

EXPLORE

SUMMER 2018

RIVERSIDE



**What Goes Where?
Riverside Recycles**
—— PG. 5 ——

**House Rebates to
Help Beat the Heat**
—— PG. 73 ——



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8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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Parks, Recreation and Community Services

POOL HOURS

RECREATION SWIM

June 16 – August 9

Monday – Thursday

Hunt, Islander, Sippy and Shamel: 1 – 3 p.m.
Reid and Villegas: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Arlington: 2 – 4 p.m.

Saturday

All Pools: 1 – 4 p.m.



NIGHT SWIM

June 19 – August 9

Monday - Thursday

Arlington, Hunt, Islander, Reid,
Sippy and Villegas
7 - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday

Shamel
7 - 8:30 p.m.

Splash Pads

Memorial Day – Labor Day
(May 26 – September 3)
All Locations: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.



EXPLORE COVER: Edison Kanatzar of Riverside
recycles at her home. | Steve Jacobs

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READING TAKES YOU EVERYWHERE

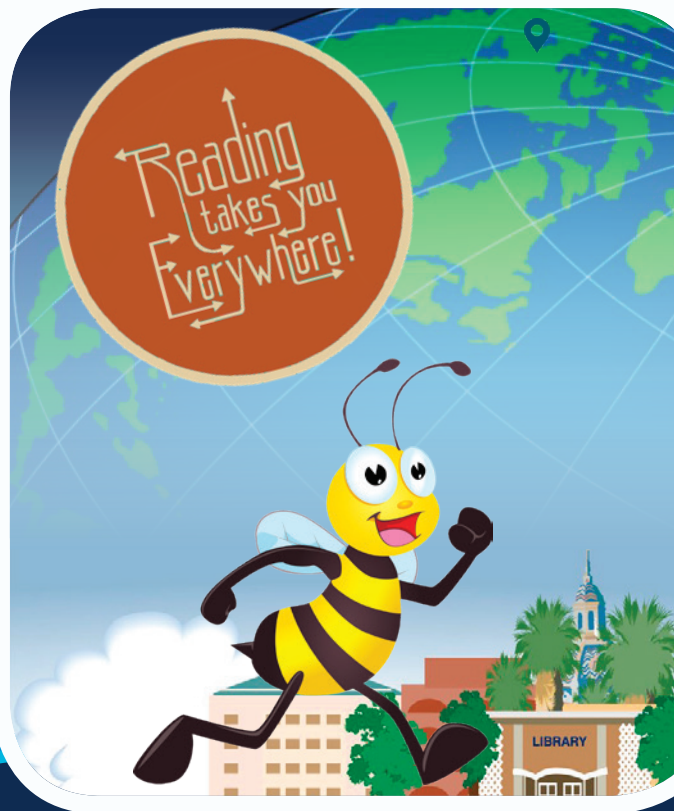
Riverside Public Library's Summer Reading

Program 2018 is coming to a library near you! The theme for this summer is "Reading Takes You Everywhere." Children, teens and adults with a library card will be able to sign up, earn prizes and participate in a variety of programs all centered around this year's theme.

FREE activities will include jugglers, magicians, wild animals, song and dance, plus Science, Technology, Robotics, Engineering and Mathematics (STREAM) activities!

Not only will we offer these things in our buildings, but we will also be taking activities to parks in many Riverside neighborhoods.

The fun begins **June 16** and will be highlighted by a fabulous kickoff event at the **Riverside Municipal Auditorium** featuring Kids Imagine Nation on **June 18** at **11 a.m.** Don't miss it!



THE TOYS ARE COMING!



Riverside Public Library has always aimed to spark curiosity and provide tools for discovery. What better way to do that than through toys?

Playing with toys has been shown to enhance physical abilities, create new vocabulary, and enrich cognitive, social and literary skills. We are excited to offer over 1,000 toys, games and puzzles in our new **Toy Lending Library**. There will be toys at **ALL EIGHT LOCATIONS** starting this summer. There is no age limit for fun, so our toys can be checked out by anyone! Come play with us!



RiversideCA.gov/Library



30 YEARS

AS A TREE CITY USA

The trees around us are essential to our environment and provide our community with many benefits—they produce oxygen, clean our soil, control noise pollution, slow stormwater runoff, increase property values, clean the air and provide shade and natural cooling.

This year, for the **30TH YEAR IN A ROW**, the City of Riverside Public Works Department was recognized as a **Tree City USA**. The Tree City USA program, sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with

the USDA Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters, provides direction, technical assistance and national recognition by supporting the framework for a sustainable urban forest. An urban forest is a collection of trees that grow within a city.

Congratulations to the Public Works Department and Tree Division employees for their hard work and dedication to maintaining a healthy Tree City USA!

WAIT! DON'T THROW THAT AWAY!

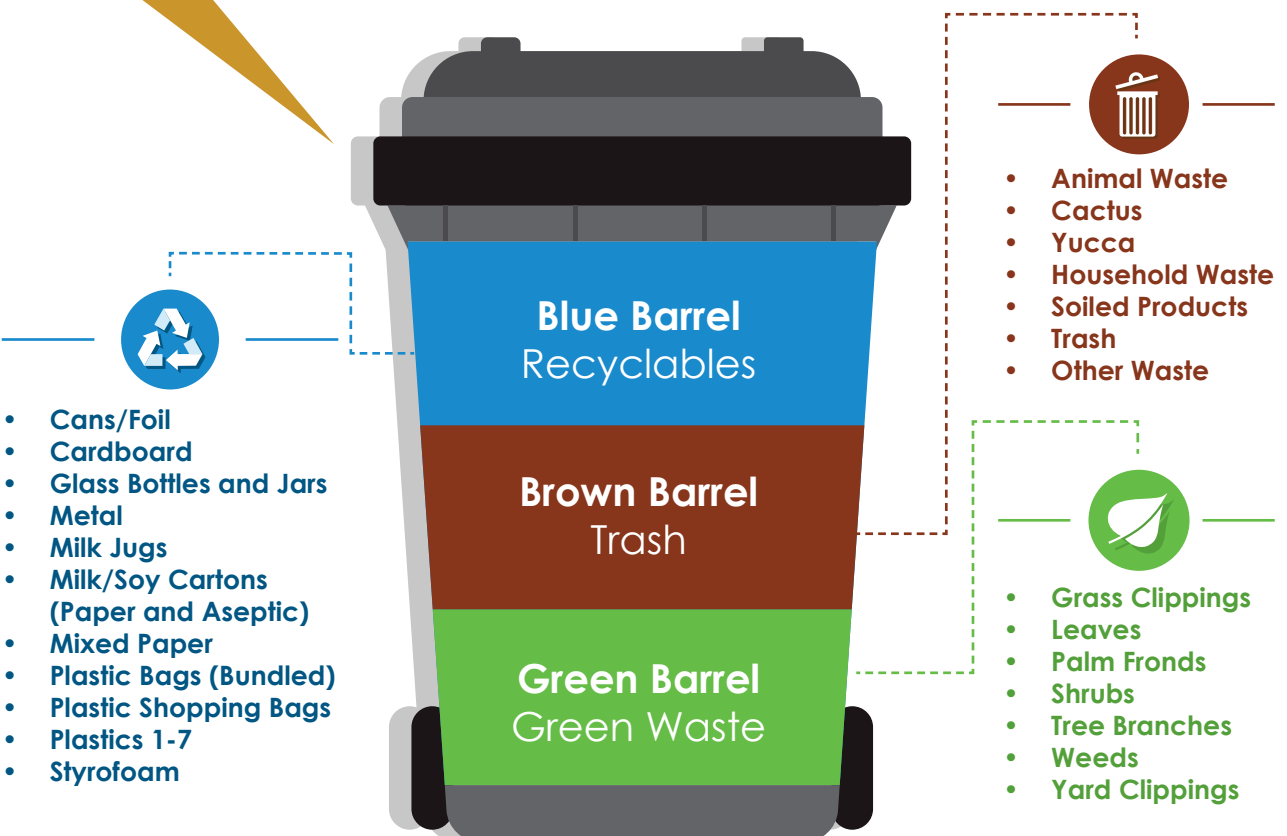
With advances in recycling technology, we have more options than ever to repurpose what used to be trash into new products. Most Riverside residents have three rolling carts for waste. These carts come in three colors: **brown or black** – regular trash; **blue** – recycling; and **green** – green waste/yard waste. All items that go in the blue and green containers are **RECYCLABLE** in some way.

It can sometimes be confusing to know what goes where. However, it is important, so we need your help to sort your waste properly.

Accidentally throwing trash in your blue or green container means the recyclable material can't be properly processed and has to be sent to a landfill as trash, which is not good for our environment or community. However, if you are not sure if it is recyclable or trash, it is best to throw it in the trash container—this ensures the recycling stays good and clean.

Also, if you're not sure, you can call Riverside's Call Center at (951) 826-5311 or visit RiversideCA.gov/PublicWorks/Trash for more information.

The good news is that there are **MORE RECYCLABLE ITEMS THAN EVER BEFORE!**





JULIA OLSEN-RODRIGUEZ

CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE BALLET

Since its founding in 1969, **California Riverside Ballet (CRB)** has presented exciting classical and contemporary ballet programs to the delight of audiences and dance critics alike.

In 2014, highly acclaimed ballet dancer, **Julia Olsen-Rodriguez**, was hand-selected by Mario Nugara, Director of City of Angels Ballet in Los Angeles and at the time, Director of California Riverside Ballet, to be the Principal Ballet Instructor for California Riverside Ballet. Fast forward a few years and in the summer of 2017, Ms. Olsen-Rodriguez was enthusiastically named the Artistic Director of CRB.

Ms. Olsen-Rodriguez is noted for her superb technique and elegant expression. As an instructor and coach, she has choreographed for young dancers to compete in Youth America Grand Prix (YAGP), one of the most prestigious ballet competitions in the United States.

As a student, Ms. Olsen-Rodriguez received full merit scholarships studying with the elite Joffrey Ballet School Trainee Program. She was selected by Edith d'Addario, Director of the Joffrey Ballet School, as recipient of The Gaynor Minden Scholarship in 1999. She was also accepted to such schools as: American Ballet Theatre, The Kirov, The Bolshoi at Vail, Houston Ballet, The Rock School of the Pennsylvania Ballet, Alvin Ailey American Dance Center, and The School at Jacobs Pillow. Ms. Olsen-Rodriguez is the twice recipient of First Place honors in the category of Pas de Deux and High Point Overall at the prestigious YAGP.

CRB is committed to promoting excellence and enriching life through its presentation of ballet. CRB accomplishes this through community outreach and performances which educate and provide artistic experience to dancers and patrons alike. For more information, please visit CRBallet.com

CITY OF ARTS



RIVERSIDE FOOD WASTE PREVENTION AND FOOD RESCUE INITIATIVE

Did you know an estimated **40 PERCENT OF FOOD GROWN ENDS UP IN OUR TRASH?** It eventually makes its way to the landfill where in the decomposition process, releases volumes of greenhouse gases. Most climate scientists agree the main cause of the current global warming trends is the result of human activities that are contributing large quantities of certain gases, some of which comes from the decomposition of organic materials, such as food waste and the burning of fossil fuels.

To address food waste in our community, the City of Riverside, along with its partners, the Riverside Food Systems Alliance and the Riverside Food Co-op, were awarded a grant from California's Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to create the **Riverside Food Waste Prevention and Food Rescue Initiative**. The program will provide tools and training for the community to encourage food waste prevention and food rescue activities in three key categories:

1. Public Outreach – The raising of awareness of financial, social and environmental impacts of food waste and providing solutions for the community.

- 2. Food Rescue & Waste Prevention Ambassador Certification Program** – The training of four groups of 25-30 participants over a 40-hour Food Rescue & Waste Prevention Ambassador Certification Program, where they will learn about a variety of topics about the life cycle of food.
- 3. Food Rescue and Distribution** – The development of an online exchange platform to assist food donors (restaurants, farms, grocery stores) and food recipients (food pantries, food banks, homeless shelters) to rescue edible food to serve those in need across the community.

Want to volunteer for the FREE Food Rescue & Waste Prevention Ambassador Certification Program? Stay tuned for volunteer announcements. For more information, contact the **Solid Waste Division at (951) 351-6174**.



The Riverside Food Waste Prevention and Food Rescue Initiative is a project of the GrowRIVERSIDE Initiative, a regional collaborative with a mission to develop and maintain an equitable, healthy and sustainable food system in Riverside. For more information, visit **GrowRIV.com**.

SERIOUSLY. NO FIREWORKS. ZERO.

FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL IN THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE

MINIMUM FINE: \$1,000

WHY ARE THEY BAD?



INJURIES



FIRE
HAZARD



SCARED
CHILDREN



SCARED
PETS



For family-friendly
4th of July activities, visit

RiversideCA.gov/Calendar

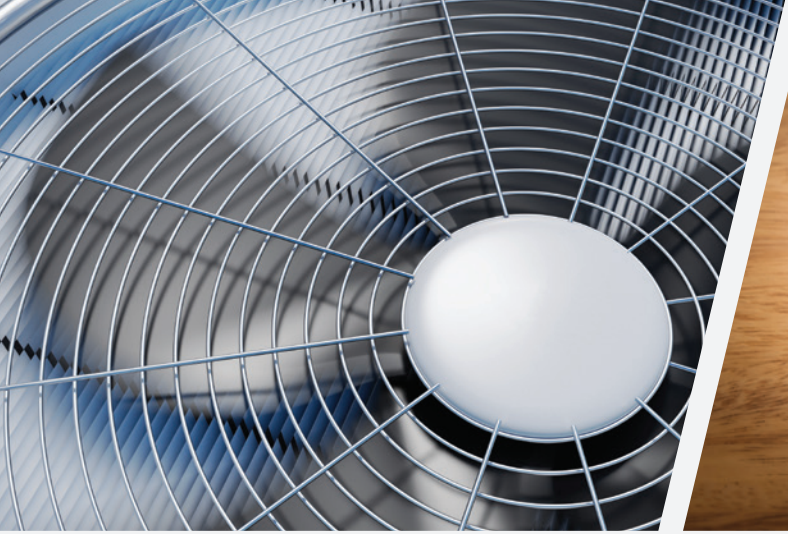
PROPERLY DISPOSE OF YOUR OLD AND TATTERED FLAG

In 2016, American Legion Post 289 donated the first **Flag Depository Box** to the City of Riverside. The flag of the United States of America is one of the nation's most widely recognized symbols and represents freedom and liberty. When the flag is in such condition that is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified and ceremonial way.

American Legion Post 289 and the City of Riverside Fire Department recognized the need for the citizens of Riverside to have a standard method of proper flag disposal. After a full year of research, modifications and graphic design to a retired old-fashioned mailbox, American Legion Post 289 presented the inaugural Flag Depository Box to **Fire Station 1** located at 3401 University Ave. The box will be checked regularly to ensure all flags are cared for in an honorable manner.

Fire Station 1 • 3401 University Ave.





IS YOUR HOUSE READY FOR SUMMER?

With temperatures rising as we enter the warm summer months, a tune-up of your heating and cooling system can improve efficiency and your overall comfort. As much as half of the energy used in your home or business goes to heating and cooling. Keep your **heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC)** system at peak performance by having a contractor do an annual pre-season check-up. Ideally, your heating and air conditioning system should be inspected at least once a year. To assist customers, Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) offers its customers a **\$25 REBATE FOR A HVAC TUNE-UP** (must include refrigerant recharge).

In addition to heating and cooling, lighting your home or business with bulbs that feature **light emitting diodes, also called LEDs**, can help reduce your energy costs over time. LED products are among the most efficient products on the market, helping users **SAVE 50 TO 75 PERCENT** over incandescent or compact fluorescent bulbs.

Additionally, **LED bulbs last longer**, offer a better color and warmer lighting temperatures, are dimmable with no warm-up lag and have no mercury, hazardous materials or other disposal issues commonly associated with compact fluorescent lights.

To make it even easier for customers to save, RPU is offering an **instant, in-store rebate** when customers purchase LED bulbs at participating retail outlets. RPU electric customers can visit any participating location and look for the RPU logo on one of the LED bulbs offered through this program. Customers can purchase bulbs (limit of 16) and receive an instant rebate at the register!

For more information on HVAC tune-up please visit RiversidePublicUtilities.com/Rebates.

For participating store locations and details for LED bulbs, please visit RiversidePublicUtilities.com.



Less Water, More Color

By now, most people know that by replacing grass with water-wise landscaping, you can save a lot of water outside. In fact, some save as much as 125 gallons per day for every thousand square-feet of turf removed. Water-wise plants can also improve the look of your yard. For more information, visit BlueRiverside.com.



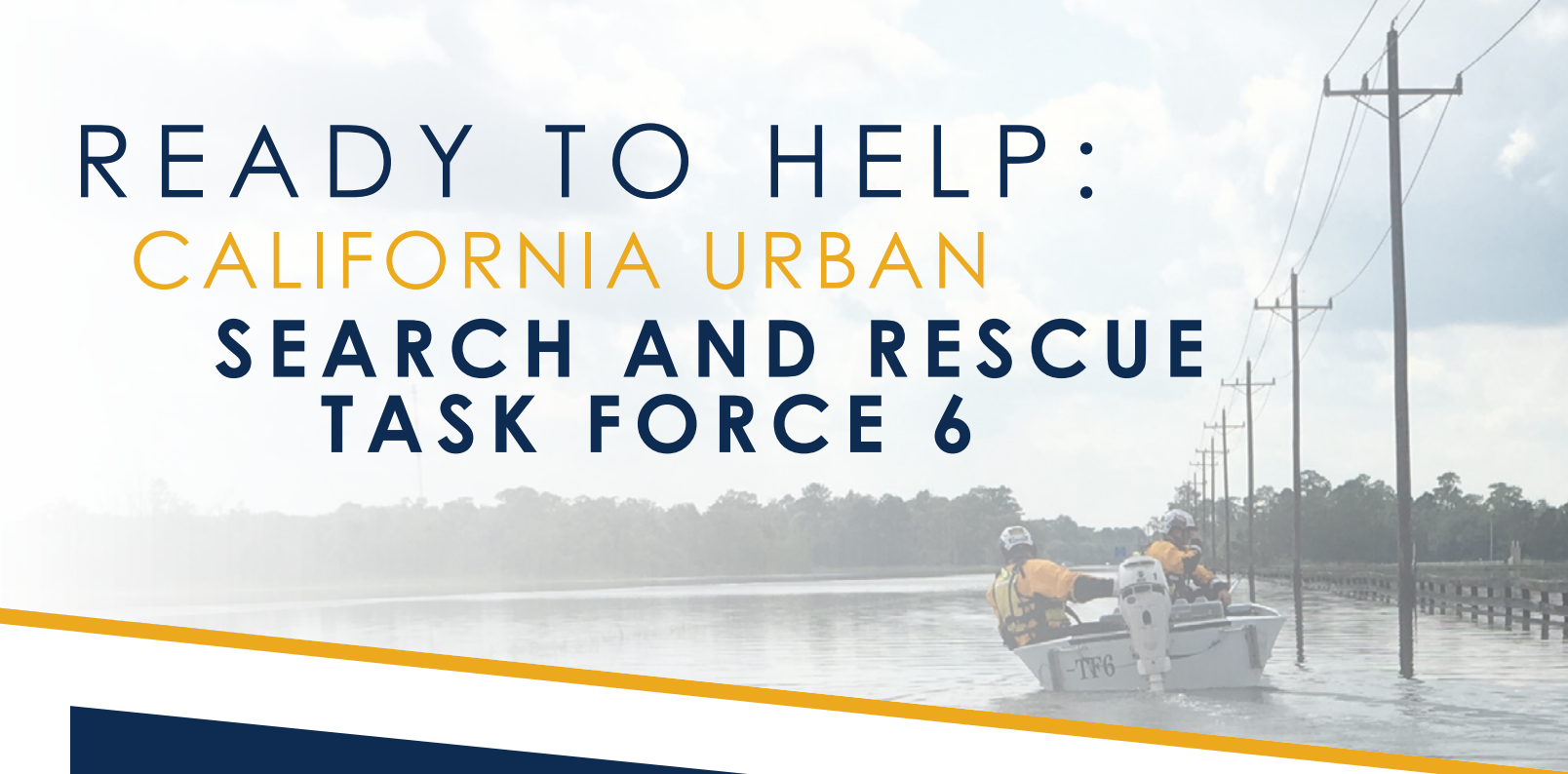
Get Your **Free**
Sprinkler Nozzles

Time is Running Out! | Program ends June 30, 2018

Water savings made easy.
Enroll, pick-up, install and save!

To get started, visit: FreeSprinklerNozzles.com

READY TO HELP: CALIFORNIA URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TASK FORCE 6



Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) is a “multi-hazard” discipline that may be needed for a variety of emergencies or disasters including: earthquakes, hurricanes, typhoons, storms, tornadoes, floods, dam failures, technological accidents, terrorist activities and hazardous materials releases.

The **California US&R System** provides highly specialized personnel and resources, leveraged from the local level, for 24/7 response capability to the state and federal government. Our local task force, **CA-Task Force 6 (CA-TF6)**, is one of 28 National Task Forces and one of eight in California that respond as either Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or as a California Emergency Management Agency resource during emergencies requiring highly skilled search and rescue personnel.

The City of Riverside Fire Department is the **sponsoring agency for CA-TF6**. Participating agency fire departments include: Corona, Hemet, Murrieta, Pechanga, and CAL Fire/Riverside County Fire Department.

A limited number of professional civilians are a part of the Task Force. Civilians include: licensed structural engineers, emergency room physicians, certified search dogs and handlers.

Recently, CA-TF6 has been deployed to assist in the search and rescue efforts after Hurricane Harvey, Hurricane Maria and the Montecito mudslides. Be sure to follow them at [Facebook.com/CATF6](https://www.facebook.com/CATF6).



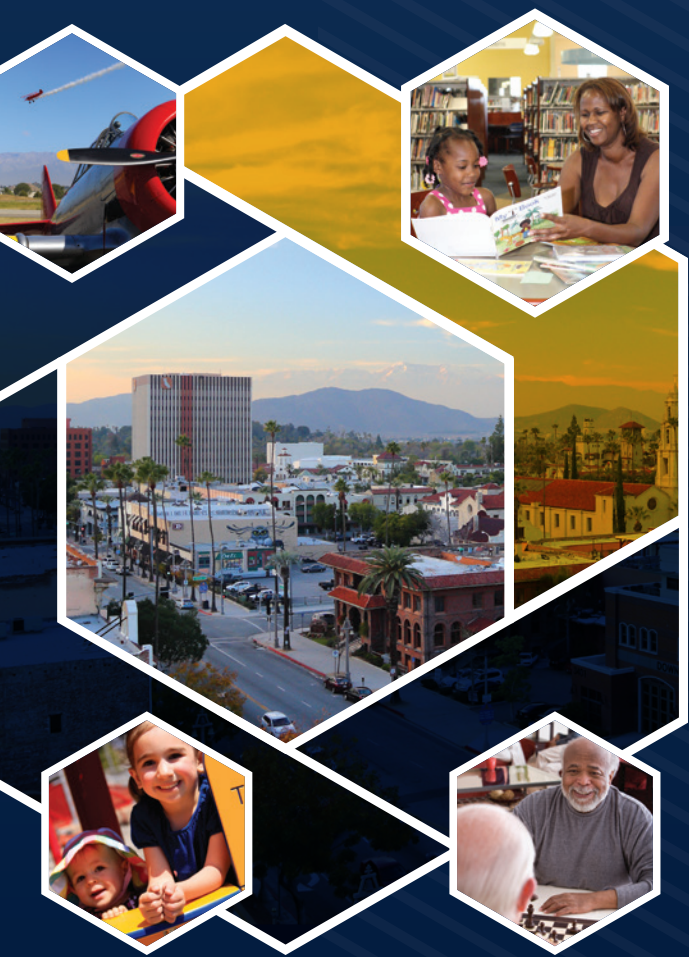
A street during a CA-TF6 search and rescue effort after the Montecito mudslides.

CA-TF6 deployed to help assist after Hurricane Harvey.



CA-TF6 and cargo plane prepare for departure to Puerto Rico to assist after Hurricane Maria.





BE THE CHANGE

FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Help shape the future of Riverside and volunteer today!

RiversideCA.gov/City_Clerk

Show Us Why You Love Riverside!

#ILoveRiverside



@bobfrisch



@D2Pphotos



@roamingrescues

Use the hashtag [#ILoveRiverside](https://www.instagram.com/ILoveRiverside) and your image could be featured in the next ExploreRiverside magazine!

CONNECT WITH US: RiversideCA.gov/SocialMedia



BE COURTEOUS

THEY'RE THERE FOR A REASON

Please help us keep our sidewalks safe and accessible for everyone.

Parking Services reminds you that sidewalks **must be accessible to everyone**. It is unlawful to park a vehicle with any portion of the vehicle blocking a curb cut for wheelchair access onto a sidewalk.

Curb access ramps offer a safe and convenient method of travel allowing people with mobility impairments to gain access to the sidewalks. These curb access ramps are portions of the sidewalk that are cut down to create a ramp that allows wheelchairs to easily access the sidewalk. The ramps may be located at the end of a block or at T-intersections with an unmarked crosswalk.

If you would like any additional information regarding parking rules and services, you may contact a representative at **(951) 826-5620**.

MAY

3

Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
RCAAArts.org

4

May the 4th Fest

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

5

111TH Annual Cinco de Mayo

Villegas Park
10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
(951) 351-6142

9

1 Million Cups

Back to the Grind Coffee House
9 – 10 a.m.
1MillionCups.com/Riverside

10

Doors Open Riverside

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
DoorsOpenRiverside.com



Doors Open
RIVERSIDE

11

Apocalyptic: Plays Metallica By Four Cellos Tour

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

12

Downtown Farmers Market

Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

Chess Club

Orange Terrace Library
2 – 6 p.m.
(951) 826-2184

TECH N9NE

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

Maks, Val & Peta

Live on Tour: Confidential
Fox Performing Arts Center
8:30 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

16

Career-Tech Expo

Municipal Airport
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Airport



17

Zoé - Tour 2018

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

Celtic Woman: Homecoming Tour

Fox Performing Arts Center
8:30 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

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Keep Calm Color On!

Arlanza Library
11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

An Evening with

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



26

Chili Cook-Off, Car & Cycle Show

Arlington Business District
9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
RiversideABP.com

JUNE

2

Downtown Farmers Market

Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

5

Todd Rundgren's Utopia

Fox Performing Arts Center
7 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



7

Arts Walk

Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
RCAAArts.org

12

PC Game Club for Teens

Arlanza Library
5 – 6:45 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

14

Intocable

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



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Downtown Farmers Market

Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

18

Summer Reading Program Kickoff Event

Riverside Municipal Auditorium
11 a.m.
(951) 826-5201

23
Downtown Farmers Market
Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

25
Anthony the Magician
Arlanza Library
4 – 5 p.m.
(951) 826-2217

27
Polynesian Paradise Dancers
Orange Terrace Library
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library



28
Wildlife Wendy
La Sierra Library
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

Juggling with Michael Rayner
Main Library
4 – 5 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

JULY

4
Front Row Fireworks
Evergreen Memorial Cemetery
5 – 9:30 p.m.
Evergreen-Cemetery.info

Fireworks at Mt. Rubidoux and La Sierra Park
9 p.m.



5
Arts Walk
Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
RCAAArts.org

9
Noteworthy Puppets
Arlanza Library
4 – 5 p.m.
(951) 826-2217

12
Rudy's Radical Science
Main Library
4 – 5 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library



14
Downtown Farmers Market
Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408



20
Pancho Barraza
Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

28
Chess Club
Orange Terrace Library
2 – 6 p.m.
(951) 826-2184



AUGUST

2
Arts Walk
Downtown
6 – 9 p.m.
RCAAArts.org

4
Downtown Farmers Market
Downtown
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

7
National Night Out
6 – 9 p.m.
RPDonline.org



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

18
Chess Club
Orange Terrace Library
2 – 6 p.m.
(951) 826-2184

Bulky Item Drop Off Only
Corporation Yard
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/CURE

31
Alice in Chains
Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com



To see more events and detailed information, or to submit your event to the calendar, visit
RiversideCA.gov/Calendar

Dates and times are subject to change.