

City Manager's Weekly Update

September 23, 2016

POLICE

[SCPD Conducts Community Public Safety Survey](#)

The Santa Cruz Police Department is conducting a community-wide survey on public safety and police service in the City of Santa Cruz. This survey is being conducted in order to gain insight into the issues that impact our community. The survey should take 10-15 minutes and your responses are anonymous.

COMMUNITY SURVEY

ON PUBLIC SAFETY & POLICE SERVICE

CITY OF SANTA CRUZ RESIDENTS & BUSINESS OWNERS



If you live and/or work in the City of Santa Cruz, you are invited to participate in the survey. Share your opinion by taking SCPD's anonymous survey about your experience.

Chief Kevin Vogel said, "We are excited to hear from our community on the issues that affect them the most and the service offered by the hard working men and women of our department".

If you live and/or work in the City of Santa Cruz, you are invited to participate in the survey. By completing the survey, you will be providing the police department with valuable information on the issues that are most important to you. In turn, we can use this information to focus resources, strategize and better serve our community.

HOW TO TAKE YOUR SURVEY

The community survey is offered in both English and Spanish.

English www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCPDSURVEY 	Spanish www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCPDENCUESTA 
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Print copies of the survey are available at SCPD on 155 Center Street. All responses are anonymous. **Survey deadline is December 21, 2016.**

Thank you for your valuable feedback!

The survey will be available over the next 3 months, until December 21, 2016. The survey will be available in English and Spanish. The survey is offered online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCPDSURVEY and <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCPDEncuesta> for Spanish language.

The survey is also available in hard copy for those without Internet access. Copies

can be obtained at the front counter of the police department at 155 Center Street.
Santa Cruz police officers will also handout cards to community members that will direct them to the short anonymous community survey.

Expansion and More Success with SCPD's Online Bicycle Registration

UCSC is fully utilizing SCPD's bike registration online. There are now links on the UCSC PD website and on UCSC Transportation and Parking Services site. Out with the old way of manually registering bikes! Onward with the SCPD Online Bicycle Registration, this is an easily accessed and shared data base with UCSC.

Online Registered Bike Success Story



Lucky Kid gets his bike back on same day it was stolen.

A sharp-eyed citizen called SCPD about a bike that appeared abandoned and out of place in the neighborhood. SCPD recovered the bike that was stolen earlier this morning. CSO Sanchez tracked down the license number that was recently documented in SCPD's Online Bike Registration program. CSO Sanchez contacted the family and returned the bike to the rightful owner- this lucky kid!

Two Lessons Learned:

- #1 Lock your bike at all times, even if just for a few minutes.
- #2 Improve the chances of your bike being returned by registering it with SCPD's Online Bicycle Registration program. It's FREE and never expires!

www.cityofsantacruz.com/departments/police/bicycle-license-registration

SCPD Continuing Relationships Built Through the Years at Beach Flats Mural Celebration



21 year veteran SCPD Sergeant Azua meets up with long time Beach Flats advocates to share memories of the past. Sergeant Azua began his career assigned to foot patrol in the Beach Flats neighborhood. During his assignment, Sergeant Azua worked in partnership with the community to achieve positive change in the Beach Flats. Despite a very busy day with calls for service, SCPD was present to share in the celebration of the Beach Flats Mural.

CITY CAR TRUCK TOOL EXPO



Santa Cruz Police Department showed off our vintage patrol car a 1961 Chevy Biscayne at the CITY CAR TRUCK TOOL EXPO. Everyone got to explore the vintage patrol car and the 2016 Ford Explorer patrol SUV. Of the two patrol vehicles, the 1961 Chevy Biscayne was the most popular at the expo for the young and old. Most everyone was surprised vintage patrol car lights, dash panel switches and siren were perfect working order. SCPD's 1961 Chevy Biscayne rolls around town on its own power.

Thanks to Our Bay Federal Credit Union Friends

Bay Federal Credit Union Team on River Street brought in these wonderful treats! We really do appreciate it! The Bay Federal CU Team backs the blue and sent this sweet thank you note to SCPD Patrol too. Thank you!!



LOUDEN NELSON COMMUNITY CENTER



Louden Nelson Community Center

Would like to invite you to the...

Mural Restoration Reception

October 7th, 5:30 pm — Laurel Park

Refreshments provided



Followed by a free Downtown Public Art Walking Tour for those interested

The Louden Nelson Community Center mural restoration project has been completed. Beautifully restored by Arturo Thomae and Jack Sprow, the mural added back some of the original natural components as well as created the "Window to History" paying homage to our namesake Louden Nelson. Celebrate the restoration at an art reception for First Friday on Friday, October 7th at 5:30 pm. Hear stories from the original artist, Jeff Oberdorfer, Mayor Mathews who played a key role in the Center's transition from Laurel School and local folks featured in the mural itself! Reception followed by a FREE Downtown Public Art Walking Tour led by City Arts Manager Beth Tobey. Free Refreshments!



The Vista Center presents their annual Low Vision Expo at the Louden Nelson Community Center Saturday, September 24th, 10:30 am to 3:00 pm. learn about the very latest in equipment and technology from a variety of exhibitors. Participants will also have the opportunity to learn about critical resources in the community including services provided through Vista Center and other local organizations.

CIVIC

The Civic Auditorium is hosting the 11th Annual FashionArt show this Saturday 9/24 at 7pm, tickets still available! FashionART Santa Cruz takes the very best of fashion and art and melds them together in one extravaganza to create a unique, colorful production full of surprises and creative talent. Designers from Santa Cruz and the SF Bay Area will show off their newest lines while artists surprise and amaze us with hand crafted, wearable art creations.



GARFILED PARK ARTFUL READING BENCH DEDICATION

Bookshop Santa Cruz & Denise Davidson (artist) were on hand to dedicate the second of three artful reading benches installed in our City Parks. Bookshop Santa Cruz is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2016. As a way of giving back to the community and inspiring the next generation of readers they have funded the creation of three art benches to be placed in the playgrounds of our City parks.

Next installation will be at San Lorenzo Park play area; stop by to watch the progress being made by artist Terra Dawson. Dedication of this bench will be on Tuesday Oct 25th.



SCOTT KENNEDY FIELDS FENCING PROJECT

Scott Kennedy Fields received some new goal enclosures as well as new fencing fabric on the north and south ends. Coming next will be the ball safety netting installation on the south end.



SPORTS

Fall Adult sports leagues and youth sports classes are in full swing. The fields are full of soccer and softball players having fun at Scott Kennedy Fields, Harvey West and Delaveaga Parks.



PUBLIC WORKS

Community Relations

Hundreds of visitors celebrated the City's 150th anniversary at our CITY CAR TRUCK TOOL EXPO with 13 service vehicles from Public Works, Fire and PD on display. City residents spoke with police officers, firemen and Public Works staff while kids were able to sample all that we do. Watch the [KSBW story](#). The happy photos speak for themselves!



In tandem with the City Car Truck Tool Expo, we hosted our second set of three Public Works trolley tours on Wednesday in celebration of the City's 150th. The trolleys were full with about 27 passengers each as they toured the recycling facility and wastewater plant. Recycling passengers enjoyed not only seeing the facility but also the Cell 3 excavation and construction site. They learned about the operations of the landfill facility and how we are doing with recycling as a City.

The tours continue on Sept 28 with a few spots left to reserve at jbisgaard@cityofsantacruz.com. Details are listed [here](#).



Wastewater Collections & Flood Control

Crews began winter preparation and conducted cleaning of Storm Station III located on Water Street. Crews next will clean catch basins in the Lower Ocean Street and Main Beach areas.

Crews performed vegetation removal in a culvert located at Ocean Street and Plymouth Street. This is part of our requirement with Caltrans to allow us to install new trash and debris rack.



Resource Recovery Facility and Processing

Landfill operations have been busy this week with winterization projects. Cleaning out storm drains, cleaning out v-ditches, installing straw wattles and weed abatement along curbs, gutters and islands. Staff has rented a mini excavator for the week to help with the numerous projects associated with adhering to the strict storm water and discharge permits required for the site.

Recycling Processing shipped out a load of tin cans, mixed rigid plastic, HDPE #2 plastic along with our regularly schedule glass, cardboard and mixed paper shipments this week.

Cell 3 construction projects this week included storm drain installation, ground water collection and the processing of 18,000 cubic yards of material was completed. The contractor will be placing and compacting two feet of clay on the cell floor and west slope next week. Liner placement is on schedule for October 17.

Recycling processing is accepting bids for our scrap metal pile this week and is looking to ship approximately 500 tons at the beginning of October.

Parking

We have sold out all Wharf passes for the new season and we sold about 24 ParkCards at the City Car Truck Tool Expo where we offered a discount in honor of the City's 150th.

Resource Recovery Facility

Dept. of Toxic Substance Control was on-site this week for a three and half hour unannounced inspection. They inspected our universal and hazardous waste collection procedures for electronic devices, CRT's, CRT glass, fluorescent bulbs, lead acid batteries, household batteries, used motor oil, antifreeze and used oil filters. All of these materials must be properly handled, labeled and reported with training requirements for staff.

Green Business

The next Green Business Mixer will take place on 10/27, 5:30-7:30pm, at Rosie McCann's on Pacific Avenue.

Twenty six businesses have been re-certified in 2016. The latest are Peace United Church of Christ and Slatter Construction, Inc.

Green business audits are in-process for Upper Crust (Westside), Monarch Services, Santa Cruz Community Credit Union, The Buttery, The Engine Room, and Rosie McCann's. Staff will attend the Statewide California Green Business Network meeting next week in Santa Monica with jurisdictions from across the state.