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Jayson Perez,  
Commission Secretary

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION**

**AGENDA**

September 3, 2024, 6:00 PM  
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**AGENDA BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners: Aguilar, Diaz, Vasquez, Vice Chair Mai, and Chair Alacio

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Diaz

**3. PRESENTATIONS - None.**

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By motion of the Community Services Commission, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, remove items from consent calendar for individual consideration and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**6a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2024**

Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the July 2, 2024, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the July 2, 2024, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Staff will provide an update on Community Services Programming.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends the Commission receive and file the report.

**8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS**

AB 1234 requires that commission members must briefly report, orally or in writing, on meetings/events attended at City expense (for example, luncheons, city special events, conferences, etc.) at the Community Services Commission meeting following the meeting/event.

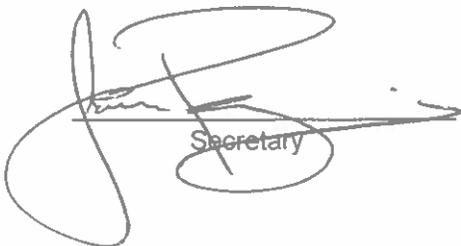
**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Tuesday, October 2, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

I Jayson Perez, hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted not less than 72 hours at the following locations: City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at [www.cityofsouthelmonte.org](http://www.cityofsouthelmonte.org) on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.



Secretary



## Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 6.a.

**DATE:** September 3, 2024

**TO:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Community Services Commission

**FROM:** Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

**SUBJECT:** CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2024

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**SUMMARY:** Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the July 2, 2024, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff is requesting approval of Minutes for the July 2, 2024, Regular Community Services Commission meeting.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**DISCUSSION:**

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

A. July 2, 2024 Minutes

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE**  
**REGULAR COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING - MINUTES**  
Tuesday, July 2, 2024 - 6:00 PM  
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California 91733

Commissioner Vasquez called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

**1. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Commissioner(s): Aguilar, Diaz, Vasquez

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Chair Alacio and Vice Chair Mai

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

**2. PLEDE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Aguilar led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. PRESENTATIONS – None.**

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar to approve the agenda. Motion passed 3-0-2, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Aguilar, Diaz, Vasquez

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Chair Alacio and Vice Chair Mai

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Commissioner Vasquez opened public comment, there being none Commissioner Vasquez closed public comment.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A motion was made Commissioner Diaz, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed 3-0-2, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Aguilar, Diaz, Vasquez

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): Chair Alacio and Vice Chair Mai

**7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

## **7a. COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Mr. Perez provided the June Community Services report.

Vice Chair Mai joined the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

## **8. COMMISSIONS REPORT, INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS**

Commissioner Diaz reported his attendance at the June Night Market and Movie Night

Commissioner Aguilar reported her attendance at the June Night Market.

Vice Chair Mai reported his attendance at the Movie Night.

Commissioner Vasquez reported her attendance at the Night Market.

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE – None.**

## **10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA**

### **10a. COMMISSIONER VASQUEZ**

1. Discussion and consideration to start a teen club at the South El Monte Community Center to offer a H.E.A.T Club (High Energy Activities for Teens).

Commissioner Vasquez introduced the idea of hosting a teen club at the Community Center. Ideas were shared amongst Commissioners. This agenda item will be tabled for further discussion at the September meeting.

## **1. ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:42 p.m. Commissioner Vasquez adjourned the meeting to a regular Community Services Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

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Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

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Israel Alacio, Chair



# Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.a.

**DATE:** September 3, 2024

**TO:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Community Services Commission

**From:** Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

**Subject:** COMMUNITY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT FOR JULY & AUGUST 2024

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**Summary:** Staff presents status account regarding programming and events as part of the Community Services Department and recommends the commission collectively receive and file this update report for July and August.

## Recreation

### **Tiny Tots (previously called The Baby Lab)**

Tiny Tots is an infant/toddler-based program designed to support growth, build self-esteem, and encourage communication skills with classes that build strength through play. It also teaches kids the skills they will need to start Preschool and Kindergarten with plenty of time for play and creativity. Classes are offered Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.

### **Summer Camp**

The 10-week summer camp ended successfully. Camp provided a safe and enriching atmosphere for children in grades Kinder-8<sup>th</sup>. Our experienced staff created opportunities for children and pre-teens to engage and explore. Children participated in daily camp activities such as art projects, outdoor games, crafts, sports, and much more! A series of field trips were scheduled throughout the camp dates offering an adventurous trip for all participants.

## Youth & Adult Sports

### **Summer Adult Basketball League**

The Summer Adult Basketball League is a 10-week program including playoffs. Games are scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at the South El Monte Community Center. This summer league has experienced a registration record with

15 registered teams and running smoothly this far. Championship games are scheduled for Wednesday, October 2, 2024.

### **Open Sports**

In the summer months the Community Services Department offers a program referred to as Open Sports where different sports including outdoor pickleball, indoor volleyball, and futsal are offered on different days of the week. This program will conclude on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **Special Events**

#### **Summer Night Market**

The Summer Concerts held in June and August have experienced a great turnout. The events featured a kid's corner, a beer garden with proceeds supporting the South El Monte/El Monte Jets and over 45 vendors selling a variety of food, clothing, toys and miscellaneous items. The lively event concluded with a live performance by bands.

#### **Movies in the Park**

The Movies in the Park Series were a huge success. Residents enjoyed a safe, family environment at the park filled with activities for children and adults leading up to the movie time.

#### **National Night Out**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police/community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer. The city hosted this annual event in conjunction with a movie night on Thursday, August 1, 2024 at Mary Van Dyke Park featuring Kung Fu Panda 4, free hamburgers, a back-to-school backpack giveaway, and many informational booths who offered valuable resources to the South El Monte community.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Day Firework Festival**

South El Monte families gathered on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Independence Day. The family-friendly event featured live entertainment by The Jolly Corks and Chico Band, food vendors, a kid's splash zone, and a live boxing show.

#### **Monthly Themed Newsletter/Season Promotional Booklets**

The Recreation Division continues to use the monthly newsletter to help keep the community engaged. The newsletter also serves as a medium to keep residents informed about upcoming City sponsored events, recreation programs, and sports leagues. In addition, staff create seasonal promotional booklets that highlight the upcoming program and events for the department.

#### **Recreation Services Webpage & Instagram**

The City's Recreation webpage continues to be utilized as a reliable tool to communicate with the South El Monte community all the programming available and upcoming community events. The Recreation Instagram showcases any contests

and winners, sport clinics, program highlights and any special events hosted by the department.

### **Improvement Projects in Recreation**

- New Temple Park Multi-Purpose Community Room, Snack Bar, and Restrooms Rehabilitation Project – the planning, designing, and managing engineers continue to work through the systems of the building.
- Aquatic Center Swimming Pools Replastering Project – includes installation of new pool plaster.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Grandparent's Day Luncheon
- September Night Market
- September Bike Ride
- 9/11 Memorial Ceremony
- Mexican Independence Day Luncheon
- Bike Ride to Celebrate Women & Girls

### **Park Facility Reservations**

- California State University - Northridge
- AYSO
- Montebello Brewers
- South El Monte Veterans Baseball Team
- South El Monte/El Monte Jets Football

## **SENIOR SERVICES**

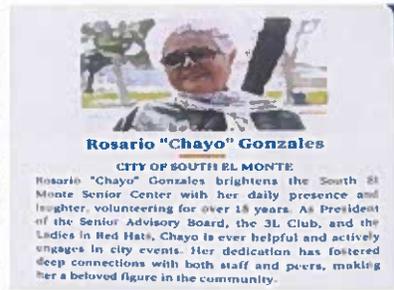
The South El Monte Senior Center offers a variety of services and activities designed to actively engage seniors, promoting their physical and mental well-being. With the objective of providing programs that empower seniors to manage their health effectively and postpone the onset of chronic conditions, the center provides programs for seniors to enrich their overall well-being, around physical, social, spiritual, emotional, mental, and economic well-being.

- Nutrition Programs (Congregate and Homebound)
- Health, Fitness, and Wellness Programs
- Transportation Services
- Volunteer and Civic Engagement Opportunities
- Social and Recreational Activities
- Music and Arts Programs

Through our programs, elderly individuals have the chance to engage in social interactions with peers, converse about current events, exchange stories, and maintain the strength of their minds and bodies.

## **JULY & AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS:**

### **Photos:**



### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Luncheon:**

The division celebrated their annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July event on Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, hosting over 290 senior patrons. Attendees enjoyed raffles and a live performance by a DJ Entertainment.

### **Older American of the Year Luncheon:**

The Older American of the Year award was presented to Rosario "Chayo" Gonzalez in recognition of her dedication and contributions as a volunteer at the South El Monte Senior Center. Rosario was honored with a luncheon on Friday, July 12, 2024. The festivities included door prizes, raffles, and live entertainment.

### **City Birthday Luncheon:**

The division celebrated the City's 66<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of incorporation on Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, with a special luncheon attended by over 260 senior patrons. Guests enjoyed door prizes, raffles, and DJ entertainment.

### **Monthly Excursion:**

- **July Excursion:** A group of 56 individuals visited the Salsa Festival in Oxnard on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>. They enjoyed sampling various types of salsas while listening to live salsa bands. The outdoor festival also offered a variety of foods, boutiques, and other live entertainment.
- **August Excursion:** A group of 45 individuals attended the Dodgers vs Phillies on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. The seniors enjoyed an exciting, wining game while savoring Dodger Dogs.

**Ice Cream Social:**

The division hosted an ice cream social on Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, serving over 120 ice cream banana sundaes. Seniors enjoyed a relaxed gathering, indulging in ice cream, socializing, and listening to music.

**Karaoke Friday:**

On Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> and on Friday August 16<sup>th</sup>, participants came together for a fun day of singing. The social event had over 50 participants to enjoy the performances, and light refreshments were offered.

**July & August Birthday Social:**

On Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> and on Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, we came together to commemorate July and August birthdays with a delicious cake, and our seniors enjoyed an hour of dancing.

**Cal Fresh Program:**

The Los Angeles County Aging & Disabilities Department offered a 4-week Cal Fresh course designed to assist patrons embrace a healthier lifestyle. The class covered topics such as eating healthy on a budget, preparing quick and nutritious meals and snacks, and incorporating exercise into a daily routine. The classes were held every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. with over 28 participants.

**Senior Prom:**

On Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, the division hosted their annual senior prom with a "masquerade" theme. Seniors danced the night away, enjoyed a delicious dinner, light refreshments, and live entertainment by Ornelas. Guest voted for their prom king and queen, with Eli Mayorga and Maria "Chelo" Olvera receiving the honors.

**Senior Nutrition Services:**

The City offers nutritious meals to individuals aged 60 and above through the Elderly Nutrition Program (ENP). The ENP provides meals for both the Congregate Meals Site and to the Home-Delivered Meals Program. In the month of July and August, the Congregate meals site served more than **6799** meals to senior participants, while the Home-Delivered program provided **763** meals.

**Program Number Stats: (July & August Combined)**

Category	Duplicated
Classes/Workshops	407
Fitness/Exercise	1519
Nutrition	6799
Recreation/Entertainment	1389
Socializing	1663
Special Groups	1078
Volunteers	449

**Total Event Signings**

13,304

**Staff Meetings:**

Staff attended the following meetings for information gathering, training, and networking:

- Nutritional Q&A and In-Service Meeting was held with CNS Dietician Joya Melissa on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> and on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

**SENIOR CENTER CLUBS AND FACILITY RESERVATION**

- **Club Latino de Sur El Monte** – The club hosted bingo on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. Every Thursday's bingo event, the club also holds its regular club meetings. Bingo followed the meeting.
- **3L Club** – The club hosted bingo on the first and third Thursday of the month. Every Thursday's bingo event, the club also holds its regular club meetings. Bingo followed the meeting.
- The American Red Cross hosted a blood drive on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with over 30 participants donating blood.

**Screenings/Informational Health Presentations for the month July & August 2024**

PRESENTORS	DATE	TIME	TOPICS
Welcome Health	7-2-24	10:00am to 11:00am	"Doc Talk Health and Independence"
Garfield Health Center	7-9-24	9:45am -11:00am	Monofilament Screening
Senior Helpers	7-11-24	10:00am – 11:00am	Senior Helpers' LIFE Profile Assessment Tool.
AltaMed Medical Group	7-16-24	10:00am -11:00am	Bone Density Screening

PRESENTORS	DATE	TIME	TOPICS
Herald Christian Health	8-1-24	10:00am – 11:00am	Presentation "Empowering Resilience" The Victim Support Program in Action
Garfield Health Center	8-13-26	9:15am – 11:00am	Monofilament and Blood Pressure
Emanate Health	8-15-23	10:00am -11:00pm	Blood Pressure with Physician Kevin Hua, DO

**TRANSPORTATION MONTHLY REPORT**

**Transportation Services:** City drivers provided transportation services to residents who are eligible and do not have access to transportation. Transportation services were provided to medical appointments, grocery shopping, personal trips and to the South El Monte Senior Center. Trips are also provided to students who participate in the city-sponsored after-school program.

JULY 2024						
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
Excursion	0	60	0	0	0	60
Medical	21	23	23	20	17	104
Nutrition	126	148	149	145	86	654
Personal	2	1	0	0	0	3
School	6	7	8	8	5	34
Senior Center	18	16	16	19	10	79
Shopping	0	0	2	0	0	2
Work	2	4	2	4	0	12
<b>Total for period</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>948</b>

AUGUST 2024						
Trip Purpose	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Total
Excursion	0	0	0	30	0	30
Medical	15	29	35	38	7	124
Nutrition	65	132	150	151	57	555
School	1	7	8	39	37	92
Senior Center	11	22	17	14	7	71
Shopping	0	0	4	4	2	10
Work	3	2	1	2	1	9
<b>Total for period</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>891</b>

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends Community Services Commissioners receive and file the Community Services Department monthly report for July and August.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**DISCUSSION:** Staff is available for any questions or feedback on programs and events.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. September Night Market Flyer
- B. September Bike Ride Flyer
- C. 9/11 Memorial Ceremony Flyer
- D. Bike Ride to Celebrate Women & Girls Flyer

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

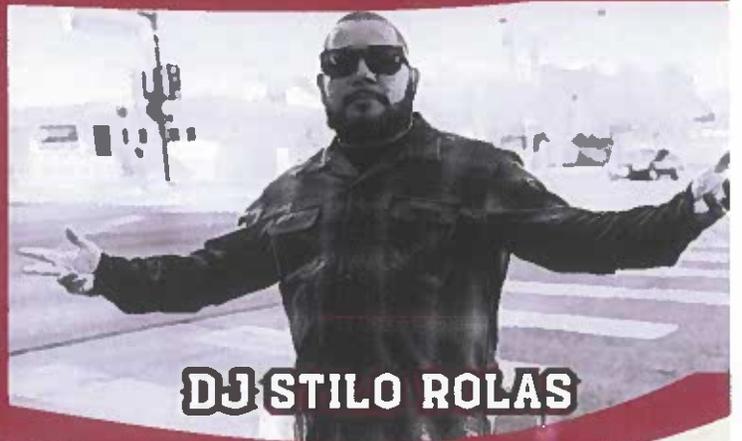


# SEPTEMBER NIGHT MARKET

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH | 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM  
1459 SANTA ANITA AVE. SOUTH EL MONTE



**BOXING SHOW**



**DJ STILO ROLAS**

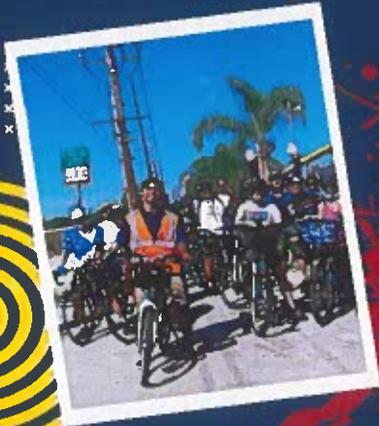
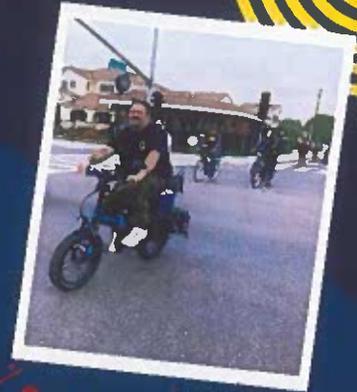
**FREE ADMISSION - KIDS CORNER - LOCAL VENDORS  
BEER GARDEN - LIVE DJ SET**

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CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



# 2024 COMMUNITY BIKE RIDES



**SATURDAYS**  
*SEPT. 7 & OCT. 5*



Meet at 8:30 AM  
Depart at 9:00 AM

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**Starting Point:** South El Monte Community Center, 1530 Central Ave.

Bring your bike and helmet and join the city council in an eight-mile bike ride around the city. Bike rides are recommended for ages 10 and older.

**\*In the event of rain, the bike ride will be cancelled.**

**BIKE RAFFLE AT THE CONCLUSION OF EVERY RIDE!**

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# Memorial Ceremony



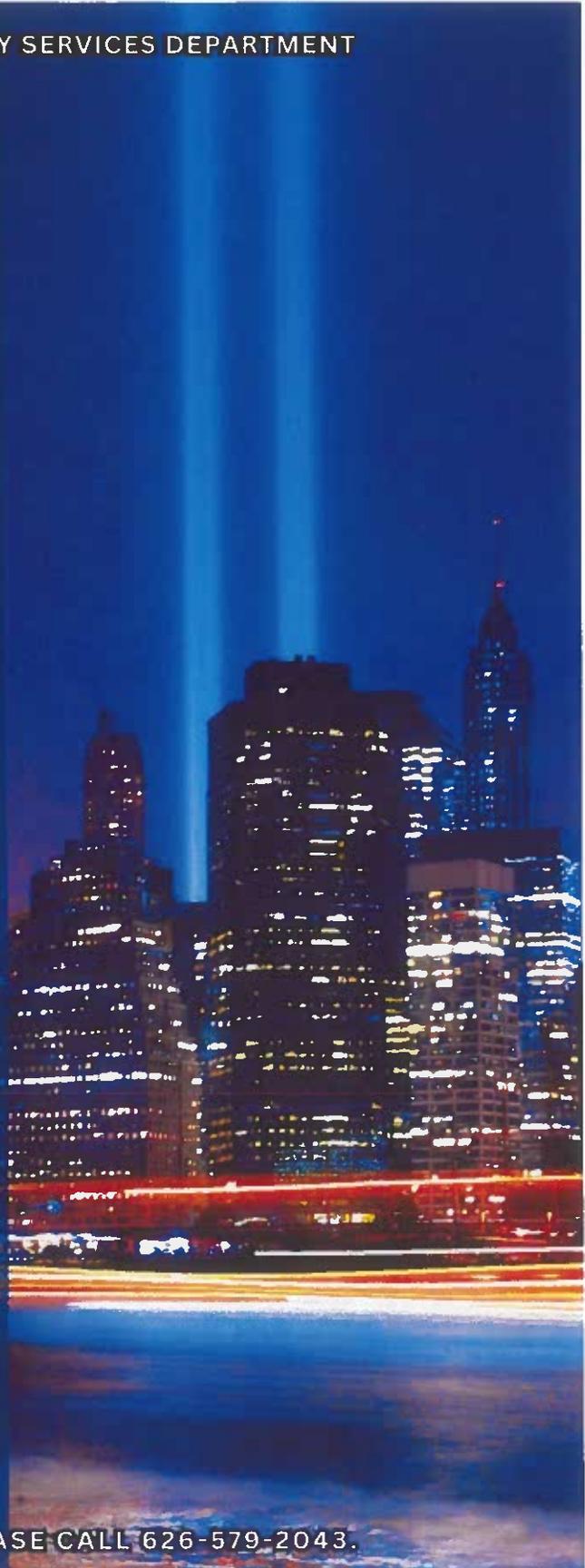
Wednesday, September 11, 2024 | 11:00 AM  
South El Monte Community Center  
1530 Central Ave. South El Monte, CA 91733



Light refreshments will be provided  
at the conclusion of the ceremony.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 626-579-2043.



ATTACHMENT D



CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



# COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE TO CELEBRATE WOMEN & GIRLS



**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 28**



**Meet at 8:30 AM  
Depart at 9:00 AM**

**Starting Point:** South El Monte Community Center, 1530 Central Ave.

Bring your bike and helmet and join us for an eight-mile bike ride around the city. This event is about creating a fun and enjoyable experience for participants, promoting a healthy lifestyle, and fostering a supportive community that encourages more women and girls to take up cycling.

\*The bike ride is recommended for ages 10 and older.

**BIKE RAFFLE AT THE CONCLUSION OF EVERY RIDE!**

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