsible for maintaining 19 parks and open space areas.
- Responsible for water fowl management and provides ongoing support to park and community services programs.

7 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

- Responsible for the compliance of a variety of environmental laws pertaining to stormwater pollution prevention, creek eco-system protection, recycling, composting, reduction of waste going to landfill, and all related outreach and education to community.
- Manage the franchise agreement with Recology South Bay. This contract includes collecting trash, recycling, and organics.
- Arrange for operation and staffing of the compost site, where residents of Cupertino can pick up compost at no cost from spring through fall each year.

8 ENGINEERING

- The division provides engineering review and permitting of projects in the public right of way, including work related to utility company operations.

Provide inspection services to ensure improvements are installed and facilities are restored to City standards.

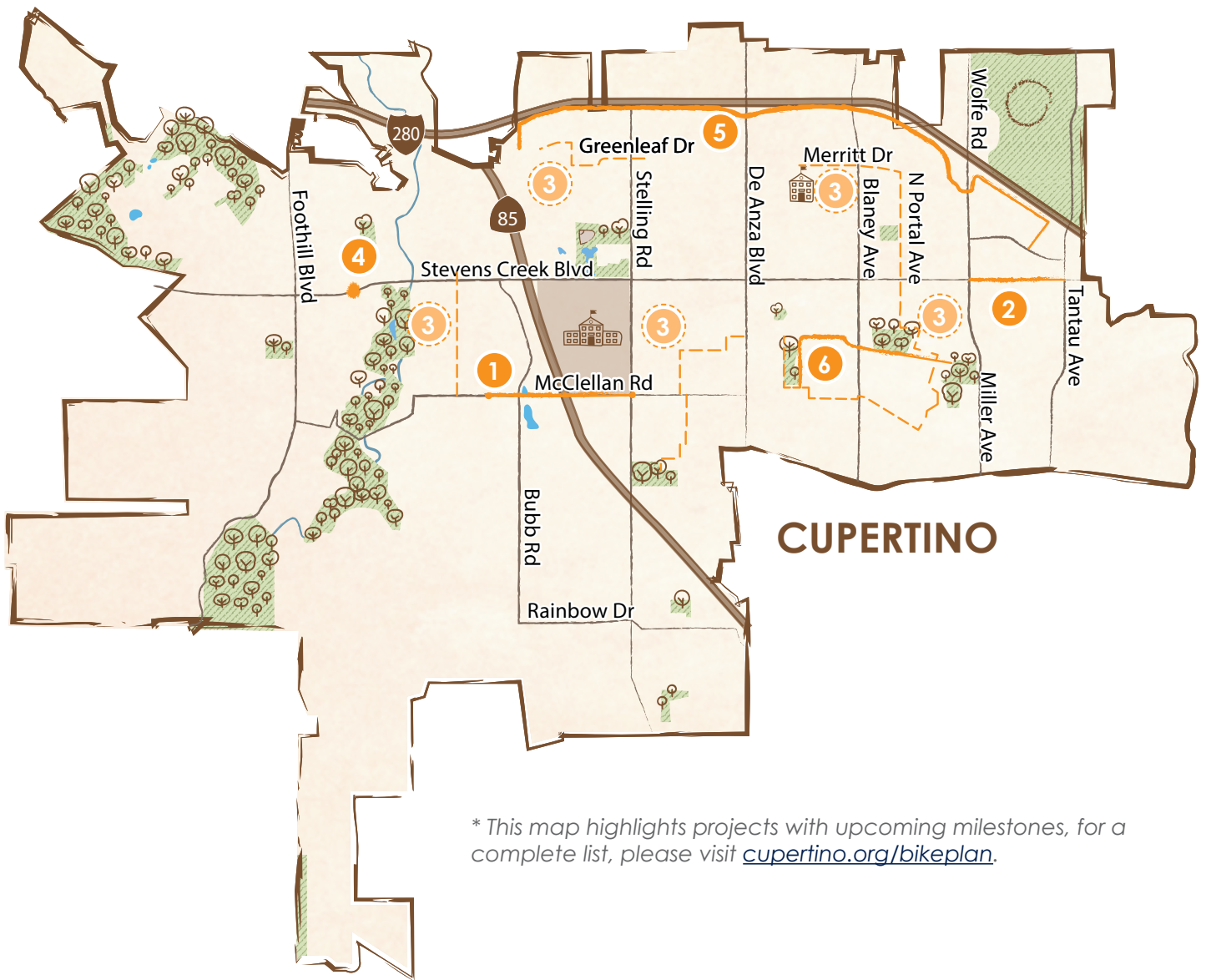
- Supports all City Departments that work on construction and maintenance related activities within the City, including the Capital Improvement Program, Community Development, Transportation, Streets, Grounds, Trees and Right of Way, Facilities, Building Department and Environmental Services.

9 ASSET MANAGEMENT

- The Asset Management team has identified and logged over 105,000 assets maintained by Public Staff - and they're still counting
- The sophisticated system is also capable of tracking work orders.
- Public Works staff completed 3,368 work orders and responded to 1,169 Cupertino 311 requests submitted in 2018.



Bike Projects



* This map highlights projects with upcoming milestones, for a complete list, please visit cupertino.org/bikeplan.



1 McClellan Road Separated Bike Lanes (Coming this Summer!)

McClellan Road from Imperial Avenue to Stelling Road

Separated bike lanes on McClellan Road will separate cyclists from motor vehicles with flexible bollards and wide curbs. The first phase of the bike lanes will be from Imperial Avenue to Stelling Road, and will include improvements to the intersections at Stelling and Bubb Road. The separated bike lanes will eventually extend from Byrne Avenue to Torre Avenue. This project is planned to be phased in over several years.

Link for more info: <http://www.cupertino.org/mcclellanbikelanes>



2 Stevens Creek Separated Bike Lanes (Coming this Summer!)

Stevens Creek Boulevard between Wolfe Road & Tantau Avenue

The separated bikeway project on Stevens Creek Boulevard will one day provide an east-west connection across Cupertino. The first phase of construction is funded and includes the section between Wolfe Road & Tantau Avenue. The project is planned to include bicycle-friendly traffic signals, allowing bicyclists to cross intersections without right-turning vehicle conflicts.

Link for more info: <https://bit.ly/2UzNIU7>



3 Bike Boulevards (Coming this Summer!)

Merritt Drive & Portal Avenue • Greenleaf Drive & Meteor Drive • East of De Anza • Shelly, Westacres & Kim • Fort Baker & Orange

Bicycle boulevards are planned to contain bicycle-friendly traffic-calming features, and are designated and designed to enhance livability and safety for people biking within the neighborhood, especially for those riders who may not feel comfortable travelling along major streets.

Link for more info: bit.ly/2X4Pcm2



4 Carmen Road Bridge

Carmen Road

A bridge is being evaluated as a way that bicyclists and pedestrians may cross above Stevens Creek Boulevard, by continuing the existing alignment of Carmen Road in the neighborhoods north and south of Stevens Creek Boulevard, between Foothill Boulevard and Phar Lap Drive.

Link for more info: cupertino.org/carmenbridge

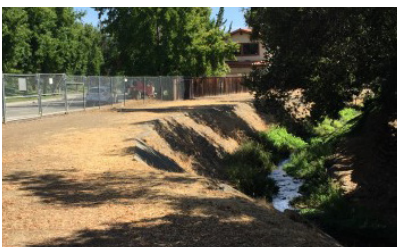


5 Junipero Serra Trail

Junipero Serra Channel, between Don-Burnett Bicycle-Pedestrian Bridge and Vallco Parkway

A multi-use bicycle pedestrian trail is being evaluated that may run parallel to Junipero Serra Channel and Calabazas Creek, providing a connection between the Don Burnett Bicycle-Pedestrian Bridge and Vallco Parkway. The project, if authorized, would include improvements at the Stelling Road, De Anza Boulevard, and Wolfe Road street crossings.

Link for more info: bit.ly/2Da3vOZ



6 Regnart Creek Trail

Regnart Creek, between Pacifica Drive and East Estates Drive

A multi-use bicycle pedestrian trail is currently in design that may run parallel to Regnart Creek, providing a connection between Torre Avenue/ Pacifica Drive and the existing Creekside Trail at East Estates Drive. The project, if awarded construction, would include improvements at the South Blaney Avenue and East Estates Avenue street crossings.

Link for more info: cupertino.org/regnartcreektrail



Clean Water and Storm Protection Fee Update

The City of Cupertino's Clean Water and Storm Protection program provides essential community services, including storm drain inspection and cleaning, trash and litter reduction, construction oversight, and environmental education. These services are critical in preventing flooding, sustaining a healthy environment, maintaining our aging infrastructure, and ensuring only clean water reaches our creeks, the Bay, and the ocean.

A small portion of the above activities are funded by a fee of \$12 per home (and \$144 per acre for non-residential properties) on property tax bills. The fee has not been increased since it was implemented more than 25 years ago, while costs continue to rise.

On March 5 the City Council voted to propose a new Clean Water and Storm Protection Fee to help pay for these services. The fee would be included as part of the annual property tax bill, and a notice of public hearing was mailed to all property owners in mid-March. This fee would be in addition to the one you already pay.

In late March and in April the City held four community meetings about the proposed fee. On May 7, the City Council will hold a public hearing on the fee and will determine whether there are enough written protests from property owners (which would be called a "majority protest") to prevent the City from moving forward with the fee. If there is no majority protest, and if the City Council votes to move forward with the fee at that time, it is anticipated that ballots will be mailed to all property owners on May 17.

If you are a property owner, **please look for your ballot in the mail shortly after May 17.** Your opinion on this matter is important to us, so please vote.

You can view more information about the proposed fee, including the full text of the public hearing notice, at www.Cupertino.org/CleanWater.

GET IN THE CUPERTI-*know*

What's going on around town?

Bike to Work Day!

Thursday, May 9

Gather your friends, family, or coworkers and bike to work! Find an energizer station along the way.

bikesiliconvalley.org/energizer-stations/



Carmen Road Pedestrian-Bicycle Bridge Feasibility Study

Wednesday, May 29, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Monta Vista Recreation Center,
22601 Voss Avenue

cupertino.org/carmenbridge



Street Light Banner Design Contest

Showcase your talent and design new street light banners for De Anza Boulevard, Stevens Creek & Stelling Road.

Deadline is Friday, May 21

Cupertino.org/saferoutes



Would You Like to Serve on the City of Cupertino Teen Commission?

Applications due
Friday, May 10

More info at: cupertino.org/vacancies



TEENS

Sport Court Saturday

Every Saturday, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 Teen Center, 21111 Stevens Creek Blvd.
 Come lace 'em up and shoot some hoops with your friends at the Teen Center during our free sport court hour! Make sure you bring your favorite pair of shoes and your A-game, we've got the court and the basketballs thanks to the Cupertino Sports Center.

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May the Fourth Be With You

Saturday, May 4, 2019
 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
 Teen Center, 21111 Stevens Creek Blvd.
 Celebrate Star Wars Day at the Teen Center! We'll be watching all the movies for Cinema Saturday.

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National Chocolate Chip Day

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Teen Center, 21111 Stevens Creek Blvd.
 Enjoy the world's favorite cookie at the Teen Center! They'll be free all day.

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Bike to the Teen Center Day

Fri., May 17th, 2019 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 Teen Center, 21111 Stevens Creek Blvd.
 Go out and ride on this glorious Spring day. Roll into the Teen Center on your bike and get a free snack!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY

West Coast Farmers Market

Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Oaks Shopping Center
 Stop by the West Coast Farmers Market every Friday and Sunday in the Oaks Shopping Center parking lot. For more information visit www.wcfma.org.

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Creekside Farmers Market

Every Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Creekside Park, 10455 Miller Avenue
 Stop by the Creekside Farmers Market every Friday at Creekside Park in Cupertino. For more information visit, www.pcfma.org/visit/markets.

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Bike Rack Decorating Contest

Friday, April 26 - Friday, May 10
 Turn your ordinary bike rack into something extraordinary! Join the 8th Annual Santa Clara County Bike Rack Decorating Contest. For more information contact alejandra.g.calderon@phd.sccgov.org.

Cupertino Volunteer Fair

Sunday, May 5, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Civic Center Plaza, 10300 Torre Avenue
 Come and find your Volunteer Match at the 2nd Annual Cupertino Volunteer Fair. From rehabilitating wildlife, promoting good mental health, helping the environment, to working with those in need of food and shelter, there are opportunities for everyone!

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Bike to Work Day!

Thursday, May 9,
 All Day Event
 There will be several local energizer stations where cyclists can stop for coffee, a snack, and an iconic canvas Bike to Work Day bag. Find local energizer stations and their hours of operation at <https://bikesiliconvalley.org/btwd/energizer-stations/>.

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McClellan Road Kickoff Ceremony

Friday, May 17,
 1:00 p.m.
 Lincoln Elementary School
 Join us for the kickoff ceremony of the McClellan Road Bike Lane Construction project. We will be kicking off the implementation of the bike network identified in Cupertino's 2016 Bicycle Transportation Plan.

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Safe Routes to School Street Banner Design Contest

Contest Ends Friday, May 21
 Cupertino Safe Routes to School is looking for talented high school students to showcase their artistic abilities and design new street light banners for the City of Cupertino. <https://bit.ly/2UDRT1b>.

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Carmen Road Pedestrian - Bicycle Bridge Feasibility Study 2nd Meeting

Wednesday, May 29,
 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 Monta Vista Recreation Center,
 22601 Voss Avenue
 Learn more about this project at the next community meeting. For more information visit www.cupertino.org.carmenbridge.

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CREST Awards Ceremony

Thur., May 30, 2019, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 Community Hall, 10350 Torre Ave
 Join us as we celebrate this year's CREST Awards recipients. These individuals and organizations continue to go above and

beyond for the Cupertino Community. Find out more at cupertino.org/crest.

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Relay For Life Silicon Valley North

Saturday, June 29
 Relay For Life is a 12 hour walk and festival that benefits the American Cancer Society and it is happening in Cupertino!

CUPERTINO LIBRARY

For more information on library programs, visit the Events section of the Cupertino Library's website at sccl.org/cupertino.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

LEGO Club

Thursday, May 16, at 4:00 p.m.
 Library Story Room
 Kids in Kindergarten through 8th grade can build with our LEGO bricks. Come see what you can create!

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Game Day

Thursday, May 23, 4:00 p.m.
 Cupertino Library Story Room
 Kids in grades 1st through 8th can join us for a fun-filled hour of new and classic board and card games.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Study Days

Saturdays, May 25 and June 1,
 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.
 Cupertino Community Hall
 Teens can bring their books, their notes and their friends and find a place to study for final exams. Snacks will be provided.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Courtyard Concert Series:

Flute Solos and Duets
 Saturday, May 11, 12:00 pm
 Cupertino Library Courtyard
 Enjoy an hour of solos and duets, played on both the western classical flute and Indian flute.

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Friends of Cupertino Library

Used Book Sale
 Saturday, May 18, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
 Sunday, May 19, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
 Cupertino Community Hall
 Do something nice for yourself and something great for the library! Come to the Friends of the Cupertino Library's Used Book Sale to browse gently read titles, including fiction, non-fiction and children's books.

Wellness: Mindfulness Meditation

*Sunday, May 26, 2:00 pm
Cupertino Community Hall*

Learn about the practice of mindfulness, the benefits of mindfulness meditation, and how you can start practicing to lead a happier, stress free life. Presented by speaker Sunil Nethisinghe.

SENIOR CENTER

For more info on the Senior Center, or to sign up for classes or events, visit cupertino.org/senior or stop by 21251 Stevens Creek Boulevard.

EVENTS & SOCIALS

Cinco de Mayo Birthday Bash

Wednesday, May 1, 12:00 p.m.

Join us for a Cinco de Mayo celebration and enjoy chile relleno, refried beans, Mexican rice, and tres leches cake. Pre-registration required. Vegetarian option available when registering.



Afternoon Board Game Bonanza!

*Friday, May 3,
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.*

Enjoy an afternoon playing board games with friends and local youth from Homestead High Schools Tabletop Club. Family and grandchildren are welcome to join in on the fun while enjoying light refreshments. Preregistration required. Open to the public.



SF Opera and Carmen

*Monday, May 13,
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.*

Dive into the plot, characters, and music of opera's most famous and beloved pieces, Carmen, with the SF Opera's music expert and company dramaturg.



Crime Prevention and Home Fire Safety

*Tuesday, May 21,
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

Protect against fraud and identity theft by discussing personal safety and home security protection methods with Santa Clara County Sheriff's office. Understand fire risks and practice safety habits to prevent fires with Santa Clara County Fire Department.

CLASSES & PRESENTATIONS

Flex Drop-in Passes

Members can purchase Flex passes at the senior center front desk for \$6 each. Look for the Flex pass logo on select classes. Flex passes are non-refundable. Please note: classes may be cancelled

if minimum registration is not met. For members only.



Stay Active Fund

The Stay Active Fund helps adults 50+ remain active, engaged, and participating at the Cupertino Senior Center. This fund provides assistance to offset the cost for senior center membership and registration for classes and events. The fund is available beginning in November through June 30, or until the fund is depleted. Please contact the senior center staff for more details.



50+ Archery Demo

*Mon., May 13, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and
Wed., May 15, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*

Come check out the Senior Center's new social program, Archery! Have fun shooting arrows with friends while working on your hand-eye coordination. Preregistration required.



**Nutrition Made Easy:
Vital Nutrients You Need Discussion**

Fri., May 17, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

As we grow older, our bodies have different needs so certain vitamins and minerals become essential for good health. Learn what nutrients are vital, how to avoid malnutrition, and easy tips and techniques to ensure you stay healthy and feel great with Instructor Jen Oh.

**Nutrition Made Easy:
Instant Pot Meals Cooking Workshop**

Mon., May 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Create three different easy, healthy, and delicious meals using your Instant Pot or any pressure cooker with Instructor Jen Oh! All diets and food preferences welcomed, and everything you make you get to take home to enjoy later!



**Nutrition Made Easy:
Healthy Pastas**

Mon., April 15, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Create three different easy, healthy, and delicious pasta dishes with Instructor Jen Oh that are perfect for one or two. All diets and food preferences welcomed, and everything you make you get to take home to enjoy later!



**Nutrition Made Easy:
Promote Brain Health**

Friday, April 26, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Promoting brain health is the key to healthy aging and preventing dementia

and Alzheimer's. Discover key steps with Instructor Jen Oh with simple tips and techniques to keep our brains healthy and sharp.



Kumihimo (Beaded)

Thur., April 4 – April 25, 3:15p.m. - 5:15p.m. Kumihimo, meaning "gathering of threads", is a traditional Japanese art involving braiding or weaving together various threads into a cord. You will learn how to make a simple braid and work up to beautiful beaded Kumihimo. Member fee \$35.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Housing

Mon., May 6, 20, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Information on resources for senior housing options. Please call (408) 777-3150 to make an appointment.



Blood Pressure Check

*Tue., May 7, 21, 12:15p.m.-1:15p.m.
Monday, May 13, 27, 1:30p.m.-2:30p.m.* Free blood pressure checks by volunteer nurse. Open to the public.



Senior Adult Legal Aid (SALA)

Fri., May 3, 10, 17, 10:30a.m. - 12:30p.m. Provides free assistance to elders for basic legal matters in public benefits, long-term care, elder abuse, housing, consumer issues, incapacity planning, probate alternative, and simple wills. Must be 60 or older and live in Santa Clara County. Please call (408)777-3150 to make an appointment.



Health Insurance Counseling (HICAP)

Mon., May 13, 27, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Consultation on Medicare and health insurance. Please call 408.777.3150 to make an appointment.



Case Management Program

This program helps seniors obtain community resources enabling them to remain independent and safe in their home. Case Managers provide assessments to determine the needs for services; coordinate and ensure legal services are in place. Home visits can be provided to homebound seniors living in Cupertino. Free service, membership required. **Drop-in Consultations with Case Managers are Wed., 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or by appointment Mon.-Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mandarin and Cantonese language appointments are available.**



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Meet *Manuel Barragan*



Manuel Barragan

Roger Lee

I started working for the City of Cupertino August 24, 1973 and my first position was as a heavy equipment operator. My interview was at the horse ranch (now McClellan Preserve) where they had me do a practical test. Two hundred people applied for the position and I got the job as the only heavy equipment operator to operate various equipment.

I've been able to work on a lot of projects that help the public. I helped build roads, pathways, concrete work and park improvements. As a Maintenance II worker in 2004, I was assigned a new responsibility to prevent storm water pollution. I was promoted to the position of Non-Point Source Inspector two years ago.

I'm called to help when there's been an illegal pollutant discharge. I educate residents by showing

them the law and explaining what they can and can't do. When I start to discuss the problem, they are anxious. When I'm through explaining the situation, they realize that I am there to help them and lead them in the right direction. The public responds well to me because I have received 1,833 letters from people thanking me for educating them.

To me, Public Works means helping the public, listening to them and helping them with their concerns. That's my main goal. I also enjoy working for Mr. Roger Lee. Mr. Lee is a very intelligent person that I go to for help. He's got a lot of expertise and wisdom and I learn a lot from him. I want to work here until Mr. Lee retires. He's the best employee of all the employees I've ever worked for at the City.



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