



ABOUT TOWN NEWSLETTER



June 17, 2022

JUNETEENTH FREEDOM DAY

Juneteenth commemorates the date of June 19, 1865 when enslaved black people in the State of Texas finally learned of their emancipation. This date provides an important opportunity to reflect on the historical significance of this event in our County and our community. Juneteenth is now celebrated as an official Federal holiday. Visit the Contra Costa County website for local events, resources, and book suggestions.

- [Local Events and Resources](#)
- [Book Suggestions](#)



DRAFT HOUSING ELEMENT SEEKS COMMUNITY INPUT

Residents and members of the public are invited to join the Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, June 21 to provide input on the following two Housing Element chapters: Government Constraints Analysis; and Housing Element goals, policies and programs. The input will be incorporated into a working draft Housing Element for the July 5 Planning Commission meeting. The Housing Element provides Moraga with a roadmap for accommodating its projected housing demand and guides future decisions that impact housing for the next eight-year cycle 2023-2031.

[STAFF REPORT](#)

The working draft Housing Element will include the following six chapters:

1. An Introduction, explaining the purpose of the Element, the contents of the document, the community engagement process, and the context for creating housing opportunities in Moraga
2. An Evaluation of the 2015 - 2023 Housing Element, including a review of accomplishments and assessment of the Element's effectiveness
3. A Needs Assessment, which analyzes local demographics, economic conditions, housing conditions, and forecasts to determine Moraga's housing needs over the next eight years
4. A Sites Inventory, which identifies sites where housing can be built and demonstrates the Town's capacity to meet the RHNA
5. A Constraints Analysis, which evaluates government and non-government constraints to building housing
6. Goals, Policies, and Programs, which respond to the analysis in the earlier chapters.



The Housing Element also includes the following three technical appendices:

- A. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) analysis is a state-mandated analysis that analyzes patterns of integration and segregation in the Town and region, and strategies to ensure fair housing opportunities for all residents
- B. Housing Opportunity Site Inventory, include state-mandated data for each site identified as having the potential to meet the RHNA
- C. Survey Findings, which summarizes the findings of the three surveys conducted over the course of the project (Resident Survey, Student Survey, Balancing Act)

The Housing Element must be updated and adopted on a prescribed State schedule every eight years and must be submitted to the State for certification following adoption. State law further requires that a “working draft” of the Housing Element be submitted to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) prior to its adoption. Moraga must circulate the Working Draft for 30 days before it is submitted to the State, and consider revisions based on public comment. The recommendations from the July 5 Planning Commission meeting will be forwarded to the Town Council for review on July 13, 2022.

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JULY 4 CELEBRATION AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Moraga Commons 11:00 am – 10:00 pm

Mark your calendars for the return of the Town's July 4 celebration and fireworks display. The July 1 edition of the About Town newsletter will feature details on the event schedule and the numerous activities planned for the celebratory return of this beloved community tradition.

[EVENT SCHEDULE](#)

The fireworks display is made possible by community donations. Please help the Town reach its \$30,000 goal.

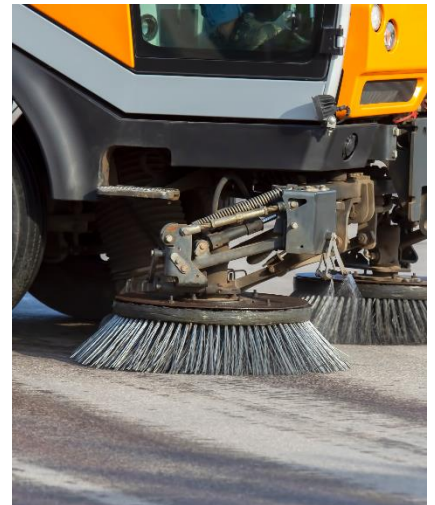


[DONATE ONLINE](#)

TOWN-WIDE STREET SWEEPING: JUNE 20 - 22

The Town will be conducting street sweeping on all public streets next week. Street sweeping is scheduled for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday June 20 to 22.

Residents are asked not to place garbage/recycling containers on the street the day before pick-up and to place garbage/recycling containers only on the morning of service. Residents are also asked not to park on the street on scheduled street sweeping service days to avoid conflict with sweepers. Please note, private streets will not be serviced. Residents can visit the [Town website](#) to find out which day their street is scheduled for service.



[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

COMMONS SPLASH FEATURE CLOSED FOR REPAIR



The splash feature at Moraga Commons Park is currently closed for repair. The Town is working to remedy the electrical failure as quickly as possible. There is currently no estimated timeframe for repairs to be completed. Thank you for your patience as we address this issue.

FAMILY CAMP OUT

July 16 to 17 at Rancho Laguna Park

Only a few spaces remain for the annual Family Camp Out at Rancho Laguna Park. This family event includes:

- BBQ dinner
- S'mores station
- Hot breakfast

Bring the whole family and enjoy a variety of kid-approved activities for all ages. Families are required to bring their own camping equipment. Pre-registration is required as this event always sells out. Cost per person: \$35.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)



SUMMER BEGINS – EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Summer begins next week, but schools are out and activities and events are in full swing! The return of in-person outdoor events has brought numerous opportunities to connect with neighbors and friends. It is great to see so many smiling faces - here are some of the highlights.

Welcome to the Monarch Garden at Rancho Laguna Park



Bubble-Palooza at Moraga Commons Park



Summer Concert Series at Moraga Commons Park

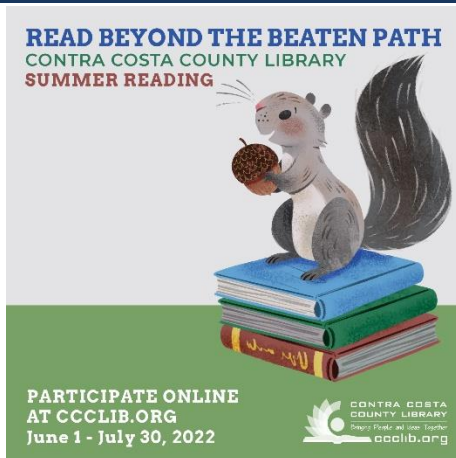


HIRING MAINTENANCE WORKER (FULL-TIME)

The Town is hiring for a full-time maintenance worker. An entry level position, incumbents learn basic maintenance, construction, and safety procedures. The position includes a wide variety of maintenance duties in Town parks, buildings, streets and storm drains.

[APPLY ONLINE](#)

COMMUNITY INFORMATION – SUMMER 2022



Summer Reading Program

An adventurous summer of reading, outdoor activities, and exciting virtual programs is coming up at the Contra Costa County Library. This year's [Read Beyond the Beaten Path Summer Reading](#) program runs from June 1 to July 30. All ages are welcome to participate. Visit your local library to pick up a reading passport.

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Give Your Food Scraps a New Leash on Life

Let's be fur real: your pets wouldn't waste food on your plate. We shouldn't waste food either. Give your food scraps a new leash on life and throw them into the green organics cart. Green cart material is made into a nutrient-rich moisture-retaining soil amendment. Be green cart smart!

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FREE FITNESS CLASSES AT MORAGA COMMONS PARK – UPDATED

Moraga Community Foundation

Sundays 8:00 - 9:00 am

The Moraga Community Foundation has partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department to hold FREE fitness classes at Moraga Commons Park. Classes are held every Sunday mornings June 5 to July 31 from 8:00 to 9:00 am. Pre-registration is not required.

Please note that no fitness classes will be held on Sunday, June 19 due to the Father's Day holiday.

To learn more about the Moraga Community Foundation, visit their website.

[VISIT WEBSITE](#)

Moraga Commons Park
Every Sunday @ 8am June 5th-July 31st
FREE FITNESS CLASSES
sponsored by
Moraga Community Foundation
Moraga Department of Parks and Recreation

Class Schedule:
6/5 - Moraga Bootcamp
6/12 - Morning Flow Yoga
6/19 - FATHER'S DAY BREAK
6/26 - Mat Pilates
7/3 - Moraga Bootcamp
7/10 - Morning Flow Yoga
7/17 - Mat Pilates
7/24 - Moraga Bootcamp
7/31 - Peace Games - Tai Chi



Sunday Strong

Exercise in the Park

Belle Hammond (Moraga Bootcamp)
www.moragabootcamp.com
Katie Rogers (Atma Yoga)
www.mindbodyonline.com/explore/fitness/instructors/katie-rogers-2
Dina Rickson (Mat Pilates)
<https://www.joyinmotiondance.org/staff>
Marilyn Cooper (Peace Games)
<http://www.pushingforpeace.org/>
Christine Vlack (Mighty Pilates)
* Bring a mat or a towel



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