

Cities Report
December 2025/January 2026

AZUSA

On December 14, 2025, the City of Azusa celebrated the opening of the Canyon City Dog Park with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for community members, pet parents, furry friends, and guests.

The Canyon City Dog Park is located on Crescent Dr. between Orange Ave. and Angeleno Ave. The new dog park welcomes our four-legged furry friends into a vibrant new green space for play, exercise, and community connection with designated areas for large and small dogs, seating, drinking fountains, and open space for our four-legged friends to enjoy.

CHINO

The Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas), in coordination with the City of Chino, will be relocating a gas line along San Antonio Avenue from Walnut Avenue to Stonegate Drive. This work is being completed in preparation for a future City improvement project.

The relocation will involve trenching, installing new gas infrastructure, and restoring affected areas to ensure continued safe and reliable gas service for nearby community members.

Location

San Antonio Avenue, from Walnut Avenue to Stonegate Drive. [View it in the Capital Projects Tracker.](#)

Project Schedule/Milestones

Construction Start Date: Monday, November 3, 2025

Expected Completion: Winter 2026

Work Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

During construction, traffic lanes may be temporarily reduced between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., and sidewalk access may be intermittently restricted. Crews will make every effort to maintain access for residents, businesses, and emergency vehicles throughout the project.

Traffic Impacts

- Intermittent lane and sidewalk closures
- Construction activity and noise during permitted hours
- Temporary parking restrictions in active work zones
- Flaggers and signage to assist with traffic flow
- Temporary pavement and concrete repairs until permanent restoration occurs

Drivers are encouraged to allow extra time when traveling through the area and to use caution near construction crews.

Contact Information

For questions or concerns related to this project, please contact SoCalGas representative, Albert Valencia, at 949-521-8618 or City of Chino Associate Engineer, Mario Estrada, at 909- 334-3265.

Related Documents

1. [Letter to Residents From SoCalGas](#)

CHINO HILLS

Waste Management (WM), the City of Chino Hills' contracted solid waste hauler, is changing some residential trash collection routes in Chino Hills with changes to service days beginning the week of February 2, 2026. Less than 25 percent of households are affected and will have a new trash collection day including neighborhoods near Fairfield Ranch, Carbon Canyon, Lake Los Serranos, Grand Avenue Park, English Springs Park, Litel Elementary, Townsend Junior High, and more.

Affected residents were notified directly by WM in December. Residents can use WM's online interactive map and search tool to check if their address is included. Type the address into the search bar or zoom into the address. All addresses are searchable in the tool, however only impacted homes will display a service day change. Changes will be clearly noted with "Old Service Day" and "New Service Day." Residents should continue to place waste carts at the curb on their normal collection day until the changes take effect in February.

WM began providing solid waste collection services in Chino Hills in July 2022 and initially adopted the same collection routes and schedules used by the previous hauler to ensure a smooth transition for residents. Over the past two and a half years, WM has identified inefficiencies in the existing residential routes and has worked closely with City staff to develop a plan that enhances services delivery across the community. The changes are designed to improve customer experience by providing more consistency in service time, balance workloads, and support future developments currently under construction.

To sign up for collection day notifications and receive digital reminders, visit www.wm.com/MYWM and sign up for a MyWM account or download the app. To learn more about trash services in Chino Hills, Visit your Local Community Hub at home.wm.com/Chino-Hills. For questions, contact WM Recycling Compliance Representative Tristian Ortega at (909) 925-8216.

DIAMOND BAR

The City of Diamond Bar is asking residents to increase their awareness of Coyotes in the area. The highly adaptable nature of coyotes allows them to live in almost any habitat in California, including in a suburban environment like Diamond Bar where abundant natural space is part of the landscape and ample food, water and shelter is readily available.

If coyote sightings are common in your neighborhood or places of recreation, now is a good time to learn or refamiliarize yourself with the following simple strategies to reduce or prevent potential conflicts:

Never purposefully feed them or try to tame them.

Do not feed pets outdoors; store pet food and snacks inside.

Place bird feeders in a location that only birds can access, and regularly clean fallen seeds to reduce the presence of small mammals that coyotes see as a food source.

If you have fruit trees on your property, promptly gather low-hanging fruit and collect any fallen pieces.

If possible, store your trash bins inside your garage or other enclosed area, and wait to put them out for emptying until the morning of your scheduled pickup day.

Trim ground-level shrubbery and other vegetation, and restrict access under decks or other structures that provide cover or can potentially serve as denning sites for coyotes or their prey.

If a coyote appears fearless or aggressive and is approaching you:

Make sure you are standing and if you have small pets or young children with you, pick them up. Do not run or turn your back; instead, make yourself appear as large and menacing as possible by waving your arms or clapping your hands, stomping your feet and shouting in a loud and authoritative voice. If needed, throw non-food objects in its direction.

Retreat by slowly and safely walking backward so you do not turn your back on the coyote.

To report a sick, injured, or aggressive coyote that is posing a threat to public safety, call the Inland Valley Humane Society & S.P.C.A at 909-594-9858.

LA PUENTE

The City of La Puente is asking residents and businesses to participate in FREE, public workshops focused on water conservation, presented in partnership with Upper Water, Green Media Creations, and Green Gardens Group (G3).

Topics:

Rain to Roots: Water for your garden

Landscape design seminar

Outdoor leaks waste water

Protect the pollinators

Learn practical, everyday tips to save water at home and in your community

Some classes maybe available in Spanish or Mandarin.

For questions, contact Katherine Vazquez at katherine@usgvmwd.org or (626) 443-2297 ext. 404

LA VERNE

The City of La Verne is pleased to announce the appointment of Brandon Coatney as Fire Chief, effective January 9, 2026. The appointment by Ken Domer, City Manager, follows a comprehensive leadership transition process and in recognition of Chief Coatney's extensive experience, steady leadership, deep knowledge of the organization, and strong staff support.

"Chief Coatney is a proven leader with a strong operational background and a clear commitment to the community he serves," said Tim Hepburn, Mayor of La Verne. "His experience, professionalism, and familiarity with the La Verne Fire Department position him well to build on the department's strengths and guide it forward with stability and vision."

Chief Coatney brings 30 years of fire service and emergency medical services experience, having served at every level of the fire service, including Firefighter/Paramedic, Fire Engineer, Fire Captain, Battalion Chief, Division Chief of Training, and Deputy Chief. He has served as Deputy Chief of Operations for the Fullerton Fire Department, where he oversaw department-wide operations, personnel, and emergency response functions. Since October 2022, he has served as Deputy Fire Chief for the La Verne Fire Department, providing executive leadership over departmental operations and strategic initiatives.

In addition to his operational leadership, Chief Coatney has held regional and statewide leadership roles, including President of the Orange County Fire Chiefs Association – Operations Section and President of the California Fire Chiefs Association – Operations Section.

Chief Coatney also acknowledged the contributions of his predecessor by stating, “Chief Chris Nigg leaves behind a strong and respected organization. I want to thank Chief Nigg for his leadership and the foundation he has built. I look forward to continuing that legacy while supporting our firefighters and advancing the department’s mission.

ONTARIO

DAUM Commercial Real Estate Services has completed the sale of a 256,722 square-foot, 100% occupied industrial/office building located at 875 W. State St. in Ontario for just over \$57.1 million. EVPs and principals Eric Fikse, SIOR and Eric Burney, SIOR represented the seller, Rancho Cucamonga-based real estate developer IHC State LLC. Fikse procured the buyer, Santa Fe Springs-based real estate investment and management company Orden Company.

“DAUM drew upon its deep expertise in the Inland Empire industrial market to source a buyer that would satisfy the seller’s requirements,” says Fikse. “Ownership was seeking a buyer that could assume the existing debt, despite a lockout provision and prepayment hurdles. We were able to identify a party willing to structure a debt buyout, which ultimately unlocked the deal.

“The buyer secured more efficient financing that improved returns, while the seller was able to retire above-market debt and avoid additional fees on a stabilized new building purchased at replacement cost. This was a true win-win outcome for all parties involved.”

POMONA

A new study confirms Cal Poly Pomona’s powerful economic return on investment for California, showing that for every \$1 invested by the state, the university generates \$14.57 in statewide industry activity — including the impact of alumni earnings.

Beatriz Ceja-Williams visits Ben Bahr's lab at the College of EngineeringAccording to the 2025 California State University Economic Impact Report released today, Cal Poly Pomona supports more than 11,000 jobs and generates \$1.5 billion in industry activity across the Los Angeles region, underscoring its role as a major economic driver in Southern California. The report details the university’s significant influence on the regional economy through its spending, employment and alumni earning power.

During the 2023-24 academic year, Cal Poly Pomona’s economic impact was driven by \$1.03 billion in campus-related spending, which included:

- \$437 million in operational expenditures
- \$117.7 million in auxiliary costs
- \$31.3 million in capital expenditures and
- \$444.6 million in student spending

These expenditures supported about 11,000 regional jobs, \$638.2 million in wages, and \$118.7 million in state and local tax revenue. At the state level, the university’s activities sustained 11,200 jobs, generated \$1.6 billion in industry activity, and produced \$121.4 million in tax revenue.

Cal Poly Pomona alumni also play a pivotal role in fueling California's economy. Their CSU degrees generated an estimated \$1.8 billion in added earnings across the state in 2023-24, reflecting the substantial economic value of their education and its ripple effect through local communities. That added value supported 9,700 jobs, \$689 million in wages, \$2 billion in industry activity, and \$160.1 million in tax revenue statewide.

Alumna teaches students in her classroom. The CSU system is the nation's largest, most diverse and most impactful four-year public university system with 22 universities, 450,000 students and more than 4.3 million alumni. It generated \$31.6 billion in statewide economic impact and \$2.3 billion in state and local tax revenue during the same year, supporting 210,800 jobs and contributing \$13.5 billion in labor income across California.

The analysis, prepared by consulting firm ICF for the CSU Chancellor's Office, used the IMPLAN input-output model, which measures the direct, indirect, and induced effects of university and student spending, along with the secondary impacts of alumni earnings. Alumni impact was calculated from the incremental income attributable to a CSU degree, considering the share spent in the local economy, and excluding investment income that does not circulate regionally.

UPLAND

The City of Upland is aware of a billing error by Burrtec that resulted in unintended charges appearing on some customer trash bills during the November and December 2025 billing period.

Burrtec has confirmed the error and is correcting it. Affected customers will be notified by Burrtec and will receive a credit for the incorrect charges on an upcoming bill.

Residents with questions about their individual bills should contact Burrtec directly: (909) 949-0500

The City will continue to monitor the situation and ensure affected customers have been properly credited.

.WALNUT

Walnut Earns Champion Status in Energy Efficiency The Energy Champion Awards is an energy saving program that the City of Walnut participates in every cycle. The San Gabriel Valley Council of Government (SGVCOG), the Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) and the City of Walnut work in partnership to encourage long-term strategic planning for energy efficient projects in our facilities and/or parks. Last year, Walnut was recognized as Champions for the 2022-2023 cycle, and we can proudly say that we have upheld our Champion status for cycle 2024-2025.

WEST COVINA

The Mayor's Taste of West Covina is a special initiative designed to celebrate and recognize local West Covina restaurants and businesses for their contributions to the community. As part of this program, participating businesses will have the opportunity to offer a month-long promotional special, which will be highlighted on the City of West Covina's website and social media platforms. Selected businesses will be invited to attend a City Council meeting, where they will receive special recognition from the Mayor and City Council during a formal presentation. This program aims to support local commerce, increase visibility for West Covina businesses, and encourage residents to shop and dine locally.

For more information and to participate, please contact the City of West Covina Economic Development Department:

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