





Strategy

Fremont Advancing Efforts to

Respond to Homelessness

The opening of the City of Fremont's Housing Navigation Center in September 2020 was a significant step forward in addressing homelessness in the Fremont community. Now that the Navigation Center is operational and at capacity, the City is prioritizing the development of programs that better serve the needs of people living in vehicles.

According to the 2019 Alameda County Homeless Point-in-Time Count, there are 238 people living in cars, RVs, and other vehicles in Fremont. Recent surveys by City staff found that approximately 70% of those living in vehicles in Fremont also last had a permanent home address in Fremont.

Over the next few months, the City will develop a Safe Parking Strategy aimed at providing individuals and families who are living in their vehicles a safe, clean, and temporarily sanctioned place to park. The Strategy will describe and recommend different programmatic options the City could pursue.

To start the process of developing a Safe Parking Strategy, the City is seeking the community's input. For more information and to access a 5-minute community survey, visit www.Fremont.gov/SafeParking.

Take Our Website Redesign Survey

We're in the early stages of overhauling our Fremont.gov website to help better serve our community. The new design is scheduled to roll out late 2021.

We need your input! Your responses will be used to make data driven decisions based on how you use our website currently and what new features you'd like to see.

www.Fremont.gov/WebSurvey





Climate Action Plan



Camps and Programs



Walking and Bicycling



Christmas Tree Composting





When I think of the City of Fremont and the year 2020, the first word that comes to mind isn't "pandemic" or "economy." It's resiliency.

While the year did not start as planned, the City and our community have overcome many obstacles and achieved countless successes through an incredible show of strength and determination despite the COVID-19 pandemic and the current economic crisis. On top of issuing the first Face Covering Executive Order in the Bay Area and opening one of the Bay Area's first drive-through COVID-19 testing centers last April, the City continues working with the Alameda County Public Health Department and community partners to provide no cost COVID-19 testing to all individuals 13 or older without a doctor's note, insurance, or proof of immigration status.

And as part of Fremont's strategic approach to addressing the growing homeless population in our region, in August we opened a Housing Navigation Center. This facility serves as a clean, safe, and calm environment for participants who are looking for stable, permanent housing. A reduced number of 25 participants are now being served, and as COVID-19 restrictions lift, we hope to accommodate up to 45 individuals at a time. City staff is now working to develop a Safe Parking Strategy for those living in their vehicles. I encourage you to share your input. Please see page 1 for more details.

While local, state, and national government are exploring ways to assist communities during COVID-19, our City departments have found new ways to connect with the community virtually about future recreational, environmental, and programming needs. With this information, the City is simultaneously managing updates to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and Trails Strategy Plan, while our Climate Action Plan update will help us reach the goal of no new net greenhouse gases emitted by the year 2045.

New public programming is also being planned post COVID-19. The new Downtown Event Center and outdoor plaza, set to open spring 2021, will serve as a welcoming location for people of all cultures, ethnicities, and backgrounds. Also, our new Age Well Center at South Fremont will be completed in December. We'll postpone opening it until next year when it's safe due to the pandemic precautions.

While our fiscal situation remains challenging, the current year budget remains balanced with \$5.4 million remaining in our general fund budget uncertainty reserve, as well as \$35.6 million in the contingency reserve. Additionally, the City has received \$3.5 million of reimbursements from the state and county for costs related to COVID-19 testing conducted by the Fremont Fire Department and other City pandemic-response activities.

The City Council and I are proud of the incredible strength the City and community have demonstrated throughout this year and look forward to continuing our efforts to restore and promote growth for Fremont in 2021.

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The City Council meets the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 3300 Capitol Ave.

Meetings are broadcast over Cable TV Channel 27 or webcast online at Fremont.gov/Webcasts.

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COVID-19 Testing

A person can spread COVID-19 with or without having symptoms. Simple precautions such as wearing a face covering when you leave home, maintaining at least six feet of distance, washing your hands frequently and avoiding gathering with people you don't live with has helped slow the spread of COVID-19. As we navigate the pandemic and flu season, we recognize access to no-cost COVID-19 testing also plays a vital role in stopping the spread of the disease. We will continue to partner with the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD) to coordinate and share information about free COVID-19 testing opportunities throughout Fremont and Alameda County. The dates and locations of testing may vary; for the most up to date information about ACPHD testing availability and criteria, please visit https:// covid-19.acgov.org/testing.page.



City Social Media

Follow the City and many of its departments on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, Nextdoor, and Nixle—we will keep you posted on everything from community events, new business openings, traffic updates, friendly tips, and other City-related information that may help you and your family.

www.Fremont.gov/SocialMedia



2020 Wildfire **Mutual Aid**

This year, Fremont firefighters were deployed throughout California to some of the largest wildfires in our state's history. With mutual aid deployment lengths ranging from seven to 21 days, our firefighters often received assignments in rugged terrain and performed long, arduous tasks to help increase each fire's containment, and protect life and property. The Fremont Fire Department 2020 wildfire mutual aid responses included: Lightning Complex within the CAL FIRE Santa Clara Unit (SCU), Santa Cruz Unit (CZU), Sonoma Lake Napa Unit (LNU), and the Creek, Butte, Zogg, and Glass Fires.

Embrace Preparedness

It is important to remember that wildfires and other emergencies can happen any time throughout the year. Whether it's a or a wildfire, here are five safety tips from our partners at Listos California to help you and your loved ones embrace a culture of

- 1. Get alerts to know what to do.
- 2. Make a plan to protect your people (and pets).
- 3. Get to safety with the things you need.
- 4. Stay safe at home when you can't leave.
- 5. Help friends and neighbors get ready.

Climate Action Plan Update

Over the last several months, the City has been engaging Fremont residents and businesses in discussions about our past climate action successes and current efforts to update the City's Climate Action Plan (CAP). Now, the City is asking community members to weigh in on potential implementation measures they would like to see incorporated into the new CAP. Visit www.Fremont.gov/CAPConsiderIt to tell us which climate action and sustainability initiatives are most important



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Our Parks

Making Music through **People**, **Parks**, **and Programs** with the help of the Candle Lighters



The City's Community Services
Department recently installed
interactive, musical playground
components at four Fremont
community parks: Centerville, Irvington,
Los Cerritos, and Warm Springs. These
musical components provide interactive

play opportunities between park users of all abilities, invite families (in their pods) to get outside and play, and allow for social connections with each other (with social distancing).

Made possible through generous funding from The Candle Lighters, these installations—vibes, congas, and cabasa—provide sensory input that helps develop cognitive, sensory, motor, and social/emotional skills. Since 1969, The Candle Lighters have been raising funds for nonprofit groups and community-based projects in the Tri-City community.

Play it safe! Continue to follow the guidelines set by the California Public Department of Health Department. For more information, visit https://bit.ly/318ifKc.

Park Business Operating Permit Program to Assist Fitness Businesses

This fall, the City established an



emergency park business operating permit program that allows commercial businesses that provide fitness classes to use City of Fremont parks during the COVID-19 pandemic. This Park Business Operating Permit program (P-BOP) is managed by the Community Services Department and modeled after the City's highly successful Pop Up Patio program. The P-BOP program is a free streamlined process for applicants with a 2-day turnaround for permit issuance.

More information about the program, an interactive map displaying approved locations at Fremont community parks, and the online application can be found at www.Fremont.gov/pbop.



Master Plan

The City of Fremont is joining forces with residents to re-invent Fremont parks through its new Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The Master Plan will guide the City's park development and recreation services over the next 20 years. It will inventory and map existing parks to more effectively and equitably locate new parks and amenities; assess and analyze community needs; analyze and create new recreation programs; review park development and maintenance standards; inform and prioritize capital improvement projects; and recommend new funding strategies.

To date:

- All 62 City of Fremont parks have been inventoried
- 500+ residents participated in three virtual community input meetings in July and August
- 100+ stakeholders representing different user groups (such as various sports groups, arts organizations, environmental groups, local businesses, local service organizations, City staff, commissioners, historic organizations, other local agencies, etc.) have been interviewed
- 600+ independent comments have been collected through the InventFremontParks.com website and the HAPPiFEET Fremont PARKS app

The City's consultants have compiled and processed this information to create a survey sent out in November to several thousand random Fremont residents. Residents who did not receive a letter in the mail can access the survey at www.lnventFremontParks.com.

Survey results are expected in January, after which the visioning process for the Master Plan will begin. Stay tuned for next steps in the Master Plan process. To learn more and join the mailing list for periodic updates, please visit www.lnventFremontParks.com.

Our **Community**

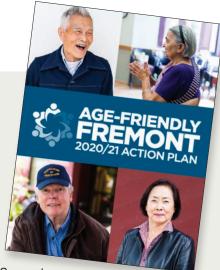
Age-Friendly Fremont 2020/21 Action Plan

On October 20, the Fremont City Council adopted the first Fremont Age-Friendly Action Plan, as Fremont joins 40 other cities in California as part of the World Health Organization's Global, Age-Friendly movement. An Age-Friendly City is a livable City for all!

The Action Plan includes the City's agefriendly vision and action steps for the near future in these areas: Health and Wellness; Outdoor Spaces and Buildings; Transportation; Social Participation and Inclusion; Volunteering and Civic Engagement; Community Information; Employment and Learning Opportunities; Housing; and Dementia-related Support.

Policy Recommendations in the plan include the following:

- Seek to improve older adults' quality of life by promoting the development of safe, accessible, and vibrant agefriendly environments.
- Promote positive, purposeful roles for older adults in civic engagement.
- Support County, State, and Federal legislation that advances livable environments for older adults and adequate benefits through Social Security and Medicare.
- Promote the creation of neighborhoods with a strong sense of place, where neighbors support each other and share their skills and support to navigate the challenges and opportunities of aging.
- Promote positive images of aging which affirms the aging process as a natural progression of life.



- Support reliable, affordable, and high-quality telecommunication for all.
- Promote social networks and services which allow older adults to age safely and successfully, enjoying strong community connections, less isolation, increased independence, and enhanced purpose of life.

To view the full plan, visit www.Fremont.gov/AgeFriendlyActionPlan.

New Film Showcases Importance of

Youth Mental Health

"Blossom" is a short film produced by the Human Services Department's Youth & Family Services (YFS) Division that highlights mental health challenges and associated stigma that today's youth face to reinforce the importance of youth reaching out for help and to instill hope.

Funded by Kaiser Permanente as part of a mental health stigma reduction initiative, the film spotlights local youth selected through a virtual audition process to volunteer as actors and production assistants. "Blossom" was directed by local filmmaker Larry Ewings, and vetted by a focus group made up of students and adult community members, including partners from Fremont Unified School District and

mental health stigma expert Dr. Lawrence Yang from New York University.

To view the film, visit www.Fremont.gov/Blossom.

The grant project also supported six Youth Wellness Ambassadors from Fremont high schools who produced a brief video presentation about mental health and stigma. View the presentation at www.Fremont.gov/YouthWellness.



The Human Services Department's Youth & Family Services (YFS) Division created a virtual COVID-19 Parent/Caregiver support group this summer to provide a confidential and safe space for parents and youth caregivers in our community to come together during the pandemic.

Fremont YFS's Virtual Parent Support Group offers a non-judgmental and compassionate space for parents to share stories, concerns, resources, and support with their peers. The program is sponsored by East Bay Community Energy. For more information, visit www.Fremont.gov/ CaregiverSupport.





























Our Community

Flood Safety Information

With winter coming up, it's time to start thinking about flood safety!

Know your flood hazard:

To determine whether your property is within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), visit the City's website at www.Fremont.gov/FloodInfo, email us at floodinfo@fremont.gov, or call the City's Engineering Division at 510-494-4718.

Protect people from the hazard:

Designate a place where your family can rendezvous after an evacuation order is issued.

Protect your property from the hazard:

Protect your basement from flooding by making sure your downspouts drain away from your house.

Flood Protection Advice:

There may be flood proofing improvements that can be implemented to your structure to reduce the damage caused by flooding. If you are at risk for flooding, you should consider the feasibility of flood proofing your facility via elevating your building or wet flood proofing. For more information, contact the City's Engineering Division at 510-494-4718.



On September 22, the Fremont Senior Center celebrated its 40th anniversary with drive-thru festivities. Participants



were encouraged to decorate their cars and drive through the parking lot to show their appreciation for the center. Celebrants in over 150 vehicles enjoyed contactless, socially distanced light refreshments and giveaways. In October, the Fremont Senior Center changed its name to Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth. The City looks forward to celebrating the opening of its second center serving adults 55 and over in spring 2021. The Age Well Center at South Fremont is located on Mission Falls Court and will offer services, classes, lunch, and more. It will be operated by the Human Services Department.

Grand Opening of Northbound I-680 Sunol Express Lane

Relief is here for the traffic congestion along the I-680 freeway and Fremont neighborhoods impacted by freeway cut-through traffic. On October 29, the Alameda County Transportation Commission held a ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating the grand opening of the I-680 Sunol Express Lanes project. The I-680 Sunol grade is one of the top 10 congested freeway corridors in the Bay Area and causes bottlenecks between SR-262 (Mission Blvd. south) to SR-238 (Mission Blvd. north). The project will reduce congestion, accommodates future increases in traffic, and provides state-of-the-art technology that allows for greater reliability and faster travel speeds in the general purpose lanes.

This project was funded by Alameda County Measure B and other state grant funds. For more information, check out the project overview at https://bit.ly/3oRv3i6.





Recreation School Break Camps and Winter Programs Update

The Recreation Services Division has you covered with winter break camps, distance learning support, virtual and in-person programs, and more. We've got everything your child

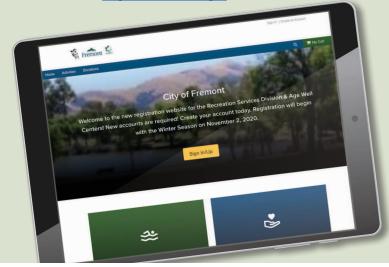


needs to stay active, engaged, and having fun this winter. All City programs follow the health and safety guidelines set forth by the Alameda County Public Health Department. So don't delay-register today! The Winter 2021 Recreation Guide is available digitally. Learn more at www.Fremont.gov/Recreation or call 510-494-4300.

New Recreation and Human Services

Registration Software

The City's Recreation Services Division and Human Services Department launched a new registration system for Recreation and Age Well programs and facilities in October. Residents can register online for programs, camps, classes, events, memberships, and more. New features include enhanced search functions, Google Maps integration, instructor information, calendar sync, and more. The City will be phasing out the old system at the end of the year, so residents are encouraged to create an account online today. Browse and register for programs at www.Fremont.gov/Register. For more information, call 510-494-4300 or email RegeRec@fremont.gov.



Urban **Forest**

Management Plan

On May 7, 2019, CAL FIRE awarded the City of Fremont a grant in the amount of \$860,000 under the Prop 68 Urban Forest Management Activities Grant Program. The program requirements include a goal of reducing net greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. In September 2020, the City completed a citywide tree inventory and canopy assessment of the Fremont's approximately 80,000 public and street trees. The City is now focused on establishing an Urban Forest Management Plan to identify a long-term, 40- to 50-year plan to enhance the Urban Forest with meaningful and achievable goals. The purpose of completing an Urban Forest Management Plan is, among many other things, to create a thriving Urban Forest; make recommendations on planning, policy, and procedures to provide targeted Urban Forestry goals, reduction of GHG emissions, management methods, and stakeholder opinions; and to increase community outreach opportunities to engage with residents.









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Our Community

Biking Boom

Fremont has seen a "biking boom" as residents lean more and more toward driving alternatives. To help facilitate the increased popularity of biking, the City has implemented a network of bikeway trails, separated bikeways, bicycle lanes, and neighborhood bike routes.

The new Walnut Avenue Bikeway, named best bikeway in the Bay Area by SF Streetsblog, opened last spring with 1.2 miles of signature bikeway facility that extends along Walnut Avenue from Mission Boulevard to Paseo Padre Parkway. This project, funded by a grant from the Alameda County

Transportation Commission, is one of the most well-used bikeways in the city and connects to destinations including the Fremont BART station, housing, and local businesses.

On September 24, Fremont celebrated "Bike to Wherever Day" where community members joined with others across the Bay Area to get outside, ride their bikes, and engage in a friendly community competition to capture the best biking photos.

For more information about future biking improvements planned for Fremont, visit www.Fremont.gov/BikeMasterPlan.



Photo Contest Winner, Jonny Arguello

Fremont Moves Online

Newsletter

In August, the Public Works Department launched the mobility e-newsletter, Fremont Moves. Fremont Moves aims to be the go-to source for news and information about multi-modal transportation systems and choices for walking, bicycling, driving, and using transit in and around Fremont. In collaboration with the Mobility Commission, Fremont Moves provides updates on projects, plans, and services related to the City's Mobility Action Plan. To sign up for Fremont Moves and view past newsletters, visit www.Fremont.gov/Transportation.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Projects to Start Construction

The City's Public Works Department is beginning construction on two projects to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety in late 2020. The Pedestrian Crossing Enhancement project will improve safety for pedestrians crossing at Central/Joseph and Washington/Jerome, including construction of new rectangular rapid flashing beacons, upgraded lighting, bulb-outs, median refuge islands, and upgraded striping. The Bikeway Improvements project will convert 10 miles of existing bikeways to physically-separated bike lanes in corridors across Fremont including Paseo Padre Parkway, Walnut Avenue, Fremont Boulevard, Stevenson Boulevard, Driscoll Road, Grimmer Road, and Scott Creek Boulevard. These projects are made possible due to funding including Measure B, Measure BB, local transportation sales tax funds from the Alameda County Transportation Commission, and Transportation Fund for Clean Air grant funds from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD).





Fremont Unified School District

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City and FUSD Partner to Provide **Summer Meals for Community**

The City of Fremont and Fremont Unified School District were proud to partner to provide meals for Fremont youth and families amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Following the closure of schools in March, FUSD launched a Grab-and-Go meal pickup program that provided between 11,000 and 15,000 meals per week to improve food security for families in Fremont. As the school year came to a close, several local organizations, including the City, FUSD, Daily Bowl, Tri-City Volunteers Food Bank, Alameda County Community Food Bank, Compassion Network, and Fremont Unified Student Store (FUSS) came together to continue providing nutritious food to families beyond June 30, when the spring program was originally scheduled to end. FUSD started the 2020-21 school year under a distance learning plan and continues to serve meals at 29 school sites. For more information visit www.fusdcafes.org.



FUSD/Fremont Police SRO Program Partnership

FUSD Ends SRO Service Contract with the City

On November 12, 2020, FUSD Board Members voted to accept recommendations from a community Task Force to end the School Resource Officer contract with the Fremont Police Department. The Task Force was formed by the Board over the summer and consisted of 25 members to study the SRO program. After holding four public meetings, the Task Force issued a report recommending termination of the SRO Program. While the City of Fremont would have preferred to conduct more conversations around working collaboratively with FUSD to reimagine the SRO program, the Board voted 3-2 to sever the long-standing agreement.

The City recognizes the time and effort that went into the report. We are hopeful FUSD will continue to work with the City to reflect upon this experience and take a new look at our partnership moving forward. The City of Fremont remains committed to the safety of children and will continue to provide services and programs that focus on youth.

About the SRO Program

The SRO program was established in the mid-1990s as a joint commitment between the City and Fremont Unified School District to help ensure a safe and supported learning environment for students, teachers, and administrators on high school campuses. With a significant emphasis on safety, the program was initially developed to help prevent and reduce crime while ensuring enhanced campus safety, as gang issues become increasingly more prevalent on high school campuses.

Over the course of the 20+ year partnership and as a result of having a dedicated SRO on each high school campus, schools have remained increasingly safe, with crime trending down. In addition to providing dedicated police services at Fremont public schools, the SRO Unit manages a summer Youth Academy, provides safety presentations, and provides immediate resources during school lock downs, medical emergencies, and mental health crisis. The SRO program has emphasized restorative justice practices over the years, and includes the City of Fremont's Youth Diversion Program, a partnership between FPD and Human Services, that has had a 90% success rate keeping children out of the criminal justice system.



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Environmental Services



Every year, Fremont residents buy thousands of Christmas trees that will end up in landfills if they are not properly composted. You can reduce the environmental impact of the holiday season by planting a live tree or decorating with a reusable tree. Christmas trees are only compostable if they are free of all decorations, tinsel, nails, and tree stands (including wooden stands nailed to the bottom of the trunk). Any tree that is flocked with artificial snow contains fire retardant and cannot be composted. Trees that have decorations or tinsel cannot be composted and will be disposed of in the landfill. There are several different ways you can dispose of your holiday tree in Fremont:

Gutter (Single-family homes only)

- Service is available December 28, 2020 through January 8, 2021.
- If your tree is less than 6 feet in length, place the whole tree in the gutter on your collection day.
- If your tree is over 6 feet in length, cut the tree in half and place both halves in the gutter on your collection day.
- Make sure your tree is in the gutter, not on the sidewalk.
- Check that your tree is free of all decorations when placed in the gutter; this helps keep our storm drains litter-free.

Green Organics Cart

- Cut compostable tree so that pieces fit loosely in your green organics cart with the lid closed.
- Place the cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

Garbage Cart

(Please use this as your last option; Compost your tree first, if possible.)

- If the tree contains flocking or decorations, cut it up so pieces fit loosely in your black garbage cart with the lid closed.
- Place the black garbage cart at the curb on your scheduled collection day.

If you live in a multifamily complex, please contact your property manager to learn how your tree can be properly composted.

For more information, contact the City's Environmental Services Division at 510-494-4570 or environment@fremont.gov.



New Online Search Tool Makes Donating Unwanted Items Easy

Your unwanted stuff might be someone else's treasure. Visit the RE:Source guide at StopWaste.org for questions about reuse, repair, recycling, and proper disposal options for everything from electronics and clothes to furniture and bicycles. The new tool was created specifically for Alameda County residents and provides a quick and convenient way to explore your options to give reusable or repairable items a second chance. You can also find a link to the RE:Source search tool at www.Fremont.gov/Environment.

Curbside Recycling and Trash Guidelines

Ever wonder what items go in which curbside cart? Is it recycling or trash? Is it OK to compost this in my green cart? Wonder no more! StopWaste's new RE:Source guide allows Fremont residents and businesses to search the City's guidelines for everything from milk cartons and take-out food packaging to wood waste and scrap metal. Visit www.StopWaste.org to get started. You can find additional information on our local environmental programs and services at www.Fremont.gov/Environment.







Fremont City News Winter 2020

Fremont Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Facility is Open to Serve You

Fremont residents can take advantage of the free drop-off facility for common household hazardous waste items that are not allowed in the regular trash or recycling cart. Common household hazardous waste items include:



Electronics and **Batteries**



Oil, Gasoline, **Auto Fluids**



Fluorescent Bulbs



Household Cleaners



Paints, Stains, Thinners



Propane and Fire Extinguishers



Pest and Garden **Products**



Medicines and Sharps in Container

What you need to know about Household **Hazardous Waste Drop Off:**

Location:

Fremont Recycling & Transfer Station at 41149 Boyce Rd.

Hours:

Wednesday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Saturday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (no appointment needed)

COVID-19 Contactless Drop-off Procedure:

Stay in the car; face masks mandatory for drivers and passengers; staff will unload your materials for you.

Open to all Alameda County residents including renters

Open to small businesses by appointment only (call 800-606-6606 to schedule)

For more information, visit www.Fremont.gov/Environment.





























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CITY OF FREMONT HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Scheduled for Dec. 24, 2020 to Jan. 1, 2021 (Police, Fire Services Not Affected)

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many City offices are closed to the public or are operating at reduced physical staffing. As in years past, the City of Fremont will be implementing a Holiday Closure for many non-public safety City services. Most City offices will remain closed from Thursday, Dec. 24, 2020 through Friday, Jan. 1, 2021. City Holidays are observed Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 2020 and Jan. 1, 2021, while limited City services will be offered Dec. 28, 29, and 30, 2020. This closure will not affect police and fire services.

Offices that are taking part in the Holiday Closure and continue to remain closed due to the pandemic include:

- City Hall, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building A and Building B (Administrative offices)
- Fire Administration, 3300 Capitol Ave., Building A
- Maintenance Center, 42551 Osgood Rd.
- All Community Centers and Recreation Buildings
- Age Well Center at Lake Elizabeth (formerly called Fremont Senior Center)
- Tri-City Animal Shelter, 1950 Stevenson Blvd.

The following office is taking part in the Holiday Closure and will reopen Jan. 4, 2021, with limited staffing due to the pandemic:

Development Services Center, 39550 Liberty St.

During the Holiday Closure:

- Parks and Recreation Registration Desk will be responding to calls (510-494-4300) and emails (<u>Regerec@fremont.gov</u>) for all recreation programs from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 28, 29, and 30.
- Parks and Recreation Division will offer camps and other programs at some facilities following our COVID-19 Safety Plan. Visit <u>www.RegeRec.com</u> for more info.
- Human Services will provide limited services for Youth & Family Services,
 Family Resource Center, and Healthy Start Program.

- The Fremont Police Department and Fremont Fire Department will continue to provide public safety services.
- Afghan Elderly Association will provide limited services. Clients should contact their Health Promoter for additional info.
- Youth & Family Services will have on-call crisis counselors to respond to youth referred from the Alameda County Crisis Receiving Home.
- A minimum number of City staff will be available in an on-call status to provide emergency maintenance services such as responding to stormrelated issues.
- Regularly-scheduled street sweeping will occur on Dec. 28, 29, and 30, 2020; weather permitting. No street sweeping on City-observed holidays. (We will make every effort to provide service on a different day.)
- Animal Field Services will be limited.
- On Friday, Dec. 25 and Friday, Jan. 1, there will be no trash, recycling, and yardwaste collection. Service will be delayed one day for customers serviced on Friday, Dec. 25 and Friday, Jan. 1. Pickup will occur on Saturday. Call 510-657-3500 for more information.
- The Fremont Tennis Center will be open for public play, weather permitting. There will be some limited holiday public hours; call 510-790-5510 for more info.
- The Winter Shelter will operate within the Teen Center.
- Covia/Home Match will provide appointments by video call or phone. Call 510-574-2173 or email <u>cfuchshuber@covia.org</u> for more info.

Many City facilities and programs experience a reduction in service demand during the Holiday Closure dates. The City anticipates a further reduction in demand in some areas due to the pandemic.