



Community News

Good to Know



Election Day, November 5, is here! Being prepared is crucial for a smooth voting experience. Here are the essential points to keep in mind:

1. **Know Your Polling Place:** Check your designated polling location at sdvote.com for Ballot Drop Box or Vote Center info.
2. **Voting Methods:** Know your voting options—early voting starts October 8, 2024, with locations open until Election Day, November 5, 2024. Mail-in ballots must be completed and postmarked by Election Day.
3. **Review Your Ballot:** Familiarize yourself with the ballot content. Registered voters in San Diego County were scheduled to receive ballots by mail the week of October 6, 2024. More details can be found on the City's election [website](#).
4. **Plan for Wait Times:** To avoid long lines, consider voting during off-peak hours.
5. **Post-Election Tracking:** After voting, track your mailed-in ballot at sdvote.com.

Nearly 20 acres of land have long been planned as the site of a new City of Chula Vista community park. The City-owned property, known as **Lower Sweetwater**, sits just west of Interstate 805 and south of State Route 54 and the Sweetwater River. The City is kicking off a project to develop the community park.

After more than a year of research and planning in collaboration with Landify ECT Corp., the City is preparing to move forward with planning and



design for the park later this year. Community members will be invited to share their ideas and feedback on design options through online surveys and in-person meetings.

To learn more about the project, and to sign up to receive email updates, click [here](#).



On October 19, 2024, nearly 500 volunteers participated in **Beautify Chula Vista**, an annual Citywide cleanup and restoration event! Volunteers worked in 21 areas across the Chula Vista, tackling projects such as litter removal, graffiti coverage, and environmental restoration. They collected over 3,100 pounds of litter, cleaned 2,100 square feet of graffiti, and removed hazardous items like tires and electronic waste. The event was organized through a

partnership with the [South Bay Sustainable Communities Network](#), the City's Public Works Department and Environmental Services Division, and Republic Services, Inc. The event was supported by a grant from Republic Services' National Neighborhood Promise foundation. Volunteers at the Rice Canyon Demonstration Garden planted trees, spread mulch, and cleared trash and invasive plants, contributing to the restoration of the area. Now in its 21st year, the event continues to have a significant positive impact on the City's beautification efforts, with volunteers driving the success of each year's projects.

Things to Do

Chula Vista Parks and Recreation is offering several exciting upcoming events and activities this month! Enjoy Thanksgiving and Winter camps, turkey bowling, cooking workshops, and more! To see a full schedule of upcoming events, please visit the [Chula Vista Parks and Recreation activities webpage](#) or call (619) 409-5979.





As we count down the days to **International Kindness Week, November 9-16**, and **World Kindness Day, November 13**, there are several ways to get involved in the kindness movement here in Chula Vista! Visit The Kindness Club [website](#) for updates and to learn about upcoming kindness-based activities being planned by organizations throughout our community.

Neighborhood Beautification

OPERATION PRIDE continues monthly cleanups. Supervisor Anzar, Ranger Perez, and Park Ranger Program Manager Alzubaidi, in conjunction with Alpha Project, and McAlister (Work for Hope) collected 27,180 pounds of trash and 67 shopping carts as part of October's OPERATION PRIDE. McAlister (Work for Hope) started painting Veterans Park. Alpha Project: Take Back the Streets on non-outreach days collected 12,860 pounds of trash. Rangers are continuing to enforce and maintain the parks, while making them clean and safe for the public.