

Summer 2023

San Ramon Celebrates its 40thAnniversary

The City is excited to be celebrating its 40th Anniversary. In 1983, San Ramon voters decided overwhelmingly to incorporate as a city and took control over development, police, parks, and other services. A new library, community center, and parks were quickly in the planning stages. The City will be celebrating the occasion with new



40th Anniversary Street Banners, lots of fun 40th Anniversary giveaways, the 4th of July Celebration and 40th Anniversary Concert, light parade, and hosting a number of other 40th Anniversary special events. Look for more information on the City Website for all of the 40th Anniversary events and activities.

4th of July Events

This summer, San Ramon's Central Park is the place for community events! First, celebrate two community events with us on the 4th of July. Start your day with the Run San Ramon 5K, 10K, and Fastest Mile to get your heart pumping. Later, in the evening, get your dancing shoes on and enjoy the **Independence Day Celebration & 40th Anniversary Concert** featuring the Boys of Summer, an Eagles Tribute Band. Come celebrate the 4th of July with us at San Ramon's Central Park this year.





Run San Ramon

Tuesday, July 4
Fastest Mile starts at 7:30 AM
and 5K/10K start at 8:00 AM
San Ramon Central Park
For registration & more information visit:
www.sanramon.ca.gov/fitnessraces

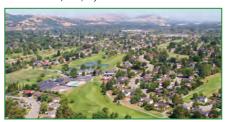
4th of July Concert

Tuesday, July 4 at 5:00 PM
Free Admission
San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater
For more information visit:
www.sanramon.ca.gov/events



San Ramon Conducts Community Survey on Resident Satisfaction and Priorities

In March 2023, the City of San Ramon conducted a **Community Survey** among registered voters in San Ramon, to identify resident satisfaction levels, community priorities, and more. Through the research firm, FM3, 481 residents responded to the survey, which was conducted anonymously over the phone and online. (The sample size was selected because it is a statistically significant industry standard, and provides a margin of error of +/- 5%.)



Survey results include:

- 92% of residents surveyed say San Ramon is a great place to live.
- 90% of residents surveyed say San Ramon is a great place to raise a family.
- − In an open-ended question on what residents like best about living in San Ramon, 35% of respondents said less crime / safety, followed by education / schools (16%), and location (16%).
- When asked to identify the most serious problem facing the community, too much growth and development (31%) and crime / safety (24%) topped the list, followed by traffic / congestion (15%).
- − Voters' highest satisfaction levels with City services are with maintaining public parks (90%) and providing bike lanes (81%).
- Among the areas that voters identified as important to making San Ramon a great place to live, the top areas are preserving open space and natural areas (89%), maintaining public parks (87%), providing police protection in your neighborhood (86%), and maintaining streets and roads (86%).

The City of San Ramon values hearing from residents, and will be conducting more outreach in the coming months to learn more about community priorities.

For more information on the recent Community Survey, visit: sanramon.ca.gov/community-survey.

Pavement Management 2023 Project

The Pavement Management Program (PMP) was developed as part of a Citywide Program to provide street maintenance on an annual basis. By performing this maintenance frequently and systematically, the City minimizes higher, long-term maintenance costs and maintains a higher quality throughout the life of the pavement. The scope of work for



the annual PMP is based on certain factors that include street type (arterial/collector/residential), condition of the street and overall network, the conditions of the streets within a neighborhood or area, and available funds.

For more information, visit the City's website at: https://cityofsanramon.info/PavementManagement

The 2023 PMP is anticipated to take place between July and November 2023. The Project focuses on cape and slurry seal pavement treatments for approximately 25 miles of streets. Benefits include added skid resistance, extended pavement life, and a smoother surface than a chip seal alone.

Cape seal (asphalt rubber chip seal covered with a slurry seal) is a two-step process - a rubber chip seal application includes an asphalt rubber binder followed by a pre-coated crushed rock, and then a week or so later a slurry seal will be applied.

Slurry seal is an asphalt emulsion mixed with crushed rock applied to the existing pavement and/or a chip seal.

Please use caution when driving through the construction zones.

The Project vicinity map can be found on the City's website at: https://cityofsanramon.info/ConstructionProjects

San Ramon Citizen Planning Academy Returns!

The San Ramon Community Development Department will be hosting the 6th session of San Ramon Citizen Planning Academy in the fall of 2023. The goal of the Academy is to educate and engage residents in the City's planning process. The Academy will provide an overview of why cities plan, how planning shapes our community, and the land use planning process. The course concludes with a Mock Planning Commission Meeting for a theoretical project, where the participants serve as the Planning Commission, developers, and residents.



The classes are anticipated to be held on five consecutive Mondays beginning September 11th. Each class will meet from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM, and will be held at City Hall. Following completion

of the course, there will be a formal recognition of class participants at a City Council meeting.

The class is free, but space is limited to 20 residents, over 18 years of age. Applications for the Fall 2023 Citizen Planning Academy and the final class schedule will be available at www.sanramon.ca.gov/planning_academy in July 2023. You will be notified of your acceptance to participate by mid-August 2023. Contact the Community Development Department for additional information at (925) 973-2560 or at planning@sanramon.ca.gov.

Iron Horse Trail at Bollinger Canyon Road Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing Project - Construction

Construction of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project has begun! This new overcrossing will replace the existing at-grade crossing and eliminate conflicts between



pedestrians/bicycles and vehicles. It will also improve vehicular traffic flow and decrease emissions.

The Project includes overcrossing construction, ramps, stairs, decorative lighting, safety lighting, underground utilities, traffic signal modifications, landscape, irrigation, seating nodes, and roadway paving.

Construction activities will impact traffic on Bollinger Canyon Road with lane closures, traffic delays, and detours. Please use caution when driving through the construction zone. Residents, commuters, businesses, and cyclists will be encouraged to use alternate routes and/or detour routes to avoid construction impacts and minimize delays.

Project completion is expected in 2025.

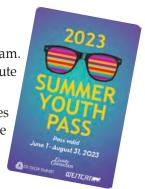
For additional information and construction updates please visit: <u>www.sanramon.ca.gov/IHTBOLLINGEROVERCROSSING</u>.

511 Contra Costa Summer Youth Pass

511 Contra Costa has partnered with County Connection to offer a Summer Youth Pass Program. The Program will provide youths, ages 6-18, with unlimited rides on any County Connection bus route from June 1st – August 31st. The cost of the pass is only \$30*.

*Regular price is \$60. The advertised price reflects a \$30 supplement provided by 511 Contra Costa. Passes receiving the 511CC supplement are limited and available while supplies last. Summer Youth Passes are non-refundable, non-redeemable, and non-transferable.

Visit https://511contracosta.org/youthpass to order your pass and for full Program Terms and Conditions.



City of San Ramon Budget Update

The City of San Ramon is committed to providing the essential services and facilities that help maintain a high quality of life. Every day, our employees work hard to support safe neighborhoods, quality streets and roads, attractive parks, abundant recreation venues and programs, vibrant arts and cultural opportunities, and more. Our goal is to provide the City the services that our community values, while also being fiscally responsible.



San Ramon has a proud history of fiscal prudence. Over the past 10 years, without creating an extra burden on our community, we have:

- Constructed the City's Joint Public Safety Facility
- Funded the Iron Horse Trail Overcrossing at Bollinger Canyon Road
- Built San Ramon's new City Hall
- Fully-funded City pension obligations

The City of San Ramon is on track to achieve a balanced 2023/24 Budget, even as the City navigates rising costs and continuing revenue losses resulting from the pandemic. Mindful

of our goals to maintain both excellent service and financial stability, we are prioritizing maintaining existing service levels, minimizing impact to General Fund reserves, preserving infrastructure maintenance funds, and avoiding one-time solutions. Even so, City expenditures continue to outpace revenue growth as unmet staffing needs and many Capital Improvement Projects (CIPs) continue to remain unfunded.

In keeping with our ongoing commitment to quality service and transparency, we are always listening to you, our San Ramon community. If you have input or questions, please weigh in. For more information, visit: sanramon.ca.gov.

Summer Bike Challenge

Explore our City from the seat of a bike! The City of San Ramon and 511 Contra Costa will launch a free, healthy, outdoor family fun activity with the Summer Bike Challenge. The Bike Challenge begins June 1st and runs through August 31st. San Ramon residents are encouraged to participate and explore the City by biking, getting exercise, and collecting incentives in the process. It is free to register.



Visit https://511contracosta.org/sbc/ for more detailed information on how to register and take part in the Summer Bike Challenge!

Presto Autonomous Vehicle Shuttle Service Now Open to the Public in Bishop Ranch

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority in partnership with Beep, Inc., Bishop Ranch, and with support from the City of San Ramon, launched the first autonomous shuttle program open to the public in the Bay Area.

The Bishop Ranch PRESTO shuttle will run a continuous loop around Bishop Ranch using public and private roadways, with four stops in Bishop Ranch, providing connectivity to the San Ramon Transit Center,





City Center, and various corporate offices. Shuttles will operate Monday–Friday, 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM through fall 2023. Shuttle service is free and is open to the general public.

More information on how to use the shuttles can be found at: https://ridepresto.com/.

Practice a Trash-Free Lifestyle

Becoming a good steward for the planet does not come naturally – doing so requires a bit of practice. After decades of experiencing single-serving culture, we all know how convenient it is to have each food item, drink, or product packaged and ready to go for consumption. When outside on a hot afternoon, someone hands you a cold plastic bottle of water. Delightful!

The unfortunate truth is that only about 5% of plastics in the United States are recycled into new products. Placing materials in a curbside blue cart is how we start the



"recycling" process, but what happens to everything in that blue cart after it is collected? Some materials are indeed recycled (cardboard has a broad recycled pulp and product market); however, some are not because of a complicated global recycling infrastructure, where recycled commodities have myriad challenges in the marketplace, and most plastic packaging was never designed to be recyclable in the first place.



Quick Fact: that "chasing arrows" symbol on the bottom of the bottle, or on the side of the container, does NOT denote its recyclability. The number is a resin code, meant to let you know what type of plastic it is. Only

plastics #1 and #2 are reasonably recyclable at this time, and only if they are not contaminated with stickers, food, or other residue.

The good news: we can change this single-serving predicament with small and fairly simple actions.

San Ramon's real **Trash-Free Champions** are those individuals who bring their own insulated reusable bottle of cold water, who seek out meals and/or drinks on reusable dishware, who bring their own sturdy cups to be filled with their drink of choice, and who plan ahead to have reusable utensils and straws in their purse, bag, or in a "car kit" that is easy to grab on the go.

The Trash-Free San Ramon Program is now one year old and is celebrating its anniversary by certifying businesses who provide reusable dishware to customers, and recognizing those shops that incentivize (with discounts) filling their customers' reusable cups and containers to avoid single-use trash.

Try it! Bring a cup into your favorite coffee shop to be refilled, visit a Trash-Free certified restaurant, or pack a picnic complete with those collectable stadium cups (from that baseball game or Summer Concert), sturdy reusable plastic plates, and create single-servings with reusable food containers. The first time is always the hardest, but, you, too, will find it easy to reduce trash and become a sustainable steward of the Earth.

Alarm Registration Program

Do you have a residential or business alarm? The City of San Ramon launched a new Alarm Registration Program in July 2022.

The new alarm registration system is aimed at increasing community safety by reducing false alarms, allowing police officers to respond to emergencies and other calls for service. Each year, San Ramon officers respond to anywhere from 2,000 to 3,000 false alarm calls.

Every San Ramon residence or business with an alarm system must obtain an alarm permit. Permits are free and free annual renewal is required.



False Alarm Fee Schedule ◆ Effective July 1, 2022		
Number of False Alarms	Action Taken	Fines
1	Written Warning	\$0
2	Written Notice	\$50
3	Written Notice	\$150
4 and above	Written Notice	\$300

New residential and commercial business alarms must be registered within **30 days of installation**.

To register your alarm, visit: https://sanramonca.citysupport.org.

Alarm owners will be subject to fines according to the above fee schedule per calendar year.

For more information, visit:

https://www.sanramon.ca.gov/our_city/departments_and_divisions/police/alarms or call (888) 865-9770.



Residential Customer

PRSRT STD U.S. Postage PAID San Ramon, CA Permit # 50 E C R W S S

SUMMER EVENTS CALENDAR

JUNE

June 23

Summer Dive-In Movie: Despicable Me*
San Ramon Olympic Pool



JULY

July 4

Run San Ramon 5K/10K Run, Walk, and Fastest Mile*
San Ramon Central Park



July 4

4th of July Concert featuring The Boys of Summer (Eagles Tribute Band)
San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater

July 7

Summer Dive-In Movie: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish* Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center

July 9

Summer Concert Series featuring Rachel Steele & Road 88 (Country & Pop)
San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater



July 16

Summer Concert Series featuring No Duh (No Doubt & Gwen Stefani Tribute) San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater

July 23

Summer Concert Series featuring The Groove Doctors (Bay Area Dance & Party Band)
San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater

July 26

Middle School Back to School Pool Party*
San Ramon Olympic Pool

July 30

Summer Concert Series featuring Melody Makers (Bollywood Band) San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater

AUGUST

August 4

Summer Dive-In Movie: Top Gun: Maverick*
San Ramon Olympic Pool

August 6

Summer Concert Series featuring Fast Times (Ultimate 80's Tribute) *Special 40th Anniversary Party San Ramon Central Park Amphitheater

*These events require registration or ticket purchase.

For more information, please visit: www.SanRamon.ca.gov/parks or call (925) 973-3200.

SAN RAMON SUMMER CONCERTS SUNDAYS STARTING JULY 9 AT 5:30 PM

SAN RAMON CENTRAL PARK AMPHITHEATER



The Summer Concerts in the Park return weekly starting Sunday, July 9th. These free community concerts feature the best of the Bay Area's live bands with a fun variety of genres. Bring a blanket and picnic dinner to enjoy on the lawn, or purchase food and drink at the show from local food trucks and the San Ramon Arts Foundation.

For more information, visit: www.sanramon.ca.gov/events.

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Engineering973-2670
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Parks & Community Services
Passport Services
Planning
Police
Public Services
Transportation

Facilities

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Dougherty Station Community Center \dots 973-3200
Dougherty Station Library973-3380
Dougherty Valley Aquatic Center
Dougherty Valley Performing Arts Center 973-3343
Permit Center
San Ramon Community Ctr & Central Park 973-3200 $$
San Ramon Library973-2850
San Ramon Olympic Pool

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