

# The VIEW

## CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

### Message from City Manager Kimbra McCarthy



With school in session and fall quickly approaching, we remain steadfast in our response to the latest challenges brought on by the pandemic. Mountain View City Hall is now open to the public, but our employees never stopped showing up for the community. We continue to carry on and do so safely, particularly with outdoor events, whether it is enjoying the return of Concerts on the Plaza, seeing neighbors again at National Night Out, or welcoming visitors back to Deer Hollow Farm.

Mountain View also continues to find solutions for our residents who are unstably housed or experiencing homelessness. The latest example is through the opening of our new LifeMoves Mountain View interim housing community with its wraparound support services. This innovative project has been so successful that other cities across the state are now seeking to replicate Mountain View's model due to the lower construction costs, shorter build time, and dignified approach that supports families, couples and individuals on their path to permanent housing.

In partnership with the County of Santa Clara, we made it possible for the administration of more than 80,000 COVID-19 vaccines at our Mountain View Community Center, the first mass vaccination site in the county. We will also soon begin developing an Economic Vitality Strategy that will pave the way for economic vibrancy that is compatible with our City's strategic priorities.

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan Act, the City can continue to provide significant COVID-19 relief to the community with the use of one-time funds. In this edition of *The View*, you will also learn more about our human services efforts including launching a guaranteed basic income pilot program that will help lift our most vulnerable residents out of poverty.

To stay informed of the latest City happenings including COVID updates, I encourage you to sign up (<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/ouqttXo/CityHallConnection>) for the bimonthly City Hall Connection e-newsletter that debuted earlier this year. In the coming months, I look forward to how our community will continue to work together to build an even brighter tomorrow for Mountain View.

Kimbra McCarthy, City Manager



## Navigating the City's Phased Reopening Plans

The City of Mountain View remains ready to pivot with facility and program plans in line with State of California and County of Santa Clara public health guidelines. On July 12, City Hall reopened to the public.

For now, City Council and advisory body meetings will continue to be held virtually through the end of September 2021. In addition to addressing concerns over the more contagious Delta variant of the coronavirus, this approach also provides more time to allow for technology upgrades in the Council Chambers to potentially allow for hybrid meetings in which the public can participate in-person and virtually. The City is expecting to return to in-person public meetings starting in October 2021.

As seen throughout the pandemic, the City continues to adapt to changing conditions while still providing essential public services to the community. The City launched virtual recreation and library programming, implemented paperless permitting and embraced meeting virtually to address critical issues. For this latest chapter of the pandemic, the City will take these lessons learned and apply them. The City also stands ready to support community partners, like the County, for any future COVID-19 vaccination and testing sites that may be needed to meet local needs.

For the latest updates on City services, visit [MountainView.gov/Reopening](https://MountainView.gov/Reopening).

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# ● ASSISTING COMMUNITY MEMBERS

## Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot Program in the Works

As part of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget adoption process, the City Council allocated \$1 million for a guaranteed basic income pilot program. GBI programs typically provide flat monthly payments. The goal is to help low-income residents struggling with wide-ranging financial challenges, including the ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently, the pilot program is in the preliminary phase of exploration as City staff conducts research about basic income programs in other cities.

At the May 25 meeting, the City Council adopted a resolution to commit their support for the principles of basic income, authorized participation in the Mayors for a Guaranteed Income initiative, and expressed their support for a cash-based pilot program in our community. In taking this action, councilmembers reflected on stories about the local impacts of growing income inequality – especially during the pandemic.

The City of Mountain View has also partnered with the Mayors for a Guaranteed Income network ([mayorsforagi.org](http://mayorsforagi.org)), which is a collection of cities around the country that have taken steps to start a pilot program or already have guaranteed basic income programs running.

A City Council study session to review staff's research on program models and recommend steps for the pilot program in Mountain View will be held in September 2021.

## A Successfully Run Mass Vaccination Site

In the race to vaccinate, the City of Mountain View met the call from County of Santa Clara leaders to establish a County Health System-operated vaccination site at the Mountain View Community Center. City staff met with the County over the Martin Luther King Junior holiday weekend and opened the COVID-19 vaccination clinic in less than a week on Jan. 22. That first day, 70 vaccinations were completed and the effort to provide access to vaccines in the northern part of Santa Clara County was underway. Within just a few short days, facility modifications and staff reassignments were made, transforming the Community Center from a recreation facility to a healthcare clinic.



With the support of volunteers, City and County staff mobilized to hand out forms; complete data entry; direct traffic; schedule appointments for second doses; answer questions in-person, on the phone and by email; manage supplies; and provide 24-hour security, translation services, emergency personnel, parking and way-finding assistance, and IT support.

From week to week, the demand for vaccines changed and staff would pivot to meet the need. On days that it was cold, hand warmers were passed out to people waiting in line. On hot days, water bottles were on ice for people to grab and hydrate. Individuals with disabilities were provided options to bypass long lines and be seated while waiting.

At the height of vaccination delivery, over 1,500 people were inoculated a day. Throughout the seven-month initiative, over 80,000 vaccinations were administered at the Mountain View Community Center with July 21 as the final day to receive the vaccine at this location. As of press time, 80.5% of Santa Clara residents age 12 and older are fully vaccinated.

Staff from throughout the City organization stepped in to make the vaccination site a success. Almost every City department played a part in the success of the site. One of the great lessons reinforced through the pandemic is how flexible and adaptable the City is in addressing new challenges. In this case, each challenge presented a new success and those successes were vaccines in the arms of the people the City serves.

## More Opportunity to Enjoy Mountain View Outdoors

Since June 2020, the Mountain View community has enjoyed more space for walking, shopping and dining outdoors via two programs - Castro StrEATS and Outdoor Mountain View. For retail and restaurant businesses, the outdoor space provided an opportunity to flex their business footprint during an unprecedented global pandemic. For the community and business patrons, the programs provided the opportunity to support local businesses while staying safe outdoors.

Both businesses and the community have embraced the programs, continuing to show strong support for them. So much so that the City Council extended the programs along the 100, 200 and 300 blocks of Castro Street through Jan. 3, 2022. In early July, the 400 block of Castro Street reopened to vehicle traffic, reflecting the feedback of the majority of businesses and building owners on this block.

As the Castro StrEATS and the Outdoor Mountain View programs continue through the end of the year, the City will be reaching out to the community regarding the future of Castro Street and will return to the Council with recommendations.

# AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN NEED

## Meet the City's Economic Vitality Manager

My name is John Lang, your new Economic Vitality Manager for the City of Mountain View. I am honored to join the Mountain View team in supporting this wonderful city. I have been working in Silicon Valley local government for the past two decades. I have been fortunate to have been involved with the creation of important economic development strategies for two cities of different sizes, San José and Morgan Hill.



I am excited to work with the Economic Development team to develop a Mountain View Economic Vitality Strategy that recognizes the unique character of Mountain View's businesses and community as well as identifies and addresses the opportunities and challenges. An effective economic vitality plan will consider how to support community needs for goods and services while building complete neighborhoods and providing for fiscal stability and growing jobs. The City's last economic development strategy was completed back in 2003. A review and brief update was completed in 2008.

A tremendous amount has changed within the city since the adoption of that first economic development strategy. The amount of new housing has grown by approximately 7.5%, the population has grown 13% and the number of jobs has grown 59%. As the City continues to recover from the pandemic, small businesses, workplaces, industries and jobs will continue to evolve.

The Economic Vitality Strategy is intended to be a guiding document that aligns the City's vision for a welcoming, vibrant city that plans intentionally and leads regionally to create livable, sustainable neighborhoods, access to nature and open spaces, and a strong innovation-driven local economy. The strategy will identify implementation strategies and actions the City and its partners can focus on for the next five to 10 years.

You can stay engaged with us along the way at [MountainView.gov/edvStrategy](https://MountainView.gov/edvStrategy).

## Taking Action for Small Businesses

The Small Business Action Plan was adopted in September 2020 to help Mountain View small businesses during the pandemic as well as increase their resiliency for the long term. The Plan identified 10 recommendations that the City could implement to support small businesses.

Working rapidly, the City and its partners have achieved eight of the 10 adopted strategies. Some key highlights include grant and loan programs that provided \$927,000 in financial support to 133 Mountain View small businesses.

Additionally, the City partnered with the Mountain View Chamber of Commerce to launch a buy local campaign called Shop Safe Shop Local. The Mountain View Marketplace, [ilovemv.org](https://ilovemv.org), is a web-based platform that allows businesses to market themselves online and offer rewards or gift cards to prospective customers. Nearly 150 businesses created profiles in the marketplace, with 1,500 unique visitors, on average, visiting the web portal per quarter.

The Economic Development team also launched a biweekly business e-newsletter in English, Spanish and Chinese. Distributed to 1,200 businesses, the newsletter provides valuable information on programs, important changes to health and safety protocols, and other information in an easily digestible format.

For a complete rundown on the progress made under the Small Business Action Plan, visit [MountainView.gov/depts/comdev/economicdev/strategy.asp](https://MountainView.gov/depts/comdev/economicdev/strategy.asp).



## Smoking Ban Coming to Most Multi-unit Residences in 2022

Effective Jan. 1, 2022, residents who live in multi-unit residences with three or more units will be prohibited from smoking within their units, on private balconies and in all common areas. Multi-unit residences include apartments, condominiums and townhomes. The prohibition includes the smoking and/or vaping of tobacco and marijuana products.

The Santa Clara County Public Health Department found that the home is the number-one source of secondhand smoke exposure, which is considered a serious health hazard. A City survey with more than 1,000 responses found that 75% agreed that smoking/vaping tobacco should be prohibited inside multi-unit residences and 69% agreed that recreational marijuana smoking and vaping should be prohibited.

The Mountain View City Council passed this amendment to the smoking ordinance in June with a delayed effective date to provide time for community outreach to build awareness.

The City will hold four virtual public meetings starting in September through December. The public meetings will provide information about the new ordinance amendments. Tenants, landlords, property owners and home owners associations (HOAs) will be able to ask questions and obtain a better understanding of how this ordinance will affect their multi-unit residence. The virtual meetings are scheduled for Sept. 22, 6-7 p.m.; Oct. 12, 12-1 p.m.; Nov. 9, 6-7 p.m.; and Dec. 9, 6-7 p.m.

For the latest updates including upcoming public meetings, visit the [MountainView.gov/SmokingOrdinance](https://MountainView.gov/SmokingOrdinance) webpage.

# ● HUMAN SERVICES

## New Division Aims to Help Our Most Vulnerable Residents

For more than four years, the City of Mountain View has made the goal of a “Community for All” a priority. The idea behind it is to “promote strategies to protect vulnerable populations and preserve the socioeconomic and cultural diversity of the community.”

The City has undertaken many programs, policies, events and actions to help achieve the Community for All goal. Some programs have helped residents find shelter and access to services from our Emergency Assistance Network partners, like Community Services Agency, Second Harvest Foodbank and Hope’s Corner. Another important effort is the City’s Safe Parking Program, which is implemented in collaboration with MOVE Mountain View and the County of Santa Clara and provides the largest number of safe parking spaces in the county. The City has also worked to find regional solutions to address immigrant resources, diversity and equity, mental health, and basic human service needs.

The COVID-19 pandemic increased the need for these programs and many others as the City expanded relief efforts and leveraged available resources from both public and private partnerships. One of these relief efforts included the LifeMoves Mountain View interim housing community (learn more in accompanying article). Other actions included: funding hygiene stations around Mountain View to promote frequent handwashing; expanded mobile showers at CSA, and partnerships with multiple organizations to provide food access for residents in need.

More than a year later and through the adoption of the most recent budget, the City has continued to invest resources to meet the needs of Mountain View’s most vulnerable residents. The newly established Human Services Division within the City Manager’s Office will develop policy recommendations and response strategies - in coordination with community-based organizations, nonprofits and intergovernmental partners - with a focus on housing services, mental health services, and other basic needs and human services. The new division builds on the tremendous strides the City has made for homeless and unstably housed residents over the last five years, serving not as a social service agency but as a connector, a partner and solution finder.

The Human Services Division will coordinate programs and services for the homeless and unstably housed, including the safe parking program, mental health services, a guaranteed basic income pilot program, City-funded childcare services and minimum wage policy implementation. To learn more, visit [MountainView.gov/HumanServices](https://MountainView.gov/HumanServices).



## LifeMoves Mountain View is Now Open

The City of Mountain View partnered with LifeMoves, Silicon Valley’s largest provider of interim housing and supportive services for those experiencing homelessness, to develop a modern, modular, supportive interim housing community. In less than six months from the start of construction, the City and LifeMoves celebrated the opening of LifeMoves Mountain View in May 2021. This fast-paced accomplishment is all thanks to the City’s pioneering public/private partnership with others who support ending homelessness through a safe, dignified and multi-faceted approach. In addition to LifeMoves, these partners include the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the County of Santa Clara, private philanthropies, and private sector donors including Google.org and LinkedIn.

More information about this program is available online, [MountainView.gov/Homekey](https://MountainView.gov/Homekey).

# ● HOUSING MATTERS

## Update on Major Housing Initiatives

In June 2021, the City Council adopted its Strategic Roadmap and Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2021-23. The Strategic Roadmap includes seven key priorities, two of which are a *Community for All and Intentional Development & Housing Options*. The two strategies illustrate the City's commitment to increasing the quantity and diversity of housing options for the City's diverse population.

The City is working on three housing initiatives to address our community's housing needs. They include the R3 Zoning District update, the Housing Displacement Response Strategy and the State-mandated Housing Element Update.

The **R3 Zoning District Update** seeks to create more housing options - both ownership and rental - by increasing the amount and variety of housing types allowed within this zoning district. Importantly, the update will also improve the design of new residential projects to help them fit better into neighborhoods.

The **Housing Displacement Response Strategy** is a comprehensive and integrated strategy to prevent tenant displacement or to lessen its impact. When new development or major renovation occurs on older apartment buildings, existing tenants are at risk of being displaced temporarily or permanently due to their existing units being demolished and/or having their rents raised significantly so that they can no longer afford to live in their units.

To minimize these impacts, the City is working on a Displacement Response Strategy, which would provide opportunities for existing tenants to stay in Mountain View.

The **Housing Element Update** is a State-required plan to encourage new housing for all income levels, protect existing housing and identify locations for additional housing.

Every eight years, the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development assesses statewide housing needs based on population, employment and household growth projections to determine the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and then directs the allocation of housing units to each city and county. Each city and county is then required to plan for and identify sites to accommodate their RHNA allocation in their Housing Element.

Mountain View's Draft RHNA allocation is 11,135 units for the eight-year RHNA planning cycle from 2023 to 2031. The RHNA allocations are expected to be finalized in December 2021 and cities are required to identify sites and complete their Housing Elements by January 2023. The Housing Element will identify local housing needs and establish a plan for how these needs will help guide future development in the city.

For details on how you can participate, visit [MountainView.gov/HousingInitiatives](https://MountainView.gov/HousingInitiatives).



## Eviction Protections Extended

At the end of June, the State of California extended the statewide eviction moratorium and increased rental assistance for households financially affected by COVID-19. The COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act (Assembly Bill 832) provides eviction protections for residential tenants experiencing COVID-19 financial hardship. As a result, residential tenants are protected from eviction, due to nonpayment of rent, between March 1, 2020 and Sept. 30, 2021. All residential properties in Mountain View are covered by the eviction moratorium.

## Emergency Rent Relief Programs

If you are an income qualified tenant financially impacted by COVID-19 and unable to pay rent, or if you are a landlord who has not received rent because your tenants are financially affected by the pandemic, you may be eligible for emergency rent relief from the State. The California COVID-19 Rent Relief program helps income-eligible households financially impacted by COVID-19 pay rent and utilities, both for past due and future payments.

In addition to the State program, the City of Mountain View has its own rent relief program to assist those impacted by the pandemic. The program is implemented in partnership with the Community Services Agency.

For information on the State and City rent relief programs, as well as other resources, visit [MountainView.gov/COVID19HousingRelief](https://MountainView.gov/COVID19HousingRelief).

## Allowed Rent Increase for Rent Stabilized Homes

Each year, the Rental Housing Committee (RHC) sets the Annual General Adjustment (AGA) for existing tenancies of rental units covered by rent stabilization. The AGA is the annually allowed rent rate increase that may be given by property owners starting Sept. 1 through August 31. If no increase is given during that time period, property owners may bank the increase and apply it in subsequent years in conjunction with the new AGA. Rent increases can only be charged once per 12 months and the total increase (AGA plus Banked) can never exceed 10%. Banked increases are subject to additional noticing requirements as well as Tenant Hardship Petitions.

At its May 17 meeting, the RHC adopted a 2.0% increase for 2021 effective Sept. 1.

Visit [MountainView.gov/rentstabilization](https://MountainView.gov/rentstabilization) to learn more about allowed rent increases and the tenant hardship petition process.

# ● FLOOD AWARENESS

## Are You Flood Prepared?

City participation in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System earns Mountain View residents a 15% discount on insurance rates because the City of Mountain View exceeds minimum standards for flood risk reduction practices.

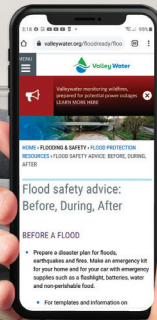


## Are you flood-ready?

Even in a drought, flooding can happen. Extreme dry conditions can harden the ground and increase run-off to streams and creeks during the first few days of heavy rain, increasing the risk of flooding. Any time it can rain, it can flood. Don't get caught off-guard; be flood-safe with tips from Valley Water.

### Flood Safety Tips

- Know your risk. Visit [www.valleywater.org/floodready](http://www.valleywater.org/floodready) to check whether your house or business is in a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) and learn how to read FEMA flood maps.
- Gather building materials like plywood, plastic sheeting, and sandbags to protect your home. Sandbags can offer protection against up to a foot of floodwater, visit [www.valleywater.org/sandbags](http://www.valleywater.org/sandbags).
- Build responsibly in floodplains and check with your city or county floodplain manager before you build.
- Keep debris and trash out of our streams. If you see any blockage in a creek, pond, or reservoir, call 1-888-510-5151 at any time.
- Get flood insurance ahead of time. Most homeowner's and renter's insurance do not cover flood damage, and typically there is a 30-day waiting period for the policy to go into effect.
- Put your three-day emergency kit together for your home and your car and keep a full tank of gas in your car.
- Develop an emergency plan and decide on a meeting spot in case you get separated.
- Download free disaster emergency apps to your smart devices, such as the Santa Clara County preparedness app "ReadySCC" or the American "Red Cross Flood" app.
- Understand shallow flooding risks - don't drive through standing water. A foot of water can cause vehicles to float away.



Find out if your property is in a special hazard flood area today. The City provides the public, lending institutions, real estate agents and insurance agents with flood map information. You can also look up your flood risk online at [FloodSmart.gov](http://FloodSmart.gov). This site provides relative risks, links to flood risk maps and other flood insurance community resources.

Visit [MountainView.gov/FloodPrep](http://MountainView.gov/FloodPrep) to get more information and learn how to prepare your family in case of a flood or call 650-903-6311 during regular business hours.

### Preparing for Winter Storm Season

- **Remove Fallen Leaves**  
Help prevent street flooding and storm drain clogs by removing leaves.
- **Obtain Sandbags When Necessary**  
Sand and sandbags are available at no charge to Mountain View residents at the City's Municipal Operations Center, 231 North Whisman Road. Bring a shovel to fill the sandbags. Call 650-903-6329 with any questions.
- **Report Flooding or Standing Water**  
Call the Public Services Division at 650-903-6329 to report flooding or standing water during and after hours or on weekends.
- **Report Downed Trees and Limbs**  
Report downed trees and limbs during normal business hours by calling the Forestry and Roadway Landscape Division at 650-903-6273.
- **Keep a List of Emergency Phone Numbers Handy**
  - For more information about how to prepare for the winter storm season, call the Public Services Division at 650-903-6329.
  - For Police or Fire emergencies, call 9-1-1.
  - To report power outages or downed power lines, call PG&E at 800-743-5000.



For more information, visit <https://www.valleywater.org/floodready>

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## Explore Plant-Based Eating

In July, the City launched a plant-based eating program. Eating a plant-based diet means consuming most of your calories from fresh, whole plant foods that are minimally processed.

This initiative encourages healthy and ethical food choices, supports equitable access to healthy food, and promotes the health and

environmental benefits of a plant-based diet. Learn more by attending upcoming events such as films, community speakers, workshops and cooking demonstrations.

For updates and more, sign up for the monthly sustainability newsletter at [MountainView.gov/Sustainability](http://MountainView.gov/Sustainability).



Plant-Based Eating



# ● SUSTAINABILITY

## Our Sustainability Progress

### Measuring Mountain View's Impact

In 2009, the City adopted a goal of reducing community-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions 80% below 2005 levels by 2050. In 2020, the City raised the bar by adopting a goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2045. The City's preliminary GHG levels for 2019 show emissions 14.5% below 2005 levels, which is only 0.6% shy of our 2020 reduction target. To reach the 2025 reduction target of 33%, Mountain View will need to reduce its emissions another 21.6%.

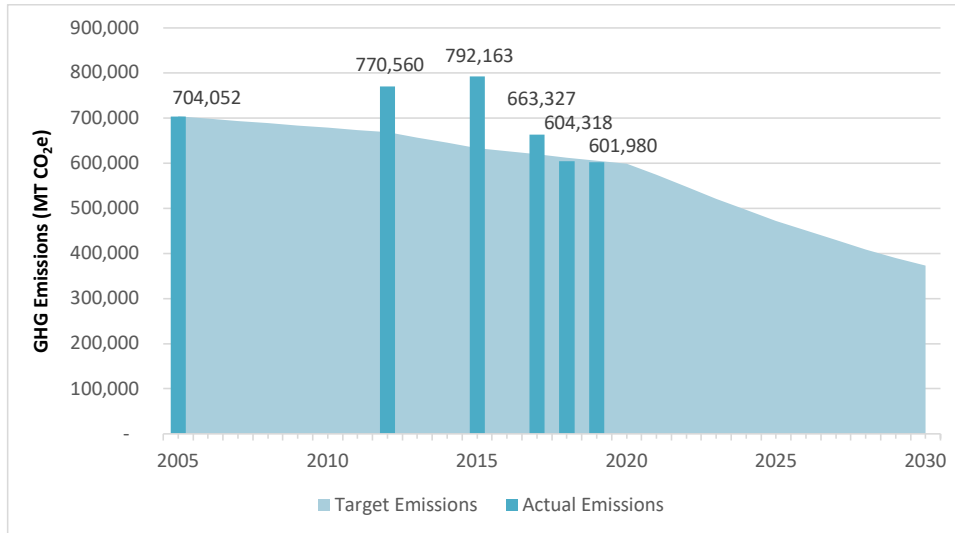


Figure 1. Community GHG Emissions and Reduction Targets, 2005 -2030

Mountain View also adopted a goal of reducing GHG emissions from its own operations 80% below 2005 levels by 2050. Between 2005 and 2018, the City reduced these emissions 51%, greatly exceeding the reduction target of 25% by 2020.

### Driving Electric

In 2019, 65% of community-wide GHG emissions were from transportation, the largest sector by far, with 79% of those transportation emissions coming from personal vehicles. Driving less and transitioning to electric vehicles (EVs) can help reduce these emissions.

September 25 to October 3 is National Drive Electric Week 2021! Celebrate with us at an event where you will learn all about EVs, including models available, charging, maintenance savings and rebates. Find out more at [MountainView.gov/Sustainability](https://MountainView.gov/Sustainability).

### More EV Chargers Coming to Downtown

City-owned parking garages and lots have 27 EV chargers, and 38 more are coming soon at these downtown locations:

- 135 Bryant St. Parking Structure: (10) Level 2 chargers and infrastructure for future installation of (15) chargers
- 850 California St. Parking Structure: (28) Level 2 chargers

These new chargers will be installed by the end of 2021 or early 2022, with funding to support this project from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

### Electrify Your Life - Coming Soon

Interested in going electric to save money and help the planet, but not sure where to start? The City will soon launch its newest resource called Electrify Mountain View. This online platform will offer personalized recommendations on how to electrify all aspects of your life. At no cost, you will be able to learn about actions such as driving an EV, installing solar power or a heat pump water heater, and cooking with an induction stove. To sign up to be notified about the upcoming launch, visit [MountainView.gov/Sustainability](https://MountainView.gov/Sustainability).



### Community Activities

As fall approaches, the City is gearing up for the return of Monster Bash on Oct. 30, the Community Tree Lighting Celebration on Dec. 6 and many other holiday events for youth and seniors. This past year has given staff time to take a fresh perspective on our annual events and explore new ideas to reinvigorate these programs upon their return. Stay tuned as the event dates get closer for sneak peeks on all the fun new activities coming your way. For updates, visit [MountainView.gov/SpecialEvents](https://MountainView.gov/SpecialEvents).

The Mountain View Senior Center is currently in Phase 2 of a phased return to regular programming. The facility is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. For further information on what offerings are available, visit [MountainView.gov/Seniors](https://MountainView.gov/Seniors) or call the Front Desk at 650-903-6330.

At Pioneer Park, the outdoor storytime series began on Sept. 7, courtesy of the Mountain View Public Library. In-person preschool storytimes will not only include tall tales but music and dancing too. All members of the family are welcome to join in the fun.

Plus, Sci-Fi September returns to the library! Throughout the month, celebrate science fiction, fantasy and the science that inspires the fiction at a variety of online events. For more information, visit [MountainView.gov/LibraryCalendar](https://MountainView.gov/LibraryCalendar).



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## ● GET INVOLVED

### Spanish Language Civic Leadership Academy Returns

Starting this September, Mountain View's Spanish Language Civic Leadership Academy will get underway after recruiting Spanish-speaking residents to participate. Due to its popularity, the program will expand to local Chinese-speaking residents in a new Chinese Language Civic Leadership Academy that is expected to launch in spring 2022.

Through the program, participants are encouraged to increase their civic engagement, leadership and volunteerism in our community. Some recent Academy graduates have gone on to be appointed by the City Council to serve on advisory bodies and committees. This is the fourth year that the City is hosting the Academy.

For more information on these academies and other programs from the Multicultural Engagement Program, visit [MountainView.gov/MEP](http://MountainView.gov/MEP).



This year, the Rengstorff House - one of the finest examples of Victorian Italianate architecture - celebrates 30 years since its restoration and opening to the public. Learn more about the oldest remaining historic home in Mountain View by visiting [MountainView.gov/RengstorffHouse](http://MountainView.gov/RengstorffHouse).

Chinese Language Civic Leadership Academy coming in 2022

#### The View

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#### Extra Copies

A limited supply of extra copies are available at City Hall, 500 Castro St.; the Mountain View Public Library, 585 Franklin St.; and the Community Center, 201 S. Rengstorff Ave.

#### City Mission Statement

The City of Mountain View provides quality services and facilities that meet the needs of a caring and diverse community in a financially responsible manner.

#### Organizational Values

The City staff has established the following organizational values that guide their work for the community:

- Provide exceptional service
- Act with integrity
- Treat others with respect



### Searching for Volunteers to Serve Community

The Mountain View City Council has an amazing group of volunteer advisors working on a range of important issues.

If you have an interest or background in the downtown, planning, city library, local parks and recreation, performing arts, and senior-focused services, you should apply to serve on a City advisory body. These topics are a sample of the wide range of matters that advisory bodies provide advice and recommendations to the City Council.

Learn more and download the application to apply at [MountainView.gov/Advisors](http://MountainView.gov/Advisors). The deadline to apply is Sept. 30 at 5 p.m.

