



Community News

Good to Know



Beat the heat by visiting a **Cool Zone**! The County of San Diego once again launched its [Cool Zones program](#) last month, which offers free air-conditioned spaces for anyone looking to stay cool and escape the heat. The program runs from June 1 through October 31 and is also designed to save our communities energy. Take advantage of these five Chula Vista locations when you want to stay cool indoors with air conditioning:

Civic Center Library (365 F Street)

- Mon - Thurs.: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Fri. – Sat.: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sun: 1 – 5 p.m.
- Service animals only

South Chula Vista Library (389 Orange Avenue)

- Mon. - Thurs.: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., Fri. – Sat.: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sun.: 1 – 5 p.m.
- Service animals only

Otay Ranch Library (2015 Birch Road)

- Mon. – Sat.: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m., Sun.: 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Pets allowed

Norman Park Senior Center (270 F Street)

- Mon. – Fri.: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sat.: 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., Sun.: Closed
- Service animals only

Loma Verde Community Center (1420 Loma Lane)

- Mon. – Thurs.: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., Fri.: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 – 6 p.m., Sat.: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m., Sun.: Closed
- Service animals only

Northwest Chula Vista residents, age 55+, can utilize the **Chula Vista Community Shuttle for free rides** to the Cool Zones at the Civic Center Library or the Norman Park Senior Center.

Additionally, people in San Diego County unable to get to a Cool Zone location without transportation assistance, such as older adults, people with disabilities, or people who are homebound, can call 2-1-1 to be connected to a transportation or rideshare service at no cost.

To help community members beat the heat, the County of San Diego, in partnership with SDG&E, provides **free electric fans** to those who are 60 years of age and older, or disabled, living on limited incomes. Please be advised it is not recommended to rely on electric fans for cooling if temperatures exceed 90 degrees.

To be eligible, a resident must not have access to air-conditioning at their residence. To learn more about the Cool Zone Fan Program or to request a fan, please click [here](#) to complete a fan eligibility survey.

Things to Do



Beautify Chula Vista Day returns Saturday, October 19, 2024! Beautify Chula Vista is a dynamic community cleanup event organized by the City of Chula Vista and the South Bay Sustainable Communities Network and made strong by thousands of enthusiastic volunteers. Now celebrating its 21st year in 2024, this event has made an extensive impact on the City of Chula Vista, having reached dozens of focus areas with plans to continue its path to make a difference for the future. Each year continues to be successful with the help of our dedicated volunteers who continue to beautify Chula Vista, one project at a time!

In 2023, more than 500 volunteers came out to help divert thousands of pounds of debris from ending up in storm drains, waterways, and the ocean. Volunteers also painted out graffiti and removed litter throughout neighborhoods, creeks, and canyons.

If you would like to join our interest list, please click [here](#). We will notify you once registration opens.

For questions e-mail Environmental Services at environmentalservices@chulavistaca.gov, or call 619-691-5122.



LAST CHANCE: Join the Chula Vista Police Department for the last **Community Leadership Workshop** of the year! This free, two-day class (to be held on July 20 & 27) is geared toward community leaders (business owners, elected officials, community advocates, church representatives, etc.). Participants will see how the department is a leader in modern, constitutional policing and learn how the department uses crime data analysis and proactive policing to keep the community safe. Attendees can also participate in a use-of-force training simulation and have lunch with the Mayor at a Q&A session. To apply, visit: [Community Workshops &](#)

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August 6 is the Chula Vista Police Department's annual **National Night Out!** From 4 to 8 p.m., stop by the department's headquarters at 315 Fourth Avenue for games, demonstrations, tours, a Home Depot Kids Workshop, and quality time with the officers that serve you. Free tacos will be provided by Tacos El Gordo while supplies last. Please contact Community Relations at CRU@chulavistapd.org with questions.

Are you age 50 or older? Do you have a passion for serving your community? Are you seeking a volunteer opportunity that makes a direct impact in your city? If you said yes to these questions... then you'd be a perfect fit for the **Senior Volunteer Patrol (SVP) program** at the Chula Vista Police Department! SVP tasks involve crucial, yet non-hazardous duties, allowing sworn officers to address other public safety demands. No prior law enforcement experience is required. To learn more about SVP duties, visit: <http://www.chulavistaca.gov/svp>.



Exciting news! There will be an academy in October 2024 for new SVP members! Interested in joining the team? Call (619) 476-2417 or email svpp@ChulaVistaPD.org.

Whether you're looking for a knitting and crochet club, eager to check out the local Comic-Con book club chapter or interested in a story time group for your child, the **Civic Center Library is offering a fun lineup of summer programs!** Please visit the Civic Center Library [calendar](#) for a complete list of programs and more details.

EVERY SECOND TUESDAY AT CIVIC CENTER BRANCH...

COMIC-CON BOOK CLUB: CHULA VISTA CHAPTER

SUITABLE FOR AGES 18+ FREE TO JOIN

BRZRKR VOL. 3
By Keanu Reeves, Matt Kindt, Ron Garney, and Bill Crabtree

DESCENDER VOL. 2
By Jeff Lemire and Dustin Nguyen

NOW READING

APPLICATIONS ARE REQUIRED AND WILL BE PROVIDED AT YOUR FIRST MEETING

storytimes

at Civic Center Library

BILINGUAL STORYTIME MONDAYS 11 AM

READY TO READ STORYTIME WEDNESDAYS 11 AM

MOVE TO THE MUSIC THURSDAYS 5 PM

Celebrate National Parks & Rec Day at Memorial Park by **enjoying a free local music performance in the park** on Saturday, July 20, at 2 p.m.! Family-friendly activities and food vendors will be available starting at 2 p.m. Live music begins at 5 p.m. **Free swim lessons** will also be available for all ages with [advanced registration](#).





The City of Chula Vista is excited to host its **second annual CV ArtFest!** CV ArtFest is on Saturday, August 10 from 12 to 6 p.m. at the City Hall courtyard. ArtFest is free to attend and open to all ages to enjoy the art exhibits, art vendors, and live music. For more information or to fill out a vendor or art exhibitor application, please visit the [CV ArtFest website](#).

Neighborhood Beautification

OPERATION PRIDE continues monthly clean ups, and in conjunction with Alpha Project, collected 12,780 pounds of trash and 45 shopping carts last month. Alpha Project: Take Back the Streets has collected 15,220 pounds on trash on non-outreach days. McAlister (Work for Hope) continues to paint Rohr Park, and Chula Vista Rangers

are continuing to enforce and keep the parks clean and safe for the public. Thank you for your continued efforts.