GrowRIVERSIDE is a program whose principal goal is to foster the growth of a sustainable local food and agriculture system that benefits the community, environment, and economy of the Inland Southern California region.

LOCAL MATTERS
Localizing our food system creates jobs and economic activities, increases access to nutritious foods, and strengthens communities for a more resilient and sustainable future.

For more information, visit GrowRiv.com.
Sycamore Canyon
Whether you hike, bike, or just stroll, the Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park’s trail system (pictured on cover) is a wonderful way to enjoy a beautiful natural environment within the City of Riverside! The trail offers amazing panoramic views of the city, chances to see native plants & wildlife, great birding opportunities – all just minutes from downtown! Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park is a 1,500 acre park and one of eight protected core reserves designated by the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency for the federally-listed endangered Stephens’ Kangaroo Rat (Dipodomys stephensi). The park is also home to nearly 100 other plant & animal species that have been classified as rare, sensitive, threatened, or endangered. Hike, bike, bird watch, and simply engage in the wonders of Riverside’s wildlife. MySycamoreCanyon.com

Victoria Avenue
Victoria Avenue is a tree-lined, family-friendly parkway with parallel bicycle and equestrian paths enjoyed by cyclists of varying abilities.

Santa Ana River Trail
The Santa Ana River Trail and Parkway parallels the Santa Ana River. It was developed through the cooperative efforts of park districts, counties, cities, nonprofits and community members interested in recreational opportunities for this rapidly-growing region. The Trail passes through 14 cities in three counties.

DID YOU KNOW?
Bike lanes are swept twice a month by the Public Works Department. High volume bike paths, like Victoria Avenue, are swept every Friday to prepare for increased use on weekends. Bike path maintenance is completed by the Public Works Department on an as-needed basis.

Regardless of whether a bikeway stripe, stencil, or sign is present on a given street, bicycles are permitted on ALL roads in the state of California (with the exception of access controlled freeways).

Learn more about the various Bicycle Programs at RiversideCA.gov/PublicWorks
REACH FOR
THE CHEECH
Opening in 2020, the Cheech Marin Center for Chicano Art, Culture, & Industry at the Riverside Art Museum will explore Chicano culture from the barrio to the bay, cholos to César Chávez and pre-Columbian to modern murals. As Cheech says, it will be the “center of Chicano art, not only for paintings, but sculpture, photography, and video arts.”

Located in downtown Riverside, next door to the historic Mission Inn Hotel & Spa, the center will be housed in the 61,420-sq-ft facility that now serves as the Main Library for over 50 years.

In keeping with the collaborative, community-based educational programs the Riverside Art Museum currently offers, The Cheech will provide vastly expanded space for the diverse educational offerings that are already inspiring students across the region.

**MAIN LEVEL**
- 15,000 square feet of permanent exhibition space for The Cheech collection
- A museum store
- A museum eatery

**UPPER LEVEL**
- 8,000 square feet of temporary exhibition space
- Additional spaces for programs, performances, lectures, & multi-media projects

**LOWER LEVEL**
- An Academic Resource Center
- 6,000 square feet for educational initiatives
- 8,000 square feet of collection storage area

For more information, visit TheCheechCenter.org
Ronald Ostman
Toy Maker

- Grew up in Brooklyn during the Great Depression.
- Retired from the United States Air Force.
- Worked for Fleetwood Windows & Doors.

What kind of wooden toys do you make?
I like cars, especially old vintage cars but I also make trains, tanks, and airplanes.

What inspires you to give your toys away for free?
I grew up during the Great Depression and I remember what it’s like to not have money for toys. So, years ago, while working at Fleetwood, I started donating my woodwork to charity. People tell me I could sell these online, like on Ebay, but that sounds like too much work. I’m retired!

What kind of wood do you use?
I like redwood because it’s easy to cut, but I also tend to use mahogany and maple, too. It depends on what I’m making.

How long does it take to make your wooden toys?
Well, the smaller toys take just three or four days. The complicated trains and such usually take a week or two.

How do kids react to the toys?
They’re funny. I tell them there are no batteries and that the toy costs just a “thank you” and a smile. I always get it. I just like to see the kids light up.

What are you working on now?
I recently made 250 toys for the Wounded Warrior project. Some are tanks. They are pretty cool with a turning turret and everything.
The Riverside Police Department is proud to present its new and innovative mobile application. The app is free to the public and gives you access to the latest news, photos, videos, events, alerts, and crime information, no matter where you are. In addition, the application allows two-way communications using our social media platforms of Facebook, Nextdoor, Instagram, and Twitter. It also includes a special feature for submitting anonymous tips to the department, and you can make a police report online.

Here are some features included in our application.

**Alerts:** You can sign up for alerts that will be delivered to your cell phone.

**Submit a Tip:** Be the eyes and ears of RPD by submitting anonymous tips to help fight crime in your neighborhood.

**Crime Maps:** View real-time crime maps of activities in your neighborhood or across the city.

**Traffic Complaints:** If you notice a traffic problem in your neighborhood, directly send us the information so we can help resolve it.

**Press Releases:** You can view all official press releases sent out by RPD and other city departments.

**Directory:** Our directory provides you a list of contact numbers within our department.

**Social Media:** You will have access to all RPD’s social media platforms through our app. Did you know that you don’t even need to have your own private social media account to view RPD’s Youtube, Twitter, Facebook, Nextdoor, and Twitter?

**Police Stations:** Find a list of all RPD police stations.

**File a report:** You will be able to make certain types of police reports directly from your mobile device.

**Links:** Click on “Links” to find information about other City of Riverside departments and area agencies.

**3-1-1:** You can directly access the City of Riverside’s 3-1-1 system, as well as the “Riverside Alert” system.

We will be adding features in the future, so please select automatic updating when you download the application. Join us in working together to make the City of Riverside a safer place for our residents, businesses and visitors.

Riverside Police Department
Riverside, CA

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RPDonline.org

YouTube.com/CityofRiverside.
Icetown came to Riverside in 1997 and recently celebrated its 20th anniversary in the City. Initially, Icetown offered just hockey and figure skating but over the years the family-run business now offers many other family-friendly events and services. We spoke with Hockey Director, Matt Dunaev and Skating Coach, Tammy Gambol to learn more.

Why Riverside?
We thought this was a perfect location for Icetown because the nearest skating rinks were in Ontario, Anaheim or Arrowhead. We knew Riverside had a lot of families and kids, so we chose Riverside and never looked back.

What makes Icetown unique?
Unlike most rinks, we have two separate ice sheets and a gym specifically dedicated to train ice skating and hockey players. This attracts ice enthusiasts who want to train to get to the next level. We have several Olympic athletes, from places like Ukraine and Australia, who train here because of our facility, the trainers and coaches.

Tell us about your youth traveling hockey team?
Some people might not know that Icetown is home of the Junior Ontario Reign, which is the American Hockey League affiliate of the Los Angeles Kings. If you’re a sports fan, that’s a big deal!

What else does Icetown offer?
We host birthday parties, open public skate, broomball events, company parties, and skating and hockey lessons for kids age three on up to pro.

Icetown is open daily 10 a.m. - 10 p.m., except on holidays.
10540 Magnolia Avenue Riverside, CA 92505
(951) 637-3070
IceTownRiverside.com

To watch the full interview, visit YouTube.com/CityofRiverside.
LED INSTANT REBATE

Installing LED bulbs is one of the easiest things you can do to lower energy use and utility bills.

To make it even easier for you to save, we are offering an instant in-store rebate on select LED bulbs from Greenlite.

For participating store locations and details, go to GreenRiverside.com
A CITY RICH IN INNOVATION

The new Main Library, due to open in 2020, will be located at 3911 University Avenue and will face Mission Inn Avenue. The Main Library will be a two-story, approximately 42,000 square-foot building that will be elevated by a 30-foot pedestal to create an outdoor arcade and pedestrian walkway. The outdoor plaza is designed for ground-floor activity such as: farmers markets, author signings, youth performances, concerts, and family festivals. The ground floor is further activated by a community room accessible during and after library hours and a prominent Friends.
of the Library bookstore. The first floor will house an innovation space with 3D printers, a recording booth and other emerging technologies, the Children’s Library with a storytime area, and a marketplace area with new books, DVDs, and other popular items for check-out. There will be an outdoor terrace connected to the Library that can be used during and after library hours with spectacular views of Mount Rubidoux.

On the second floor there will be group study rooms and books for adults. Innovations, such as stationary bikes with desks where customers sit and pedal to charge their devices, lending libraries of toys and tools, and work space for a business incubator are all being considered. All areas of the Library are being designed to offer maximum flexibility so the spaces can easily be changed as needed in the future.

Be sure to follow @RivLibrary for updates!
Three Great Ways to Watch

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Subscribe and be the first to know about the great things happening across the City!

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RiversideAlert.com
**JANUARY**

6
**Downtown Farmers Market**
Main Street, between 5th & 6th Streets
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

9
**Keep Calm Color On!**
Arlanza Library
11 a.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

17
**1 Million Cups**
Back to the Grind Coffee House
9 – 10 a.m.
1MillionCups.com/Riverside

17 & 18
**Jersey Boys**
Fox Performing Arts Center
7:30 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

20
**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

25
**Mayor’s State of the City Address**
Riverside Convention Center
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Mayor

27
**Lunar Fest**
Downtown Riverside
10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
LunarFestRiverside.com

**FEBRUARY**

1
**Arts Walk**
Downtown Riverside
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

3
**Downtown Farmers Market**
Main Street, between 5th & 6th Streets
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

**Badfish**
Riverside Municipal Auditorium
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

10
**Black History Expo**
Downtown Riverside
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
BlackHistoryCommittee.org

17
**Downtown Farmers Market**
Main Street, between 5th & 6th Streets
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

**C.U.R.E. Bulky Item**
Collection Event Only
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
8095 Lincoln Ave.
(951) 826-5311

**MARCH**

1
**Arts Walk**
Downtown Riverside
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737
6 & 7
Dancing with the Stars Live:
Light up the Night
Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

14
Pre-School Storytime
La Sierra Library
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Library

24
26th Annual Riverside Airshow
Riverside Airport
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
(951) 351-6113
RiversideCA.gov/Airshow

26 & 27
A Chorus Line
Fox Performing Arts Center
7:30 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

30
Spring Eggstravaganza
(Rave night)
Ryan Bonaminio Park
6 – 9 p.m.
RivReg.org

31
Spring Eggstravaganza
Ryan Bonaminio Park
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
RivReg.org

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

4
GrowRIVERSIDE 5th Annual Conference
Central Middle School
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
GrowRiv.com

5
Arts Walk
Downtown Riverside
6 – 9 p.m.
(951) 682-6737

13
Brain Candy Live
Fox Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

14
Walk to End Homelessness
Fairmount Park
7 a.m.
EndHomeless.info

21
5th Annual Riverside Art Market
Riverside Art Museum
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
RiversideArtMuseum.org/artmarket5

28
Downtown Farmers Market
Main Street, between 5th & 6th Streets
8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(951) 826-5408

4th Annual Insect Fair
Downtown Riverside
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
RiversideCA.gov/Museum

28
Cinderella Presented by Inland Pacific Ballet
Fox Performing Arts Center
2 & 7:30 p.m.
RiversideLive.com

29
Cinderella Presented by Inland Pacific Ballet
Fox Performing Arts Center
2 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.

EXPLORE RIVERSIDE.com